Husson’s President William Beardsley to step down at the end of 2009

Husson University’s Bill Beardsley has announced plans to step down from the Husson presidency at the end of calendar year 2009.

In a letter to Husson Board Chair Arthur Fuller, Beardsley noted, “Husson is in good shape, it has momentum, it has a precious, shared sense of mission and leadership abounds. This is a good time for me to hand over the reins.” Beardsley has served as president and CEO since 1987. He is also CEO of the New England School of Communications.

Chairman Fuller commended Beardsley. “Bill strengthened university finances, expanded enrollments, established schools of health, education, science and humanities and pharmacy and brought the New England School of Communications, the Eastport Boat School and Unobskey College under the Husson umbrella. This past year we graduated our first doctoral students, added major facilities and officially changed our name from Husson College to Husson University. All this and more has been accomplished on Bill’s watch. Knowing him, he will continue to work 24/7 for the next eleven months while the Board sets out to find a new leader. He is an outstanding president and will be missed,” said Fuller.

As for what lies ahead for him personally, Beardsley is focused on wrapping up unfinished business at Husson and on getting more involved in advancing Maine’s economy. “I want to graduate another class, visit with Husson’s supporters and alumni, see the professional phase of pharmacy get under way and the law school staffed up and moving towards final approval. My goal is to bring in record enrollments next September and then attend the grand opening of our new performing arts center, Gracie Theater. As for the future, I chair the Maine Development Foundation, serve on the board of the Finance Authority of Maine and I plan to get more involved in expanding the Maine economy in some significant way,” said Beardsley.

Beardsley earned his Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins University. His dissertation was on the subject of resolving conflicts in multiple use forest management, with a case study in Aroostook County, Maine. He served as state planner and aide to the Governor of Vermont, as vice president of Bangor Hydro Electric Company and in the Alaska Department of Economic Development where he served as director of the divisions of finance and economics and energy and power development. While at Husson he also served terms as president of the Maine Higher Education Council and the Maine Independent College Association.

Editor’s note: Fall 2009 issue of the Ledger will feature highlights of 22 years with President William Beardsley.

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Dear Friends,

These are challenging times across Maine, throughout the Nation and around the world. Operating at full capacity with very limited long-term debt, and priced to be affordable even in hard times, Husson is feeling the pinch yet remains strong and continues to grow. As alumnus Dick Dyke puts it so clearly: “Anyone can make money and look good in good times. The real test comes when things turn down.” We are listening carefully to what Dick and other alumni have to say. We want to pass the real test.

The Husson mission remains to prepare graduates for professional careers. We have retained that focus and students tend to gravitate to professional programs in challenging times. This shift has helped Husson continue to grow and to capture market share. This gives us cautious optimism.

Over the years we have not hunkered down in recessions but have, instead, looked for opportunities. Right now Department of Labor statistics suggest that significant job growth around Maine and the Nation will be in the healthcare sector over the next ten years. That is the motivation for expanding our nursing program into primary care nurse practitioner, plus our ongoing initiatives in occupational therapy, pharmacy, healthcare studies, and physical therapy. We continue to study future trends and markets accordingly.

A particular challenge in the year ahead is not so much about Husson itself, but rather the challenge faced by our students of limited means. Most of our students work their way through college. This year part-time jobs are scarce. Simultaneously, parents are seeing salaries flatten out, the value of their homes decline some, and face potential unemployment. More Maine banks are limiting their lending to high risk students. Notwithstanding these challenges our students continue to qualify for loans. We have taken significant steps to keep Husson affordable and to keep students in school even as our academic standards continue to rise. We are limiting unnecessary capital outlays while keeping our academic quality and student services strong. It appears we are successfully walking the razor’s edge.

In this context, we are focusing fund raising and discretionary income on scholarships for students in need. While endowment gifts are invaluable, as always, our most urgent need is for the dedication of annual gifts to helping students with their tuition. Husson, for its part, has limited its core tuition increase to 2% for next year and has kept the total package of core undergraduate tuition, fees, board and room pricing at less than $20,000 for the 2009/10 academic year.

Yes, we have valedictorians, salutatorians, Mitchell Scholars and students of every walk of life. Yet, at the heart of this institution are the 40% of our traditional undergraduate student body who qualify for Pell Grants, a national indicator of poverty, more than 100 of these students coming from families with incomes of less than $15,000 per year. We give a premier academic education and college experience to every one of our students. We especially encourage you to support Husson this year through scholarships and to help these great young people, our future professional and proud alumni.

We thank you for your confidence, support and trust in this, our very vital, resilient, aspiring university and its extraordinary student body. We, in turn, dedicate ourselves to honoring your trust.

Sincerely,

William H. Beardsley
President

“Go Figure”

Husson’s Newest Class

Fall 2008

Enrollment continues to grow as we welcomed 729 students onto the Husson campus, including 519 first year students, 161 transfers, and 49 reentering students. The newest class included 38 who were class officers, and 56 were members of National Honor Society. Also in this new class are 47% first generation college students of which 49% are male and 51% female.

Husson also saw a record breaking increase of admissions in the Spring 2009 semester with 177 students of which 53 were first year, 130 were transfers, and 61 reentering.
Dr. Teresa Steele ’63 joined the nursing faculty at Husson College in 1985 and their first graduating class in 1986 consisted of seven students, all of whom were adult learners. “When I first came here to teach Nursing, many of the faculty shared one room with partitions and no telephone. Can you imagine? Now, when I look around at the beautiful facilities in the O’Donnell Commons, I am amazed at how far we have come.”

Dr. Steele, along with Dr. Mary Bennett Williams, who was then the administrator of the Nursing Department, set out to build a program that would provide a quality workforce for Maine hospitals. They did that and more. Dr. Steele has announced that she will retire as dean of the School of Health at Husson, so we sat down to talk with her about the changes she has seen during her more than 40 years of teaching.

Today, the School of Health that Dean Steele oversees has 25 full-time faculty and over 500 students enrolled in health programs. They award undergraduate and graduate degrees not only in Nursing but also in Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy. In the Nursing Department, Husson awards a Bachelors in Nursing and Masters in Nursing (MSN) with specialty tracks in Family & Community Nurse Practitioner and Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nursing. Physical Therapy, at first designed as a Master’s degree, is now a doctoral program. A small PT class received the transitional DPT in 2007 and the first full class will graduate in 2010. Along with her responsibilities as dean, Dr. Steele oversees the MSN Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nursing track where students are educated to be clinical specialists and psychiatric nurse practitioners while earning the Master’s degree.

The growth in the Husson University School of Health reflects the health care needs of the State of Maine. There was and still is a significant shortage of nurses in Maine and the Husson nursing program has grown accordingly. Most undergraduate and graduate nursing students stay in Maine after graduation. Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy report that nearly two thirds of their graduates work in Maine.

“The way we educate our Nursing students has changed dramatically from when I first started,” said Dr. Steele. “There are a lot of factors involved. For one thing the acuity of the patients that our students treat has increased. Students need to develop comprehensive knowledge and critical thinking skills earlier in the process than students had to years ago. On some level the enormous cost involved in health care today has to have an impact on the Nurses’ role. As healthcare institutions struggle to survive under the weight of regulations and insurance and the costs continue to spiral out of control, nurses need to practice with an eye on cost along with focusing on holistic care.”

“The introduction of the patient simulator at Husson has taken our instruction to a new level. This lifelike computer based mannequin provides realistic patient care simulation which challenge and test student’s clinical decision-making skills,” she said.

“As we continue to grow and expand our academic offerings, there is no limit to where the School of Health might go,” said Steele. “I am sure the University will look at more doctoral programs, perhaps Doctor of Nursing Practice or a doctorate in Occupational Therapy. As the professions continue to change I am confident that the programs will change with it.”

When Dean Steele was asked to share a moment in which she felt particularly proud, she said, “It is hard to choose just one thing but let me share a story with you. After I finished...
my doctoral studies in 1996, I decided to try to write a grant to establish an Advanced Practice Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Program. I believed if I got federal grant monies to subsidize such a program I would ensure Husson approval. There were plenty of naysayers that said Husson wasn’t ready for a federal grant, but I was determined to try. I began writing the grant in December and submitted in January. Dr. Elizabeth Burns, who was the dean of health at the time, encouraged me to dig in and try to accomplish my goal. I will always be grateful to her for her faith in me. I traveled to Bethesda, Maryland to review funded grants and the grant process. The State of Maine had just gone through the AMHI Mental Health Consent Decree and I used this date to weave into the grant proposal. I gathered letters of support from Joe Pickering, Sen. Susan Collins, Melodie Peet and others and submitted the grant with high hopes.”

“We received $452,968 for three years. I submitted a second grant which was funded at $452,843 for three additional years and that became the foundation of the much-needed APPN program we have today. Because of that grant, Husson has had an impact on mental health care in the State of Maine,” said Steele. “I am proud of that.”

“As we continue to grow and expand our academic offerings there is no limit to where the School of Health might go.”

“Of course the thing of which I am most proud is of our graduates who are working as nurses, occupational therapists and physical therapists. There are so many wonderful stories to tell whether about the undergraduate or the graduate students. They are in hospitals, community centers and health care facilities in Maine, across the United States and beyond.”

“Dean of the School of Education Lynne Coy-Ogan shared her thoughts about Teresa. “Teresa’s collaborative spirit and high professional standards have provided strong leadership for the School of Health and Husson University. Working with her on the Dean’s Council I have seen firsthand her continuous commitment to the standard of excellence. She is one of the most caring and compassionate professionals I have worked with and she will be greatly missed at Husson.”

As to what’s next for her, Dean Steele says there are no boundaries. “I want to write, travel, learn and spend time with my grandson. I want to practice in the mental health field in some capacity. I plan to do some consulting and maybe have a chance to practice side by side with some of our Husson graduate nurses. I think that would be special.” Finally, she said, “maybe, just maybe, I will have a little time to work in my garden.”

**alumni news** It’s all about you!

Alumni came from a number of communities surrounding our Nation’s capitol to cheer for the Husson Eagles men’s basketball team at the CUA/Residence Inn-Greenbelt Classic on January 3-4, 2009. A great time for renewing friendships and networking.

**SAVE THE DATE:** June 10, 2009 is reunion time for the Class of 1958, 1959, and 1960!

Invitations will be mailed in May.
around the circle

Julian F. Haynes, Jr. named Interim Provost for Husson University

In the fall of 2008, Husson’s Board of Trustees voted to create the position of provost. As the second in charge after the president of Husson University, the provost is the chief academic officer and is responsible for academic planning and overseeing all matters relating to academic affairs.

Prior to 2008, the vice president for academic affairs handled all academic issues. The creation of the provost position recognizes the increased duties of academic planning, which up until this past fall were being carried out by Presidential Fellow Julian F. Haynes, Jr. The provost position neatly collapses the work of two people into one position in its own office. At President Beardsley’s request, Haynes accepted the position of interim provost shortly after the creation of the position.

Haynes is no stranger to Husson. Fifteen years ago he was Husson’s first dean of the School of Health Professions. Most recently as a presidential fellow at Husson, Haynes has been the architect for the newly created School of Pharmacy. Haynes hopes that the plans he’s worked on for the past year for a new law school at Husson will soon be approved by Maine’s Supreme Judicial Court.

Haynes cut his teeth in academic administration at the University of Maine when he was tapped in the mid ’70’s to be associate dean for the College of Arts and Sciences. He moved on to become the acting dean of the College in 1979 before going to work at Massachusetts General Hospital. While at Mass General, Haynes held the position of provost for the Hospital’s Institute of Health Professions. The Institute, which is the academic arm of Mass General, is similar to Husson in that it has degree granting authority in the areas of nursing, physical therapy and speech and language pathology.

While Haynes has done a fair amount of consulting work in special problem areas in human resource management, he becomes most animated when talking about his work as a trustee for Anatolia College, a private American school in Thessaloniki, Greece. Made up of three parts, Anatolia educates students from kindergarten to the attainment of a baccalaureate degree. Interestingly, one of Anatolia’s founders was Cyrus Hamlin (Hannibal Hamlin’s cousin) an 1840 Masters of Divinity graduate of Bangor Theological Seminary. Bangor Theological Seminary became affiliated with Husson in 2005 and is housed on the Husson campus.

Haynes will continue in the interim provost position into 2009. He will step down from the job at the end of the academic year to make way for his replacement. The next president, upon President Beardsley’s retirement in late 2009, will fill the permanent provost position.

New Husson Trustees

Jim Conlon, President & CEO of Bangor Savings Bank

Jim Conlon has served since 2005 as president and CEO of Bangor Savings Bank, Maine’s largest independent bank. With $2.2 billion in assets and 51 branches, Bangor Savings Bank employs 600 people and serves more than 100,000 customers statewide.

A 30 year veteran of banking, Jim understands the importance of a vibrant economy. Providing leadership in the community, he is actively involved with a number of non-profit organizations and has a particular interest in economic development initiatives.

Under Jim’s leadership, the Bank has continued its longstanding commitment to giving back to the communities it serves. Together the Bank and its Foundation invest more than a million dollars per year into the community in the form of nonprofit sponsorships, grants and partnership initiatives.

Brent Cross ’94, ’01 MSB, Executive Vice President, Cross Insurance

Brent Cross received his B.S. in Business Administration and his Master of Science in Business from Husson. He began his tenure at Cross Insurance in 1979 and now serves as executive vice president. During those years at Cross Insurance he has seen a staff increase from 5 to nearly 400 and has seen the growth from one office to 33 locations across northern New England.

Brent is very active in the greater Bangor community including service to the Bangor Jaycees, Bangor Breakfast Rotary, Bangor TB and Health Society, OHI and many others. He is currently a board member at the Finance Authority of Maine and is very active as a coach of youth sports including basketball, baseball, soccer and football.

Brent is a member of the Alumni Hall of Fame at Husson and teaches several
insurance classes at Husson. He and his wife Lori live in Bangor and have five children.

James H. Goff, General Manager, PBC Sound Systems, Retired
Jim Goff has been involved with every aspect of the television, radio and the broadcasting business in Maine and beyond. He served as news director at WABI-TV, was director of radio, television and photography at the University of Rhode Island and while at URI also served as special assistant to the president. He was president and general manager of Penobscot Broadcasting with stations in Bangor and Houlton and retired as general manager of PBC Sound Systems in Bangor in 2000.

Jim is past president of the Bangor Rotary and past president of the Bangor Symphony Orchestra. He is currently the chairman of the board of the New England School of Communications and current vice-chairman of the board of the Bangor Savings Bank.

George Wildey, ’83 MSB
George Wildey is an icon in the broadcast industry in Maine. His career began in 1957 as an announcer on WXHR-FM radio in Cambridge, Massachusetts and on WTYM-AM in Springfield, Massachusetts. In 1963 he moved to Maine and spent 16 years at UMaine Orono as the director of Radio-TV, and is still considered the Voice of UMaine Sports. During that time he was also part owner of WPBC (WXHZ-FM) radio in Bangor. In 1981 he founded the New England School of Broadcasting (NESB) in Bangor. NESB began with 10 students and offered one program designed to train radio DJ’s but quickly grew to become the premier broadcasting program in the state of Maine.

NESB moved to the Husson campus in 1993. Husson purchased the School and, with George serving as president, changed the name to the New England School of Communications. Now housed in the Wildey Communications building, NESCOM has nearly 400 students and offers a wide variety of degree programs in Communications, Audio/Video Technology, Audio Engineering, Print & Broadcast Journalism, Video Production and Web Media.

George is a graduate of Emerson College and received his MSB from Husson University. He is a long time member of the Maine Association of Broadcasters, the Broadcast Education Association and the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. George and his wife Alexandra split their time between Maine and Florida.

Paul Husson Named Husson Fellow
Paul Husson has been named the newest Husson Fellow by President Beardsley. Paul will be concentrating on establishing an archive and working as a Husson historian.

Archival materials are currently housed in the library and the New Alumni Center in the Meeting House. Eventually Paul hopes to have rotating exhibits at various places so our current and future students will have a sense of the history of the School. “We’re still defining what belongs in the archives. College publications, minutes of board meetings and catalogs and things like that. Something as simple as a blueprint can tell a real story to generations to come.”

Paul began working at Husson in the early ’50’s. “I used to come over and sweep floors and empty the trash. Del Merrill was my supervisor,” Paul said. “He paid me .25¢ an hour and I thought that was really something. I started working at the college in earnest in the mid-seventies. Over the years I have worked as the director of admissions, development and alumni affairs, ICLS and international programs and international recruiting. My favorite job has always been working with students. Some of the finest people I have ever known have attended this College and I count many of them as my dearest friends.”

Welcome to New Faculty as of October 2008
School of Pharmacy
Ahmed Abdelmageed, Pharm.D., was a staff pharmacist at Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor prior to joining Husson.

William Lindblad, Ph.D., had been a professor of pharmacology and chairman of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences in Boston, MA.

Kara Shirley, Pharm.D., BCPS, BCPP was an assistant professor with Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Albany, NY for six years and most recently was lead pharmacotherapy specialist and adjunct faculty, Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.
This is a dynamic time to be associated with Husson University and athletics is part of this excitement! Our program is a member of National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III (NCAA), the largest organization in collegiate athletics (the 424 member institutions number more than NCAA Division I and II combined). Perhaps you have seen the new advertisements showcasing extraordinary NCAA Division III athletes who balance academics, training, travel, campus life and sometimes work, marriage and/or raising families – all without athletic scholarships. If not, you will see public messages soon as a campaign to highlight Division III athletics is underway by the NCAA. Also, all NCAA Division III affiliates have joined together to support Special Olympics as our group of focus, as it is an organization providing activity, sportsmanship and competition to special athletes.

Husson (SAAC) Student Athlete Advisory Committee will host the (NAC) North Atlantic Conference SAAC on April 3rd and 4th. Student-athlete leaders from all the conference schools will visit the Husson campus, network, brainstorm case studies and entertain a speaker on diversity issues. This opportunity to showcase Husson University and our student-athletes will be hosted by Nat Clark Advisor/NCAA Compliance Officer/Assistant Football Coach. Also, student-athletes Laura Archer (senior, basketball) and Erin Doucette (1st year, swimming) have been selected to attend the Women’s Leadership Symposium in Boston through a NAC Diversity and Gender Equity grant. Their goal will be to bring new activities and ideas back to campus. One last event to mention is the April 22nd Student-Athlete Celebration picnic chaired by Krystal Doughty (senior, field hockey) at the athletic complex. This will be a special day of fun and recognition for every athlete on every team. Awards and great food will be part of this celebration between home softball and baseball games!

The highly coveted College Sports Information Director Association (CO-SIDA) First Team District I Academic All-America honors were earned

As athletic director and assistant professor in the School of Education, I support this intersection of academics, athletics and community.

Since joining Husson, I have witnessed...

- ▲ the transition of a college to a university
- ▲ the accreditation of new programs
- ▲ a football ECAC Northeast Bowl game
- ▲ a new pep band composed of students, faculty and friends
- ▲ a new athletic website www.husson.edu/athletics
- ▲ new men’s and women’s lacrosse teams coached by Jeremy Mattoon and Mark Hundhammer
- ▲ a growing women’s swimming program led by new director of aquatics Jeff Wren
- ▲ fall sports achieving a record of 27-3 in the North Atlantic Conference
- ▲ team conference championships
- ▲ improved teams
- ▲ an expanded cheerleading squad
- ▲ a new athletic services coordinator Janice Clark
- ▲ new Husson gold and green colors
- ▲ official Husson eagle logo
by both Shelby Pickering Bradford (senior, basketball/soccer) and Brock Bradford (junior, basketball). This is a spectacular achievement for Husson University student-athletes. Congratulations to all!

The challenge ahead appears to be space. Classroom space for growing programs and athletic space for teams, intramurals and activities is our most critical need. Newman Gymnasium and the Swan Center are two of the most facility-intensive areas on campus. Doors open at 6:00am and the traffic and fun begin. We could literally have students, athletes, community members, master swimmers, athletic trainers, faculty and staff here 24/7. It's difficult to close the doors at 10:00pm. There are several requests to add teams and activities, so there is no lack of athletic spirit on campus. Current facilities are being reviewed for expansion and upgrades, old and new ideas are brewing, and dreams continue. It's energizing! Please join us in one or all of these ventures. Come and cheer, join the Swan Center/pool group, volunteer to help with a team or the (SAAC) Student Athlete Advisory Committee, feed a team, help us cook, attend our Hall of Fame banquet or watch the new lacrosse teams on the Boucher field, write a note or just come say hello.

You'll catch the spirit of NCAA Division III student-athletes in action. It's a journey and a process of everything right with collegiate athletics.
Husson inducts six into Alumni Hall of Fame

Arthur D. Fuller ’66 ’03 BS in Accounting and Honorary Doctoral degree in Business Administration. Rumford, Maine native Art Fuller joined Husson’s Board of Trustees in 1996 and was elected Vice Chair in 2003 and Chair in 2006. Upon graduation from Husson he began his career at International Paper Company in New York and Great Northern Paper Company in Millinocket. At the time of his retirement in 2006, he was the president of Bowater Newsprint and executive VP of Bowater, Inc., the largest newsprint producer in the U.S. While immersed in his career, he raised a family and gave back, in equal measure to his family, college, community, and friends.

James E. Miller ’71 BS in Business Administration/Finance. Jim has worked at Wooden Boat Publications for twenty-five years and has been president and general manager for the last ten years. He devoted himself to community service including Big Brothers and Big Sisters, the Belfast YMCA, as well as fifteen years on the Board of the Belfast Co-Op serving as treasurer. A supporter of the United Way, Jim has served on the UW’s Children and Families Council for the past three years. He was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the United Way of Eastern Maine and currently resides in Belfast.

Stephanie Laite Lanham ’03 M.S. in Nursing. Her career began in 1976 as a new RN traveling and performing with “Up with People.” Her specialty focus of trauma began early in intensive care nursing at Eastern Maine Medical Center. Stephanie moved to The Acadia Hospital over 16 years ago, where she developed specialties in adolescent psychology, polysubstance abuse and post trauma care. Stephanie will be working at Community Care this fall. Stephanie wrote Veterans and Families’ Guide to Recovering from PTSD, now in its 4th edition. Education is very important to her. She plans to keep writing, lecturing, teaching, treating patients, and “getting the word out” that having experienced trauma doesn’t mean you have to keep suffering.

Bruce A. Grainger ’90 BS in Business Administration/Marketing. His career has spanned almost nineteen years in technology sales and executive management throughout the world including Brazil, Australia, Eastern Europe and parts of Asia. Today he is vice president of Oracle Corporation overseeing the Communications Global Business Unit’s Americas Region that encompasses everything from Canada to Chile, a $200 million a year business. He is charged with advancing Oracle’s platforms approach to the market, customer success, as well as growing the customer base across more than twenty countries around the world. He and his wife Cyndy ’90 CPA, whom he met at Husson, reside in Charlotte, North Carolina with their three children.

Dennis B. Mitchell ’84 M.S.B. Dennis is a senior vice president with Ledyard Financial Advisors, a division of Ledyard National Bank, with overall responsibility for business development for Ledyard Financial Advisors. He has over 20 years of business development experience. He previously served as senior vice president for sales and marketing in the New England market at Northern Trust, Boston. Dennis was the Northwest Region president for Northern Trust in Seattle, Washington, and also served as the Northern California president based in San Francisco. He began his banking career at Peoples Heritage Bank in Portland, Maine, and also spent time at Key Bank in Portland as their trust and investment sales manager. He and his wife Linda reside in Lebanon, New Hampshire.

Judson M. Grant, Jr., “2008 Honorary Alumnus of the Year” personifies what it means to be a neighbor, friend and entrepreneur. Born and raised in Bangor, he loved the family farm that became the University campus. Bud has been a lifelong entrepreneur, from peddling vegetables and eggs in the Great Depression to mobile homes, furniture, restaurants, shopping malls and real estate. Today, he owns or has sold the lots for 800 mobile and traditional homes in Bangor. He is a family man, a man of faith, whose generosity is as private as it is kind. He is a role model as an entrepreneur. From his early days on Husson’s Hillman Farm Campus, to his gifts of landscaping and scholarships, and his life-long counsel to five Husson presidents, Bud Grant has honored Husson University.
Husson inducts five into Sports Hall of Fame

James Murphy ’74, “Friend of Athletics,” BS in Business Administration. He has been teaching business education at George Stevens Academy (GSA) since his graduation from Husson. Jim became GSA’s athletic administrator in 1984. He established new programs in sailing, track, wrestling, tennis, golf and swimming while adding sub-varsity teams in softball, soccer, basketball, tennis and golf. He is co-founder and director of the Blue Hill Activities Group. In his own words: “my plate is always full, as is that of most of my peers. Teaching class each day certainly guarantees that, but I am very proud of what we have been able to accomplish at George Stevens Academy. I really don’t consider any of my personal accomplishments as outstanding, but, rather, as opportunities and challenges that I have been given to help make our community a better place to live, our school a better place to learn, and our Conference a better league to compete.”

Bryan Jefferson ’96, “Basketball” BS in Business Administration/Sports Management. Since his graduation from Husson, Bryan has worked his way up the corporate ladder in the Washington, D.C. area. As a marketing consultant at AARP, he played an integral role in developing sponsorships for the Annual Life@50+ National Convention. In 2003 he started his own business, Clean Sweep Cleaning Services, LLC. Throughout his career he has maintained his connection with sports including his tenure as the Teen Program Director for the Maryland National Capital Park & Planning Commission. In 2004 he teamed up with Husson alumnus, Xavier Joyner ’95, as assistant basketball coach at Montgomery College in Germantown, MD. Currently, Bryan is beginning an after school basketball academy in the D.C. Public School System.

Alexander “Sandy” McCuaig ’98, “Baseball” BS in Business Administration/Sports Management. After graduating from Husson, Sandy accepted a position with Olympia Sports in Nashua, New Hampshire, as a member of their Management Trainee program. In 2001 he made a career change and began working at Fidelity Investments in Merrimack, New Hampshire. Today, he is a unit manager in trade operations responsible for a team that supports the Fixed Income Trading desk. Sandy won the Maine Athletic Conference Rookie of the Year award in 1994, the New England Player of the Year in 1997 and he was a member of the Husson coaching staff in 1998. His jersey number was retired in 2000.

Amy Dyer-Kelley ’95 “Basketball” BS in Business Administration/Sports Management. Amy is currently the girl’s varsity basketball coach at Searsport District High School. Amy has also coached at the Troy Howard Middle School in Belfast in 2004-2006 where her team won the Sportsmanship award and the Busline League championship. Her awards include the Most Improved Player for Husson basketball in 1994, captain of Husson varsity basketball in 1995 and captain of the school’s varsity softball team in 1995. While playing basketball at Husson she was ninth in total career games and fifth in career field-goal percentage. “There were many nights when Amy would go to school, practice and then drive home to Belfast to work an all-night [job] just to get up and do it all over again,” Husson coach Kissy Walker has commented.

Jay Durfee ’96 ’98 “Golf” BS in Business Administration, BS in Teacher Education. His induction is in recognition of his distinguished career in professional golf and ice hockey. Durfee entered the PGA in 1998 and has spent the past decade in a variety of official capacities that have taken him from first assistant pro at the Waterville Maine Country Club for seven years to founder of the Northeast College Golf Combine in 2009. He taught golf management at Thomas College (1999-2000), was first assistant pro at Cohasset Country Club in Massachusetts and Cape Neddick Country Club in Maine while directing Harmon Golf Club (MA) Junior Golf and development programs. Jay also refereed for USA Ice Hockey at state, regional and national championships for six years in a row. In 2007 he was selected to referee the Division One NCAA Men’s Nationals Ice Hockey Championship. Recently married, Jay and his wife, Alicia Arnold, now live in Weymouth, Massachusetts.
Welcome Home!

Cheerleaders fire up the tailgate football fans

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homecoming ’08

Alumni danced to the music of “The Skyliners”

Tom Sawyer ’78 (left), Clara Swan ’33,’84,’95 (middle), Phil Frederick ’73 (right) perform “off with College and on with University”

Kappa celebrates homecoming

Glenn ’96 and Vicki Mower moving to the music.

Young Alumni Club serves pasta at the Pastene Pasta Pavilion.

Pastene Pasta Pavilion hosted by Spanky ’73 and Amanda ’74 LoTruglio, with EMMC representatives Dr. Mark Brown, Chief of Pediatrics, and Ben Hatch, CMN Champion Child.

Alumni served by our very own “Chef Terry”

Jim Miller ’71, surrounded by friends and family for the Alumni dinner.

Alumni dinner music by the George Stevens Academy Jazz Ensemble.

See more photos online at husson.edu/alumni
To be successful in life many will tell you to do what you love. Of course, it doesn’t hurt to also be good at what you to do. Husson graduate Peter Mainguy is a success by any measure. This past year, Peter was named general manager of the Ritz-Carlton Millenia, Singapore, a 609-room business and convention hotel, one of the world’s most renowned hotels for service. In his free time he is a professional dirt bike racer and actively participates in various motocross and desert “Baja” endurance races as a fully sponsored rider with the Middle East KTM team out of Dubai.

A child of globetrotting parents, Peter was born in Montreal and lived in Holland, London, and Belgium before coming to Husson. While he currently lives in Singapore, he calls Dubai “home,” as well as his little bit of “heaven,” a camp on Branch Pond in Ellsworth. Despite a learning disability that was not discovered until he was in eleventh grade, Peter has worked hard to become a veteran hotelier.

His love of adventure and working in far-flung locations and his self-proclaimed “need for speed” have made Peter the success he is today.

So first tell me, how did you get involved with motorcycles?

At 15 I bought my first bike. I had been working since the age of 12 delivering papers, pushing carts in shopping centers and eventually working as an apprentice/tool boy after school in a bike shop. My parents disapproved of my hobby to the point that my dad took my first bike away. I ran away for a week at 15 to the south of France, hung out on beaches in my tent eating bread, and only hitched a ride back when I thought my parents had had enough. I won that battle with my parents as I stubbornly said, “Bike or I walk for good.” I was truly prepared to do that.

What made you apply and finally decide to come to Husson?

I graduated from the International School of Brussels, Belgium, in 1980. I just graduated; my grades were awful. I did not know what I wanted to do. I ended up in many stupid jobs trying to figure out how to get into mainstream racing. After becoming badly injured [during practice with SWM Belgium] and ending up in the hospital for five months, I went to see my guidance counselor, who told me I should go to college. My dad made me a deal: If I got accepted, he would pay for college as long as I got passing grades. Husson was the only school to accept me, such as my grades were, with a strict six-month probation period.

Tell me about your first job out of college?

After I graduated in the summer of 1986, I took a job as a management trainee at the Brussels Sheraton Hotel and Towers. While most of my college classmates were taking $20,000-30,000 jobs, I started at $0 and only started getting paid minimum wage after my third month. The general manager said I would never last. Within a two-year period I went from trainee to room service, reception, banqueting coordinator, shift leader in reception, and sales executive. Those years were so much fun, extremely tough work, 70+ hour weeks with no money. I couldn’t afford McDonald’s more than once a week.

[Early in his career, Peter traveled extensively in Africa. While there he experienced history in the making, surviving two violent coups in Gabon, and Zaire, a host of shootings, and, finally, the bombing of the Sheraton Harare in Zimbabwe.]

You worked in Abu Dhabi, Cairo, Bahrain, and Dubai in various capacities for a number of different corporations before becoming the general manager of the Ritz-Carlton, Sharm El Sheik in 2005 and general manager of the Ritz-Carlton, Dubai in 2007. How did these positions help you get to where you are today?

Two months into my tenure [at the Sharm El Sheik] a devastating bombing occurred. The hotel occupancy rate fell from a high of 90% to 8%. Three hundred people lost their lives and
Josh Wilbur ’98 graduated from the New England School of Communications and headed for the Big Apple to work at Sound Tracks in New York at the right hand of his idol, recording engineer Andy Wallace. Josh was so determined to study under Wallace that it was the only studio where he applied. Starting positions in audio engineering typically do not pay very well and Josh’s case was certainly not the exception. Sharing a one room apartment with four others in Spanish Harlem was a hardship, but it paid off very quickly. Soon Josh found himself as Andy Wallace’s Pro Tools operator, making him the “go to” guy in the studio. While working on projects with Andy, Josh soon started producing and engineering projects of his own. One such project was an album by his brother, and fellow NESCom alumnus, Jared Wilbur ’04 and his band, Too Late the Hero.

Over the years, Josh has been nominated twice for a Grammy award. His first win came in 2007 at the 50th Annual Grammy awards for his work on Steve Earle’s album Washington Square Serenade. Josh has traveled several times to Japan and regularly works on projects in Canada and all across the U.S. His list of projects includes artists from Pink to Darius Rucker. He has produced or engineered projects for Avenged Sevenfold, Dead Poetic, Chevelle, It Dies Today, Project 86, Nobis, Red Cloud Revival, Hidden in Plain View, Wakefield, Lil Kim, Busta Rhymes, Still Remains, Daughters of Mars, Travega, Staind, Puddle of Mudd, Fuel, From Autumn to Ashes, Full Force, Too Late the Hero, 3LW, Avril Lavigne, Eliane Elias, Stacy Orrico, Ashanti, A Dozen Furries, Army of Me, Negatones, Lady Sovereign, Bo Bice, Nothingface, Haste the Day, Black Tide, Hatebreed, Search the City, Gizmachi, Dirtfedd, and Shiny Toy Guns.

His most recent project was as producer for the new Lamb of God album. While Josh is extraordinarily busy, he still finds time to visit his alma mater on a regular basis and share his experiences with our students, many of whom long to follow in his footsteps.
Jamel Brown-Jones ’02, ’03 MSB

Like many students at Husson, Jamel Brown-Jones ’02 ’03 MSB was the first in his family to attend college. A native of Springfield Gardens, NY, Jamel graduated in 1998 from a large urban high school that had at that time less than a 20% graduation rate. Despite these hurdles, Jamel now has a successful administrative career in the Trenton Public School System, a wife, Adrain Jones ’04 BS/MSB, a young son, and a bright future in education ahead of him.

When Jamel arrived at Husson in 1998, his focus was basketball. Recruited as a point guard for the Husson Eagles, Jamel admits that his focus was not on academics. But luckily, Jamel was taken under the wing of Jane Goodwin ’61 ETE, Husson’s late director of admissions, and set on the right track. “Jane Goodwin was my mom away from home,” says Jamel. “She hugged me when I needed hugs and gave me a kick in the butt when I needed a kick.”

Jamel majored in elementary education, health and physical education. He did his student teaching in the Bangor Public School System with Tom Coyne at Mary Snow School and Jeff Fahey at Bangor School. “Coach Coyne,” says Jamel, “taught me how to get kids active and stay moving during a 45-minute period.” “Coach Fahey introduced me to all kinds of sports—cross country skiing, snowmobiling, rock climbing—activities I had never tried growing up.”

Jamel has only wonderful things to say about Husson and the time he spent here, emphasizing, “Husson really ignited my vision for life.” Jamel especially credits basketball coach Warren Caruso ’89, MSB ’08, with helping him with this vision.

Caruso says, “Students from urban backgrounds have unique challenges adjusting to Husson’s small town environment. Many cannot adjust to the quiet, the neighborliness, or the cold. Jamel, to his credit, made a conscious effort to confront any challenges he encountered head-on and because of that was able to succeed.” Although Jamel sustained an ankle injury during his junior year, Caruso points out that Jamel was a true “student-athlete,” continuing to come to practices and games and support his fellow teammates.

After receiving his B.S. in 2002, Jamel stayed on at Husson to serve as resident director of Carlisle Hall and pursue his MSB, which he received in 2003. During this time he also served as assistant women’s basketball coach under Kissy Walker. The R.D. position and the coaching “helped develop my leadership skills,” says Jamel. These skills were put to use once he started teaching.

Jamel started as a teacher of a comprehensive health and physical education classes for grades 5-12 in Trenton, NJ. He was soon tapped for an administrative position. “Being a minority male in education with my master’s degree made me well positioned to be chosen for this job. As the smaller learning community coordinator for Grade 9, I am in charge of the personal learning plans for all at-risk children in grade nine. I am responsible for all aspects of these student’s lives—attendance, grades, counseling, special education, referrals and discipline. Having come out of a background where many of my childhood classmates came from broken homes or were being raised by grandparents, I am uniquely able to understand and support the students I am responsible for.”

Unlike Maine, schools in many urban areas are struggling to stay connected to students in very large high school settings. By breaking the large population of students into “smaller learning communities,” a school system such as Trenton’s is able to increase graduation rates, reduce absenteeism and better guide students for life after high school. By having essentially a “school within a school,” Jamel’s position is not unlike an assistant principalship—a fast paced, student focused job that touches all aspects of students’ educational experience.

In his free time, Jamel coaches the boy’s varsity basketball team, working to build up the program by providing consistency and structure to the students he coaches. He states that the boys he coaches are “used to a lot of change. The team gives them a chance to learn about collective responsibility and be part of something greater than themselves.” Jamel also continues to maintain a connection to Husson by being an admissions ambassador, representing Husson at college fairs in the greater New York/New Jersey area.

Jamel and Coach Walker have stayed in touch over the years and he calls every few weeks to check in and maintain what has now turned into a friendship. From time to time he has even gone to see a game or two in the area to check out prospects for Coach Walker. Jamel has come full circle, thanks to Husson, a place to which he will “always be eternally grateful.”
Mention the name Adrain Hodges Jones’s ’04 BS/MSB to anyone connected to Husson and the responses are always glowing. “That’s one smart girl.” “Outstanding student.” “An accounting whiz!” Adrain is indeed gifted, and the INROADS program for minority students thought so too. INROADS is a highly competitive program that provides quality internships with major corporations and institutions to outstanding high school students during the summers before and during college. A native of Ewing, New Jersey, Adrain was matched by INROADS with Rhodia, a major chemical company headquartered in France. Not only did Rhodia train Adrain during the summer paying her a competitive salary, they also paid for much of her schooling, covering tuition and fees at Husson. After graduating with a five-year combination BS/MSB degree in accounting and business, with a minor in math, Adrain was hired as a commercial credit analyst for Rhodia.

After two years at Rhodia, Adrain moved over to the Global Pharmaceutical Division of Alcan Packaging. Never heard of Alcan? Not many have. Alcan, based in France, is a worldwide manufacturing company of containers and is listed on two stock exchanges. Containers? Yep, not sexy but crucial. Alcan makes the pouches for Capri Sun juices, the caps and bottles for Tylenol and lipstick and blush holders for the cosmetics industry, Alcan is also an innovator in developing tubes (for lotions and creams) from recycled materials such as milk jugs.

Adrain’s job in all this is as a financial analyst for Alcan. She works at the company’s Leadership Office, not far from one of Alcan’s five manufacturing plants. She is responsible for closing the corporate books, working with plant controllers on how to book items and keep track of inventory and prepare rebate calculations.

Adrain credits Husson for giving her the accounting skills to succeed in the corporate world. During Adrain’s time at Husson she got to know Professor Dewey Martin, chair of the accounting department. Professor Martin taught Adrain in seven courses and is very proud of his former student: “I got to know Adrain when she enrolled in my Intermediate Accounting class in her second year. Adrain commanded my attention because she had great presence, even at 19 years old. She rarely missed classes and was an excellent student. Adrain was [also] a proficient campus leader during her time at Husson and always carried herself with class. She set an excellent example for other students to emulate.”

If her day job isn’t enough, Adrain comes home each day to her own accounting and tax service business as well as an active two year old, Jamel Jones, Jr. Married to fellow Husson grad, Jamel Brown-Jones ’02, ’03 MSB, Adrain has a true partner in parenting. Because of his work schedule, he is able to pick up Jamel, Jr. and take care of things on the home front until Adrain returns home in the evening. Adrain usually takes the early morning shift, getting Jamel, Jr. up and out the door to the sitter on her way to work. Adrain says her plans for the next five to ten years are “continuing my career and family.” She sees growing her business into a small practice, serving the greater Willingboro, NJ area.

The family tradition at Husson continues as Adrain’s cousin, Clarence Hodges, now attends Husson as a five-year business degree student and member of the basketball team. Keeping the family tradition alive, who knows, maybe Husson’s graduating class of 2028 will include Jamel Jones, Jr.? One thing is for sure: Adrain is grateful for her Husson education and Husson is proud of Adrain.

Professor Martin has only one negative thing to say about Adrain, “The only thing I hold against Adrain is that she never sent me a picture to go on my Wall of Fame in my office.” Here’s hoping this article satisfies Professor Martin, Adrain!
1930s

Clara Swan ’33, ’84, ’95 was honored with a special award for 25 years of service with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. At the young age of 96, Clara says, “You are never too old to volunteer.”

1940s

Congratulations to Harriet Clevette Goodwin ’41 ETE on her retirement as bookkeeper at Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church in North Conway, NY. Harriet says, “At the age of 85, I felt it was time.”

Carroll Austin ’49 writes, “After retiring from Great Northern Paper Co., and the U.S. Treasury (IRS), I became involved with the City of Ellsworth as chairman of Voter Registration Board, and the public library as trustee and treasurer. I’m now pursuing my interests in gardening and sailing. I’m always looking for a crew if anyone is interested call 207-667-7068.

1950s

George Wallace ’57 recently retired from Trenton Flooring and Furniture after 25 years.

1960s

Congratulations to Thomas Rourke ’65 in Middletown, CT on the birth of his first grandchild.

Robert Brown ’65 retired after 35 years as teacher/coach and chair of Business Education Department of Crosby High School, Waterbury, CT. He is now serving as labor arbitrator for the State of Connecticut, Board of Mediation and Arbitration. He spends his winters in Sarasota, Florida.

Dorothy “Dottie” Cerbone ’66 has recently joined VanceGray Wealth Management Inc. in Bangor as a registered investment adviser. Dottie will be the lead planning assistant for Joe Alvarez ’02, associate adviser and certified financial planner candidate.

Arthur “Archie” Verow ’66, Archie retired last year after serving as Brewer City Clerk for 40 years. He has recently been named Mayor of the City of Brewer, and is looking forward to working with the City Council on issues that face the city residents.

George Lambert ’66 has recently published a documentary titled “Brothers and Heroes: A Chronicle of Military Service of Six Americans.” George was the youngest of eight boys. His big brothers were his heroes. After retiring from accounting in 2001, his interest in their military service turned into a project he researched for a year before publishing his documentary.

Robert O’Keefe ’67 writes that he has “finally retired from Angelica Corporation after 29 years. My wife Fran is retiring from the school district in October so we are both looking forward to no work.” Bob and Fran live in Guilderland, New York.

Frank ’67 & Delores Parillo have opened a new 123 room Hampton Inn & Suites in downtown Saratoga Springs, New York.

Kathryn Horne Witham ’67 is retired and headed to Florida for the winter. She looks forward to returning in the summer to Schoodic Lake. She says, “life is great!”

Mark Jenness ’68 has recently reconnected with Husson. He is working at the Department of Energy in Germantown, MD. Previously, Mark worked at the Department of Homeland Security for three years. He had an interesting commute to work each day: 66 miles by car, 28 metro stops, and walked 10 blocks to be in his office by 5:40am every morning. Now he is only 20 miles away by car. He dreams of retiring in Maine someday. One of his fondest memories of Husson was playing basketball and giving Al Caston ’70 a ride to practice every night.

1970s

Husson alumnus and trustee, John Rohman ’77, CEO of WBRC Architects & Engineers, was named by the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce as the recipient of its prestigious Norbert X. Dowd Award. John was presented with the award at the Chamber’s Annual Dinner in front of 700 members of the Greater Bangor Community and beyond. The award is given each year to an individual who demonstrates exceptional leadership and success in the business community and who dedicates their time, talent, and enthusiasm through volunteerism in the Bangor Region.

1980s

Philip Laine ’80 TEF has been employed by the State of Maine for the past 27 years, and for the last five years he has been with the Department of Motor Vehicles in Lewiston.

Sally Jo Sylvester Oliver ’80 ΔΣΔ has recently accepted a position with Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, NH. She is working in the library as serials assistant updating the hundreds of thousands of law books, periodicals and binders housed within the three floor library. She would like to hear from her ΔΣΔ sisters.

Donna Sinsabaugh Fancy ’80, has joined the Allen Financial Group as an office administrator. She and her husband live in Belfast, where she enjoys gardening, hiking and kayaking. In the winter she participates in curling.

Richard Bronson ’81 has been recently elected to the Bangor City Council.

June Marsh Haeme ’83 is a court reporter with Area Wide Court Reporting in Champaign, Illinois. She has passed three national certification tests; Registered Professional Reporter, Registered Merit Reporter, and Certified Realtime Reporter. June and her husband Jon live in rural Ford County, Illinois and enjoy an active outdoor lifestyle.

Robert B. Bassett ’84, Colonial Bank’s area president for Lee and Collier counties in Florida, with 30 years experience in the banking industry, has been selected to serve on the 2009 Board of Directors for the Lee Building Industry Association. The Lee BIA is a nonprofit organization providing technical assistance, information and educational services to members of the industry.
the building industry throughout Lee, Hendry and Glades counties. He holds a bachelor’s degree in business from Marquette University and a master’s in Business from Husson. Additionally, he is a graduate of the New England School of Banking and the Commercial Lending Graduate School at the University of Oklahoma.

Ikuko Yasuda Handa ’86 writes that she is teaching English in Tokyo and loves it.

Chris Findlen ’87 TEF has recently joined Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway, Maine, as a data analyst. Chris resides in Windham with his wife Nancy and daughter Rachel.

1990s

Mary Holloway, RN ’91, is a nurse in the NICU at North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem. She also owns and operates a music store, “School & Stage” in Thomasville. In her “spare” time she is a guitarist, singer/songwriter in a band called “Acoustica.”

Brad Cook ’92, ’95 has been named the new Searsport District High School varsity boys basketball coach. Cook is a 1990 graduate of SDHS and was co-captain of the varsity basketball team as a senior.

Koichiro Kaneko ’93, sends greetings from Japan. He is president at Kanack Planning Corporation in Tokyo.

Motohiko Kimura ’94, ’95, is wearing his Husson cap & gown for his completion of the MBA program at IBA (Institute of Business and Accounting) at Kwansei Gakuin University, Hyogo, Japan. He completed the two year program in 1 ½ years. His thesis was about marketing in medical services (specifically radiation treatment device for cancer treatment) to expand its market by understanding the patient’s decision making process and behavior. Moto would love to hear from students and alumni who would like to visit or study in Japan.

Raymond Alley ’95 has been inducted into the 2008 Midcoast Sports Hall of Fame. Alley was a multi-time All American during his athletic career at Husson. He has been inducted into the Husson Athletic Hall of Fame and has had his basketball jersey number retired.

James J Durfee MΣX ’96, a 2008 inductee to the Husson Sports Hall of Fame, and Alicia M Arnold were married on May 25, 2008 at the Scituate Country Club in Massachusetts. Fellow Husson Alumnus Mark Boulanger MΣX ’94 served as the Best Man. He is currently Head PGA Golf Professional at Old March Country Club in Wells, Maine and is president of the Northeast College Golf Showcase. Alicia is a senior account executive with Marketing Drive Worldwide. They reside in Weymouth, MA.

Jonghee Park ’97 is currently employed in the investment banking department of Daewoo Securities in Seoul, Korea. He plans to sit for his CPA examination soon. Jonghee and his wife have two children, a son 6, and a daughter 2.

Philip Jean, CNHA, MSB ’97, is chosen as facilities operations manager and administrator of Russell Park Rehabilitation & Living Center. He is pleased to be working for North Country in his hometown of Lewiston. Phil received his undergraduate degree from the University of Maine in Orono and his MSB with a concentration in health care administration at Husson.

Javier Eduardo Trujillo ’97 ICLS, writes that he has earned a Bachelor’s in Marketing and Advertising and also earned an IAA diploma in Marketing Communications. “I wanted to share this important achievement due to the extraordinary elements that ICLS and Husson brought to me as a person and as a professional. I am very thankful to you, ICLS and Husson.”

Lisa Meyer ’98, director of marketing and client relations at the law firm Preti Flaherty, has been elected president of the Legal Marketing Association’s New England Chapter. She will lead the 2009 board of directors in monthly educational programming, networking opportunities, the annual conference and other member services. Lisa is a resident of Saco.

Dan Curtis ’99 and Shannon Hamilton Curtis ’99 have been married for 8 years. They have 3 wonderful boys, Jackson, 6, Hunter, 5, and Dawson 6 months. Shannon recently graduated from University of Maine with her Master’s of Science in Nursing and is currently employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner at EWD Gouldsboro Clinic in Gouldsboro, ME, a branch of Maine Coast Memorial Hospital. Dan is the manager at Ellsworth Building Supply. They are both active members at the Downeast Family YMCA as volunteer coaches for the sports they loved to play at Husson. Dan and Shannon live in Ellsworth.

Ricky Berg ’99, and Hye In Han ’99 were married July 26, 2008 and currently live in Corinth. Rick is working as a mortgage loan officer at Skowhegan Savings Bank.
Future EAGLES

1. To Jennifer (Hynes) Harrington MSPT ’01 and husband Ryan, a daughter, Caitlin Marie.
2. To Joe Alvarez ’02 and wife Wendy, a daughter, Jasmine Marie.
3. To Felicia (Watananchit) Bard MSPT ’06 and husband Jonas MSPT ’06, a daughter, Emma Rae.
4. To Matt Thompson ’89, ’91, and wife Mary, a daughter, Madeline Kate.
5. To Jessica Hilt MSPT ’04, and Dr. Gautam Popli, a daughter, Sophia Kiran Joan Popli
6. To Jill (Nute) Overlock, MSPT ’05 and husband Dale, a daughter, Iris Nicole.
7. To Koichiro Kaneko ’93 and wife, a son, Kodai

Stephen Doak ’99, After serving as an adjunct faculty for Central Maine Community College, he has been appointed to a full-time faculty position in Business Administration and Management. A native of Belfast, he now lives in Augusta.

2000s

Dale Hamilton ’01, has been named executive director of Community Health and Counseling Services. Dale has been with CHCS for 16 years in various leadership positions. He and his wife, Tricia, and their two children, Jared and Colby, live in Ellsworth.

Melissa Bradford BS/MSB ’03, is working as an accounting assistant/move coordinator for Central Maine Moving and Storage in Bangor.

Shane Ross ’03 graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro. He previously served four years in the U.S. Air Force. Shane has been assigned as a State Trooper to patrol in York County.

Nathan Willigar ’04 is a senior tax examiner with the state of Maine. Nate has become involved with CYNERGY, a division of the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce and recommends it as a great way to meet other young professionals in the Augusta area, with similar goals and who want to help their community. For more information about CYNERGY visit www.cynergyaugusta.com.

Rich Atkin MSPT ’06, and wife Mary, son Max, and daughter Lucy, have moved to Kansas. They are looking forward to a new baby daughter in the spring.

Chang Lin ’06 has moved to Goleta, California and has started a business in the fashion industry, www.adroitfootwear.com.

Michael Archer ’06 and Rebecca Saunders were married September 13, 2008, at the Lucerne Inn, Dedham. Michael is employed with PricewaterhouseCoopers in Boston.

Air Force Airman 1st Class Chad L. Flannery ’07 has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Don LeBert ’07 is a server manager, supervisor for twelve, and lead system administrator for 3000+ servers for Newtek Business Services in Phoenix, Arizona. He has also completed a Master’s in Information Security since moving to Arizona. Moremil Clemente Del Duca ’07 was in visit to November. She is currently working for Herman Health Insurance Company located in Barcelona, Spain.

Oscar Ody ’08, is living in Burlington, VT, just one block from Lake Champlain and working for UPS business development. He works with small businesses to educate them in all the tools UPS provides to help them succeed. His territory is the top half of Vermont. Oscar’s favorite part of the job is dealing with a variety of businesses and people. “I’m seeing a lot of ‘hand made’ and local products made by the hard work, creativity, tradition and skills of the people of Vermont. It is especially encouraging to see ‘made in the USA’ on the products being sent domestically and internationally.”

Oscar is confident that he has the tools to succeed with the preparation his Husson education has given him. Vermont is treating him well, but he still misses all his friends at Husson.

Ashley (Greenleaf) Currin ’08, married Matthew S. Currin on May 14, 2008 in a small ceremony in Calabash, North Carolina. They currently live in Pikeville, North Carolina while Matthew is in the Marine Corps. Ashley is working for a car dealership and continuing her education in health-related certification to add to her Husson degree.

Hashizume Hideki ’08 MSB, has joined the accounting division of Seiko in Chiba, Japan.

Kyle Poissonnier ’08, devised a brand and a marketing concept which has turned into a successful business venture, Elykssor. Kyle says, “the name means to prolong life indefinitely, to turn whatever you touch into gold.” It’s not just a shirt, it is collectible art. Once a design is printed, it is never used again. The Elykssor Clothing concept demonstrates how modern marketing can be done with cell phones, e-mail and the Internet. He is living in the Philadelphia area now and working to establish a strong business. Check out his website, elykssor.bigcartel.com.
in memoriam

Charles 'Chick' Carlisle, Husson Trustee 1965-1975, of Someroro and Bangor died January 15, 2009 at Ellsworth. He graduated from the University of Maine and served in the U.S. Navy. Chick had a successful career in banking and was active in his community serving as a trustee at St. Joseph Hospital and the Board of Directors of the University of Maine Foundation. Barbara Cassidy, Husson Trustee 1968-1977 died February 1, 2009 at Bangor. She graduated from Sacred Heart College, Newton, Massachusetts and earned an MBA from the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania. Barbara worked for State Street Bank in Boston before returning to Bangor in 1965 to work at Eastern Trust and Banking Co. She was fond of the arts and was active in community organizations. Barbara will be remembered for her dedication to philanthropy throughout Maine. Her service during challenging times on the Husson Board of Trustees was invaluable. Dr. Mary Stillman Zink Ph. D, Husson Faculty 1971-1980, died December 30, 2008. Mary chaired the first graduate committee at Husson College which led to the establishment of the Master of Science in Business. She earned her Bachelor’s at Cornell, her Master’s from Yale, and her Doctorate at Cornell in Psychology. She was an executive for the Girl Scouts of America and served in administrative positions. She was on the faculty at Elon College and the University of Maine. The MSB was Husson’s first foray into graduate education, and Mary’s leadership was crucial to its success.

1930s

Arleile Sweetser Banks RN ’32 EMGH died August 24, 2008 at Bangor. Arleile was active in her church and community. She had many interests and enjoyed her family and the simple pleasures of life. Virginia Gordon Whitney ’33 died January 3, 2009 at Appleton, Wisconsin. Her husband, Dr. Roy Whitney, was on the staff of the Institute of Paper Chemistry. Virginia was very active in the arts community of Appleton and with various social service organizations. Hilda Fairfield Addenbrook ’33 of Islesboro died August 9, 2009 at Union. She enjoyed sailing and belonged to yacht clubs in Florida and Maine. Hilda was involved in community activities in Islesboro. Catherine Ladd McIntyre ’34 died December 27, 2008 at Freeport. She worked as a secretary and office manager for many years in legal and hospital settings. Blaine P. Woodbury ’38 of Morrill died December 1, 2008 at Belfast. He owned and operated a dairy farm for 64 years. He also owned the Morrill General Store and was active in his community. Vincent Miller Wood ’38 MEX died December 6, 2008 at Bangor. He served in the United States Air Force as a B-26 Bomber crew chief in England and France. Vincent worked 35 years for Mobil Oil Corporation. Major Henry Burnett Morrill ’38, died November 13, 2008 at his home in Orono. Henry served in the European Theater landing in the invasions of North Africa and Sicily during World War II. He and his brothers owned and operated Captain Morrill’s, a very successful seafood business. They also owned Morrill’s Super Service and Morrill’s Trailer Sales. Survivors include his daughter Jane Morrill Thomas ’88, son Dale Morrill ’88 MSB, son David Morrill and Rev. Bruce Morrill S. J. and their families.

1940s

Ruth Morgan Noyes ’40 died December 28, 2008 at Caribou. She was city treasurer for the City of Caribou for many years. Esther Rosebush Booer ’40 ETE of Orland and North Fort Meyers, Florida, died September 1, 2008 at Bangor. She worked several years at the John R. Crooker Insurance Agency, Bucksport. Esther and her husband retired to Florida. Phyllis Emerson Henderson RN ’41 EMGH died January 21, 2009 at Newport. She worked at Eastern Maine General Hospital and served as a first lieutenant in the U. S. Army Nurse Corps in England and Germany during World War II. Phyllis held a private pilot’s license and served as a public health nurse after the war. Ruth Cookson Fales, RN ’47 EMGH died June 25, 2008 at Eastport. Ruth worked for 41 years as an RN in various hospitals throughout the United States. D. Aldana Coburn Brea RN ’47 EMGH of Bangor died January 12, 2008 at Brewer. She was proud of her nursing career and was a member of EMGH/EMMC/ Husson Nursing Alumni Association. Mary Belmain Hunt ’48 died December 22, 2008 at East Hartford, CT. She was retired from Travelers Insurance as a Data Input Specialist. Edward A. Lumbert ’48 MEX died November 4, 2008 at Bangor. He served in the U. S. Navy during World War II. Edward was an executive for Great Northern Paper Company for 40 years. Eva Jellison Hall Hearn RN ’48 EMGH of Piscataway, New Jersey died December 10, 2008 at New Brunswick, New Jersey. She served in the Women’s Army Corps and was married to Captain Frank Hearn, former manager of Fleet Services for Mobil Oil Corporation, who survives her. Rolland E. Foster ’48 died November 21, 2008 at Falmouth. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, employed in sales by Rice and Miller, Emery Waterhouse, and later owned Falmouth Hardware with his sons. Barbara Young Collins RN ’49 EMGH died October 11, 2008 at Bangor. She was very active at Essex Street Baptist Church and was a member of Order of Eastern Star. William ‘Bill’ Cyr ’53 MZ of South Portland died September 30, 2008. He served in the United State Army from 1954-1956. Bill owned and operated a barber/stylist business “The Gentlemen’s Choice” in South Portland. Joanne O’Mara McAvoy ’54 died September 29, 2008 at East Millinocket. She was employed in the Human Resources Department of Great Northern Paper Company, retiring in 1991. Ann was very active in many civic organizations. Catherine Duren O’Loughlin ’54 died November 25, 2008 at Bangor. She was employed as a secretary at the Bangor House, a driver education instructor and a personal care attendant. Cecil L. Guadre ’56 KAB of Dexter died December 3, 2008 at Dover-Foxcroft. Cecil served in the U.S. Army in Europe, and later managed hotels in Florida and Maine including the world famous Breakers Hotel at Palm Beach. Joanne Eagers Crawford RN ’57 EMGH died November 14, 2008 at Bangor. Joanne was a registered nurse at Eastern Maine Medical Center and Bangor State Hospital, now known as Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center.

1950s

Clifford ‘Kip’ Leach ’51 of Cape Rosier died November 14, 2008 at Bangor. He served in the U. S. Army in Korea. He was manager of purchasing in the Timberlands Division of St. Regis Paper, and owned and operated C. A. Leach Gas Dock, Buck’s Harbor. Kip also served 47 years as a selectman of Brooksville, was active in the Masons, and his community. Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center.

1960s

Alan L. Smith ’60 of Athens died on October 2, 2008 at Skowhegan. He was a veteran of the Korean War. Alan owned and operated Newell and Smith
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The Eastern Maine General Hospital, Eastern Maine Medical Center and Husson nursing alumni share some very interesting memories with us. They feel privileged to have experienced some things that remain only in their memories.

1. 12-hour days & 6-day weeks were required for the EMGH 1922 students numbering 2,500.
2. The rate of hospital charge at that time was: $1.25 per day.
3. In 1932 the regulations posted in the Nursing residence hall were:
   a. 6:00 a.m. rising bell.
   b. 10:00 p.m. in bed, lights out, absolutely quiet.
   c. Nurses must NOT sweep dirt from their room into the corridors.
   d. No meats, pastry or greasy food of any kind is permitted in rooms.
   e. Use only 25 watt bulbs.
   f. Do not permit anything to fall out of the windows onto the ground.
   g. Students must wear bathrobes or kimonos when undressed in their room.
4. In 1960, the nursing program was 3 years, 50 weeks per year in length, with a tuition of $600. The applicant must be between 17 and 35 years of age.
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