



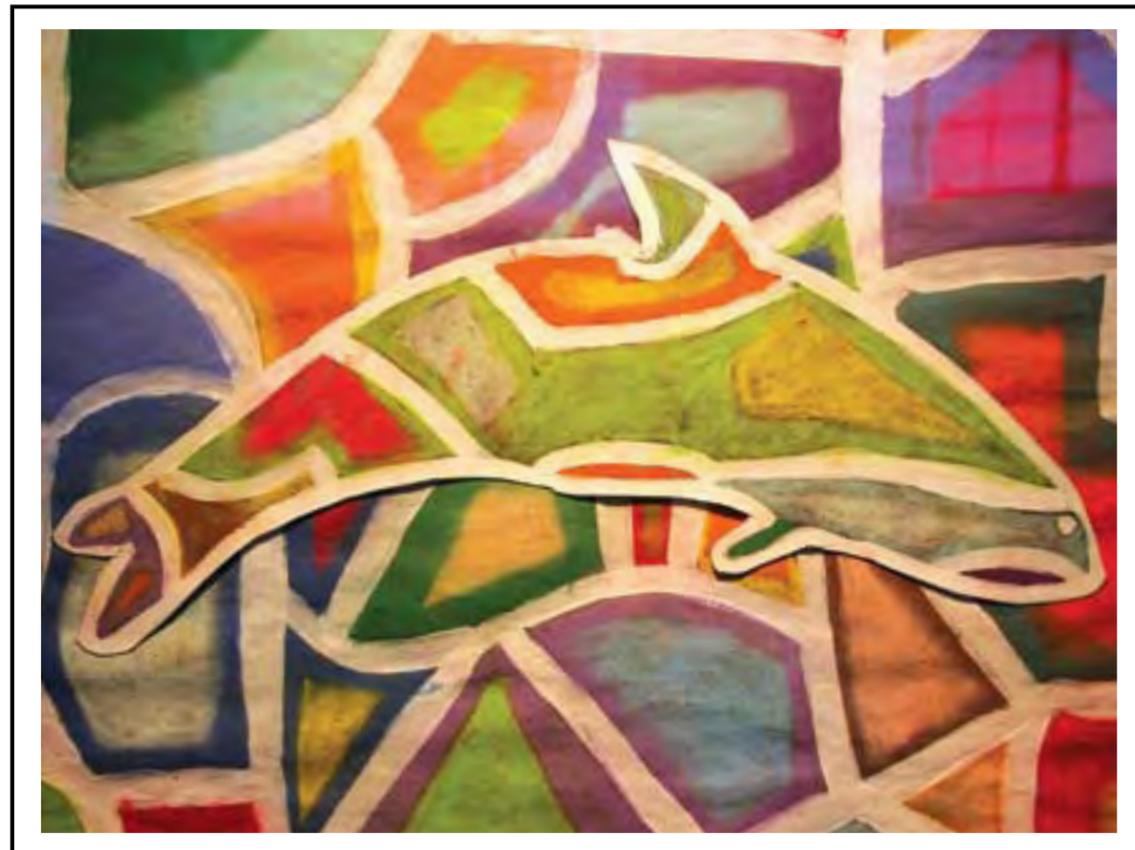
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## DEAR FRIENDS of MBS,

At the heart of every great school lies a rich curriculum taught by talented teachers. At Morristown-Beard, we are extremely proud of our exceptional faculty and recognize it as one of the greatest assets of our school. Indeed, I am pleased to work with such a diverse group of professionals each of whom is committed to nurturing the spark within every student.

Some of our faculty members are drawn to teaching as a lifelong career, and are highly regarded scholars and researchers in their particular disciplines. Yet a growing number of teachers come to Morristown-Beard School after initial careers in a variety of professional settings. This issue of *Crimson* magazine highlights many of these individuals who have transitioned from the private sector into the classrooms at MBS.

Whether they come from the business world, the biomedical industry, the technology sector or even the stages of Broadway, our second-career teachers are able to share a unique range of experiences, life lessons and knowledge with their students. Practiced experts in their respective fields, these teachers are able to enrich the curriculum with their demonstrated skills and infuse their lesson plans with a striking passion that is derived from their past endeavors.

Not only are our 'second-act' teachers enhancing the classroom environment, they are gaining a tremendous amount of satisfaction in their new vocation. They have discovered that teaching is an immensely rewarding profession that provides an opportunity to give back to society and positively affect the lives of children and young adults.

Regardless of their career path, all of our teachers appreciate being a vital part of Morristown-Beard's community of learners. Our teachers interact with students and other faculty members in both formal and informal settings - exchanging ideas in the classroom as well as in the hallways between classes, in the Dining Hall, and on the playing fields. The interaction between our more experienced teachers and our second-career teachers is invaluable. Our veteran faculty members often serve as mentors for their new colleagues, helping to ensure a seamless transition. By coming together and sharing information on a regular basis, our teachers stay energized and continually bring fresh ideas and new perspectives into the classroom.

No matter what path our teachers have taken on their journey to Morristown-Beard School, they are profoundly dedicated to excellence and share a common commitment to providing each MBS student with an exceptional educational experience.



*With all best wishes from campus,*

Dr. Alex Curtis  
 Headmaster

# MBS

## News Briefs

### → "HELLO, DOLLY!" BECOMES FIRST MUSICAL STAGED IN FOUNDERS HALL



Jerry Herman's popular musical "Hello, Dolly!" marched into Founders Hall this winter with a great score of memorable tunes performed brilliantly by Morristown-Beard Upper School students.

"This was the first full musical production in the Founders Hall facility and the students were certainly aware that they were part of something special," said Director Ross Hindley. "They were extremely positive and really raised the bar for this show. This was one of the strongest casts I've ever worked with."

Several well-known musical numbers from the play included "Hello, Dolly," "It Takes a Woman," "When the Parade Passes By," "So Long Dearie," and "It Only Takes A Moment."

"Hello, Dolly!" starred Kathryn Allison '10 as Dolly Levi and Anthony Boiardo '10 as Horace Vandergelder. The

cast also included Erica Atkinson '13, Breena Beck '10, Taina Bey '11, Samantha Cocuzza '12, Rebecca Cozza '10, Christopher DeBono '13, Ciara Devereux '11, Rachel Donahue '12, Austin Fernandez '12, Alexander Fetchko '11, Kyle Fisher '12, Emily Geron '10, Scott Geron '10, Maia Heard '10, Charles Hill '12, Alex Kronfeld '10, Harrison Kronfeld '12, Hannah Levy '11, Jeff Maser '11, Susanna Mathews '11, Casey Miller '12, Rachel Moss '13, Yin Yin Petersen '12, Alia Roth '10, Max Schmidt '12, Nicholas Strunc '11, and Thomas Wolkenstein '13.

The behind-the-scenes crew included: Breena Beck '10, Jeff Carter '11, Alexander Dranetz '11, Lauren Feldman '11, Alexander Fetchko '11, Kyle Fisher '12, Kevin Glancy '12, Kathleen Magner '10. The professional orchestra, directed by Jerry Rife, featured MBS student Jason Shatz '10 on the saxophone.

### → MORALES PLACES 2ND IN FORENSICS COMPETITION



On January 13th, six Morristown-Beard Middle School students participated in the Forensics Consortium at the College of St. Elizabeth. They competed against students from 10 area schools, both private and public, in two categories: Original Oratory and Interpretive Reading.

All of the MBS students fared extremely well, and seventh grader Sarina Morales '15 was selected as the second place winner of the Original Oratory category for her essay, "Sisters." In this category, students were asked to present an original memorized essay that was three to five minutes in length.

In her essay, Sarina gave a heartfelt account of her relationship with her older sister, Alana Morales '10. She presented her award-winning speech again at Morning Meeting on February 5th and was greeted by thunderous applause. "A sister is probably one of the best things you can have. They are there for you all the time," Sarina said. "You can always count on them for anything. Whether it is giving you a ride somewhere, if they have their licenses, fixing your hair when it is an absolute mess, talking to you if you have a problem, or just being there for you."

Seventh graders Matthew Sefcik '15 and Thomas Urcioli '15 also participated in the Original Oratory category for MBS.

In the Interpretive Reading competition, students were asked to prepare an interpretation of a three to six minute reading selection. The piece had to be read, and

physical movement had to be natural and restrained as a response to the inner feeling and understanding of the piece. Eighth grader Morgan Osburn '14 and seventh graders Margaret Collier '15 and Olivia Schreiber '15 represented MBS in this category. Seventh grader Mahdiyyah Karriem '15 served as an alternate.



### → BARTNER, JONES & JOHNSON REACH BASKETBALL MILESTONES

It's been quite a winter for Morristown-Beard basketball! Morristown-Beard seniors Stephanie Bartner '10, Shanice Johnson '10 and Al Jones '10 all reached 1,000 points in their basketball careers, while Johnson '10 also became the first MBS player - male or female - to grab 1,000 rebounds in her career.

Al Jones became the sixth MBS boys' basketball player to reach 1,000 points after netting 9 points in a 49-48 win over Montclair Kimberley on January 15th.

"Any time a player scores 1,000 points it says a lot about a player's commitment and resiliency, and this is particularly true of Al," said MBS boys' basketball head coach Eddie Franz. "Al has a tremendous work ethic and he has become a real leader and role model for our younger players."

As a junior, Jones was named the Most Valuable Player of the boys' basketball squad.

Bartner reached the 1,000 point milestone in her girls' varsity basketball career on January 19th in a tough 40-38 overtime loss to Whippany Park. She became the third player in MBS girls' basketball history to achieve this honor - joining Alyssa McKeown '91 (1,093 points) and Tiffany Garris '05 (1,024 points) in this exclusive club.

"Stephanie has been a huge building block to the growth of the MBS girls' basketball program," said head coach Michael Sturgeon. "She has been a two-year captain and a four-year starter. She is a hard-working, dedicated athlete who loves to play the game."

As a junior, Bartner shared the team's MVP award with Shanice Johnson, and was named Second Team All-Conference.

Johnson grabbed her 1,000th rebound in a 43-23 win over Mendham on January 23rd. She finished the night with 18 rebounds. On February 4th she sank a lay-up in the final minute against Villa Walsh to reach the 1,000-point milestone. She finished the game with 11 points to help lead the Crimson to a 41-30 victory.

"Shanice is a tremendous athlete with an incredible work ethic," said Coach Sturgeon. "Nobody is more deserving of this honor than Shanice."

### → MORRISTOWN-BEARD LITERARY MAGAZINES HAVE THE WRITE STUFF

Morristown-Beard School's Upper and Middle School literary magazines, *Mariah* and *Melange*, were both recently honored by the National Council of Teachers in English (NCTE).

*Mariah* and *Melange* both received a rank of "Excellent" in the 2009 NCTE Program to Recognize Excellence in Student Literary Magazines. More than 425 schools enrolled in the competition, with only 29 schools receiving a grade of Superior or Excellent. In the past four years, *Mariah* has achieved two Superior rankings and two Excellent rankings.

The 2009 edition of *Mariah*, Morristown-Beard's Upper School literary magazine, was edited by Menaka Dhingra '10, Reva Dhingra '10, Courtney Leeds '10, Charlotte McAuley '10, Danielle Rothman '09 and Margaret Ranger '10 under the guidance of faculty advisors Michael Dundas, Samara Landers and Bisa Washington. The art and layout editor was Michael Lorenz '10 and the contributing editor was Emily Young '10.

The Middle School literary magazine, *Melange*, was edited by Meg Anderson '13, Gabby Farquhar '13, Michael Koslov '13, Julia McBride '13, Rachel Moss '13, and Katie Scalfani '13. The Faculty Advisors were Holly Darby and Cynthia Hamilton.

The NCTE's competition encourages all schools to develop literary magazines, and seeks excellence in writing and school-wide participation in production.

### → HOCKEY PLAYERS HELP PUT HUNGER ON ICE

Members of the Morristown-Beard ice hockey teams helped feed the hungry recently as they spent several afternoons volunteering at the Community Soup Kitchen of Morristown.

"We were looking for some team-building activities and one of the parents, Mrs. Koslov, approached us about this opportunity," explained Brad Turner, an assistant coach of the boys' ice hockey team and an Upper School science teacher at MBS. "We found it to be a situ-



ation where we could get the guys together away from the ice rink and help other people at the same time.”

The students organized bags of donated food and also helped transfer cans of food from the storage facility in the basement of the church to the kitchen. The team hopes to make their volunteer efforts an ongoing project.

“This is the second time we’ve volunteered this winter. I am not sure if our schedule will permit us to do it again this season, but we will definitely try to get this to be a standard part of the hockey program in the future,” said Mr. Turner.

Along with boys’ ice hockey coaches Randy Velischek and Brad Turner, the players who participated were: Peter Alevras ’13, Kevin Brennan ’11, Andrew Callahan ’13, Dominic Cuomo ’10, Anthony Curto ’10, Joseph Curto ’13, Daniel DePoalo ’10, Thomas DePoalo ’12, Jonathan Donofrio ’10, Dillon Driver ’10, Alex Durso ’11, Tyler Gilsenan ’11, Gregory Kirk ’11, Robert Kirk ’11, Andrew Koslov ’10, John Olcese ’12, Edward Osowski ’11, Andrew Pascal ’10, Matthew Santucci ’11, Donald Shauger ’12, Jordan Stack ’13 and Michael Winters ’10. Charlotte McAuley ’10 and Samantha Vicari ’10 also participated from the girls’ ice hockey team.



→ **MURPHY AND REID RECEIVE KELLOGG AWARD**

Morristown-Beard School is pleased to announce that staff members Dana Murphy and Kenneth Reid have been selected to receive the 2010 Kellogg Awards.

In 2001, Peter R. Kellogg established the Kellogg Fund in memory of his mother, Elizabeth Kellogg. There are two grants of \$5,000 made every year on (or near) his mother’s birthday in February. The award is given annually to members of the Morristown-Beard faculty or staff based on their years of service to the School. There is only one criterion for how the funds are to be spent: they must be used in the pursuit of pleasure – something that is absolutely fun and relaxing. It is sincerely hoped that this money will be spent on vacation away from the School and enjoyed by the recipient and his or her family.

Over the past two decades, Peter Kellogg has been a Trustee, parent (daughter Lee Kellogg Sadrian ’89), campaign volunteer, and active school community member. Through this involvement, Peter has continued to be impressed with the dedication, caliber, and work ethic of the faculty and staff. This award is given in recognition of their professional commitment and tireless service on behalf of the students and the School.

Dana Murphy came to Morristown-Beard School in 1994 as Bookstore Manager before joining the Admis-

sion Office as an Administrative Assistant in 1995. For 12 years, she served as the face of the Admission Office, greeting prospective students and families while serving as an assistant to the Director of Admission. In 2007, she joined the Alumni & Development Office as Parent Liaison, and has helped coordinate many successful events including the “Opening Doors, Opening Night” gala for Founders Hall. Before coming to MBS, Dana was an assistant pre-school teacher at Far Hills Country Day School. She earned a bachelor’s degree from Drexel University and holds a master’s in Education from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

Kenneth Reid has been a dedicated member of the maintenance staff at Morristown-Beard School since 1992. During his time at MBS, he played an important role in numerous changes to the campus including the renovation of Beard Hall, the gymnasium and the athletic fields, as well as the renovation of the Middle School and the construction of Founders Hall. When he is not working around campus, Kenneth enjoys gardening at home and listening to classical music. Kenneth was born and raised in Jamaica and also enjoys traveling and watching cricket and soccer. He serves as a Deacon in the New Testament Church of Morristown.



→ **MILINKOVIC DISCUSSES 1999 NATO BOMBING OF YUGOSLAVIA**

On January 21st, students in Ricky Kamil’s Imperialism class learned about NATO’s 1999 bombing campaign in the Republic of Serbia from Nenad Milinkovic, a Serbian-American who is the husband of Morristown-Beard science teacher Dr. Marina Milinkovic.

For 11 weeks in 1999, NATO attacked the Republic of Serbia with bombers and cruise missiles, killing hundreds of civilians and devastating its infrastructure. NATO spokespeople justified the bombardment as “humanitarian intervention” aimed at stopping President Slobodan Milosevic’s “ethnic cleansing” of non-Serbs in Yugoslavia.

Mr. Milinkovic, who came to the United States when he was 5 years-old and moved back to Yugoslavia from 6th through 10th grade, told the students that it’s important to dig deeper to find NATO’s real motives for the attack. “It may not be second-nature to people in the United States, but people who grow up in dictatorships are always taught to second-guess what is told to them by their government and by the media,” he said.

By containing Yugoslavia and maintaining its presence in Kosovo, the United States is seeking to ensure its ac-

cess to Caspian Sea oil, Mr. Milinkovic suggested. “When you hear humanitarian this-or-that, you have to question it. Money makes world politics go around,” he said.

The class also discussed the United States’ apparent double-standard of intervening in Serbia, but not getting involved in Rwanda during the genocide. “We didn’t have the strategic interests there,” Milinkovic said. “And so the U.S. comes across as being hypocritical.”

→ **LORENZ AND TAGGART SELECTED FOR DREXEL PHOTO EXHIBIT**



Congratulations to Morristown-Beard seniors Michael Lorenz ’10 and Annie Taggart ’10, who were recently selected to have their work included in the High School Photography Contest at Drexel University.

The Drexel Photography Program received more than 2,200 entries nationwide for the competition and was only able

to select about 150 images to exhibit.

Michael and Annie were honored at an opening reception in Philadelphia on Saturday, January 30th at the photography gallery. Their award-winning photographs were on display in the Academic Building on the corner of 33rd and Arch Streets in January and February.

→ **SIOBHAN TEARE ’77 LEADS MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY CELEBRATION**

Morristown-Beard School celebrated Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Friday, January 15th with a special Morning Meeting program in Founders Hall. The event featured an address by Morristown-Beard graduate and trustee Siobhan A. Teare ’77, a Superior Court Judge for the State of New Jersey currently serving in the Family Division of the Essex County Vicinage.

“Dr. King’s life teaches us that ordinary people can do extraordinary things,” said Judge Teare. “He helped us build a stronger democracy and changed the consciousness of this great nation.”

Judge Teare told the students that one of her favorite quotations by Dr. King is, “The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.” She asked the students to consider their own lives and reflect on whether their actions are based on doing what is right or doing what is popular.

She said she has always been proud of graduating from Morristown-Beard School, and is especially pleased by the School’s tradition of volunteerism. She challenged the students to continue to look for new ways to reach



out and help others, particularly in the wake of the recent devastation in Haiti. “I encourage all of you to volunteer through the Martin Luther King Day of Service and make a difference in your communities,” she said.

Siobhan Teare is a past director of Legal Management for the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey and former Chief Assistant Prosecutor in the Essex County Prosecutor’s Office. She was Corporation Counsel for the Cities of East Orange and Plainfield and is a recipient of the NJ Professional Lawyer of the Year Award.

Following Judge Teare’s address, members of the Upper School Chorus performed “We Shall Be Free,” a country/gospel piece originally recorded by Garth Brooks.

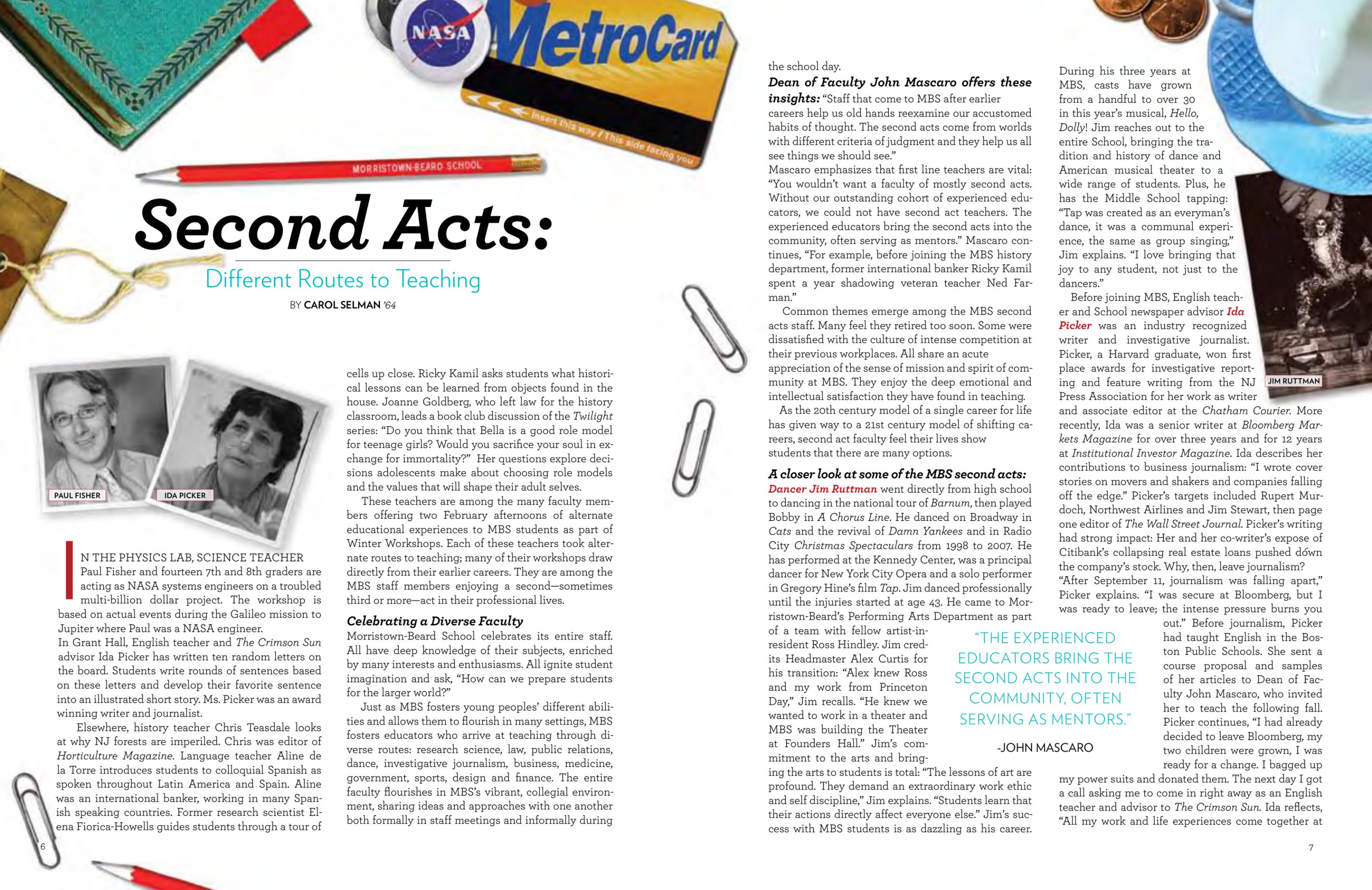
→ **MBS STUDENTS ROCK “NEW EYES FOR THE NEEDY” CONCERT**

Morristown-Beard senior Sam Taggart ’10 recently used his musical talents to help his community. Taggart chaired the concert committee for the second annual Kids Rock for Vision concert, which benefited New Eyes for the Needy.

The concert was held on March 6th at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Summit and was sponsored by The School of Rock Music in Chatham. All proceeds from the show went directly to purchase new prescription eyeglasses for poor children living in the United States.

“We sold out last year’s concert raising \$8,000 that helped purchase 125 pairs of glasses for kids around the country who otherwise couldn’t afford them,” said Taggart. “This year, there were a few changes and a few more bands so the audience could get an even better show.”

Sam was joined onstage by his brother, Morristown-Beard freshman Will Taggart ’13.



# Second Acts:

## Different Routes to Teaching

BY CAROL SELMAN '64



PAUL FISHER



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**I**N THE PHYSICS LAB, SCIENCE TEACHER Paul Fisher and fourteen 7th and 8th graders are acting as NASA systems engineers on a troubled multi-billion dollar project. The workshop is based on actual events during the Galileo mission to Jupiter where Paul was a NASA engineer. In Grant Hall, English teacher and *The Crimson Sun* advisor Ida Picker has written ten random letters on the board. Students write rounds of sentences based on these letters and develop their favorite sentence into an illustrated short story. Ms. Picker was an award winning writer and journalist.

Elsewhere, history teacher Chris Teasdale looks at why NJ forests are imperiled. Chris was editor of *Horticulture Magazine*. Language teacher Aline de la Torre introduces students to colloquial Spanish as spoken throughout Latin America and Spain. Aline was an international banker, working in many Spanish speaking countries. Former research scientist Elena Fiorica-Howells guides students through a tour of

cells up close. Ricky Kamil asks students what historical lessons can be learned from objects found in the house. Joanne Goldberg, who left law for the history classroom, leads a book club discussion of the *Twilight* series: “Do you think that Bella is a good role model for teenage girls? Would you sacrifice your soul in exchange for immortality?” Her questions explore decisions adolescents make about choosing role models and the values that will shape their adult selves.

These teachers are among the many faculty members offering two February afternoons of alternate educational experiences to MBS students as part of Winter Workshops. Each of these teachers took alternate routes to teaching; many of their workshops draw directly from their earlier careers. They are among the MBS staff members enjoying a second—sometimes third or more—act in their professional lives.

### Celebrating a Diverse Faculty

Morristown-Beard School celebrates its entire staff. All have deep knowledge of their subjects, enriched by many interests and enthusiasms. All ignite student imagination and ask, “How can we prepare students for the larger world?”

Just as MBS fosters young peoples’ different abilities and allows them to flourish in many settings, MBS fosters educators who arrive at teaching through diverse routes: research science, law, public relations, dance, investigative journalism, business, medicine, government, sports, design and finance. The entire faculty flourishes in MBS’s vibrant, collegial environment, sharing ideas and approaches with one another both formally in staff meetings and informally during

the school day.

**Dean of Faculty John Mascaro offers these insights:** “Staff that come to MBS after earlier careers help us old hands reexamine our accustomed habits of thought. The second acts come from worlds with different criteria of judgment and they help us all see things we should see.”

Mascaro emphasizes that first line teachers are vital: “You wouldn’t want a faculty of mostly second acts. Without our outstanding cohort of experienced educators, we could not have second act teachers. The experienced educators bring the second acts into the community, often serving as mentors.” Mascaro continues, “For example, before joining the MBS history department, former international banker Ricky Kamil spent a year shadowing veteran teacher Ned Farman.”

Common themes emerge among the MBS second acts staff. Many feel they retired too soon. Some were dissatisfied with the culture of intense competition at their previous workplaces. All share an acute appreciation of the sense of mission and spirit of community at MBS. They enjoy the deep emotional and intellectual satisfaction they have found in teaching.

As the 20th century model of a single career for life has given way to a 21st century model of shifting careers, second act faculty feel their lives show students that there are many options.

### A closer look at some of the MBS second acts:

**Dancer Jim Ruttman** went directly from high school to dancing in the national tour of *Barnum*, then played Bobby in *A Chorus Line*. He danced on Broadway in *Cats* and the revival of *Damn Yankees* and in Radio City *Christmas Spectaculars* from 1998 to 2007. He has performed at the Kennedy Center, was a principal dancer for New York City Opera and a solo performer in Gregory Hine’s film *Tap*. Jim danced professionally until the injuries started at age 43. He came to Morristown-Beard’s Performing Arts Department as part of a team with fellow artist-in-resident Ross Hindley. Jim credits Headmaster Alex Curtis for his transition: “Alex knew Ross and my work from Princeton Day,” Jim recalls. “He knew we wanted to work in a theater and MBS was building the Theater at Founders Hall.” Jim’s commitment to the arts and bringing the arts to students is total: “The lessons of art are profound. They demand an extraordinary work ethic and self discipline,” Jim explains. “Students learn that their actions directly affect everyone else.” Jim’s success with MBS students is as dazzling as his career.

During his three years at MBS, casts have grown from a handful to over 30 in this year’s musical, *Hello, Dolly!* Jim reaches out to the entire School, bringing the tradition and history of dance and American musical theater to a wide range of students. Plus, he has the Middle School tapping: “Tap was created as an everyman’s dance, it was a communal experience, the same as group singing,” Jim explains. “I love bringing that joy to any student, not just to the dancers.”

Before joining MBS, English teacher and School newspaper advisor **Ida Picker** was an industry recognized writer and investigative journalist. Picker, a Harvard graduate, won first place awards for investigative reporting and feature writing from the NJ Press Association for her work as writer and associate editor at the *Chatham Courier*. More recently, Ida was a senior writer at *Bloomberg Markets Magazine* for over three years and for 12 years at *Institutional Investor Magazine*. Ida describes her contributions to business journalism: “I wrote cover stories on movers and shakers and companies falling off the edge.” Picker’s targets included Rupert Murdoch, Northwest Airlines and Jim Stewart, then page one editor of *The Wall Street Journal*. Picker’s writing had strong impact: Her and her co-writer’s expose of Citibank’s collapsing real estate loans pushed down the company’s stock. Why, then, leave journalism? “After September 11, journalism was falling apart,” Picker explains. “I was secure at Bloomberg, but I was ready to leave; the intense pressure burns you out.”

Before journalism, Picker had taught English in the Boston Public Schools. She sent a course proposal and samples of her articles to Dean of Faculty John Mascaro, who invited her to teach the following fall. Picker continues, “I had already decided to leave Bloomberg, my two children were grown, I was ready for a change. I bagged up

my power suits and donated them. The next day I got a call asking me to come in right away as an English teacher and advisor to *The Crimson Sun*. Ida reflects, “All my work and life experiences come together at

“THE EXPERIENCED EDUCATORS BRING THE SECOND ACTS INTO THE COMMUNITY, OFTEN SERVING AS MENTORS.”

-JOHN MASCARO



JIM RUTTMAN



ALINE DE LA TORRE



MBS.” Her journalism students operate under the same rules as professional reporters: “We rattle the administrators’ cages, but if the writing is fair and accurate, that is good. Students have a forum for their opinions that is important and valuable.”

**Seventh and eighth grade language teacher and seventh grade advisor, Aline de la Torre** majored in English at St. Peter’s College. The daughter of a college professor from Spain, Aline spoke Spanish and Italian at her home across the Hudson from Wall Street. She recounts, “I had majored in English, thinking more about my education than my career. I entered the world of international banking, working for Irving Trust and MacDonal Douglas’ banking division among other major firms. I used my fluency in three languages, and I soon learned Portuguese through immersion, working in Brazil.” She continues, “I was one of the few women in a cut throat men’s world. Especially in Latin America, cultural customs precluded my socializing as men did. But, these prohibitions forced me to be creative. My interest in the family of my clients became my way to forge trusting client-bank relations.” Aline married in the early 1990s, had children and was able to curtail her traveling, but only somewhat. With industry wide takeovers and mergers reducing the work force, Aline decided to leave banking: “I never loved what I was doing,” she explains. “I was very successful but I disliked the constant competition and pressure. There were educators in my family—my mother, sister, niece, brother-in-law — teaching was natural to me. I began substitute teaching.” Hired part-time and subsequently full-time at MBS, Aline initially held a joint appointment to both the Middle and Upper School: “I liked working at every grade level and meeting the entire faculty. Now, I love what I do. MBS teachers bring more than our subjects to our students, we bring life lessons. The lessons I bring are to think differently, figure out how to

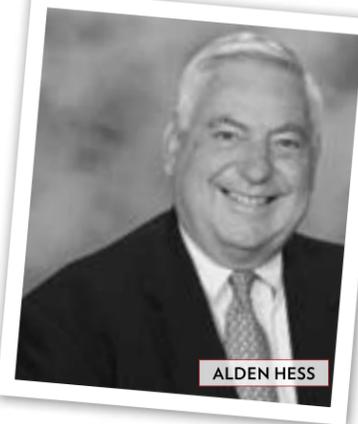
distinguish yourself, be creative.”

**Cornell graduate and history major Joanne Goldberg** received her JD from Washington University School of law. She was a legal fellow with the Committee on Labor and Education on Capitol Hill and subsequently clerked for Judge Ilana Diamond Rovner in Illinois. Goldberg remembers, “I heard President George H.W. Bush on speaker phone nominating her for the Seventh Circuit Court and helped prepare for her nomination hearings in Washington.” Goldberg was next hired as a management side Labor and Employment attorney for a New Jersey law firm and married a fellow litigator. At a program on women in law, Goldberg recalls, “When asked how she had balanced family and career, a female law partner replied, ‘I have no memories of my children when little, but they are happy adults and none of us are worse for wear.’ Goldberg continues, “Maybe that was the right decision for her, but I realized I did not want at 50 to find that I had missed the experiences of being a parent.” Education was always in the back of Goldberg’s mind; her mother was a teacher and an aunt taught at MKA, which Goldberg attended. Joanne next studied full time at NYU, received a Master’s in Secondary Social Studies Education, became a certified public school teacher, taught public school history for 4 years, then returned to her independent school roots, joining MBS in 2007. Goldberg reflects, “In both teaching and law, the challenge is making material relatable, of taking, for example, complex concepts in constitutional law and having them have meaning for a jury or a class.” The parent of a 10 and 7 year-old, Goldberg comments, “Kids can be paralyzed by decision making; my life shows that what works for you at a certain time in your life can change. In an age of the almighty dollar, it is good for young people to see the rewards of taking another path and of always learning and striving.”



JOANNE GOLDBERG

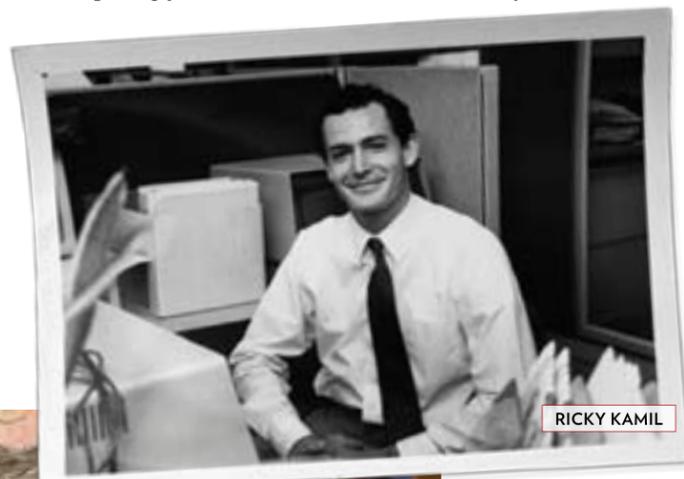
**Alden Hess** played college football and lacrosse and joined MBS as Lacrosse Coach in 1992. He became a full time member of the MBS family in 2000—as coach and faculty member. Now 74, Hess comments “I love the sense of community here. I am willing to work from the



ALDEN HESS

inside out, that’s what I do. I have done rentals, I drive the bus, and I substitute where needed.” Hess started at Citibank in 1961. He later worked for other NYC banks, Merrill Lynch, the New York Stock Exchange and as a consultant. “I was never on the income side,” notes Hess, “I was in operations.” Hess, who holds an MBA from Pace, put into place the nation’s first automated fiduciary tax system and prepared the initial draft for what became the CUSIP number, the identifier of each stock or bond issued in the US. “I wrote the legislation that ultimately eliminated paper stock certificates.” Hess explains, “Paper limited the number of stock trades you could have in a day, CUSIP allowed the NYSE to have multibillion share days.” In his classes on public speaking, Hess draws on his years of making presentations nationwide. He reflects “my earlier work experiences allow me to offer students real life perspective.”

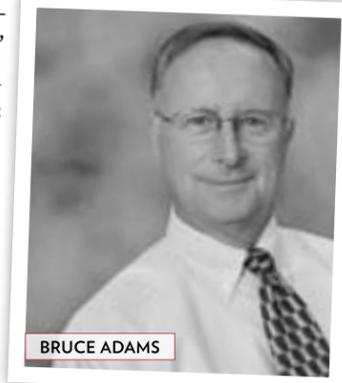
**History teacher Ricky Kamil** was born and reared in Egypt by a British mother and Egyptian father. Both were steeped in education and teaching. His father was a professor at Cairo University; his mother is an author of many books and both writes and trains aspiring journalists for *Al Alhram Weekly*.



RICKY KAMIL

Sent at 17 to the US for his education, Ricky earned a BA at Beloit and an MA at Rutgers. He flourished for 20 years in international banking at Deutsche Bank, J.P. Morgan, Citibank and elsewhere. Kamil worked in diverse arenas including securities lending and borrowing, credit and risk management, operations management and transaction banking services. After experiencing three bank mergers in five years, Kamil turned to education.

Kamil reflects, “In banking, my greatest satisfaction was in consultative selling, which involves teaching, training and developing relations with clients. I wanted to inspire students in the same way my high school teachers influenced my life. I knew I could bring my banking experience, my Middle East background, my understanding of cross cultural issues and my deep interest in history, the arts and the humanities.” Kamil, now a five-year veteran of MBS, finds the School ideal: “The welcoming environment and supporting colleagues eased my transition. I have been able to teach Middle Eastern history and Imperialism, teach Arabic as an Independent Study and circle back to my earlier career by advising the Stock Club.”



BRUCE ADAMS

For 28 years, **MBS Business Manager Bruce Adams** worked at top Wall Street banks in human resources, operations, and private banking: “I was just out of Viet Nam, with no real direction but I had good family contacts in banking,” Adams recounts. “I went from clerk to senior vice president. I was overseas for 12 years—London, Madrid, Bahrain, Singapore. I decided to retire during a bank takeover; I was 55.” After two years of retirement, Adams was bored. His children were students at MBS and former Trustee Chip Harrison asked him to be part of the parents’ phonathon. Adams recalls, “It felt very good to help MBS—I am eternally grateful to MBS for the complete education it gave my children. I sent a letter to the then headmaster, saying, here is my resume, I will volunteer in any capacity. I got a call to help out in the Business Office, then served as interim Business Manager and in 2004 came on as Business Manager.” Adams reflects, “It has been very gratifying to see the School through the implementation of the 2005 Strategic Plan and help steer MBS through choppy economic seas. I relish the challenges of sustainability and changing economic demographics. In banking, there are high salaries, stock options, bonuses and perks but no sense of community. I ate in the executive dining room; here everyone eats in the Dining Hall. I enjoy the conversations at lunch with faculty and staff and feeling the energy of the kids. In banking, everyone was looking at their own self advancement. Here, we work together for higher goals.”

**Science teacher Dr. David Molowa** also came to know MBS through his



DR. DAVID MOLOWA



son, a 2005 graduate. Molowa has always sought new challenges: After completing post doctoral work in molecular biology, he was a research scientist with the pharmaceutical giant Merck during its glory years, exploring cholesterol-lowering therapies. Merck opened Dr. Molowa's eyes to business opportunities and financed his earning an MBA from Rutgers at night. While studying, Molowa read about the dawn of the biotechnology industry. He left Merck for Wall Street. For 18 years, he focused on investing in biopharmaceutical companies. Molowa tells, "At different points I was an equity research analyst, venture capitalist and hedge fund manager." The work was highly absorbing and highly demanding--time, travel." He continues, "I retired young I had my successes and done all I had hoped to achieve. I had always enjoyed my many years studying, and I had university teaching experience. I liked the idea of teaching at the secondary level, of reaching young people before they had made decisions about science. I wanted to share my enthusiasm and explore with students how science works in the real world." Molowa continues, "After my son graduated from MBS, I observed some science classes. I liked the dynamics of the classroom and I was ready for a new challenge." Dr. Molowa teaches chemistry, including Advanced Placement, and biology. Next semester, he is introducing an advanced seminar on medical innovation. Molowa comments, "I see this course as a great asset for students interested in working in medicine."

**Dr. Marina Milinkovic** earned her MD at the University of Belgrade Medical School and was a physician in Serbia. War brought her from Belgrade to the USA and to her Serbian-American scientist husband. Finding that she would have to repeat a residency in order to practice medicine in the US, Marina turned to medical research, first working for the pharmaceutical firm Novartis then becoming medical director in charge of diabetes research for Sanofi-Aventis. The work was valuable; it was exciting to meet doctors and hospital directors nationwide and the remuneration was generous but the hours were long and she traveled constantly. She wanted more time with her husband and daughters and for visits to her family in Serbia. Like Molowa, when approached about teaching at MBS, Marina was receptive. Marina tells, "I visited MBS and was impressed with the School and the students." Joining the faculty two years ago, Malinkovic reflects on her third act as a teacher: "The spirit of cooperation and

mutual respect is very high in our department. I bring to the students extensive experience on how to approach research and lab work." Marina found that her background making industry presentations readily transferred to the classroom. She also learned from her family. Marina explains, "My parents were educators, I grew up watching them pre-



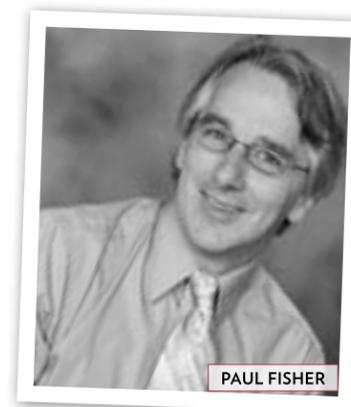
pare for class and hearing them discuss classroom skills. Now, this information comes back to me." She finds many benefits of teaching at MBS, "In my pharmaceutical work, the off hours conversations were all about business. Here, there may be only fifteen minutes for lunch, but in those few minutes, I enjoy discussing art, books and cultural events

with my colleagues from many fields."

Both Dr. Molowa and Dr. Malinkovic are indebted to **Dr. Elena Fiorica-Howells'** advice as they made their transitions to teaching. Dr. Fiorica-Howells is herself a second act teacher. She holds a PhD from the University of Milan and spent 15 years as a cell biologist at Columbia University. Her research included the effect of serotonin on dividing neurons while in vitro. As

her children grew, she wanted to be able to spend more time both with them and her family in Italy. Elena found coming to MBS a refreshing change from the backstabbing endemic to many university settings. "At MBS, we support one another's teaching and work. The pace is intense but then there is time for family pursuits. I love the excitement and sense of discovery working with young people."

**Mathematics teacher Nasrin Amiri** grew up in



"I WORKED FOR NASA IN VARIOUS ROLES, FIRST AT BROWN AND THEN AT THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AT THE JET PROPULSION LABORATORY (JPL). PRIMARILY, I WAS A RESEARCH PLANETARY GEOLOGIST (FOCUSED ON VENUS) AND A SYSTEMS ENGINEER FOR THE MISSION PLANNING AND SCIENCE PAYLOADS ON THE GALILEO PROBE TO JUPITER." -PAUL FISHER

Teheran, leaving Iran for her NJ college education. Here, she met her husband, an engineer. They had two daughters and she enjoyed teaching college mathematics. When her husband left engineering and became a successful manufacturer of women and children's clothing, Nasrin joined the firm. She worked in sales at the NYC office and in production at the Newark plant. Nasrin reflects, "I always wanted to be a full time teacher and when the Newark plant closed, the time was right. My daughter's country day school played MBS in athletics. She said, 'Mom, you'll love it there.'" Nasrin continues, "She was right. I enjoy my colleagues and have never encountered so many motivated, respectful, young adults, always wanting to learn." Nasrin teaches algebra at all levels, from beginning to advanced. Her previous work in manufacturing directly influences the business math segment of her college math topics course. She adds, "Here, I have the opportunity to create new electives. I will be teaching two new courses in business math and math for the consumer, each drawing upon my earlier careers."

After graduating from Dartmouth and receiving an MS from Brown University, **Science Teacher, Technology Director, and Astronomy Club and Contemporary Music Workshop Advisor Paul Fisher** felt he was too inexperienced for the classroom. He went to NASA instead. Paul recounts, "I worked for NASA in various roles, first at Brown and then at the California Institute of Technology at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL). Primarily, I was a research planetary geologist (focused on Venus) and a systems engineer for the mission planning and science payloads on the Galileo probe to Jupiter." Paul came to MBS in 1995; his two sons, current students, would follow him. Paul explains, "All three of us have extraordinary opportunities to do many things here. I wanted to teach, I wanted to be where I could make a difference." Paul continued working as a non-resident employee at JPL until 2004 and currently volunteers with NASA, primarily on educational projects. "These days I am fully focused back in the classroom, teaching our new geoscience course and computer science and occasionally electronic music," Paul explains. "Most of my

students will not become scientists, we are preparing young people for life. Both my colleague Brad Turner and I draw from our earlier working lives; we take a real life approach to our courses. We set up the students as a geoscience consulting firm and have them write risk assessments addressing real world problems." Paul's Astronomy Club program draws on his NASA Connections and includes radio astronomy.

Like Fisher, **Ancient History Middle School teacher Chris Teasdale** always had an interest in teaching and always has had a wealth of interests: He has recorded a jazz CD, writes a bee keeping blog for the *The New York Times* and, with a newly minted Skidmore degree, he wrote the report designating the Great Poughkeepsie Railroad Bridge as a National Historic Landmark. Chris was editor of *Horticulture Magazine* and then spent 21 years at the storied Bell Laboratories (later Lucent Technologies). Chris summarizes his life and earlier careers: "In my years at Bell Labs, I went from Purchasing, to Accounts Payable, to Information Technology, to Financial Methods, to a Department Head of Technical Publications, to the HR leader for the Wireless business, to a Director in Optical Networking. Chris evaluates his pre MBS years, "Love of history, writing and research drew me to my first jobs. Love of a solid paycheck and benefits drew me to Bell Labs." Chris accepted a buy-out during the telecom bust and soon came to MBS as a regular faculty member. He built a program that included using modern classroom technology to encourage 8th graders to share his fascination with ancient history. Chris makes these connections between his earlier work and teaching: "Bell Labs taught me the value of doing thorough research before making a proposal. I learned that complex information is often best conveyed through visual media. I built a curriculum that was based on students researching, writing, and then conveying their learning to their fellow classmates."



# A Devilish Duo

## Leads MBS Hockey Teams

BY STEVE PATCHETT

From 1985 to 1990, Bruce Driver and Randy Velischek patrolled the blue line together as defensemen for the New Jersey Devils. Now they find themselves on the same team once more – coaching ice hockey for Morristown-Beard School.

Driver has coached the MBS girls' ice hockey team since its inception nearly 10 years ago, and Velischek came on board as the boys' varsity ice hockey coach this year after serving as an assistant in 2005-06.

Driver, who won a Stanley Cup with the New Jersey Devils in 1995, has helped the girls' ice hockey program grow from a club sport in 2000 into a regional powerhouse. This year, Driver's team completed an undefeated league season as they captured their third Women's Ice Hockey League of the Mid-Atlantic (WIHLMA) title in five years.

"I am extremely pleased with the progress of our program," said Driver. "We have had a lot of success in a short period of time and we have been steadily getting better and better each year. We had more depth this year than in any season to date."

In addition to the three WIHLMA titles, Driver says his most memorable moment as a coach took place last year – on Friday the 13th no less – when Morristown-Beard knocked off powerhouse Lawrenceville, 2-1. "It was a huge win for



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us. We started closing the gap on Lawrenceville over the years, but only came as close as a one-goal loss during the first eight years we played them. Last year was a first for us," he said.

Driver says he enjoys passing along the knowledge he gained during his 15 seasons in the NHL.

"I am a student of the game. I have learned from many great coaches and I try to pass on that knowledge to the girls I coach," said Driver. "It's my wish that the girls leave our program with a complete understanding of how to play the game. It's also important that the girls get to experience playing an extremely fast sport in a fun way. If our kids aren't having fun playing in as stress-free an environment as possible, then we as coaches aren't doing our job."

Boys' ice hockey coach Randy Velischek shares Driver's passion for the game and his belief that players should enjoy themselves while they are learning. "Providing a positive environment, making sure the kids have fun, and instilling a good work ethic are all things I feel strongly about," said Velischek. "Coaching is the ideal avenue to make a difference in a young person's life."

Velischek said he is very proud of this year's team, which won its second consecutive Mennen Cup and its fourth straight Prep Championship.

"I have had more fun coaching this group than any other," he said. "I saw determination, grit, a sense of family, sacrifice and perseverance. One cannot ask for anything more as a coach."

After his 11 seasons in the NHL, Velischek became the radio voice for the New Jersey Devils for 12 years. He said today's players have little or no idea about his either playing days or his radio career.

"I am so far removed from today's hockey era, it feels like I never played the game," said Velischek. "The kids do occasionally ask me if I ever fought anyone tough. I can answer 'yes' to that, and that I usually lost!"

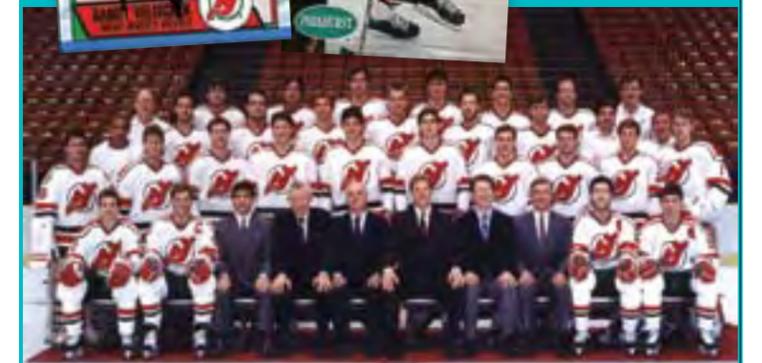
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RANDY VELISCHEK  
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DEVILS TEAM PHOTO



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MBS GIRLS HOCKEY TEAM  
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**GIVING BACK:** Bill Bride '54

*The Importance of Planned Giving*

**Q:** What lessons and/or experiences from your days at Morristown School do you still carry with you today?

**A:** Morristown was responsible for steering me on the correct path through life. Before coming here, I had many difficulties regarding schooling and how to approach life in general. Being with small groups helped draw me from being only interested in what I did. Sharing space, working together and not being allowed to leave the campus made me focus on what was going on here. I learned that I could participate in extracurricular activities, have a social life and study as well. In other words, Morristown provided me with the opportunity to have a complete change in my lifestyle.

**Q:** What are your fondest memories of attending Morristown School?

**A:** Among my many fondest memories is being with other students—living and working together. Being a boarder, I had a lot of time to discuss problems at school or home with others. Hearing what they wanted to do with their lives helped shape a lot of my thinking. The other boarders became my extended family. I really enjoyed having a lot of the faculty living and being available on the campus. My extracurricular activities included sports (football, managing the basketball team, ice hockey and track), working on the

newspaper and yearbook, being Social Chairman, and probably most important, being elected a Senior Prefect (Student Council). I would never have done this had I remained at school in the DC area.

**Q:** You've been a longtime supporter of the MBS Annual Fund. What made you want to consider supporting MBS through planned giving?

**A:** What better way to support the ideals of the school that helped shape your whole life? Since I don't live in the area and can't be a volunteer to participate in activities with the school, this is my small way of repaying Morristown for what it did for me. I will always be in its debt. Another reason is to help provide funds for continuing programs that will enhance the welfare of the school or maybe help someone who had similar growing problems.

**Q:** As a member of the 1891 Founders Society, what message would you want to give your fellow alumni who are considering making MBS a part of their estate plans?

**A:** As I mentioned before, Morristown is part of my "family" and as a result should share in my estate. No matter what amount you may set aside, it is the thought that counts.



The 1891 Founders Society was established to honor generous alumni, parents and friends who have created trusts, bequests or other planned gifts to benefit Morrystown-Beard School. All who provide future financial security to MBS with planned gifts are eligible to become members of The 1891 Founders Society.

Planned giving provides an opportunity for donors to make provisions for the support of MBS through deferred gifts. Several tax benefit options are available including gift annuities, trusts, insurance policies, and bequests. Funds generated from these gifts, large and small, help to support and enhance the remarkable institution that is Morrystown-Beard School.

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# TAKING THE LEED:

## The Whys and Hows of Building Green

Thursday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m.,  
the Theater at Founders Hall

**A** three-story "Living Bio Wall," a true vegetative roof, geothermal wells, a high performance envelope, light shelves, exterior sun shades, ice stone counters and tiles from recycled glass, solar panels. These futuristic building features are among the many green components of Morristown's 14 Maple Avenue offices and parking garage, New Jersey's premiere, platinum certified LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) building.

David Grant, President and CEO of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, architect Sam Robinson and project manager Peter Maszczak will open Alumni Weekend with a virtual tour of 14 Maple and a lively discussion of the whys and hows of building green. Members of the MBS community will learn how to apply green concepts to their homes and work spaces. There will be ample time for questions and answers and to meet participants at a reception in the Lobby at Founders Hall following the presentation.

Development Director Alison Cady comments, "MBS has embarked this year on a School-wide sustainability program and is committed to building green in the future. MBS held its senior retreat at 14 Maple and we were excited by what we saw there. We wanted to bring this experience to our community." Cady continues, "For 20 years, MBS has been presenting programs in art, architecture and design under the auspices of the Lehman Lecture. Sisters Emily Lehman Smith '56 and Gail Lehman Harty '59, who help underwrite the annual event, were immediately on board."

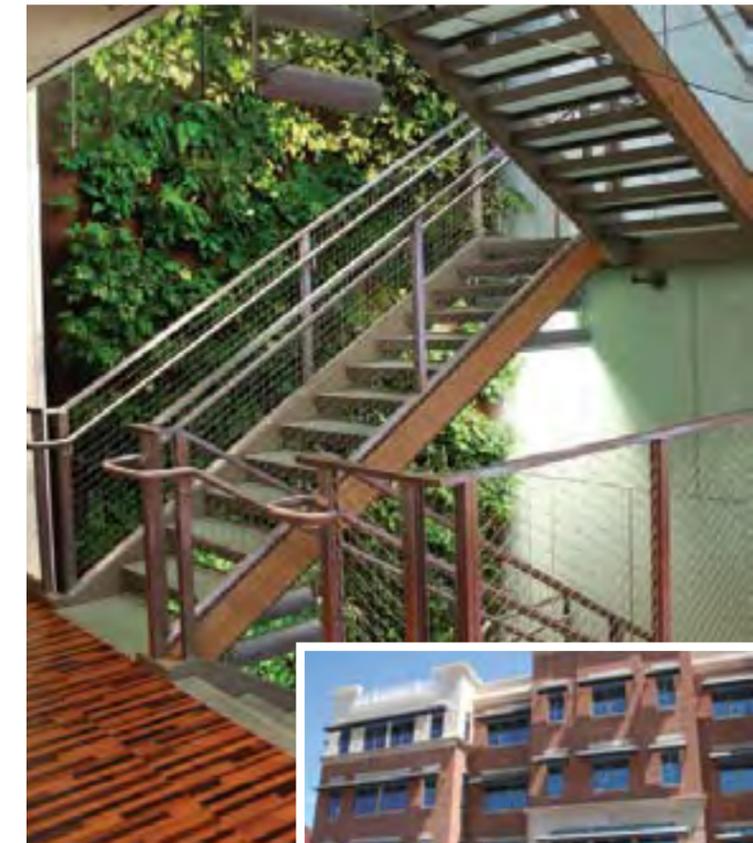
What then is a green building and how did 14 Maple come about? A green building is a commitment to reducing human impact on the ecosystem and limiting the use of natural resources. 14 Maple Avenue is the response to a challenge Grant had presented to his trustees and staff shortly after his appointment: "What would it look like to live our values as well as fund them? How could Dodge support a sustainable community and growth in our hometown of Morristown?"

The Dodge Foundation answered this challenge in partnership with the Morristown Parking Authority, which built a new four-story headquarters that connects with neighborhood life in downtown Morristown. The space also houses three other key area non profits: the Seeing Eye, the Morristown Partnership and the Arts Council of the Morris Area.

Panel participants Sam Robinson and Peter Maszczak are gratified by the enthusiastic response to 14 Maple.

Maszczak has worked extensively as a project manager for William Blanchard Co. on both LEED and conventional construction since 2002. "On many projects, there is an adversarial relation among client, architect, designers and project management and construction. At 14 Maple, we all shared a deeply held commitment to the goals of the project."

Architect Sam Robinson has been part of design teams for award-winning buildings, bringing particular passion to projects that reduce their environmental impact and encourage a connection to the natural world. He



served as project architect/manager for the Sidwell Friends Middle School in Washington DC, which was cited as one of the Top Ten Green Buildings in the nation by the American Institute of Architects.

David Grant, who came to Dodge in 1998, brings a long-held commitment to the environment. He and his wife earlier founded and ran The Mountain School of Milton Academy, a semester long, interdisciplinary environmental studies program in Vermont for high school juniors. Among his many public services is Board Member of the Vermont Council for the Humanities.

BY CAROL SELMAN '64

# Winter Workshops

Showcase Diverse Talents at MBS

BY STEVE PATCHETT

IN A SPECIAL SERIES OF WINTER WORKSHOPS ON CAMPUS ON FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> AND 18<sup>TH</sup>, MORRISTOWN-BEARD STUDENTS GOT A CHANCE TO SAMPLE A VARIETY OF CREATIVE AND SOMETIMES OFFBEAT COURSES.

While some students learned about battlefield strategy, others discovered African dance, learned to train a dog, got an inside look at the music industry, mastered the Klingon language or brushed up on their babysitting skills. Nearly 100 different courses were presented during the two days.

The special week culminated with an all-school workshop on Friday, February 19th led by mime artist Bill Bowers. Bowers trained with Marcel Marceau and has performed all over the world.

Students learned about a variety of topics, including such titles as: "Life as a Rocket Scientist: How to Panic Calmly," "The Thrills and Dangers of Firefighting," "Introduction to Figure Skating," "Blogging for Fun, Information and Profit," and "I Love the 80's: Hair Band Edition."

These workshops were modeled along the lines of an academic conference, offering entertainment, excitement and education to all in attendance. Presentations were conducted by all members of the MBS community: faculty, staff, students and alumni. Alumni who presented workshops included: Alexandra Abella '02, Kyle Brescher '03, Hilary Morris '97, and Nicole Ortner '78.

"Morristown-Beard School is above all a community of life-long learners and teachers, and we are proud to showcase some of the interests, passions and expertise of our community," said Headmaster Alex Curtis.





# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

BY STEVE PATCHETT

## ZOE STEINBERG '14: Reaching New Heights



MBS EIGHTH GRADER ZOE STEINBERG knows what it's like to overcome obstacles and reach new heights. Steinberg is an avid rock climber and received a top ranking for her age group by USA Climbing. Most recently, she placed second at the American Bouldering Series National Championships held in Alexandria, Virginia, where she beat 30 top competitors from around the country.

"I was so happy, especially considering I'm on the younger end of my age group and I'm also on the short side compared to a lot of other climbers," she said. "It was really thrilling."

Steinberg was introduced to the sport only four years ago after her brother attended a birthday party at the Gravity Vault, an indoor rock gym just 15 minutes from her home. She gave climbing a try and was immediately hooked.

"It's motivational. There's always something new to try," said Steinberg. "If you can't do one thing you can always move on to the next climb."

Climbing has become a year-round sport for Steinberg, who practices two or three times a week at the Gravity Vault in Upper Saddle River and loves to get outside in the spring and summer. Locally, she enjoys climbing in the Shawangunk Mountains in New York State, and she has also climbed in Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia and Kentucky. Last year, she even traveled to Utah to compete in the Sport Climbing Nationals, where she finished 18th in the country.

She credits her success to her conditioning and physique as much as her

mental game.

"Generally, rock climbers don't have really muscular builds - it's more of a wiry thing," she said. "You also need a lot of patience and determination. You have to want to get up the wall and not stop until you reach the top."

Steinberg plans to keep competing in the sport and hopes to take it as far as she can. For her, the sky truly is the limit.

*"I'd love to climb internationally," she said. "And I hope that one day climbing becomes a medal sport in the Olympics."*

## QUENTIN ONG '11: Piano Man

How do you get to Carnegie Hall? "Practice, practice, practice" is the usual punchline... and Morristown-Beard junior Quentin Ong '11 has done plenty of that.

He recently placed second in both piano and viola at the Crescendo International Music Competition and performed solos by Haydn and Bach at the Winner's Recital at Carnegie Hall on Sunday, January 17th.

*"This was big for me," said Quentin. "For the first time, I actually felt nervous about a performance."*

This isn't the first landmark venue where Quentin has performed, however.

Last year, Quentin won a Silver Award at the Golden Key Music Festival competition and he performed in the Winner's Recital at Steinway Hall in Man-



hattan. Quentin has been playing the piano for more than 10 years and has also played viola as part of the New Jersey Youth Symphony Orchestra.

At Morristown-Beard, Quentin has performed as part of the Performing Arts Department's Music concerts in Founders Hall, and he plans to participate again in the Spring Arts Festival.

Quentin has also made his mark as an actor in "Johnny Wong, Volume 1," a short mobster film created with MBS classmates Clarence Williams '11 and Sal Scalfani '11. The film was accepted to the Garden State Film Festival as part of the "Action Short" category and was shown at the event in Asbury Park last April.

## RACHEL MOSS '13: Rising Star



Most high school students try to balance school work, activities, sports and friendships on a daily basis. But Morristown-Beard freshman Rachel Moss has managed to fit a blossoming acting career into the mix.

Currently acting in a recurring role on the hit soap opera *One Life to Live*, Rachel started her "hobby" at 5 years old with the play *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*.

*"I danced at age three but was scared about actually working in my first play. Since then I have always loved acting, and from there I auditioned for an off-Broadway show at age nine, The People Garden."*

As a member of Worth Tyrell Studios

in Morristown, where she does four plays a year, Rachel has made lasting friendships, which is one of the reasons why she loves acting. "Acting in a play you need to give up a lot of your social life for rehearsal, but that is fine for me because I really like the people who I am performing with."

Rachel later took her craft to another level with voiceover and modeling. When she was 11, she did the voice of a character named Whiffle for a Disney Playhouse promo. Around the same time, she modeled for *Highlights Magazine* in a spread called "How to Shoot a Basketball."

With over 25 performances and the daytime TV role on her resume, Rachel has still managed to keep up with her studies. Her favorite subject is math and she's also involved with Forensics and the Crimsingers, the a cappella group at MBS. Future college plans are also on her mind. She hopes to go to NYU to be a vet, if the "acting thing" doesn't work out.

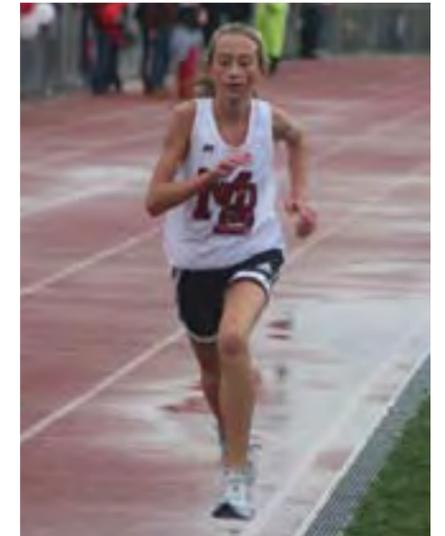
Rachel's star is definitely starting to rise, but it's not without hard work. "Acting is like a sport, to be a professional at it, you need to practice. To get started, even if just as a hobby, do as many community theater or workshops as possible, have patience and be able to accept criticism. But it's a lot of fun. I say go for it!"

-Hilary Trought Morris '97, courtesy of NJ My Way

## MICAELA REILLY '14: A Fast Learner

To say she hit the ground running would be an understatement. Morristown-Beard eighth grader Micaela Reilly '14 didn't start running competitively until she joined the Middle School cross country team in seventh grade. One year later, she qualified for the United States Track & Field National Championships for her age group in cross country.

To qualify, Reilly finished 9th at the USATF New Jersey Association Junior Olympic Cross Country Sectional Championships in Pomona, NJ followed by a 13th place finish at the Regional Championships held in Readington, NJ. Although she didn't travel to Nevada to run in the National Cham-



pionships, her times compared well with other finishers at the event.

"I probably would have done well, but it's hard to say because cross country courses and conditions can be so different," she said.

Her cross country coach, Steve Rosen, says Reilly possesses rare natural talent and has unlimited potential.

*"Micaela is the real deal. She has a natural stride, she's smooth, she flows, and she has an incredible work ethic," said Rosen. "She has the ability to be a state champion one day."*

Reilly was named the MVP of the girls' cross country team for the past two years, and she never finished lower than third in any race last season.

"I've been coaching cross country for 16 years and I've seen three kids with the ability to really go places. Micaela is by far the most talented," said Rosen. "She also has a great attitude. She'll go far because she's relaxed and she doesn't worry about it."

When the cross country season is over, Reilly hardly slows down. She plays basketball and lacrosse at MBS, and she trains at Parisi Speed School in Morris Plains to work on her running form and her strength. "My mom is a really big runner, so we also do 5K races locally," she says.

As for the future, Reilly is taking it one step at a time.

"I definitely plan to run in high school," she added. "I hope to keep getting better and would like to motivate other people to run, too."



## CRIMSON CORNER

# VARSITY SPORTS ROUND-UP

### WINTER 2010

#### BOYS' BASKETBALL

The boys' basketball team had another stellar year, finishing with a 19-8 record. The Crimson advanced to the semi-finals of the Prep Tournament and the quarterfinals of the State Tournament. In the opening round of the Prep B Tournament, Morristown-Beard beat Montclair-Kimberley, 59-47, thanks to senior Al Jones '10, who sank 26 points.

In the semifinals, MBS played hard before falling to Pennington, 59-43. In the State Tournament, Morristown-Beard routed Montclair Immaculate, 72-40, in the first round led by 17 points from freshman Chris Jenkins '13. In the quarterfinals,

the sixth MBS boys' basketball player to reach 1,000 points after sinking 9 points in a win over Montclair Immaculate. "Al became a point guard as a freshman and through the years, he has really turned himself into a Division I basketball player," said Coach Eddie Franz. Senior Dan Miceli '10 earned the Coaches Award for his dedication to the team, while Marlon Bascombe '10 was named Most Improved. "Marlon was nothing short of phenomenal in the State Tournament," said Coach Franz.

#### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

It was a record-setting season for the girls' basketball team. The Crimson finished with an 18-9 record, the most wins in the history of the program. MBS qualified for the State Tournament and defeated Newark Academy in the opening round before upsetting Montclair Kimberley in the quarterfinals. In the state semifinals, MBS fell to powerhouse Gill St. Bernard's, but Coach Mike Sturgeon was clearly proud of his team. "We had an incredible season," said Coach Sturgeon. Individually, players also had plenty to celebrate. Senior Stephanie Bartner '10 became the program's all-time leading scorer, finishing her career with 1,114 points to move ahead of Alyssa McKeown '91 (1,093 points). Bartner reached the 1,000-point plateau on January 19th after netting eight points in a game against Whippany Park. Fellow senior Shanice Johnson '10 became the first player in MBS history to grab 1,000 rebounds and score 1,000 points. She pulled down her 1,000th rebound in a

win over Mendham on January 23rd and sank her 1,000th point in the final minutes of a win over Villa Walsh on February 4th. Johnson finished MBS career as the third all-time leading scorer (1,090 points). Jamie Cossolini '12 also had a strong season for the Crimson, hitting 32 3-pointers to lead the team.

#### BOYS' ICE HOCKEY

The boys' varsity ice hockey team had a season to remember. The Crimson (18-6-2) captured their fourth straight Prep Championship, their second consecutive Mennen Cup title, and they advanced to the semifinals of the State Tournament. Morristown-Beard knocked off Pingry, 5-2, on February 12th to win the Prep Championship before edging Morris Knolls, 3-2 in overtime, to walk away with the Mennen Cup. In the State Tournament, MBS beat Monsignor Donovan, 3-2, in the first round, and advanced to the semifinals after a solid 4-1 win over Seton Hall Prep. Although they lost to Delbarton, 4-2, in the State Semifinals, MBS played extremely well - particularly goalie Alex Durso '11, who stopped 36 shots. Throughout the season, MBS was led by senior Most Valuable Player Dan DePoalo '10, who was called "the heart and soul of this hockey team" by Coach Randy Velischek. DePoalo had a hat trick in the State Tournament against Seton Hall Prep and ripped the game-winner in overtime to secure the Mennen Cup. Senior Michael Winters '10 was named the team's Unsung Hero for his reliable play and his booming slapshot, while junior Eddie Osowski '11 earned the Coaches Award. "You can't teach passion and you can't teach

heart, and Eddie Osowski has both," said Coach Velischek.

#### GIRLS' ICE HOCKEY

The Morristown-Beard girls' ice hockey team captured its third Women's Ice Hockey League of the Mid-Atlantic (WIHLMA) title in four years on February 20th as senior defenseman Charlotte McAuley '10 scored a goal in the second overtime to lift the Crimson to a 5-4 victory over Portledge (N.Y.). The Crimson finished with an 18-2 record and were undefeated in league play for the first time. The Crimson advanced to the championship after handing Rye Country Day School an 8-1 loss in the semifinals. MBS was led by MVP Sarah Bayersdorfer '11, who smashed all scoring records and netted her 100th career goal with a hat trick against Rye Country Day. Her career totals include 106 goals and 52 assists. Fellow junior Alyssa Bufis '11 became only the fifth player in school history to reach the 100 career point plateau. She has 44 goals in her career so far and was named 2nd Team All-League. Senior Samantha Vicari '10 also earned 2nd Team All-League honors despite learning a new position and switching to defense. Freshman goalie Katherine Chester '13 had an incredible season for the Crimson, particularly in the WIHLMA championship game. "Katherine really stood tall for us, stopping breakaways and point-blank shots while we were shorthanded in overtime," said Coach Driver.

#### SKI TEAM

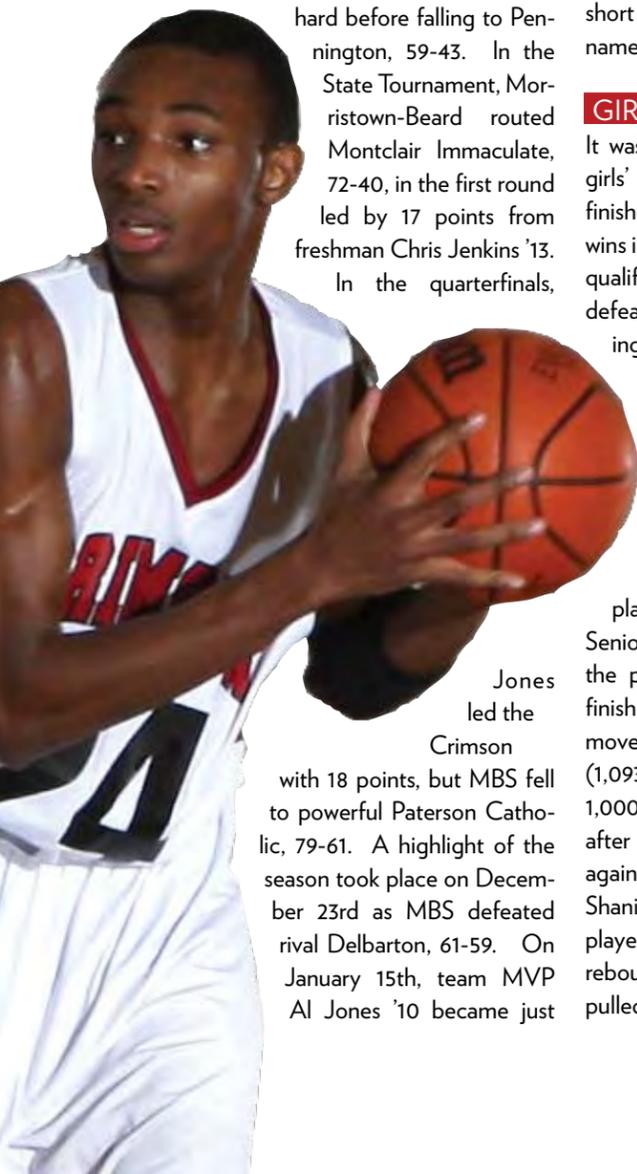
The ski team got off to a slow start this season, but showed steady improvement. In the first week of the season, the MBS squad finished 9th out of 10 teams, but they improved to 6th place just a few weeks later. Senior Ryan Geisser '10, a four-year skier and the captain of the team, was named the boys' Most Valuable Player. "He is a leader on the mountain and acts as a second coach," said Head Coach Sean Davies. Fresh-

man Mitch Green '13 was a consistent performer and was named Rookie of the Year. Senior Harry MacCormack '10 earned the Coaches Award for his dedication to the team as a gatekeeper. For the first time in many years, Morristown-Beard was also able to field a girls' ski team. The girls were led by junior Maddy Schumacher '11, who finished in the top 15 in nearly every race, was named Team MVP for the second year in a row, and narrowly missed qualifying for the state finals. Freshman Delaney Jones '13 was named the girls' Rookie of the Year.

#### SWIMMING

Despite an overall record of 3-9, the swim team had an enjoyable season. The girls' team was led by Adrianna Aguayo '12, who scored a team-high 62 points and was named the MVP. She frequently swam the maximum of four events per meet, and showed improvement in all aspects of the sport. "Her confidence soared this year and allowed her to be a versatile and dependable swimmer," said Coach Cori Eggert. Senior Kelly Parker '10 served as a team captain and received the Coaches Award for her leadership and dedication. Although she was hampered by a shoulder injury, Carolyn Garavente '10 earned a spot as a member of the Morris County and Prep Championship relays this season and also received a Coaches Award for "inspiring her teammates to challenge themselves and always push themselves to their limits." The boys' team was led by Robert Stone '12, as well as Coaches Award-winner Will Vanderveer '11, who has only been swimming competitively for two years. Junior Anthony Guerrieri '11 was named the team's Most Improved Swimmer for his dedication and his consistent improvement in events such as the 100 fly.

BY STEVE PATCHETT



Jones led the Crimson

with 18 points, but MBS fell to powerful Paterson Catholic, 79-61. A highlight of the season took place on December 23rd as MBS defeated rival Delbarton, 61-59. On January 15th, team MVP Al Jones '10 became just



ART CORNELL, "National Pride," 2009, acrylic on water color paper, c. 30"x35", now in private collection.

# Art Cornell '59

*A Life in Many Acts*

BY CAROL SELMAN '64

Artist, writer, photographer, entrepreneur, classic-car enthusiast, race car driver and certified firearms instructor, Art Cornell is Morristown School's Renaissance Man.

Art founded and ran three companies with his wife, Marcia, and he headed a fourth. Two sold to Fortune 500 firms. All along, he was quietly writing poetry and taking pictures. Some years after his and Marcia's move from New Jersey to Hilton Head, South Carolina, Art became an acclaimed photographer and painter.

*Art, you sometimes refer to yourself as "The Little Engine That Could." Like that little engine from the story books, you had to persevere to overcome obstacles. Explain why.*

I appreciated "Prep" but was scared to death: I was hiding that I really could not

read. Then, and for years to come, little was known about dyslexia, so I was a mediocre student at best. I got into Rollins College, but by my sophomore year I was on both academic and social probation. Somehow, through enormous effort, I found a way to read. By junior year, I was making all A's and B's, majoring in psychology and philosophy. I still struggle with dyslexia, but I read voraciously--two or three books a week.

After graduation, my Dad took me into his commodities business as a trader. It was a disaster because the numbers on a page were garbled to me. Luckily, I moved to the administrative side. When the family business was sold to a European conglomerate, I became an executive VP and traveled the world, but I hated being part of a huge corporate environment.

*If your life were a movie, it would*

Marcia and I were in Maine several summers ago when she announced, *'I entered you in an art show--you'll figure it out when you get home.'*

I guess I figured it out; I sold every photograph I exhibited.

*be an action drama with Harrison Ford in the starring role. What would be some of the big scenes?*

I worked for an executive search company where I learned how not to do it. I learned the value of honesty and personal relationships, qualities absent in that firm, so I left there. I was divorced after a 15-year marriage and had two young daughters. In 1981 I married Marcia Brinin, the mother of a 2-year-old, and set up shop from an office in our basement, working on a retainer basis for clients in international trading. Six months later, I had only one client, but I believed I could make it work. That was the genesis of Cornell International. My clients included Pillsbury, Salomon Brothers and Amerada Hess. I knew I could communicate with people and that they could depend on me; that was my saving grace.

At the same time I was running Cornell International, Marcia and I started Cornell MedCare. It was part of our 'twenty-year plan' for my retiring at age 55. We worked day and night. We became one of the largest private-pay health care businesses in northern NJ and were bought by a Fortune 500 company.

*Your version of retirement in Hilton Head included starting a third company and learning how to shoot.*

Yes, even before moving south in 1995, I started Cornell Security, which grew from 5 to 130 employees. I was hiring marines, tough guys who really knew what they were doing, and I had to lead them. At 56, I became a certified firearms instructor in multiple weapons and chemical defense. I was a very good shot, and the men respected me: I trained them to work in urban environments. In 1999, a national company bought me out. Finally retired, Marcia and I took our first two-week vacation, touring England and Scotland.

*That retirement was short lived. You soon found new work and a new company to run.*

While out jogging, I ran into a man grumbling that one of his workers had not shown up to clean a client's boat. I offered to work with him for six dollars an hour; it was hard physical labor, but I got into great shape. For a year I cleaned my neighbors' boats during the day and socialized with them at night. Then I took over running a horse trailer manufacturing company. After I got that company on track, I decided to retire for real.

*You turned to photography, an early love, and discovered painting...*

I wrote poetry and took photographs all my life, early on self-publishing two books of poems and photos and more recently, three more. Marcia and I were in Maine several summers ago when she announced, 'I entered you in an art show--you'll figure it out when you get home.' I guess I figured it out; I sold every photograph I exhibited. I always knew corporate life was not where I ultimately wanted to be: when I put on a pinstripe suit, that was my 'battle dress,' but it wasn't who I was. In 2002 I signed up for a workshop on painting--I was the only total beginner. The instructor said, 'Everybody start.' And I did. I wanted to be an artist and I felt, 'I think I can do this.' Now I feel blessed by the response to my painting and writing.

*You have had many one-man shows, your work is critically celebrated, and you enjoy a long client list. Tell us about your painting 'National Pride.'*

At some level, painting is a mystery; you don't know where it comes from. We were visiting in NYC on September 11. Early the next morning we left Manhattan to head home. The streets and roads were deserted--the city was a ghost town. We drove over the George Washington Bridge; the sight of the smoking towers was ingrained in my mind. Those ghostly images stayed with me; they came out this past year as

'National Pride.'

*What lesson would you like MBS students to draw from your life?*

Life can be an amazing journey. Nothing can stop you, unless you put up your own barriers. I look at my first 20 years with dyslexia as a gift because it forced me to become strong, to learn how to overcome obstacles and to persevere. Until this conversation, I never thought about my business life influencing my creative life, yet both call for a commitment to service, integrity and truth. All work must be honest to have value.

## "FISHERMAN,"

FROM RIDING ON A RAINBOW,  
Selected Poems & Photographs



As the world  
Slowly tips  
Into summer,  
A gentle breeze  
Nudges the boat  
Fishing far  
From the lake shore.  
Alone,  
Remembering,  
Dreaming  
Of days gone;  
As the sound of  
A loon echoes  
Into silence.  
Not much need  
For things new--  
Adjusting poorly  
To the autumn stages,  
Holding the rod lightly,  
Holding on  
To a thin line of life.

- Art Cornell

# CLASS notes

## 1941

**GEORGE DESCHWEINITZ, JR.** is living in Albuquerque, New Mexico and says he enjoyed hiking on the trails of Saguaro National Park near Tucson, Arizona for "superior refreshment of mind and spirit!"

## 1943

**NANCY JOY JORDAN GABRIELSON** has moved to Mystic, Connecticut to be close to her daughter, Susan. Her granddaughter, **Susan Shrader '03**, graduated from the School of Visual Arts and now lives in Florham Park.

## 1944

**ELIZABETH COLLYER HAYES** is still enjoying life in Grantham, New Hampshire. Her daughter Linda and her family live in Freeport, Maine, and her daughter Ellen and her family live in Manchester, New Hampshire. "I'm enjoying my six grandchildren," she writes.

## 1945 65<sup>TH</sup> REUNION

**CAROL LEES BALDWIN** re-married in May to David Mixer of Darien, Connecticut. The couple now resides in Vero Beach, Florida. "My first husband died four years ago. We had been married for 59 years," she writes.

**NANCY MEANS WRIGHT** is looking forward to the release of her new novel, *Midnight Fires*, a mystery in the Mary Wollstonecraft series in April, 2010. To learn more about Nancy's writing, you

may visit her website at [www.nancymeanswright.com](http://www.nancymeanswright.com) or look her up on Facebook.

## 1946

**LOIS JOHNSON VIESER** writes that her youngest son and his family have lived in London for the past 11 years.

## 1950 60<sup>TH</sup> REUNION

**JOAN BARNES STOCKTON** recently became President and CEO of Aloe 1 Laboratories in Oakland Park, Florida. The company markets an aloe vera health drink as well as a line of medications, sun skin care products and cosmetics.

## 1956

**BARBARA NEWBERRY LINDSLEY** tells us that her retirement is bringing great joy. "I'm doing what I want to do - where and when!"

## 1960 50<sup>TH</sup> REUNION

**MELINDA MITCHELL LYON** and her husband John are still involved in aviation, including flying their plane - a Meyers 200 - across the country. Their son Carl is a student at California College of the Arts in San Francisco and loves it. She would love to hear news from her classmates!

## 1988



**ERIK KAISER** recently published a book, *For Office Use Only*, the 100 point guide to navigating everyday differences between employers and employees. Erik currently lives in New York City where he is also busy filming his new television show, *Erik Kaiser Venture*.



## 1990 20<sup>TH</sup> REUNION

**FRANK FRITTS** was married on September 6, 2009 on Mason's Island in Mystic, Connecticut. **MARK BELCAK '90** served as a groomsman in the wedding.



When the Morristown-Beard girls' ice hockey team celebrated the unveiling of their gorgeous new locker room, **KAREN**

**MCMILLAN GUERRA** used her creative talents to help the team party in style. Guerra, the co-owner of The Cake Chicks, a custom cake business, donated a beautiful two-tiered hockey puck cake complete with a 3-D Morristown-Beard logo. All of the players' numbers were written on pucks on the base of the cake. "Karen was extremely generous with her cake contribution and enjoyed giving back to her 'roots,'" said **WHITNEY DRIVER '04**.

## 1991

### KELLY MACMAHON EWING



recently sent us a Christmas photo of her children - Abby, Colleen (holding Daniel), and Bridget Ewing. Daniel Paul Ewing was born on November 25, 2009 and is enjoying all of the attention from his three older sisters!

### MELISSA RANDOLPH MARTIN

and her husband Gregory welcomed a daughter, Megan Alice Martin, on



October 29, 2009. Megan has been having regular playdates with **Lindsey Pearce Foster's** son, **Zander Holand Foster**, who was born on August 16, 2009. "Lindsey lives in Cary, North Carolina and I live in Holly Springs, North Carolina," said Melissa Martin. "We all feel so blessed to have Zander and Megan in our lives. We also love that they are going to grow up together and have lots of playdates."

## 2002

**EMILY STERNS BROEMAN** married Henry Farnum IV on September 19, 2009 in Nantucket, Mass. Emily received her bachelor's degree in sociology and art history from St. Lawrence University, and obtained her master's degree in social work from Columbia University. She is a clinical social worker with New York Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Her husband is a financial officer in wealth management with the U.S. Trust Company in New York City.

### JEFF PRYSTOWSKY and his band



The Low Anthem performed on The Late Show with David Letterman on January 14th. In late January and February, the band embarked on a European tour in support of their second studio album, *Oh My God, Charlie Darwin*. The Low Anthem has appeared on the NPR radio program "All Things Considered," and their album *Oh My God, Charlie Darwin* was named Album of the Month by Uncut magazine.

## 2005 5<sup>TH</sup> REUNION

**GREG WILLIAMS** is employed at the Link Community School in Newark doing admission, development and mentoring work. He

also coaches freshman basketball at Morristown-Beard School.

## 2007

**ELIZABETH AIELLO** recently returned home from a semester abroad in Sevilla, Spain. While there, she was able to study and learn about the culture, people and lifestyle in Spain. She was also able to travel to several other European countries. Lizzie is a senior at Connecticut College.

## 2009



**NATALIE MCGUIRE** and her sister Kelly McGuire were selected as finalists in the third annual Morristown's Got Talent competition. More than

75 performers tried out, and only 16 people qualified for the finals. Natalie and Kelly sang "Cry," which was originally performed by Mandy Moore in the movie *A Walk to Remember*. This is the second consecutive year that Natalie has been chosen for the finals. Last year, she was a soloist and performed "My Heart Will Go On" by Celine Dion. Natalie is currently a freshman at Quinnipiac University, where she is majoring in Business.

Greg Williams '05, Chad Easterling '05, Ryan Bailey '06, Coach Eddie Franz, Dan Tuckman '06.



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### MBS TOPS DELBARTON AS ALUMNI ENJOY "HOOPS HOMECOMING"

Morristown-Beard basketball alumni enjoyed a special Hoops Homecoming event on Wednesday, December 23rd as they watched the MBS varsity boys' basketball team tip off against Delbarton.

In a back-and-forth battle, Crimson supporters had plenty to cheer about and Morristown-Beard emerged with a dramatic 61-59 victory over the Green Wave.

After the game, alumni gathered in Founders Hall Lobby for a special reception and an opportunity to chat with former teammates, coaches and faculty members.

## MBS ENJOYS A DEVIL OF A TIME AT HOCKEY GAME



More than 60 members of the Morristown-Beard community had a devilishly good time on January 29th as they watched the New Jersey Devils take on the Toronto Maple Leafs at the Prudential Center in Newark.

Before the puck was dropped, Morristown-Beard alumni, parents, students, faculty and staff were treated to a special reception with former New Jersey Devils - and current MBS ice hockey coaches - Bruce Driver and Randy Velischek.

After the reception, the MBS group enjoyed an exciting hockey game as they helped cheer the Devils to a 5-4 overtime victory.

### FOLLOW MBS ON TWITTER, FACEBOOK & LINKEDIN

Morristown-Beard School can now be found on the social networking sites Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn. Join us to connect with alumni and stay informed about School events and other MBS news.

Follow us on Twitter and you'll receive tweets with noteworthy links, news stories and event information.

Join the Morristown-Beard Alumni group on Facebook to keep up to date on upcoming events, view pictures of campus activities and stay connected with former classmates.

The Morristown-Beard Alumni group has more than 500 members.

You can find alumni who live nearby and stay informed of what life is like at Morristown-Beard today.

To connect with fellow graduates and extend your professional networking, join us on Morristown-Beard's group page on LinkedIn. 

## In Memoriam

**Jean Ryan Kehl '40**, December 18, 2009, age 87. Jean, a Sweet Briar graduate, was predeceased by her husband William. They had lived in Pacific Palisades, California.

**John P. "Jack" Hurley '41**, December 26, 2009, age 88. Jack had a long association with The Morristown School; his father was the Morristown School's Supervisor of Building and Grounds for 45 years. Soon after graduation, Jack served 3 years in the US Marine Air Corps, 18 months in the Pacific Theater. Stateside, he was in the Cherry Point, NC Marine baseball team, playing the Brooklyn Dodgers and other major league teams nationwide. In 1941 Prep's Athletic Director and coach was drafted and Jack filled in as baseball coach here. Jack took a humorous look at how this coaching saved his life in "The WWII Years: Alumni Look Back," *Crimson Magazine*, Summer, 2005. After his honorable discharge from the Marines as a sergeant, Jack attended the University of Vermont, graduating in 1950 with 8 varsity letters in baseball, football and hockey. His many athletic honors included a career batting average of nearly .300 and All-New England Honorable mention in football for 1948. Jack was inducted into the MBS Hall of Fame in 1990. After UVM, he received in MA from Springfield College in Massachusetts. Soon Jack was teaching and coaching high school athletics in New England, then in New Jersey. Jack next settled with his wife of 60 years in Millington, NJ and became a realtor and appraiser, running his own brokerage for over 39 years in Morris Plains. He was a long time president of the Morris area Kiwanis Club. Jack became an avid golfer and was a member of Spring Brook Country Club in Morristown. He was active in fund raising for UVM. Jack's son, daughter and two grandsons survive him; his wife predeceased him by 11 weeks.

**Christopher H. Browne '65**, December 13, 2009, age 62. Mr. Brown was a trustee at MBS from 1983-1992. He was the former managing director of the mutual fund company, Tweedy Browne and a legendary value investor. In July 2009, he stepped down as director to become a senior firm advisor due to health issues. Chris was a University of Pennsylvania, class of 1969. Even before graduation, he joined Tweedy Browne, a 1920s brokerage company which his father joined in 1945. Chris spent forty years at the firm and had an early association with Warren Buffet. In 2001, Mr. Browne led a famed shareholder campaign against newspaper magnate Conrad Black that led to Black's imprisonment for fraud. Mr. Browne was known for his twice yearly newsletter and his 2006 *The Little Book of Value Investing* that advised, "Buy stocks like when you buy everything else, when they are on sale." Mr. Browne was a major philanthropist. He was a trustee of the Paley Center for Media and of Rockefeller University, home of the Christopher H. Browne Center for Immunology and Immune Diseases. He also was a longtime trustee of the University of Pennsylvania. Among his many contributions to Penn were establishing a center for international politics and leading the effort to build the Penn Club of New York. Mr. Browne had served on the faculty advisory committee of Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government program in Investment Decisions and Behavioral Finance. Mr.

Browne was a trustee of Guild Hall, an arts and education center in East Hampton, and the Long Island Chapter of the Nature Conservancy. He was treasurer of the Institute of Classical Architecture and Classical America and a long time supporter of the Wilderness Society and the Empire State Pride agenda. Mr. Browne lived in NYC and helped design the elaborate grounds at his East Hampton home.

**Mary Alice Wells D'Ambrosia '54** November 14, 2009, age 73. After Beard, Mary Alice graduated from Duke University and married in 1962. She lived most of her life in the NYC metropolitan area. She and her husband relocated to Rindge, New Hampshire in 2001. Mary Alice loved hiking, camping, and country music. She regularly attended the NYC Ballet in Lincoln Center and, after moving to Rindge, the Boston Ballet. Her husband, two sons, two granddaughters and her brother survive her.

**Cameron "Randy" Randolph Beard III '78**, December 2, 2009, age 50. Randy earned a BA from New England College and was a sixth generation member of the Annin family; Alexander Annin founded the nation's oldest flag company in the 1820s. Randy worked at Annin and Co. for 25 years, starting as West Coast regional sales manager, then becoming vice president of corporate sales and, for the past 15 years, as a key member of the firm's executive management committee. Randy was a lifelong member of the Essex Fells Country Club and an avid golfer, paddle tennis, tennis, and hockey player. He is survived by his parents and fiancée.

**Matthew "Matt" Eberhardt Hull '89**, January 26, 2010, age 38. After MBS, Matt graduated from Hamilton College and worked in the film industry. He took part in the Stone House Writer's Retreat in 2009 and had recently completed a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies at Dartmouth College where among his enthusiasms there were canoe club. "The Gentleman Farmer", an excerpt from his first novel, *Blue Glass*, was published in the *Dartmouth MALS Quarterly*. His purpose as a writer was to persuade readers to take people on their own terms. After completing his MALS, Matt moved to Savannah, Georgia. Among his survivors are his mother and sister Amy Eberhardt Hull, '85.

**David "Dave" Frank Ferrise '00**, January 24, 2010, age 27. A lifelong resident of East Hanover, NJ, David attended Drew University. He graduated from MBS with high honors and a love of theater. Dave was a member of the Who's Who American High School Association, the National Honor Society in French, Mathematics and Science. His parents survive him.

**Joan Elizabeth Finn**, former faculty, January 11, 2010, age 79. Joan grew up in Buffalo, NY and graduated from Marygrove College in Detroit with a major in economics. A dedicated teacher, she taught Spanish at Bayley-Ellard for several years, then at MBS where she was Chair of the Foreign Language Department from 1973 until retiring in 1989. Joan is survived by her husband, five of her six children and five grandchildren. Her son, Chris Finn, has been a member of the MBS faculty for 25 years.

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# Night under the Stars

## Shines at Founders Hall

The Parents' Association spring fundraiser, "Night Under the Stars," was held on Saturday, March 6th, and was a tremendous success thanks to the leadership of co-chairs Janet Flinn and Valerie Riback, and the many parent volunteers who devoted their time, creative talents and lots of energy.

It is safe to say that this was a very successful event, not only raising funds to benefit MBS students, but also raising our School spirit and sense of community. The spectacular evening included a gourmet cocktail reception, live and silent auctions, and the highlight of the evening - a performance of "Hello, Dolly!" by MBS Upper School students.

Professional auctioneer Brian Jaffe auctioned off an array of prizes, such as jewelry, vacations, VIP graduation packages, and a special evening of dining and learning with Headmaster Alex Curtis. Guests also tried their luck at the 50/50 Raffle, the Wine Pull and the Box of Delights.

*On behalf of the Parents' Association,  
we thank everyone for supporting  
this worthwhile fundraiser.*



# Alumni Weekend

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

For more information: please call the Alumni Office at (973) 539-3032

### THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2010

7:30 P.M. Lehman Lecture: *Taking the L.E.E.D.: The Whys and Hows of Building Green*



### FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2010

9:45 A.M. Distinguished Alumni Presentation

12:30 P.M. Beard Luncheon hosted by Penny Boorman '51

6:30 P.M. Alumni Recognition Dinner Honoring Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient George Hammond Tilghman & 50th Reunion Class

### SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2010

ON GOING: Campus Tours

9:00 A.M. Diversity Symposium

9:30 A.M. Memorial Service

10:00 A.M. Faculty Lectures

11:00 A.M. State of the School with Headmaster Alex Curtis

11:30 A.M. Student Panel

12:30 P.M. Alumni Bar-B-Que

4:00 P.M. CMW Reunion

6:00 P.M. Alumni Cocktail Party



## 2010 REUNION CLASSES: CLASS YEARS ENDING IN 5<sup>S</sup> AND 0<sup>S</sup>

### MBS Five-Os

#### Ride The Wave Reunion Giving Challenge

In celebration of your upcoming reunion, an alumni donor will generously match donations to the MBS *Annual Fund*.

#### Here's how it works...

Annual Fund Reunion Gift of \$5,000=.. \$1,000 Match

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Annual Fund Reunion Gift of \$500=..... \$100 Match

Annual Fund Reunion Gift of \$100=..... \$50 Match

Annual Fund Reunion Gift of \$50=..... \$10 Match

## TOTTON GOLF CLASSIC

Please join us for the  
**33<sup>rd</sup>** LARRY TOTTON GOLF CLASSIC AND CRIMSON NIGHT

on Monday, May 24th, 2010  
at Spring Brook Country Club in Morristown.

Please visit  
[www.mbs.net/totton/](http://www.mbs.net/totton/)  
to register for the Totton Golf Classic or Crimson Night.

