Annual Campaign 2009-2010
We need your help!

Coe-Brown Northwood Academy is embarking on an exciting new pilot project to provide laptops to next year’s incoming freshman (the Class of 2014). The students will use the laptops throughout all four years of high school. Please help us (and these young people) with a contribution to the 2009/2010 CBNA Annual Campaign. Our goal is to contribute $25,000 toward the laptop pilot program. Your gift is tax deductible and supports Coe-Brown Northwood Academy’s ongoing commitment to the education of its students.

Through your generosity, last year’s campaign raised more than $30,000. A portion of that money will be used to buy interactive white boards for the Academy’s classrooms. Your donations to the Annual Campaign also help support the grant program that is made available to CBNA faculty and staff each year. The grants cover the areas of Academics, Administration, Arts, Athletics and Vocational Education.

NOTE: We are no longer offering online giving via the CBNA web site. Only a few alumni took advantage of this option and the fees associated with this program were extremely high, making it cost prohibitive. We are still able to accept credit card payments through June 30 (MasterCard or Visa) on the pledge envelopes; one is enclosed in this issue for your use.

The Annual Campaign closes June 30, 2010. Please make checks payable to CBNA Development and send to 905 First New Hampshire Turnpike, Northwood NH 03261. Thank you, alumni and friends of the Academy!

Restricted fund grants help expand programs

Thanks to the generosity of our alumni donors, the following teachers and staff members received grants from CBNA’s Restricted Fund for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Wendi Colby and Stacy Sweet, Library: books for the Reluctant Reader Program

Paul Lacroix, Assisted Study: USB drives for the Assisted Study Program

Betty Lent, Drama: folding spotlight riser/platform for the Drama Program

Patricia Savage, Special Education: support for the Community-Based Instruction Program

Allen Unrein, Art: photography lighting system for the Art Department

“Two of our award-winning art students used the new portrait lighting system for their reference photos,” says CBNA art teacher Allen Unrein. “So the lights are doing exactly what I had hoped for, providing ideal lighting possibilities to support my students’ ideas and talents. I am so grateful for this grant that allowed my students access to this quality equipment. I’m sure the alumni who supported this grant will be pleased to know how successful the results of their support have been.”

CBNA senior Jessie Locke uses the Art Department’s new lighting equipment to help photograph senior Jaccanna Sourisak, who is sitting inside her three-dimensional painted box.
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ON THE COVER: Annie Giles ’13. Photo courtesy of the family of Florence (Wells) Downs.
Dear Friends,

As I mark my 30th year as headmaster of Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, I can’t help but be amazed at the changes that have taken place during my tenure here. In this issue we take a look back at some of the people who have helped shape the Academy’s history.

One of these individuals is featured on our cover. Annie Giles graduated from Coe’s Northwood Academy (as it was then called) in 1913 and went on to teach elementary school here in Northwood. Many of her students eventually became Coe-Brown alumni, but they never forgot their first teacher! Be sure to read Jim Pender’s (Class of 1958) touching remembrances of this remarkable woman.

Someone who played a significant role in our more recent history was George N. Geers, a member of the Class of 1945 and a former trustee of the Academy. George passed away on February 26 of this year and I count this as both a personal and professional loss. I had such admiration for Mr. Geers and valued both his service to the Academy and his wise counsel. He will be sorely missed.

We bid congratulations and farewell to the 160 members of the Class of 2010 and look forward to welcoming the 190 members of the freshman Class of 2014 later this summer. You may have heard about a project we are working on that, if successful, will provide each of these freshmen with a laptop computer for use throughout their four years at Coe-Brown. The 2009-2010 Annual Campaign supports this project and I thank those of you who have already contributed to this growing fund. If you would like to make a donation, it’s not too late and we can still use your help!

I hope you enjoy reading about some of the past and present accomplishments of our Coe-Brown community as we continue to prepare for an exciting and challenging future.

Sincerely,

David S. Smith

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CBNA alumnus pays tribute to Annie Giles ’13

The cover of this issue features a woman who played an important role in the lives of many young people who grew up in Northwood in the 1920s, 30s, 40s and 50s. One person who credits Annie Giles, CBNA Class of 1913, with having a significant impact on his life is James Pender ’58.

“Mrs. Giles was my teacher at my elementary school in Northwood,” says Jim. “I was the child of a single mother and we didn’t have much money. Mrs. Giles took an interest in me, and she would have me come to her house to do odd jobs such as raking leaves and mowing the lawn. That way, I had some pocket money for a new shirt or pair of shoes, whatever I needed.

“But Mrs. Giles didn’t stop there. She would take me up to Montgomery’s Store in Pittsfield so I could do my shopping. She knew I would not be able to get there otherwise.”

Jim Pender went on to head up Rockingham Electric, a successful electrical supply company headquartered in Newington, New Hampshire. But he never forgot the woman who helped him along the way, and established a scholarship in Annie Giles’ name at Coe-Brown.

“I wanted to give back in a way that would pay tribute to someone who gave so much to me,” Jim says.
Any Coe-Brown alumnus who graduated within the past 15 years or so knows that senior year is a flurry of activity, mainly due to the requirements of the senior portfolio project. One graduate who survived to tell the tale is Jana Paradis Lovejoy, who graduated in 1995. Her senior project was fairly unusual and she has managed to weave what she learned from the experience into her daily life.

“As a kid I was curious about how the body functions,” says Jana. “I was always dissecting things and studying the parts that make up the whole. I was also someone who was in tune with nature and interested in the natural world.”

“When it came time for my senior project at Coe-Brown, I knew what I wanted to do. I worked with New Hampshire’s Fish and Game Department to acquire the carcass of a bear that had been put down as a problem animal. They delivered it to me frozen and I removed the fur and meat. I took apart the body, drilling holes in the bones to drain, boiling them clean and hanging them to dry for weeks. Then I slowly put the skeleton back together again.”

After high school Jana headed for Lyndon State College in Vermont to study sports medicine. “I took a lot of anatomy classes and even worked on a human cadaver,” she says.

But a change of heart promoted her to transfer to Colorado University in Boulder where she began pursuing a degree in biology. “My dream was to study veterinary care,” says Jana, “but the schooling was too competitive.”

After college Jana started her own landscaping business and she and her husband eventually moved to Vermont where they started a farm.

“We grow all our own food,” Jana says, “and we are beginning to provide food for other people, as well. In Vermont you can sell up to 500 chickens legally but we raise beef only for ourselves since we are not state certified. We have 100 laying hens and sell about 10 dozen eggs a week. We have a plucking machine for the chickens that we made ourselves—my husband has to pedal a bicycle to power it!”

In addition to the chickens and their beef cows, the Lovejoys raise sheep and pigs, as well as turkeys for Thanksgiving. They will soon be raising tilapia, a freshwater fish, in hoop houses on their 216-acre property. Fifty of the acres are open pasture for the cows and fruit and vegetable gardens take up another sizable portion.

“We have wild apple trees and we make cider and apple sauce each year. We also have berries and a pretty big vegetable garden. I start most of the plants indoors under hoop houses before transplanting outdoors in the garden,” says Jana. “With the long winters in New England you have to get a jump on your vegetables. We have a root cellar system so we put up most of our vegetables and are able to enjoy them year round.

“Right now we are self sustaining, but I hope to start doing farmers markets in the future,” Jana says. “I enjoy meeting the people who come to the farm for eggs and other produce and I would like to open up the farm at some point to help educate people about where their food comes from.

“We work with the farm-to-school initiative at my daughter’s school by donating eggs and vegetables and we also helped cook all day at our local harvest supper. This is all part of the education process.”

Jana, her husband, and their son and daughter live in an unusual house that they built themselves. Their straw bale house is insulated with bales of straw and took three years to construct.

“From the outside it looks like a regular wooden house,” says Jana. “On the inside we have natural clay plaster on the walls. We live off the grid, with solar panels for power. This summer we hope to install a wind generator.”

Jana’s lifestyle is an extension of her personality and the values she developed in childhood and beyond. A self-claimed hands-on learner, she believes Coe-Brown’s senior project structure is more beneficial than exams.

According to Jana, “If a student challenges him or herself with a meaningful project, it is an amazing experience.”

Editor’s note: Jana and her family welcome visitors to their farm in Newport, Vermont. She can be reached at janallovejoy@yahoo.com and, yes, her computer is solar powered. If you’d like to see the bear skeleton she reconstructed for her senior project, it’s still on display in Jean Cummings’ science classroom!
Coe-Brown senior Kaitlyn Doig is one of the student athletes who worked with the summer camp program. Last year she ran the girls volleyball summer camp for her senior project. She says that she’s always been passionate about sharing her knowledge of volleyball in order to help others improve and enjoy the sport as much as she does.

“I’ve been blessed with the opportunity to attend many different camps and play for many different coaches over the past 14 years, so I wanted to show the kids how much fun volleyball can be,” Kaitlyn says. “It was really rewarding to see the smiles on the campers’ faces at the end of each day. That told me that I had reached my goal as camp director and that the camp was a success.”

Kaitlyn helped run the camp for two years before taking over as director under the guidance of Coach Kristen Miller. She began attending the CBNA summer camps in fifth grade when she moved to Northwood.

“I was really excited that they had volleyball camp and I went to it every year until I was a freshman at CBNA, where I ultimately earned the position of starting setter for the varsity team. I also attended a couple CBNA tennis camps before coming to the Academy.”

Nottingham fifth-grader Davio DeLuca attended his first basketball camp at Coe-Brown last summer. He has signed up to attend the camp again this summer and is already looking forward to it.

“The coaches are really fun,” says Davio. “They all play on Coe-Brown’s basketball team and they’re so good. I can’t believe how fast they are. They taught us a lot of new drills and helped us with our skills. I think I played better on my Nottingham team this year after going to basketball camp at Coe-Brown.”

“My son attends Coe-Brown’s summer basketball camp and loves it,” says Renee Burke of Strafford. “From my perspective, the camp is a great value and the coaches and counselors really care
about the kids. When I drop my son off at camp I know he is in good hands.”

In addition to volleyball and basketball, Coe-Brown also offers a summer soccer camp. The softball, baseball and tennis camps/clinics take place in March and April. More information about these and other Coe-Brown sports programs can be obtained by calling Matt Skidds, CBNA’s athletic director, at 603-942-5531. Camp applications are available at the Academy’s main office during normal business hours or from the school web site at www.coebrown.org under Athletics.

“We welcome any child who wants to learn about the various sports, who wants to work hard to improve their skills or who is just looking for a positive camp experience. You don’t have to be an accomplished athlete to attend a Coe-Brown summer sports camp.”

CBNA Athletic Director Matt Skidds

**CBNA 2010 Summer Sports Programs and Camps**

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**
June 28 – July 2:
Girls entering grades 4 to 9

**BOYS BASKETBALL**
July 5 – July 7:
Boys entering grades 6 to 10

July 8 – July 10:
Boys entering grades 1 to 5

**SOCCER**
August 9 – August 13:
Boys and girls entering grades 4 to 8

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**
July 26 – July 30:
Girls entering grades 5 to 9
**Poetry Out Loud**

At Coe-Brown’s first annual Poetry Out Loud finals, senior Christian Leavitt became school champion and junior Jessica Goudreault, runner-up. Finalists also competing included senior Michael Dodge, sophomore Samantha Lepcier and freshman Henry Warburton. The school-wide finals were held on January 20 in an evening framed by two student-directed, one-act plays. Ms. Anna Hazen and Ms. April Pagnani acted as coordinators, with Mrs. Rita Dana, Mr. Antony DePalma, Ms. Caryn Lasky, Mrs. Elizabeth Lent and Mrs. Beth Mennelle volunteering to pilot the project in their classrooms.

The competition, presented in partnership with the New Hampshire State Council for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Poetry Foundation, is part of a national program that encourages high school students to learn about great poetry through memorization, performance and competition. These finalists in the school competition were chosen from among classroom champions during late December and early January in participating English classes and the Public Speaking class.

Poetry Out Loud is a national arts education program that encourages the study of great poetry by offering educational materials and a dynamic recitation competition to high schools across the country. Beginning at the classroom level, winners advance to a school-wide competition, then to regional and state competition and, ultimately, to the National Finals in Washington, DC. Nearly 300,000 students across the country took part in Poetry Out Loud in 2008-2009.

At Coe-Brown, students recited works they selected from an anthology of more than 600 classic and contemporary poems. Judges evaluated student performances on criteria including articulation, evidence of understanding, level of difficulty, and accuracy. Teachers introduced poetry recitation in the classroom using materials created by the NEA and the Poetry Foundation, including a standards-based teacher’s guide, a website, a ‘best performances’ DVD, and a CD featuring poetry recitations by well-known actors and writers such as Anthony Hopkins and Rita Dove.

Christian Leavitt advanced to the western New Hampshire regional contest in March at New England College, where he did very well but was not selected to advance to the state competition. The English teachers who participated all agreed that the program was a great addition to their classrooms and plan to participate again next year.

**CBNA teacher volunteers in Haiti**

During February vacation Mrs. Jean Cumings, biology and zoology teacher at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, volunteered with Project Medishare in Port Au Prince, Haiti, joining her husband, Tom Cumings, who had been volunteering in Haiti since the earthquake occurred. Project Medishare, partnering with the University of Miami Global Institute, operates the University of Miami Field Hospital. Donations from staff, students, families, the CBNA Senior Class and the senior portfolio project by Jessie Locke raised more than $2,925. This money was taken to the Wings of Hope Orphanage in Port Au Prince, part of the Hearts with Haiti organization. Donations of medical and dental supplies, as well as clothing, were delivered with the money raised. Tents, donated by CBNA staff, were taken to provide homes for a few of the many families left homeless by the earthquake. The needs of these people will continue long after the stories have left the media.

Anyone wishing to make a donation can do so at www.heartswithhaiti.org or www.projectmedishare.org.

**Coe-Brown receives fourth sportsmanship award**

Coe-Brown Northwood Academy unveiled its newest award to the entire student body at an assembly this past fall. Athletic Director Matt Skidds announced that Coe-Brown received the New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association’s Class I Sportsmanship Award for the 2008-2009 school year.

The most prestigious honor awarded by the NHIAA, the Sportsmanship Award is voted on by all schools who participate in Class I athletics. It honors Coe-Brown’s athletes, coaches and spectators for their conduct and sportsmanship during the past year’s athletic season. This is the fourth consecutive year that Coe-Brown has been the Class I honoree, and Mr. Skidds emphasized the role the entire school played in earning this award. It is a great honor for CBNA to win this award, since there are only four schools throughout the state, one for each size classification, chosen each year to be honored for outstanding sportsmanship.

**Coe-Brown chorus featured on “Celebrate America” special**

The Coe-Brown Northwood Academy chorus, under the direction of David Deardorff, performed with nationally acclaimed composer Tim Janis in his “Celebrate America” musical special, which aired on New Hampshire Public Television in March. Buses rolled in from CBNA faculty member Jean Cumings with a young girl from the Wings of Hope Orphanage in Haiti.
We’ve all heard the frightening statistics about alcohol and drug use among teenagers, as well as other risky behaviors that teens engage in during these tumultuous years. Under the direction of the Coe-Brown Board of Trustees, a group of community members and leaders has come together to form SYNC: Supporting Youth in Communities. This coalition seeks to reduce risky behaviors in young people and build effective support systems for them. They do this by building positive relationships in local communities and promoting strong families and healthy individuals.

Gary Faucher of Northwood, a father of two Coe-Brown graduates and a current CBNA sophomore, acts as facilitator for the SYNC Coalition.

“SYNC grew out of a long-range strategy of the board of trustees aimed at preventing substance abuse in kids,” says Gary. “We received a start-up grant from the New Hampshire Department of Education and began by gathering community leaders from the area: Coe-Brown staff members, trustees and administrators, the local school boards from Northwood, Stratham, Nottingham and Barrington, guidance counselors, local law enforcement personnel, parents, community members and students.

“What came out of our initial meetings was that we wanted to focus more on supporting the kids and helping them become responsible and productive adults. We agreed that we couldn’t wait until our students entered high school but needed to begin promoting healthy lifestyles and encouraging better choices at the elementary school level.

The SYNC Coalition ultimately envisions a system of supporting youth that begins in kindergarten and continues all the way through twelfth grade. Toward that end, SYNC has begun offering a series of community events. During the past academic year the SYNC Coalition hosted motivational/educational presentations including Randy Judkins, Building Self-Esteem; Stephen Andrew, Communicating with Teens; and Detective Cory McDonald, Internet Safety. On May 3 SYNC held an annual meeting open to all community members to introduce SYNC and its mission.

According to Gary, each event attracted about 40 community members, and each event included a new group of people. Overall, over 100 new community members were involved in SYNC activities and feedback has been positive. The SYNC Coalition is looking ahead to next year and is always looking for more community participation. Everyone is welcome at SYNC meetings and events.

If you would like to become involved in the SYNC Coalition or would like more information about upcoming programs, contact Gary Faucher at rgfaucher@yahoo.com.

**Community coalition promotes positive decision making**

We asked each other: Can we work together with our feeder towns to promote positive messages before these kids reach Coe-Brown? The issue is not simply using drugs and alcohol, but why they do this and what support systems are missing in their lives that leads them down this path.”
When I received the latter from Roberta Stearns ’57 to write something for Visions, I had no idea what to write about. The thought came to me: Why not write about two of Coe-Brown’s alumni from the Class of 1957: Etta and Joyce Eatton? But let’s turn the clock back. When I met them, they were teenage girls who were living on the farm. What makes these two different was they worked the farm—plowing gardens, putting in hay, feeding the cows and taking care of the horses—instead of cleaning the house. (Some of helping Mom in the house, they did.) You might say this work was all done with horses and by hand. They also knew how to harness and hook up the farm equipment.

Etta has since passed away and Joyce continues to work the farm with the help of the family. This is a very small look at the type of lives they lived. These are the kind of people Coe-Brown is still putting out in the world. In 2010 they are good, strong people and that is because of good teachers and leadership, taught at Coe-Brown.

Millie Pectle Wolak has moved to Melbourne, Florida.

It is with sadness that Marion Pettingill’s daughter Cathy Young ’92 informed us that her mother passed away in November.

As for school, they were good students and good at sports. Coe-Brown won many of their games; they had a good team!

After graduation they went to work in the world: a shoe factory for 15 years and a few other jobs. This is the way things were in those days. Etta drove a school bus for Dail Transportation for 30 years; Joyce went to work in a hardware store and is still there. They have improved the farm by using modern equipment.
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Class of 1965
Richard Cunningham reports that he spent four years in the Air Force (1966-1970) after graduating from Coe-Brown, working on F4 radar. He worked for Northern Telecom (now Nortel) in Concord, New Hampshire, for 19 years, then worked for Cabletron and Flextronics for 15 years. He is now at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Richard got married in 1997 and has four step-children, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He lives in Rochester, New Hampshire. In 2007 he contracted a virus that turned into Gullain-Barre Syndrome, an acute paralysis disease. Luckily he fully recovered, but had to learn to walk again through intensive physical therapy.

John Maloney is married to Kelley (Blier), Class of ‘83. They have two children, daughter Ashley and son Patrick. John restores antique cars and volunteers as security for their children's school sports functions, where their daughter is a varsity cheerleader. John enjoys playing in a band a few times a month, playing his guitar, and having fun with XBox Rockband with his son! He and his family live in Cocoa, Florida.

Cathy Calef and husband William recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary! We live in the Lehigh Acres/Fort Myers, FL area. We are proud parents of three grown children and a son-in-law; daughter Kristyl L.C. (Chadbourn) Brum, Class of ‘93 and her husband Jim; sons Justin T.C. Chadbourn, Class of ‘95; and Josiah W.R. Calef. Recently one of my photo works was selected as art for a postcard which will be available in the gift shop at The Butterfly Estates in Fort Myers, Florida. I love and embrace my family, friends, new adventures, biking, my writing, and traveling. I enjoy my photography immensely as an outlet for creativity and reflection; visit my website at www.wix.com/ PoetryInPictures/PoetryInPictures and leave me a note.

I am a Class Representative for our Class of 1974 and look forward to hearing from my classmates, friends and any class year alumni for any updated information you wish to share with your Coe-Brown alumni.

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Betsy Bailey Olivolo is currently living in Cape Town, South Africa—one of the most beautiful places in the world! This is her second year and she has signed up for one more, as a second grade teacher at the American International School. Both sister Bev (Beverly Copeland ’69) and brother Chuck (Chuck Bailey ’72) have come for a visit and wished they could stay!

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Class of 1974
Pat Harris (Noyes) Sims and Jim Sims are doing great and have been married for 26+ years. They have three grandchildren. Daughter Stacy and her husband Adam have Meredith (age 10) and Owen (age 7). Son Andy and his wife Lisa had their first baby, A.J. on June 1, 2009. The most important thing to know is they are all healthy and happy. They keep busy with racquetball, jobs, grandchildren, and friends. Life is good.

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Class of 1977 (no class agent)

Class of 1978 (no class agent)
Kathleen Bedard Rydin has been very busy holding down a full-time job and a weekend job. If that’s not enough she just sold her mom’s home in Northwood and is in the process of selling her condo and buying a new home. She has full intentions of this being done no later than May 31!

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Class of 1980
Interested classmates are meeting at the annual Alumni Banquet for an evening out (please RSVP for this event). In memory of our late classmate Doug Jackson, we are starting a four-year Food Pantry Drive this year. This year’s donations will go to Northwood, next year to Nottingham, then Strafford and Deerfield. All alumni are asked to please bring a canned good or non-perishable item to the Alumni Banquet on Saturday, June 12. Let’s collect lots of food! All classmates are invited for a picnic and games at Lisa’s house in Nottingham at noon on Sunday, June 13. Call for directions, 868-2098, or email: lisarayk@comcast.net. Classmates are encouraged to bring spouses, an alumni sibling, or a friend who attended school with us, but did not graduate with us. Please RSVP and bring a food item to share. Other activities may be planned. Hoping to see many old friends.

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V I S I O N S  —  S p r i n g 2 0 1 0  9
Kelley (Blier) Maloney is married to John Maloney, Class of ’74. They have two children, daughter Ashley and son Patrick. Kelley is a monitor technician at the local hospital, where she has worked for 14 years; she loves her job! She and her family live in Cocoa, Florida.

On April 25, 2009, the class of 1984 got together to celebrate a 25th reunion that was held at the home of Sandra (Nelson) ’84 and Bill Johnson ’85. Twenty-four of the 56 graduates attended the gathering, several traveling from New York and as far as California. In attendance were two prominent faculty members: Mr. Thomas Hall, the class advisor, and Mr. Mark Yeaton, physical education teacher.

The reunion started off with a tour of Coe Brown, given by Jamie Johnson ’84, which included each building and the athletic fields. Wow, how times have changed in the past 25 years! Though we all have great memories of our years at CBNA, we are sure the students today know how fortunate they are to be attending a school that has so much to offer, from academics to sports, arts and music to trades. And a cafeteria to eat lunch in, with an all-inclusive deck? We don’t know how we survived eating our lunches on the gymnasium bleachers. But we are living proof that CBNA provided us with what we needed to make it in the world.

Following the tour, having worked up quite the appetite and thirst, we found our way to the Johnson homestead where we enjoyed food, drink, and shared stories and pictures into the wee hours of the morning. Some of us have changed more than others; okay, maybe we had to take a second glance in order to recognize some of our classmates. For some of us it had been since graduation day while others have maintained friendships they established while students here two and a half decades ago. Either way, for those who lost touch, we picked up where we left off making it hard to believe 25 years had passed.

We do know one thing: We are not waiting another 25 years to enjoy another reunion. Stay tuned for more fun to come within the next five years! A special thank you is extended to Sandra and Bill for opening up their new home to the alumni; also a thank you to the reunion committee for planning this memorable event.
with old friends over dinner and dancing. Please check out our Facebook page to see many pictures of the event at "Coe-Brown Northwood Academy Class of 1989."

This year we have been fortunate to get in touch with most of our classmates and update contact information. Please take a moment to let me know of any email address changes you may have had recently, so I can keep you in the loop for upcoming class events. Also, we are still in need of contact information for the following classmates: Ken Gagnon, Anne Gilbert, Gus Marden, Arthur Marquis, Bill Miller, Crystal Pouliot, Kelly Stevens, and Shane Stevens.

On a more somber note, we were saddened to hear of the loss of one of our own former classmates this past year. We lost Maurice Doubleday in December 2009. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and he will surely be missed by his high school friends.

I hope 2010 brings you all good health and fond memories!

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Craig Balben reports that he joined a baseball team in the San Diego Adult Baseball League this spring. It’s his first time playing baseball since pitching and playing third base for CBNA from 1991-1993. He’ll be pitching and playing shortstop and right field for his team, the San Diego A’s in the 28AA division. The league website is http://www.sdabl.com/ if you want to see how he does! Craig’s son turned one on February 3 and started walking soon thereafter. His wife is now happily and officially a “stay-at-home” mom. Her last day of work was March 19.

In March Craig finished up volunteer service on the city of San Diego’s Medical Marijuana Task Force. The task force was created last year by the city council to develop and recommend land use and zoning guidelines for siting medical marijuana dispensaries. Craig served as a community member with planning and land use expertise.

Kristy L.C. (Chadbourn) Brum will be married to her husband Jim for 12 years in August. She enjoys time with her beagle puppy, Katie, and taking care of their home in San Jose, California. She and Jim come home to visit Mom and Dad, William and Cathy Lynn (Allen) Calef, Class of ’74, brother Justin T.C. Chadbourn, Class of ’95 and brother Josiah as often as they can. Kristy would enjoy hearing from her classmates and friends. You can e-mail her at kristylbrum@yahoo.com.

Class of 1994
Jessy Rafal married Mike LeBlanc on April 10, 2010 at the Galley Hatch Conference Center in Hampton, New Hampshire.


Joseph Bicchieri is current working for the U.S. Army as an Advanced Leadership Class instructor at the Signal Corps NCO Academy Detachment, where he trains sergeants in Army Public Affairs.

Heather Cheever is engaged to John Butler and they are planning a July 2010 wedding.

Brett J. Mongeon Gagnon and her husband Jason are expecting their first child in May.

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Justin T.C. Chadbourn resides in the Lehigh Acres/Fort Myers, Florida area. He can be found doing book signings for his first book, ‘The Prosceniad’ published by Tate Publishing. The book can be found listed in such notable booksellers as Amazon.com and BarnesandNoble.com. He just earned his Third Degree Black Belt in Karate. His family, including fellow alumni Mom Cathy Lynn (Allen) Calef ’74 and sister Kristy L.C. (Chadbourn) Brum ’93, Dad William Calef and brothers Josiah Calef and Jim Brum are proud of his recent accomplishments. Justin would love to hear from his friends and classmates. You can e-mail him at justintcc@yahoo.com.

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The Class of 1989 20-year reunion was held on August 22, 2009, at the Cochecho Country Club in Dover, New Hampshire.
Shark,” composed of University of New Hampshire students, performed at Coe-Brown in April as part of a concert to help raise money for a grand piano for the Academy’s performing arts curriculum. Featured in the group are two members of Coe-Brown’s Class of 2007: Christopher Chagnon and Brendan McCann. Chris provided lead vocals on several songs including the 80s hit “Melt with You” and the Stevie Wonder classic “Superstition.” Brendan is known for his mellow bass sound and was featured in every song.

The concert also featured performances by Coe-Brown’s boys a cappella group, the girls a cappella group and the Select Chorus. The concert was sponsored by the Coe-Brown parent group, Supporters of the Performing Arts (SOPA). Any further contributions to the grand piano fund can be sent to SOPA in care of Coe-Brown Northwood Academy.

Class of 2008 (no class agent)
Class of 2009 (no class agent)

If you are interested in becoming a class agent or if you have news you would like to share with your fellow CBNA alumni, please contact Margaret Joyce, CBNA Development and Alumni Affairs, 907 First New Hampshire Turnpike, Northwood, NH 03261, 603-942-5531 (ext. 186), mjoyce@coebrown.org.

Editor’s note: We incorrectly identified Joan (Brackett) Cranton White ’59 in the alumni banquet article in the fall 2009 Visions. Our apologies, Joan!

Farewell George Geers: Coe-Brown alumnus and former trustee

The Coe-Brown community lost one of its distinguished members recently. George Nils Geers ’45 passed away on February 26 after a long illness. George’s wife, Elizabeth “Betty” Young Geers, is a member of the Class of 1948.

George’s love for Coe-Brown Northwood Academy was demonstrated in many ways, including his tenure as a trustee of the academy during the 1980s. He was later named trustee emeritus in acknowledgment of his lengthy service. He kept in close contact with his fellow members of the Class of 1945 and was a fixture at the annual CBNA Alumni Banquet.

A U.S. Navy veteran of World War II, George pursued a degree at Boston’s Wentworth Institute and enjoyed a lengthy career as a mechanical engineer, heavy construction equipment dealer and developer. He was active in local politics, serving on the Concord, New Hampshire, City Council. George was a fan of antique cars and was active in several classic automobile clubs, including the Pierce Arrow Club, the Buick Club of America and the Profile Antique Auto League.

George’s family has established a fund in his name at Coe-Brown. Donations may be sent to the George Geers Fund, Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, 907 First New Hampshire Turnpike, Northwood, NH 03261.

Thank you for all you have done for Coe-Brown, Mr. Geers. You will be missed.
We are saddened to report the passing of the following members of the CBNA family:

Irene Brown Shores, Class of 1935
O. William Hayes, Class of 1936
Richard D. Linnell, Class of 1938
Harvey Batchelder, Class of 1943
George N. Geers, Class of 1945
Barbara Merrill Cimon, Class of 1949
Mary Bateman Drown, Class of 1952
Marion Wheaton Pettingill, Class of 1957
Nancy Coffin Chamberlain-Olson, Class of 1963
Mark Slade, Class of 1968
Kristine Schwab Fife, Class of 1984

The CBNA Development and Alumni Affairs Office tries its best to record the names of alumni and friends who have passed away. Please contact Margaret Joyce at mjoyce@coebrown.org or 603-942-5531 about the death of any alumni and friends of CBNA.
Coe-Brown announces TOP TEN GRADUATES
Coe-Brown Northwood Academy is proud to announce the top ten graduates for the Class of 2010.

The Valedictorian for the class of 2010 is Emmaline M. Horne. During her years at Coe-Brown she has been involved in the National Honor Society and the French Honor Society, has been a member of the women’s soccer, basketball and softball teams and has been the president of the class of 2010 for four years. She has been accepted to the University of New Hampshire, the University of New England, Quinnipiac University, Simmons College and Villanova University and expects to study physical therapy in the fall.

The 2010 Salutatorian is Robert M. Correa of Northwood. While at Coe-Brown, Robert has been a member of Chess Club, Science Club, the Math team, Select Chorus, Boys Acapella, National Honor Society and the International Thespian Society. He has also attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Robert has been accepted to Rochester Institute of Technology, University of New Hampshire, Renssalaer Polytechnic Institute, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He plans to attend WPI in the fall to study bio-robotic engineering.

The remaining top ten graduates are listed in alphabetical order.

Elizabeth A. Ekstrom of Strafford has been a member of the women’s basketball team, the National Honor Society and the National Latin Honor Society while at Coe-Brown. She has won a silver key in the Scholastic Art Awards and awards for excellence in science, and has perfect attendance for four years. In the fall, Elizabeth plans to attend the New Hampshire Technical Institute to study science and then transfer to a four-year college.

Leah M. Foley of Northwood has participated on the indoor and outdoor track teams, student council, Supporting Youth in Communities (SYNC), National Honor Society, and Latin Honor Society while at CBNA. Leah plans to study pre-med at Colby Sawyer College with a Founders Scholarship, a Leadership and Community Service Scholarship and a Merit Scholarship.

Adam J. Howard of Barrington is a member of the Track and Field Team, National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society and the Ping Pong Club. Adam plans on attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute to major in engineering or physics.

Erica J. Lovely of Northwood has played women’s basketball and soccer, has been on the staff of Paragon, and is a member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society. She has been accepted to the University of New Hampshire, the University of Southern Maine, New Hampshire Technical Institute, and Keene State College and hopes to study occupational therapy.
Michael C. McCullock of Barrington is a member of the National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, Project Search and is president of the CBNA chapter of the International Thespian Society. He plans to study biomedical science in the Honors Program at the University of New Hampshire in the fall.

Andrew W. Readel II of Nottingham has been a member of the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society. He plans on attending Boston University in the fall to study business administration.

Lindsay K. St. Cyr of Barrington has been a member of the basketball and softball teams, as well as being a member of the National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society. Lindsay has been accepted to Quinnipiac University, the University of New England and the University of New Hampshire. She plans to attend UNH in the fall to study occupational therapy.

Carmen M. Williams of Barrington has participated in Bible Club, National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, and has been a member of the cross country and track and field teams. She has been accepted at Montana State University, UNH, UMass at Amherst, and Wheaton College of Illinois. She plans on attending Wheaton to major in secondary education.

In addition to these outstanding students, the class of 2010 has 39 members who have GPAs of 93 or above and 71 honor graduates with GPAs of 85 or higher. Congratulations to all our graduates.

CBNA hosts annual alumni basketball game

Coe-Brown Northwood Academy fulfilled a long-standing holiday tradition on December 23 with the playing of its annual alumni basketball games. Kelly Dodge, a graduate of CBNA’s Class of 2008, opened the festivities by singing the national anthem. The Coe-Brown girls’ basketball team won their match over the alumni girls by a score of 49 to 48. The Coe-Brown boys were also victorious over the alumni with a final score of 48 to 41. Jessey Campbell ’08 was the lucky winner of the gift basket raffle. The gift basket, filled with New Hampshire-made goodies, was donated by Holy Rosary Credit Union.
Coe-Brown seniors have been accepted at the following institutions:

American University
Anderson University
Auburn University
Augsburg College
Belmont Abbey College
California College of the Arts
Castleton State College
Champlain College
Coastal Carolina University
Colby-Sawyer College
Connecticut College
Drexel University
East Tennessee State University
Eastern Kentucky University
Elon University
Emerson College
Emmanuel College
Fisk University
Florida Gulf Coast
Fordham University
Franklin Pierce University
Gardner-Webb University
George Mason University
Gordon College
Great Bay Community College
Green Mountain College
Hart School of Music at the University of Hartford
Hartwick College
Hofstra University
James Cook University/Australia
Johnson & Wales University
Johnson & Wales University at Miami
Keene State College
Lakes Region Community College
Lesley College
Lincoln Culinary Institute
Lyndon State College
Manchester Community College
Manhattanville College
Marshall University
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
McNally-Smith College of Music
Mesa State College
Montana State University
Mount Ida College
New England College
New England Institute of Art
New Hampshire Institute of Art
New Hampshire Technical Institute
New York University
Newbury College
Northeastern University
Norwich University
Paul Smith’s College
Pfiffer College
Philadelphia University
Pima Community College
Plymouth State University
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rochester Institute of Technology
Roger Williams University
Sacred Heart University
Salve Regina University
Savannah College of Art & Design
Simmons College
Southern New Hampshire University
St. Anselm College
St. Joseph’s College
St. Leo’s University
St. Michael’s College
St. Michael’s School in Sweden
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
SUNY Albany
Syracuse University
Temple University
United States Military Academy at West Point
University of Alabama
University of Arizona
University of Colorado at Boulder
University of Connecticut
University of Delaware
University of Findlay
University of Hartford
University of Idaho
University of Maine at Farmington
University of Maine at Fort Kent
University of Massachusetts
University of Minnesota at Moorhead
University of Montana
University of New England
University of New Hampshire
University of New Hampshire Whittemore School of Business
University of New Hampshire Thompson School
University of New Mexico
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of Rhode Island
University of Southern Maine
University of Vermont
University of Wyoming
University Rhode Island
Ursinus College
United States Marine Corps
Villanova University
Virginia Military Institute
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Western Carolina University
Wheaton College
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Word of Life Bible Institute
Coe Brown Students

Awarded Gold

The CBNA Art Department is pleased to announce that a number of students (whose artwork is displayed on this page) received Gold Key recognition in The 2010 Scholastic Art Awards of New Hampshire competition administered by The New Hampshire Art Educators Association, a regional affiliate of the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, Inc. Nearly 750 pieces of Gold Key, Silver Key and Honorable Mention Award winning works were on display from January 25 through February 13, 2010, at the Stockbridge Theater on the campus of Pinkerton Academy in Derry, New Hampshire. An awards reception took place in the theater on Saturday, February 13, where CBNA students were honored.

Congratulations to all our talented artists!

Artwork Credits:

1. Kayla Bane, ‘75 World Series Man (pencil on paper)
2. Jacanna Sourisak, Toxic Bridge (Hand-tinted B&W Photograph)
3. Jenna Brown, Working Steer Memories (pencil on paper)
4. Brittanirose Blair, Mallory McCoy (pastel on paper)
5. Jessie Locke, Reminsicing Yesteryear (pencil on paper)
6. Sarah Fenerty, A Moment of Ecstasy (pastel on paper)
7. Mallory McCoy, Kristan Anne (pastel on paper)
8. Justin Loy, Affinity (Digital Color Photograph)
9. Justin Loy, Sempiternal (Color Film Photograph)
CBNA students performed the musical All Shook Up in front of enthusiastic audiences in the Gerrish Gym in April. CBNA drama students also participated in the New Hampshire Educational Theatre Guild Regional Drama Festival with What You Will! Two students, Hannah Jones ‘11 and Robert Correa ‘10, were recognized for outstanding acting. The production then advanced to the state level where the show was picked as an alternate production to the New England Drama Festival. Three students, Stephanie Moore ‘10, Keegan Carter ‘10 and Brendon Chick ‘10, were recognized for their production design and execution.