Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies

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FALL 2013

News and notes for alumni and friends
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

As always, I write to you with a strong sense of how fortunate we all are to be part of the remarkable F&ES community. Along with all of you, I take great pride in the accomplishments of our students and alumni. I am also humbled and deeply encouraged by your support of our mission. We have a clear responsibility to the future: to develop new cohorts of environmental scholars and professionals with the vision and skills needed to meet the environmental challenges and opportunities of the future. This is a mission that demands much of each and every one of us. Your contributions of time, talent and funding, as well as job and internship opportunities, empower us to fulfill our mission and bring the best out in all of our students.

We have had an exciting start to the academic year with the inauguration of Yale’s new leader, President Peter Salovey. We welcomed six new teaching faculty for the fall semester, as well as the Dorothy S. McCluskey Visiting Fellow Gary Knight, who will be researching, writing, guest lecturing and working with student interest groups while he’s here. Yale Environment 360 now reaches millions of Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking readers through its translated versions, produced in partnership with the Spain-based online education network Universia. And we have had the privilege of a truly remarkable line-up of speakers, often several a week, from a wide range of sectors and fields to add an additional layer of vitality to the intellectual and practical experiences of our students and faculty.

As I prepare for my second five-year term as Carl W. Knobloch Jr. Dean of F&ES, I look ahead with optimism, anticipating the arrival of our newly appointed faculty members — Assistant Professor of Sociology Justin Farrell, Assistant Professor of Tropical Forest Management Liza Comita, and Musser Director of the Tropical Resources Institute Simon Queenborough; the continued upgrades to our facilities in Greeley Laboratory, Marsh Hall and Yale-Myers Forest Camp; and the rich contributions of the many F&ES alumni and friends of the School who come back to campus to share their expertise and career experiences with our current students.

Thank you for all you do and the many, many ways in which you remain an important part of this School and its success.

With warm best wishes,

Dean Peter Crane

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What’s in a name?

Yes, after several iterations and a general overhaul, we have a keeper! Thanks to all of you who offered your thoughts and suggestions, your alumni magazine has a name that can overspread both the ongoing seasons of the School’s highlights and benchmarks, and the decades to come of your stories and news. It’s with pleasure and gratitude that we acknowledge the winners of the “What’s in a name?” contest: Rebecca Bormann M.F.S. ’78, Theodore Diers M.E.M. ’93, Therese Feng M.F.S. ’84, Ph.D. ’98, Jocelyn Mahone M.F. ’13 and Jean Tam M.F.S. ’80.

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Our Leadership Council meeting this year was extraordinary in some exciting and special ways; it also evoked some poignant moments as we paused and reflected on major leadership change at Yale, and the loss of three of our members. We remembered Dorothy McCluskey M.F.S. ’73, Angela Cropper and George Weyerhaeuser, Jr., B.A. ’76 for their service and accomplishments.

President Levin’s retirement in June largely framed our meeting theme — YALE GOING GREEN — and included a special tribute to Rick at a formal lunch on Wednesday with champagne toasts! The spring 2013 Dorothy McCluskey Visiting Fellow in Conservation, ecologist and primatologist Amy Vedder, delivered our keynote address. Amy has had a distinguished career with Wildlife Conservation Society but is perhaps best known for her seminal work with the Mountain Gorilla Project in Rwanda. She recounted her groundbreaking gorilla research, while casting a critical eye to wildlife conservation efforts in Africa and Asia.

We were privileged to welcome new Provost Benjamin Polak and to hear of his knowledge of F&ES and his very favorable opinion of the School. During dinner, Eugénie Gentry received a “Yale Bowl,” carved from a downed maple tree, from Leadership Council co-chairs Pam Kohlberg B.A. ’75, M.F.S. ’77, and Tom McHenry B.A. ’77, M.F.S. ’80, as a token
of appreciation for her loyal service to F&ES for over 10 years. Dean Crane offered a short ‘State of the School’ report before the evening concluded.

On Thursday, Pam and Tom delivered their annual Leadership Council report with enthusiasm, followed by two dynamic and thought-provoking panels: the first — including Gus Speth! — reflecting on how Yale became an institutional leader in sustainability over the past decade, and the second, comprised of five F&ES alumnae, identifying what sustainability challenges and opportunities lay ahead for Yale’s next president and leaders.

President Levin joined us before the noon hour for a special presentation, including a three-minute video produced by the Leadership Council to honor Rick and his green legacy, and an awards ceremony. Ed Bass B.S. ’67 spoke eloquently about Rick’s green legacy and presented him with a framed sustainability timeline that illustratively captured the story of Yale going green over the past two decades. After lunch, about 30 Leadership Council members, plus Dean Crane and Gus Speth, gathered with Don McCluskey Ph.D. ’41 for a tree planting in memory of late Leadership Council member Dorothy McCluskey M.F.S. ’73, an alumna of the School and a major benefactor. The ginkgo tree that was planted in her honor just outside Kroon Hall will remind us of Dorothy’s accomplished life for years to come.
Fundraising Achievement in FY 13 slightly outpaced the previous year, bringing in a total of $6.59 million. While we were pleased to surpass our Annual Fund goal by more than 13%, bringing in $282,053 in support, participation declined from 29.2% to 28.5%.

Notable gifts included the establishment of an endowed internship fund, an endowed Land Conservation Fund to bring land conservation practitioners to campus, an endowed fund to develop courses for the environmental studies major and several new scholarship gifts that kicked off the School’s two-year push to increase financial aid. Thanks to the generous support of the School’s alumni and friends, F&ES continues to be at the forefront of educating and training the next generation of environmental leaders.

Fundraising Achievement 2012–2013

- Annual Fund: $282,053 (4%)
- Capital/Endowment: $1,945,836 (30%)
- Corporate & Foundation: $3,133,414 (47%)
- Program/Scholarship: $1,233,171 (19%)
Annual Fund

A BIG THANK YOU to all alumni who contributed to the Annual Fund in FY 2012-2013. Each year, F&ES alumni support current students, nearly 80% of whom are on financial aid, by providing unrestricted scholarships through the Annual Fund. Thanks, too, to our new volunteers who will serve as Class Agents: Ginamarie Lopez M.F. ‘11, Liliana Dávila Stern M.E.M. ‘13, Jose Medina Mora De Leon M.E.M. ‘13, Angel Hsu Ph.D. ‘13, Kendall Barber M.E.Sc. ’14, Thomas Hayes M.E.M. ’14, M.B.A. ’14, Mio Kitayama M.E.Sc. ’14 and Jeffrey Yost M.E.M. ’14.

This year, 1,055 individuals made gifts to the Annual Fund to reach $282,053, which includes three gifts of $10,000 or more and a generous bequest from a deceased alumnus. The average gift made by 99% of alumni last year was $207. Nine classes of alumni across eight decades achieved participation rates of 50% or greater.

The Annual Fund is a critical component of F&ES’s budget and complements the dollars we receive in the form of endowed scholarships, which are often restricted for specific purposes. Based on a 5% endowment payout, the gifts that our alumni made to the Annual Fund last year have the same buying power as approximately $5.6 million in endowment.

Please show your confidence in F&ES’s students and mission by renewing your support or by giving for the first time this year!

Looking Ahead

During the last decade, F&ES made tremendous strides in raising new scholarship funds, increasing the amount of financial aid to students to more than $4 million annually. Even so, in recognition that more needed to be done, Dean Peter Crane, in partnership with the F&ES Leadership Council, led by co-chairs Pamela Kohlberg M.F.S. ’77 and Thomas McHenry M.F.S. ’80, initiated a two-year scholarship campaign to raise an additional $5 million in new scholarship support for master’s students. In its first year, the campaign successfully raised more than $3 million toward our goal through a combination of new current use and endowed scholarship funds. Thank you to all of our alumni and friends who contributed to these new scholarships. With your continued support, we hope to exceed our $5 million goal next year and use these funds to recruit and support top students from around the world to come to F&ES.

Annual Fund Medals for Highest Class Participation

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Class of 2013

Class of 1961

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Friends, family, faculty and staff, thank you for being here to celebrate and share in this achievement with us today. I know I speak on behalf of all the graduates when I say we’re keenly aware we would not be here today if not for the tireless support of our parents, grandparents, siblings, partners, children, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and pets. So thank you for sending us snacks during final exams and for putting up with us when we called to cry or complain in the midst of yet another stress-induced emotional breakdown. We can be a real handful.

To our teachers, both those here at Yale and all those who came before and helped us get this far, we are eternally grateful for the time and energy you committed not only to helping us learn, but to helping us learn to love learning. Thank you for believing in us and for caring about our success.

To my classmates, as I look out at all of you in your caps and gowns and greenery, I can’t help but to think what my grandmother would say if she were here today: “What’s with all the hats? I can’t see your beautiful faces!”

But I already know your faces, so to me your hats reflect something even more remarkable.

Collectively, the ornamentation of our hats symbolizes our diverse interests as well as our shared principles. In any given year, the student body at F&ES contains anthropologists, agriculturalists, architects, artists, attorneys, biologists, businessmen, ecologists, economists, educators, engineers, financiers, foresters, geographers, geologists, hydrologists, statisticians, planners, public health professionals and perhaps even a future politician or cleric or two, all living and learning side-by-side — working to create positive change in the world.

Together, we develop projects from scratch and see them through to stunningly successful conclusions. We rely on and learn from each other’s varied expertise. We share the processes, theories and tools of our individual disciplines and help each other identify and mitigate the shortcomings in each. We build collaborative solutions to complex environmental problems that any of us alone would find elusive to conquer.

Our hats reflect this dynamic. They embody our ingenuity, resourcefulness and courage to stand by our convictions where others would readily concede. For 113 years these traits have helped F&ES graduates accomplish amazing things in their lives and careers. And the spirit of F&ES is particularly strong in this group. That’s right, the green fire is burning bright in this tent today!

In our years at F&ES this group has demonstrated the determination to reform long-standing establishments and to build effective new ones from whole cloth. We have shown the tenacity to take on entrenched interests and the resilience to remain upbeat in the face of daunting economic conditions. We have displayed the humility to understand that we don’t have all the answers, and the compassion to reach out to those who might need our help.

Our task now is to continue to exercise these characteristics through the obstacles and opportunities to come. If we do, this group has what it takes to become one of the most storied and successful classes in F&ES history. This, despite what some might consider anecdotal evidence to the contrary. Yea, you know what I’m talking about — that nasty rumor swirling around about how we earned the lowest grades and consumed the most school-subsidized beer of any class in over 30 years. Personally, I refuse to believe it — well, the part about the grades at least.

Thank you, and CONGRATULATIONS to the Class of 2013!
I am honored to speak at this celebration. Among all of the graduate schools at Yale, no one can deny that we are exceptional at celebrating. My fellow students may recall the Forestry Club’s recent self-deprecating exposé of the “hedonistic forester” in its natural habitat, feeding on pizza and beer. But this, of course, is not the true nature of our celebration. We rejoice in one another, in talking about stand dynamics, in life-cycle analysis and in collectively believing that humanity will get its act together on climate change. We celebrate our shared passions, our shared discovery that the natural world offers a wellspring of inspiration and principles to live by, to learn from and with which to improve the lives of others. The casual observer may find graduate students having a suspicious amount of fun, but the perceptive observer sees that we are filled with joy because we are doing something monumentally joyous together, and it gives us a rare fortitude and solidarity.

The world out there is skeptical and dismissive. We will meet people who share our passions and our questions, but half the time they will turn out to be fellow F&ES alumni, and most people will tell us that we ask the impossible. For humility, and for inspiration in these times, we can of course turn to Aldo Leopold.

He said: “We shall never achieve harmony with the land anymore than we shall achieve absolute justice or liberty for people. In these higher aspirations the important thing is not to achieve, but to strive.”

‘We shall never achieve sustainability’? These are humbling words. Yet Leopold reminds us that we are answering a call to a human aspiration as lofty as justice and liberty. And I know this cohort will strive.

We are all seeking a niche that maximizes our growth, yield, impact. When I asked my fellow students what they wanted to hear from their class speaker they said, a call to action. This says it all. I don’t have any better call to action than what each of you has in your heart, but to borrow a metaphor that Henry David Thoreau used in advocating against the juggernauts of slavery and war: Let our bodies, our careers, our publications not be cogs in the machinery of the juggernaut that stripped this land of its forests, tamed the world’s rivers and has now destabilized the global climate.

This juggernaut cares neither about stability, integrity nor beauty. Let us build something else.

If no one will hire us to do what we know must be done, we will start our own nonprofit or lab, or perhaps even a school. Some of us will be returning to our own backyards from New York to Nepal, Alaska to Argentina, California to China, Idaho to India. Others go off to intellectual centers. Others to marginalized communities whose voices have yet to be heard. Wherever we go, whether in muddy boots or business suits, we have a new tool belt and new comrades.

Gifford Pinchot, the founder of this school and rabble-rousing founder of the Forest Service, came from great privilege. He used his privilege, respect and connections to relentlessly pursue what he called the “greatest good for the greatest number, in the long run.” We here today are bestowed with great privilege, world-changing power. And we take joy in this responsibility.

You are now experts, doctors, masters. Your passion is palpable. The impact of F&ES on New Haven and Connecticut is visible. The impact of F&ES in D.C. is legendary. Our impact globally continues to grow. So let the celebrating go on. Thank God you all will continue to be Foresters with me. What an awesome group of thoughtful, committed people. Thank you.
FROM THE CLASS OF 2013
—Awards of Gratitude—

Graduation day appropriately puts the spotlight on our students, as they celebrate the culmination of painstaking effort, research, fieldwork and new knowledge. In keeping with the highly collaborative and supportive spirit that characterizes the F&ES community — including everyone who crosses the threshold of our shared space — these same students celebrated the people who have worked with and for them to make their experience at F&ES an exceptional one. This year, the students voted to present six awards to faculty and staff:

“Most Invested in Students Award”
Mark Ashton M.F. ’85, Ph.D. ’90, Morris K. Jesup Professor of Silviculture and Forest Ecology; Director of School Forests

“Most Adapted to Climate Change Award”
The facilities staff: Israel Cordero, Joseph DeLuca and Jan Taschner, for their heroic efforts to keep all systems up and running during and after Hurricane Sandy and Winter Storm Nemo

“Above and Beyond Award”
Joanne DeBernardo, Assistant Dean, Student Services

“Walk the Talk Award”
Gordon Geballe, Associate Dean of Alumni and External Affairs, Lecturer in Urban Ecology

“Think Like a Mountain Award”
Bradford Gentry, Professor in the Practice; Co-Director of the Center for Business & the Environment at Yale; Director of the Research Program on Private Investment and the Environment

“Greatest Believe-in-You Award”
Peter Otis, outgoing Director of Career Development and current ‘linker of students, alumni and employers’
MASTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Ellen Arnstein
Adedana Mitiku Ashebir
Sandra Smith Aylesworth
Erica Bergen Barth
Mitchell Bauer
Onon Bayasgalan
Lindsay Sarah Buchanan
Alana Callagy
Christopher Thomas Colvin
Liliana Dávila Stern
Ellie Davis
Rebecca Zara de Sa
Kristen Leigh Demeter
Frances Allyson Douglas
Hilary Oliva Faxon
Andrew James Gaidus
Ankur Garg
Benjamin Aaron Goldfarb
Ariana Isabel Gonzalez
Lauren Elizabeth Graham
Brendan Daniel Guy
George Monsour Haddad III
Bradford Prescott Harrison
Bonnie Frye Hemphill
Rafael Hernandez
Bunyod Usmanovich Holmatov
Vijeta Jangra
Lindsey Knowles Larson
Nara Lee
Andrew Lerer
Omar Ali Malik
Vrinda Manglik
Aparna Mani
Karlynn Louise Christine McIlwain
Jose Medina Mora De Leon
Kristin Ann Merony
Natalie Nava
Maria Elisa Ortiz
Anne O’Sullivan
Tom Owens
Pablo Guillermo Peña Alegría
Karen Beth Petersen
Tais Saraiva de Melo Pinheiro
Katherine Rose Romans
Lucia Ruiz Bustos
Charissa Rujanavech
Philip Michael Santiago
Rocio Sanz Cortes
Dustin S. Schinn
Rebecca A. Schultz
Jason Daniel Schwartz
Courtney Grae Hanks Seltzer
Sumana Serchan
Teodora Stoyanova
Ran Tao
Mona Wang
Zhuohao Wang
Stefanie Leah Woodward
Kathryn Elizabeth Wright
Jeffrey M. Yost
Xiang Zhang
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Kendall Barbery
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Cara Mae Cirignano
Tshewang Dorji
Catherine Elizabeth Doyle-Capitman
Julia Recatta Fogerite
Geoffrey Seth Jarett Giller
Henry Bernard Glick
Jessica Gordon
Molly Anderson Greene
Rui He
Naomi C. Heindel
Daniel Thomas Hoshizaki
Laura Anne Johnson
Devin Judge-Lord
Tristan Richard Starr Kessler
Ambika Khadka
Mio Kitayama
Maxime Robert Lambert
Xu Liu
Dexter Henry Locke
Matthew Alan Long
Adina Matisoff
Alexandra Kathryn Neinast
Samantha Ashley Ostrowski
Xiangying Shi
Christopher Shughrue
Wen Wang
Lisa Christina Weber
Angela Pettit Whitney

MASTER OF FOREST SCIENCE
Ke Yang
Jason Arlen Clark

MASTER OF FORESTRY
Monte Kawahara
Victoria Maclaren Lockhart
Jocelyn Mahone
Luke Joseph McKay
Mikailah Laylin McKee
Erin Lynn Raboin
Jonathan Arthur Sullivan

YALE JOINT DEGREE GRADUATES
Master of Environmental Management/Master of Arts
–International Development & Economics
Peter Baum

Master of Environmental Management/Master of Business Administration

Master of Forest Science/Master of Business Administration

Anna Ching

Master of Forestry/Master of Business Administration
Patrick William Hook
Jonathan Loever
Spenser Todd Shadle

Master of Environmental Management/Juris Doctor
Hayley Jade Fink
Stephanie Lee Safdi

Master of Environmental Management/Master of Public Health
Vanessa Towers Lamers

PACE LAW SCHOOL
JOINT DEGREE GRADUATES
Master of Environmental Management/Juris Doctor
Beren S. Argetsinger
Corinne Marie Bell
Jaclyn Calcagno
Nicholas Ryan Goldstein

VERMONT LAW SCHOOL
JOINT DEGREE GRADUATES
Master of Environmental Management/Juris Doctor
Mathew Douglas Dagan
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Jennifer Elnora Baka
Biofuels and Marginal Lands: An Interdisciplinary Examination of Jatropha Biodiesel Promotion in Tamil Nadu, India
Advisor: Professor Robert Bailis

Seth Binder
Integrated Modeling and Spatial Optimization of Ecosystem Services
Advisor: Professor Robert Mendelsohn

Kimberly Marie Carlson
Effects of Oil Palm Plantation Development on Land Cover, Carbon Flux, and Streams in Indonesian Borneo
Advisors: Professors Lisa Curran and Karen Seto

Dylan James Craven
Dynamics of Tropical Secondary Forests in Central Panama: Linking Functional Trails with Ecological Performance During Succession
Advisors: Professors Graeme Berlyn, Mark Ashton and Dennis Stevenson

Keita Ebisu
Evaluating Effects of Environmental Exposures on Health Outcomes of Children
Advisor: Professor Michelle Bell

Shaila Seshia Galvin
JOINT PH.D. DEGREE WITH YALE ANTHROPOLOGY DEPARTMENT
State of Nature: Agriculture, Development and the Making of Organic Uttarakhand
Advisors: Professors Michael Dove and K. Sivaramakrishnan

Angel Hsu
Advancing Data-Driven Environmental Decision-Making and Governance in China
Major Advisor: Professor Daniel Esty

Li Jiang
Urban Land Expansion and the Change of Agricultural Land in China
Major Advisor: Professor Karen Seto

Joo Young Park
Wastes as Resources: The Case of Coal Combustion By-products in the United States
Advisor: Professor Marian Chertow

Jonathan Lars Richardson
The Evolutionary Ecology of Pond-breeding Amphibians: From Local Populations to Regional Landscapes
Advisor: Professor David Skelly

Erin Marie Walsh
Resource Risk and Opportunities for Enhancing Resilience and Sustainability in Urban Systems
Advisor: Professor Thomas Graedel

Xin Zhang
Improving Regional-scale Greenhouse Gas Inventories in an Agricultural-dominated Landscape Using a Multi-scale Approach
Advisor: Professor Xuhui Lee
CLASS OF 2015

Our first-year class of 150 diverse students hails from 20 different countries and five continents, and on average arrives with a greater amount of professional experience than classes past. With MODs orientation well behind them, class members have coalesced into interest groups ranging from forestry to fire ecology, environmental justice to energy, climate change to agriculture, food and the environment. Most of them have 10 hours a week committed to student assistantships, contributing talent and energy to classrooms, labs and offices throughout F&ES and occasionally more broadly throughout Yale University. In the meantime, of course, they pursue challenging course work that for at least 10 percent of them will include joint studies with business, architecture or law.
This September, we were pleased to welcome our new class of five F&ES Alumni Board members. This signaled farewells, too, as five Board members end their terms of service and move on to new commitments and engagement within and outside of F&ES. Our heartfelt thanks for many years of significant involvement with the School, students and faculty, and alumni-at-large go to: Alexander Brash M.F.S. ’85, former Board president and recently appointed director of Connecticut Audubon Society; Javier Dominguez M.F. ’94, part of the burgeoning NYC F&ES regional alumni group; Bob Perschel M.F.S. ’79, who in 2012 was named the Executive Director of the New England Forestry Foundation; Diane Renshaw M.F.S. ’75, who participated this summer in the first of its kind AYA-F&ES educational travel excursion to Bhutan; and Al Sample M.F. ’80, M.B.A. ’88, D.For. ’89, former Board president.

Meet our new F&ES Alumni Association Board members, installed at the October 3, 2013, Annual Meeting of the Board in New Haven. Their first term ends in 2016, with the option to serve an additional term of three years.

Dave is Professor of Sustainable Forestry, Chair of the Environmental Studies Department and College Forest Director at Warren-Wilson College in Asheville. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of The Cradle of Forestry in America. He feels privileged to have the opportunity to teach silviculture and forest management in an area as culturally rich and biologically diverse as the Southern Appalachians. He enjoys live acoustic music, managing photosynthesis, salamanders, botanical rambles and messing around with his three kids.

Cassie is the Co-Founder and Chief Partnerships Officer of ioby (in our backyards), a web-based platform that builds stronger, more sustainable neighborhoods. She co-founded ioby with two fellow F&ESers to help anyone with a good idea — such as creating community gardens, bike lanes and solar installations — make it happen. She has been a Climate Change Policy Specialist at the United Nations Development Programme since graduation. She also volunteers with the F&ES Annual Fund and returns regularly to lecture and speak with students.

Zahid is an Advisor on Humanitarian Assistance issues portfolio with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) based in Kabul. He has held previous positions with UNDP, UNEP and Afghan EPA. At Afghan EPA, he served as the director of International Environmental Affairs, where his work focused on the implementation of Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs) such as the Montreal Protocol, Basel Convention, Ramsar Convention and the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS). He helped foster regional transboundary environmental cooperation in Afghanistan. Zahid is an active member of Kabul Rotary Club and has served as the club president.
Carlos has been charting paths to sustainability for over 20 years, first in education and ecology, and now in clean energy project development and finance. He is Co-Founder and CEO of Foresight Renewable Solutions, a leading developer of renewable energy and integrated energy storage projects. He has tilted at wind, solar, natural gas, LNG and compressed air energy storage technologies, having completed over 900MW of operational projects from platforms across the power and clean tech industries – including General Compression, Orion Energy and The AES Corporation. Carlos thrives on the complexity and rewards of work across the Americas and in particular Latin America. He advises clients on large renewable energy project developments or acquisitions. Previously an associate at The World Bank and later at BNP Paribas’ Project Finance Group, Carlos originally trained as a neo-tropically-inclined conservation biologist and served as a bilingual high school biology teacher in Oakland, Calif., with Teach for America.

Over the past year, among many other contributions, the F&ES Alumni Association Board (current and past members) raised $25,000 and with funds provided by Dean Peter Crane, endowed a Scholarship Fund that will provide two $2,500 awards annually to master’s students who have completed a minimum of two semesters at F&ES. The scholarship honors Ruth Allen M.F.S. ’72, Ph.D. ’77, a longtime Board member and former Board president, who tragically passed away in 2012. The Board selects scholarship recipients who exemplify the following characteristics and experiences:

- Demonstrated leadership at F&ES
- Engagement with the School community, including fellow students and alumni
- A record of volunteer service, prior to and at F&ES
- Good academic standing
- Demonstrated financial need
- Extra consideration for a demonstrated interest in the intersection of environment and health issues

This year, the scholarships went to Esther Rojas-Garcia M.E.Sc. ’14 and Anandi van Diepen-Hedayat M.E.Sc. ’14. Both students were recognized for their leadership and exemplary record of volunteer service, especially to the F&ES, Yale and New Haven communities. In total, 29 F&ES students applied for this new scholarship, demonstrating the strong volunteer spirit that is alive at F&ES.

The F&ES Alumni Association Board has ambitious plans for the coming year, focusing on building alumni-student interactions and networks, promoting alumni regional and shared interest groups, raising awareness of scholarship needs, working closely with AYA to build stronger service ties across graduate and professional sectors, and partnering with the F&ES Career Development team to enhance mentoring and career building initiatives. The activities of the Board depend on the volunteered time, talents and enthusiasm of our dynamic Board members.

http://environment.yale.edu/alumni/board-directory/
HONOR ROLL

We are pleased to honor alumni and friends of the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies who made gifts to the School between July 1, 2012, and June 30, 2013. We also wish to recognize the corporations, foundations and organizations that have provided their generous support to the School.

F&ES ANNUAL FUND GIFTS

- Othniel C. Marsh Associates
  $5,000 donation and above in fiscal year 2012–2013.
- Sand County Society
  $1,000–$4,999 ($500–$999 for last five graduating classes) in fiscal year 2012–2013.

CLASS OF 1907
- David T. Mason*

CLASS OF 1940
- Richard C. Rose

CLASS OF 1948
- Harold J. Belcher*
- Otis F. Hall
- George M. Hindmarsh
- The Stephen Pryce Family
- John Simeone*

CLASS OF 1949
- Robert I. Solow
- Herbert I. Winer

CLASS OF 1950
- John O. Batson
- Kenneth L. Carvell
- William F. Cowen Jr.
- Theodore Natti
- John C. Watt

CLASS OF 1951
- Lester E. Bradford
- John L. Christie
- Robert O. Curtis
- Robert W. Eisenmenger
- Gerald D. Fitzgerald
- Walter P. Gould
- John W. Ker
- Donald S. Page
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The Pryce family has made a donation to the Yale F&ES Annual Fund in honor of Stephen D. Pryce M.F. ’48 (1918–2013). The entire extended family will miss him greatly, but he was fortunate to lead a long and successful life always being appreciative, proud and respectful of the education he received at Yale University.

After serving in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II, Steve attended Yale and graduated in 1948 with a master’s degree in wood technology. After graduation he went to work for Baker Furniture Company in Holland, Mich., with John Widdicomb, Risom Manufacturing and others following. Over the next 40-plus years he devoted his life to perfecting and delivering the most exquisitely designed and manufactured furniture in the world. Upon his retirement he donated his skills to other countries, enabling job creation, local economic improvement and entry into the competitive global market for otherwise less advanced nations. So much good came from his education and we, the Pryce family, are most grateful.
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Perry’s enduring commitment to the environment extended to the F&ES community, as well, which includes his son, Randall Hagenstein M.F.S. ’84 and daughter-in-law, Evie Witten M.F.S. ’95. Well aware of the value of his F&ES education, Perry was a dedicated supporter of the Annual Fund, making consistent gifts to the Fund throughout his lifetime and encouraging his classmates’ support of the Fund through his role as class agent, which he dutifully fulfilled from 1991 to a year before his death in 2009. Last winter, F&ES received a generous bequest from Perry’s estate to the Annual Fund. We are tremendously grateful for his incredible investment in the young environmental leaders who follow in his footsteps.
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Although we have made every effort to recognize everyone who has generously contributed in support of the students and programs at F&ES, we apologize if any name has been inadvertently omitted.

* Deceased
Please welcome Class of 2013 Class Secretaries: Judith Ament, Adedana Ashebir, Rebecca de Sa, Naazia Ebrahimm, Laura Johnson, Vrinda Manglik and Victoria Lockhart. A hearty thanks to Brian Goldberg for his faithful service to the Class of 2003. Brian is stepping down to assume his role as president of the F&ES Alumni Association Board. Pete Land has stepped forward to serve in Brian’s place.

We bid a sad and fond farewell to Class of 1948 Secretary, Francis Clifton, who passed away on July 7, 2013. He reached his class’s 65th reunion year in May.

Please consider volunteering for your class if it is currently without a secretary—1952, 1961, 1964, 1966 and 1972. Simply send a message to alumni.fes@yale.edu indicating your interest. Your help can make a difference!

1951
Class Secretary
Peter Arnold
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Lester Bradford writes: “I have good memories of Summer Camp (surveying) and of the exposure to southern forestry in Crosset, Ark., and other field trips. Added to lifelong friendships. Great memories. I still enjoy hearing news from fellow students of those days. Not that I have much to report. I help maintain the Pacific Northwest Trail and swing a hammer with Habitat for Humanity.”

1954
Class Secretary
Richard Chase
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Arthur Westing, Ph.D. ’59, writes: “It pleases me greatly to let you know that Springer has now published the second (and last) of two small books that include selected articles of mine, representative of my environmentally relevant contributions in two somewhat related areas—military activities and human security: Arthur H. Westing: Pioneer on the Environmental Impact of War and From Environmental to Comprehensive Security.”

1955
Class Secretary pro temp
Larry Sunderland
mostar@mcttelecom.com

Larry Sunderland writes: ”Dave Holmes wrote that he and Patsy would be traveling by ship from Sydney to London via San Francisco and the Panama Canal in March. My wife and I had already made plans to be in San Francisco briefly, and they arrived on the last day before we left. Where else would two foresters on a one-day reunion go but Muir Woods? Going on to Portland, we were able to spend some time with Richard Hermann ’56 before he left to see his first great grandchild born that morning. Occasionally see Pete Loucks when he isn’t off in some other country advising on water projects. Forestry activities on our woodland property have been at a standstill in these years of poor timber markets. My activities are more aligned now with the School’s 21st century focus than what we studied in the mid-20th. I am especially active on the Environmental Policy Committee of the Audubon Society of New Hampshire, dealing more with wildlife and energy than trees but from time to time advising our property manager on timber harvests. Heavy cutting in patches to create successional wildlife habitat is part of the program.”

1958
Class Secretary
Ernest Kurmes
ernest.kurmes@nau.edu

Bill Rogers writes: “I will always remember and give thanks to Professor Worrell who prompted me to apply to Yale and to the School for the expanded experience and training it afforded. I know that it contributed to my successful career and life of good fortune. Just a tad of appreciation has been pinned into my will. The depth and seriousness of my experiences are witnessed by the prolonged friendship and communication that I enjoy with classmates Rolf Benseler and George Rosentretter. I hope my enthusiasm is shared by others!”

1962
Class Secretary
Larry Safford
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Robert Miller, Ph.D. ’67 writes: “Turning 80 has been a real downer. I have given my sailboat to my grandchildren’s education fund so I am no longer on the water except for swimming. My partially paralyzed Newfoundland (who was my swimming partner) died last spring, so we are a bit free to travel again: Eastern Europe (my destinations) and Australia (my wife’s). Guess where we will be.”

1963
Class Secretary
James Boyle
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Jim Boyle, Ph.D. ’67 writes: “I continued to teach for a few years after I retired in 2005 from the College of Forestry at Oregon State University. I enjoyed 23 years there, teaching and researching forest soils and ecology, preceded by faculty positions at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and University of Wisconsin, Madison, and two Army years. Retirement has included international travel, rafting trips, a bit of running, bicycling and cross-country skiing, and some writing and service on the editorial board of Forest Ecology and Management. With retired Forest Service scientist Bob Powers, I recently finished a paper, ‘Forest Soils,’ for Elsevier’s soon-to-be released online reference database in Earth Systems and Environmental Sciences. Corvallis and Oregon are good places to be. I’m still adjusting to Patty’s death in 1999; last week would have marked our 51st wedding anniversary.”

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sary. I enjoy visiting my ‘kids,’ including three grandchildren, in Ann Arbor and Denver. I thrive on our sunny, dry summers and endure the rainy winter months that keep our Douglas-fir forests green and provide lots of Cascade snow for skiing. I’ve occasionally visited Bob Latham who lives here.”  

Bill Smith writes: “I enjoy retirement in New Hampshire and am teaching environmental and forest science at Granite State College — the University System of New Hampshire’s adult education opportunity for associate and bachelor’s degrees at night and online. In the summer, I volunteer two days a week at a U.S. Forest Service ranger station in the White Mountain National Forest — what a blast!! My wife and I have an RV, which we use to find spring in Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia. I also serve on the Board of the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, the largest and oldest land trust in the State.”

1964  

Frank Bock writes: “Dorothy and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary this past June. Guests at our party included our goddaughter, Alison Steber Foster, daughter of the Rev. Gary Steber. We see Gary occasionally; he is recovering from some health problems. It was nice to receive an email recently from our old friend, Steve Hanover. Dorothy and I are enjoying our retirement in Opelika, Ala., near Auburn University, where our son-in-law is a professor.”  

Steve Hanover lives part time in Nanning, Guangxi, PRC, with his wife who is a retired Traditional Chinese Medicine doctor. The rest of the time they travel or reside in Cape Coral, Fla. They recently visited the UNESCO World Heritage site of Halong Bay, Vietnam. This site features limestone Karst Mountains that vary in size and shapes as they project upward toward the sky from the bay waters. He writes: “Classmates — please let me hear from you. Are you with LinkedIn?”  

George Nagle, Ph.D. ’70, writes: “A group of us foresters from British Columbia have been compiling a summary of half a century of our international projects for the Forest History Society of B.C. The initial lists are amazing, and a summary chapter will be out soon, followed by individual stories of adventures/misadventures all over this tired globe. There are, of course, many who went to Yale, and later I will attempt a cross-reference. Still not too late if any of you from British Columbia have stories to tell — send them to me at naviika@aol.com.”  

Jun A.V. Revilla, Ph.D. ’78, writes: “Late last year and early this year, I was asked to write two papers for the NLBI (Non-Legally Binding Instruments) project: ‘Framework for sustainable forest management in the Philippines’ and ‘Comprehensive basic forestry policy for the Philippines.’ Most of the time, I am just a retiree nowadays. I play tennis every morning when the weather permits. My wife and I, our three children and their families who gave us four grandsons and four granddaughters, all live in Los Baños, Laguna, adjacent to the University of the Philippines, Los Baños, campus. Finally, I wish to greet my 1964 classmates: ‘advanced golden alumni anniversary’ in 2014.”  

John Worrall, Ph.D. ’69, is, 49 years later, mentoring (also tormenting) undergraduate forestry students at University of British Columbia.

1968  

Class Secretary  

Gerald Gagne  
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Keshab Pradhan arrived at Yale as conservator of forests for the independent Kingdom of Sikkim. The king and his American queen, Hope Cook, briefly visited Keshab while he was studying at Yale. In addition to being a forestry leader in Sikkim, he is also an internationally renowned expert on rhododendrons and orchids. He has led or organized numerous expeditions of discovery in his native Sikkim. By the mid-70s, India annexed Sikkim to protect some of the lowest passes in the Himalayas between India and China, a region where there are long-standing border conflicts. Keshab managed to stay on in Sikkim and held several ministerial positions over the years that had him introducing a citrus industry and a cut-flower industry for delivery to large cities in South Asia. He was also instrumental in establishing a trekking industry focused on the marvelous rhododendron forests and exquisite mountains of Sikkim.

1970  

Class Secretary  

Whitney Beals  
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William Parker, together with a couple of his former grad students from Lakehead University, presented papers at the Canadian Forest Genetics Conference in July at Whistler, B.C. He continues to use climate models and common garden studies to predict which seed sources are best to plant, considering multiple predicted future climates.  

Jim Shaw, Ph.D. ’75, writes: “Last year I retired from Oklahoma State University after 38 years on the faculty. In March of this year, Tracy and I traveled to Australia to visit Pamela Parker, Ph.D. ’77, who is with the Australian Landscape Trust (ALT). We spent three weeks visiting three of the ALT’s field stations and had a great time. In June we visited Donn Critchell at his home in Ancram, N.Y. While in Vermont that same month, we had lunch with Johannes Von Trapp ’69 at the Trapp Family Lodge. As of this writing, we are visiting John Bissonette in Logan, Utah. It’s nice to be free from the constraints of the academic year.”

1971  

Class Secretary  

Harold Nygren  
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Rory Harrington writes: “Separate visits to Finland and Sweden in the early summer visiting work on reanimating wetlands were both professionally and socially rewarding. Reciprocal visits to see similar work here in County Waterford took place in September. The director and senior staff from the Chinese Wetland Research Institute (part of the Chinese Academy of Forestry) visited here in May, and this was followed
in July by Beijing’s directors of forestry, rural affairs and wildlife parks, with a view to seeing and hearing about the Integrated Constructed Wetland (ICW) Initiative in the county and elsewhere in the country. I am planning to participate at the 5th World Conference on Ecological Restoration in Madison, Wis., in October. Again the topic of my presentation will be on ICW. It’s great to think that I will get to visit the U.S. again. I have planned another ICW to treat the municipal sewage and storm water from the Village of Clonea-Power in the north of the county, hopefully underway in October. The family are all well, the youngest having successfully completed his Ph.D. (Environmental Engineering at Edinburgh University, Scotland).”

Tom Nygren writes: “I’m busy working with small woodland owners on forest stewardship plans, as well as keeping up with my own management responsibilities on our family forestland. I have been joined, at least on a part-time basis, by one of my sons — also a forester — helping me with the consulting business. He plans to retire from his military career next spring, so I’ll gradually phase out of the business at that point. Wife, Pat, and I are at the stage where grandchildren are graduating from high school and college, so that is also an important part of our life and times.”

Mary Standaert writes: “Joe and I live in the mountains of Montreat, N.C., hiking and leading botany walks. We celebrated our 44th anniversary in August and were the first married couple to both attend the Yale School of Forestry. We were wondering if there have been others.” [Editor’s note: Yes, indeed! Many!] 1972

Gary Drobnack writes: “Our son-in-law is, for the foreseeable future, working out of the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, Egypt. Our daughter and their children are now in the United States, as are all other embassy dependants and nonessential personnel. A larger exodus of expatriates involving corporate and other nations’ embassies has recently commenced. We were fortunate to be there early in June for our grandson’s high school graduation, which was held in front of the Sphinx and the Pyramids. Even then, there were ominous signs of a major dust-up being organized by much of the citizenry against Morsi for the end of June. That happened, and it has been chaos ever since.”

Phil Nemir writes: “Still kicking and happily marking trees. Wheels holding up but creaky. I love living in the eastside pine type. I’ve been able to secure some large grants to assist with forest and meadow restoration. I practice selection silviculture. I traveled a bit this year, Maui in April with daughter, Nessa, and Australia with Lynda. Highlights were two snorkeling boat trips. Great Barrier Reef was phenomenal!”

1973

Class Secretary
Roy Deitchman
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Milos Krajnski Jovic writes: “Five and a half years after my retirement in France my wife, Ellen, and I decided to move to Cincinnati, where we enjoy the presence of family members and many friends. Cincinnati is a great city with many cultural and educational opportunities, not to mention the Reds and the Bengals. Great urban forests too.”

1974

Class Secretary
R.A. Lautenschlager
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R. A. Lautenschlager writes: “I plan on retiring (and writing and playing even more music) in June 2014. The family is doing well, and I have seven cords of hardwood, which recently arrived in my yard, to cut up and dry a bit before winter. In addition, I continue to look for funding to support the Atlantic Canada Conservation Data Center (Atlantic Canada’s only regional science center), so if you know of anyone in eastern Canada supporting conservation science, please let me know.”

Norman Noyes writes: “After spending most of my 38 years with the Forest Service in Southern California, I accepted a promotion to work in the Pacific Southwest Regional Office in Vallejo, Calif., as the program lead for Forest Service realty transactions. The position provides oversight and guidance for purchases, land exchanges, sales and encroachment resolutions in California (with some peripheral involvement with issues in Hawaii and Micronesia). My wife, Lise, continues to work as a physician’s assistant with Kaiser Medical Group. Our three children are employed and working in Southern California.”

Katharine Preston writes: “We took an almost-three-month trip, driving to Alaska and back, towing our little T@B camper. It was a long but fabulous trip — across Canada on the way out, Canada and a part of the States on the way back. Seals on icebergs calving off of glaciers, grizzlies in Denali National Park, salmon fishing off of Valdez, and bison in the Grasslands of Saskatchewan were highlights. Unfortunately, we did not know enough to avoid the northwestern part of North Dakota on the way home, where wild, unchecked pursuit of cheap, contaminating energy has destroyed landscapes and communities. We will work hard to make up for the carbon emissions of our trip.”

Judith Stockdale writes: “I left the Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelley Foundation’s executive directorship at the end of 2012 after 18 years. I’m getting used to a less structured life and happily continuing as an independent director of the Nuveen Funds.”

Paul Wilson sends greetings from his 16-acre family forest outside of Clatskanie, Ore., where his current enthusiasm is using part of his meadow reserve to establish Garry Oak micro-savannah and woodland. He and his wife, Linda Farris, are working on their certification as Master Woodland Managers through the Extension Service. For those not in a state privileged to house the program, it is analogous to the more-prevalent Master Gardener program, in which volunteers serve as extensions to Extension.”
1975
Class Secretary
Hallie Metzger
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Terry Chester reports that he and his fiancée, Kym Sturdivant, just returned from a 10,000-mile road trip, crisscrossing the United States to visit clients of Adbiz.com and QAuditing.com, as well as to see family and friends.

Dominic Dottavio writes: “My wife of 34 years and I have the pleasure of living in Stephenville, Texas, ‘The Cowboy Capital of the World.’ I serve as the president of Tarleton State University, home for world class water research, mathematics education, data mining and agricultural programs — and the largest (and best) rodeo team in the country.”

Evan Griswold welcomed a third grandchild with another due in November. He is working in real estate but shifting more time to the Lyme Land Trust in Lyme, Conn. As chair of the F&S Annual Fund and the Sand County Society, he reminds all of us to support the School at whatever level we can!

HALLIE METZGER writes: “In personal work, I’m doing research for a book on genealogy. I fulfilled a life-long dream, cast as an extra in the Lyric Opera of Chicago’s ‘Die Meistersinger,’ — five hours not counting time for makeup, wigs and costume. I manage a family property in northwest Connecticut and recently became editor of the Timber Producers Association of Connecticut’s newsletter.”

Helen Waldorf also fulfilled a life-long dream, traveling to Cuba with the Yale Alumni Chorus. For the last three years, she has also consulted through University of Massachusetts, Lowell, on energy and environmental compliance for public facilities. In volunteer work, she helped publish a standard guide through the American Society for Testing and Materials for sustainable site cleanup.

1976
Class Secretary
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Sally [Sarah] Stanton Hasted writes: “I’m teaching teenagers with emotional crises in a local mental hospital. It’s a part-time position, but very necessary for the kids. For the past two years, I worked with students who couldn’t be in the regular Bridgeport school system, and they loved their minerals and nature studies. Gardening in cardboard boxes, pet mosquito larvae...for those who have no space outdoors and aren’t allowed pets, there’s always a way to work in something to love.”

1977
Class Secretary
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Bob Arnold writes: “I’m traveling a bit more these days. I have my financial planning practice on Mercer Island, near Seattle. We also have a home in Victoria, B.C. I am also in the process of setting up live, learn and work housing for the foster kids that age out of the foster care system. I have purchased three fixer-upper homes in Detroit, Mich., and one in Birmingham, Ala. The ideal is to give these foster grads a safe place to live while they learn some job skills and get a chance for a good start in life.” http://www.clubearth.org/

1979
Class Secretary
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Stuart Miller, Ph.D. writes: “This year marks 30 years since establishing my consulting business, Environmental Geochemistry International. We are based in Sydney, Australia, and provide advice on mine-waste geochemistry to the mining industry around the world. We specialize in acid-rock drainage, which was the focus of my Ph.D. work at F&S. My time at Yale, and in particular the support and direction provided by the late Professor Garth Voigt, is the reason I can celebrate 30 years in this business.”

1980
Class Secretary
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Christopher LaFarge writes: “I’m running a medical device company and taking our first product through the FDA (forever delay agency) gauntlet... so far successfully. My starter wife of almost 30 years, Vicki (Van Steenberg) LaFarge, Ph.D. ’88, is now associate dean of faculty at Bentley University and is enjoying full-time administrivia. Our son is four years out of college and working in Washington, D.C., and our daughter is still in college — in other words, we are newly-minted empty nesters.”

Patricia Kolb Millet writes: “I’m spending half the year in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, running my shop, Nest, and enjoying the beach and fiddle music. Husband, Jack, was here for the summer, as was daughter, Emma, the schooner captain. Son, Nathan, is working for the Forest Service as a hydrologist in Nevada.”

Al Sample, D.For. ’89, completed his three-year term on the AYA Board of Governors and encourages other F&S alums to consider this very rewarding volunteer opportunity. Al directs the Pinchot Institute, which commemorated its 50th anniversary this year at Grey Towers National Historic Site. Grey Towers was the home of the Yale Forestry Camp, 1900–1925, and the venue for a Class of 1980 reunion. Dean Crane participated in the anniversary events and spoke at a forum on “Forest Conservation in the Anthropocene.”

Laura Snook, D.For. ’93, leads a global research program on the conservation of trees at Bioversity International, headquartered in Rome, and coordinates a research program on the conservation and management of forest and tree resources carried out around the world by scientists at Bioversity Center for International Forestry Research and World Agroforestry Center. In May, she gave a keynote address, ‘Sustaining the Trees to Sustain the Forest: The Importance of Forest Genetic Resources,’ at an international Conference on Sustainable Forest Management in Central Africa in Yaounde, Cameroon. She’s managing research projects in Mozambique on miombo woodlands; in the Congo Basin on harmonizing timber and nontimber product harvests; and will start a new project in Guatemala and Nicaragua on community forestry in January. This year she
has accompanied her partner, Jonathan Kingdon, at several presentations around Africa of his newly published encyclopeda, *Mammals of Africa*, and met Yufang Gao '14 working on elephant conservation/ivory markets in China at one of them.

**Marty Steele** writes: "These days I am president & CEO of The Bank of Washington in Seattle."

**Carol Zimmerman, Ph.D.**, writes: "My husband, John, and I visited Bhutan in September on a trip led by recent grad **Hilary Faxon '13**. Now that I’m semi-retired, we enjoy having more time to travel. Our son, Sam, will marry fiancée, Jeanne, in New York City on July 5, 2014."

**1981**

**Class Secretaries**

Fred Hadley

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**Ann Clarke, D.F.E.S. ’92**, retired from NASA after 22 years with the federal government, most recently at NASA Ames Research Center in Mountain View, Calif. She has affiliated with the Silicon Valley Mediation Group and will do environmental conflict resolution work. She and her husband have moved to Carmel Valley near Big Sur. She is active on the F&ES Alumni Association Board and encourages F&ES alumni in the area to contact her to help organize field trips and other alumni activities of interest.

**Thea (Weiss) Hayes** is happily retired from 21 years of public school science teaching and will continue in education as a Congregation Beth Israel religious school teacher and substitute teacher in five-plus school districts around Portland, Ore. She also has plans to do intern-supervisory work, tutor and continue her involvement in writing elementary science curriculum. She is an active Board member of the Oregon Invasive Species Council, a Lent School Garden committee member, neighborhood watch coordinator and local environmental action proponent. Thea is spending more time with husband, family and friends, including a visit to her hometown of Glen Cove, Long Island, after more than a 30-years absence for her 40th high school reunion! Upcoming: assisting her high school senior daughter in her college search and hands-on assistance with her elderly parents.

**Beth Mullin** writes: "I live in Washington, D.C., and have spent the last six years running Rock Creek Conservancy, a nonprofit that works to protect Rock Creek and revitalize Rock Creek Park, an amazing wild forest in the heart of a major city. One of our top issues is trying to keep invasive vines off the trees. I am married and have two children, a daughter who is a senior at Mount Holyoke College and a son in law school at the University of Pennsylvania."

**Femi Olaleye** writes: "After staying in Nigeria for many years, my wife, Maria, and I and our first son, Tayo, were privileged to be in the United States again to attend the graduation of our third son, James, at Vermont Law School (VLS) in June. He did a Juris Doctor and a Master of Environmental Law and Policy program. I was surprised to see **John Echeverria** again, one of my school mates at F&ES. Professor Echeverria is the acting director of the Environmental Law Center at VLS. We next flew to Toronto, Canada, to spend about two weeks with our second son, Toyin, then to Maryland, Washington, D.C., and Connecticut. I re-established contact with **Jim Caffrey**, **Tom Hatley '80** and **Carol Youell**. We flew back to Lagos, Nigeria, and I have since resumed my teaching and research duties at Bowen University, Iwo, Osun State, Nigeria."

**Gail Kalison Reynolds** writes: "In addition to running a local farmers’ market, I manage the University of Connecticut Master Gardener Program for my county here in central Connecticut. It’s lots of fun — a combination of the vegetation week in the summer MODs and plant pathology. I also get to evangelize my native plant agenda. My husband, **Dan Reynolds ’82**, is transitioning from managing environmental affairs at Bradley Airport to managing the State of Connecticut’s underground fuel storage tanks. Our son will be a senior this fall at University of Vermont, majoring in mechanical engineering."

**1982**

**Class Secretaries**

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**Gregory Baker** writes: "I am living in southern Maine, working for the Department of State, U.S. Passport Office. I stay in close contact with **Tom Walicki**. I have two great kids, Jamieson (27) and Gretchen (24) — both working!!"

**Michael Bell, Ph.D. ’92**, writes: "I am the director of the Center for Integrated Agricultural Systems at University of Wisconsin, Madison, where I am a professor of community and environmental sociology. I’m beautifully married to **Diane Mayerfeld**, with two wonderful kids, Sam (24) and Eleanor (15). Diane works for U.W. Extension, where she is the sustainable agriculture coordinator for the state. Diane has also recently started a Ph.D. program part time at Madison in environment and resources, where she is doing research on silvipasture. It’s all the fault of F&ES!"

**Javed Mir** writes: "Over the last year, a new frontier (geographically) for me has been leading my team in designing and developing an agriculture, natural resources and environment program and portfolio in Myanmar/Burma. On the personal front, I’m excited to see my twin sons about to start their medical school education in California."

**Ada Ndeso** writes: "I am the deputy editor of *Nature & Faune*, which is a peer-reviewed, open-access international bilingual (English and French) publication of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization’s Regional Office for Africa. The aim of this flagship publication is to disseminate information (scientific and technical) and promote the exchange of experiences on forestry, wildlife, protected-area management and the sustainable use and conservation of natural resources in Africa. In July, Yale University literally came down to Accra, Ghana! Building upon the success of a prior symposium,
the 2013 conference brought together established and emerging leaders in industry, academia and the arts. The theme of the conference was ‘From Success to Significance: Thought Leaders in the African Renaissance’.”


Robert Turnage has been living in Sacramento, Calif., for most of the past three decades since leaving Yale, working in various jobs for the State of California. He’ll be retiring at the end of December from his job as assistant vice chancellor for budget for the California State University system. In the next phase, Robert expects to “reinvolve” himself in the nature-related pursuits and issues that led him to Yale Forestry.”

1983
Class Secretary
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Liza Carter just published a photo-documentary book on daily life in a Mongolian nomadic family. Filled with photographs and information on daily life, Moving with the Seasons: Portrait of a Mongolian Family draws on Liza’s experience with a single family to reveal the unique culture of Mongolian nomads and their remarkable capacity to thrive in one of the world’s harshest environments. Much of the information found in the text and photographs is not available in print elsewhere.

Dom Forcella writes: “I use up newsprint by writing a blues column that appears in four daily papers here in Connecticut. I spend my days as director of environment health and safety and director of sustainability at Central Connecticut State University.”

John Parrotta, Ph.D. ’87, writes: “I recently completed 20 years with the U.S. Forest Service’s Research & Development branch. Since 2002, after a decade with the International Institute of Tropical Forestry, I’ve been based in Washington, D.C., dividing my time between there and San Juan, PR, where my wife, Nalini, has been a literature professor at the University of Puerto Rico for 25 years. Our daughter, Priya, is completing her undergraduate studies in history this year at Brown. I’ve been engaged in a variety of international research activities, projects and forest science-policy initiatives and am heavily involved in the work of the International Union of Forest Research Organizations (IUFRO). I am coordinating the IUFRO-led Collaborative Partnership on Forests Global Forest Expert Panel on Biodiversity, Forest Management and REDD+, which will prepare a scientific synthesis for decision-makers intended to shed light on the biodiversity opportunities, risks and trade-offs inherent to climate change mitigation activities envisaged under REDD+ programs. The next IUFRO World Congress will be held in Salt Lake City in October 2014 (the first time this event has been hosted by the United States since 1971). I am once again serving as chair of the Congress Scientific Committee, while Rich Guldin ‘76, Ph.D. ’79, is chairing the Congress Organizing Committee.”

Maddy Pope writes: “I’m living in Bozeman, Mont., and enjoying work with The Trust for Public Land. My focus these days is a new community park proposal for our city that includes wetlands restoration, park design, trails and transportation corridors, affordable housing and lots of great partnerships.”

1984
Class Secretaries
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Shere Abbott writes: “Now that we’ve visited from Maine to Alaska, I’ll provide some geographic diversity, as I’ve spent time (too much) in D.C., several years (too little) in Austin, Texas, and now find myself with family happily in Cazenovia, N.Y. My husband, Jim Steinberg, and I both are at Syracuse University. I’m a vice president and overseer New York State’s Center of Excellence for Environmental and Energy Systems, and I’m a professor of sustainability science and policy. I’ve spent the last 15 years trying to advance sustainability science in the U.S. government and integrate it with policy. I spent a couple of years in the Obama White House as a deputy to the science advisor overseeing the environment and natural resources R&D portfolio and handling crises like oil spills. We have two great kids we adopted from China. Jenna (11) is one of the happiest souls I know. Emma (9) is hard wired for engineering. No hand-me-down dresses for her! Caz Lake isn’t technically a Finger Lake but it’s beautiful and there’s a lot of skiing and great fly-fishing! I recently visited F&ES for a Leadership Council meeting. All good and green. And nice to see that women’s bathrooms came down from the third floor!”

Ambrose Anoruo, D.For., ’88, writes: “In 1994, I became an assistant professor at South Carolina State University. It was there I realized how much we learned at the Yale Forestry School. Some of my major contributions include founding of the Savannah River Environmental Sciences Field Station and introduction of natural resource courses and programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels. I became a tenured professor and, in 2005, associate dean of research in the College of Agriculture and Related Sciences at Delaware State. I developed graduate research- and accreditation of discipline-specific programs. I also led the effort to establish the Center for Integrated Biological and Environmental Research. The center received five-year funding of $4.1 million from NSF. In 2010, I left for Texas A&M University, Kingsville, as associate vice president for research and dean of the graduate college. I am now back to the classroom as professor in the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences. I have four children, three surviving. Chinma has just passed her board exam and is in residency as a medical doctor. Uchenna graduated last May with a degree in engineering, and Nnenna is a junior studying mathematics at the University of South Carolina. It will be wonderful to be back at the Forestry School in 2014 to reunite with all the old friends.”

Dusti Becker writes: “I direct a small but active nonprofit conservation org with my husband, Dr. Anthony Povilitis. On a personal note: No kids, no pets, no...”
income, but terrifically happy with all I have done and keep doing for biodiversity conservation here and there, mainly in Ecuador and Kenya. We are also working on a no-trapping and no-hunting zone around Yellowstone to protect park wolves.” http://ififenetnature.org/index.php/projects/united-states-projects/ Neeolo Bhatti-McAndrew, Ph.D. ’88, writes: “From Yale, I went to Chicago and Argonne National Laboratory, first as a postdoc and then as an environmental scientist. I did a lot of work on acid rain and on the more pressing challenge of climate change. While at Argonne, I worked on the IPCC report that was awarded the Nobel Prize in 2007. I also worked as a consultant for the Village of Homer Glen (near Chicago) and the World Bank. We helped make Homer Glen the third U.S. town to be designated a Dark Sky Community. In 2007, I went to University of Delaware as associate director of their Energy Institute. I continue to campaign for our need to be good stewards of our planet — something for which my years at the Forestry School trained me so well.”

Tom Crist writes: “I headed out West to do a Ph.D. in ecology at Utah State University, where I worked on plant-animal interactions in desert communities following coal mine restoration. From there, I headed to Colorado State for a postdoc and worked on animal population responses to livestock grazing. In 1994, I started as an assistant professor at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, where I have taught ecology and environmental science courses and conducted research on biodiversity in agricultural landscapes. In 2011, I became director of the Institute for the Environment and Sustainability. So I have come full circle to my training at Yale and work with industry, government and nonprofit organizations through our internships, research and service-learning projects. I also became a member of the Rapid Response Team for the Ecological Society of America, which is a group of about 35 scientists who provide science-based policy expertise to the ESA Washington, D.C., office. Candace and I will soon be empty-nesters, with our daughter a sophomore at Miami and our twin boys high school seniors.”

Nora Devoe, D.For. ’90, was lured to Australia in 2010 by her Aussie husband. She recently left the Northern Territory to lead the Forest Science and Industry Development Unit of the Department of Agriculture and Food, Western Australia. The unit was eliminated during her first week — especially unfortunate as both natural forest management and plantations in Western Australia need attention. Captivated by this gorgeous corner of a gorgeous country, Nora will remain in Bunbury managing other projects for the Department of Agriculture and Food while the smoke clears in the forest.

Shelley Dresser writes: “After moving to Vermont with my husband and COO of the Organic Trade Association, David Gagnon ’85, I picked up a master’s in education from Smith College, left the Northeast Recycling Council and transitioned into a career in education. I was able to teach my three children — Heather (now a M.S.W. drug counselor at a women’s prison in Burlington, Vt.), Alex (an engineering student at University of Vermont) and Hope (a freshman at Champlain College)—in elementary school. I work at Eaglebrook School, a boarding school for enthusiastic and energetic middle school boys. I teach science, incorporating much of what I learned at F&ES into the curriculum and dragging the eager learners into the surrounding woods to identify trees. I am the school’s sustainability coordinator, and I direct several sustainability initiatives. Last year, I hosted a mini F&ES reunion in Vermont with Ned Childs ’83, Nora Devoe, D.For. ’90, Catherine Radford ’83, Steve Winnett, D.For. ’90, and Chris Recchia.”

Fran Dunwell writes: “I’m in New Paltz working as the Department of Environmental Conservation Hudson River Estuary coordinator. There are a number F&ES people I work with on a regular basis — Betsy Blair ’83, Cara Lee, Anne Reynolds ’96 and Ned Sullivan ’82, to name a few. F&ES was definitely a wonderful experience and prepared me in ways I still refer to. The book I started while there, The Hudson River Highlands, is still in print and another book, which expands on the first one — The Hudson: America’s River — is also doing well. At work, we are tackling the restoration of migratory fishes and helping communities deal with flooding and sea-level rise. We are also helping citizens and local officials understand and conserve streams, biodiversity and habitat locally on the Hudson and in its watershed. My husband, Wes, and I will celebrate our 20th anniversary in 2014. We are the parents of teenagers, which is much more challenging than work. Our son, Davis, is off to college at SUNY, New Paltz, and our daughter, Lia, is starting high school. I am encouraging our three chickens to expand their family. The red hen is now sitting on eggs. There is nothing more heartwarming than baby chicks and a mother hen.”

Linda Evenson Wargo writes: “John Wargo ’81, Ph.D. ’84, and I settled in Connecticut so he could continue teaching at Yale. I worked with a national consulting firm conducting environmental risk assessments. After juggling work and raising two children for more than a decade, we had our third child, Ellie, and I realized that my greatest pleasure (raising kids!) was slipping too quickly. I resigned and began working with John doing research on environmental effects on kids’ health. We have researched and written about pesticide exposure from foods, diesel exhaust in school buses, hormonally active plastics, cell phone radiation, and most recently fetal exposure to flame retardant chemicals. Now we are writing a book on differences in food quality between the European Union, the United States and Switzerland, trying to explain why U.S. laws and policies are less protective. Topics include pesticides, drugs, plastics, GMOs, certification schemes, food waste, local food, slow food, fast food, food fraud, GRAS additives and more. Ellie (14) started high school and is a competitive swimmer. Our son, Adam, works in finance and lives in Tribeca, N.Y., travels extensively and has a half-million frequent-flier miles. Our daughter,
Kate, works at Mass General Hospital in Boston. We lure everyone home with food and wine.”

Therese Feng, Ph.D. ’98, writes: “My info: one husband (witty, Glaswegian, scientist/business person); one kid (tween, writer, ironic), one dog (neurotic, adopted, poodle mystery hybrid). My job: country risk analysis at one of those Wall St. banks (please don’t ask me about Italian politics or the Arab Spring). Hobbies: building a volunteer consulting practice for small- and medium-sized microfinance firms (trip in September — Liberia); helping a Haitian microfinance institution; running (slowly); living in NYC (West Village); piano and photography, sometimes."

Rosemary Furfey writes: “Portland, Ore., has been home for the last 21 years after my husband, Chris, and I finished three years of rural development work for CARE International in Sudan. I’ve been at NOAA’s National Marine Fisheries Service for the last 15 years working with local communities to write recovery plans for endangered salmon species. This work combines policy, science and how we manage land and water resources.

I work with communities from the northwest tip of the Olympic Peninsula to the Sawtooth Valley in Idaho. This also involves working with Native American Tribes to recover salmon populations that are at the core of their culture and economy. I recently finished an 18-month NOAA leadership program, which allowed me to do a stint at our D.C. headquarters last fall. While there it was fun to reconnect with Leah Haygood and NOAA co-worker Bess Gillelan. My daughter, Fiona, is a junior at Amherst College and learning about life on the East Coast. I’m hoping to attend our reunion in 2014 and look forward to catching up.”

David Gibson writes: “Eva Muller and I married the day before or after graduation and soon returned to Africa, where we had a couple challenging years in pre-genocide Rwanda starting CARE’s watershed rehab and agroforestry program. We were released for good behavior after two years and quickly fled to Nairobi.

I managed development of USAID’s East and Southern Africa Forestry and Natural Resources Program, and Eva consulted for several groups including ICRAF. Eva eventually took a great job offer in Costa Rica. I eventually moved to Washington, D.C., to run USAID’s forestry and natural resources program for Latin America. I left USAID to help start USAfrica Airways and direct the first real ‘eco-friendly’ airline’s marketing. I went to work for Chemonics managing their global environmental practice for about 10 years. About five years ago, I joined the International Finance Corporation where I ‘manage’ our forestry and wood products portfolio from a risk perspective. I remarried in 1991 to a New Canaan, Conn., sweetheart (Kimberly) and have been in D.C. ever since. Son, Austin (20), is at Longwood University. Daughter, Brynn (16), is a sophomore. We just relocated from Vienna/Tysons Corner to lovely Warrenton, Va. We have a place in the Shenandoah that we dream about of living in someday.”

Bess Gillelan writes: “I worked for a contractor at the EPA Chesapeake Bay Program until I landed a federal position with NOAA in D.C. at its Estuarine Programs Office to manage its Chesapeake Bay Studies funding. By 1992, I was asked to set up and run a new NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office in Annapolis, where I worked on monitoring and managing crabs, finfish, oyster disease, toxic contaminants, nutrients and algal remote sensing. Political winds shifted, and I moved to NOAA headquarters in Silver Spring, Md., in the National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Habitat Conservation, in its Strategic Planning group. I had a one-year assignment to the White House Council on Environmental Quality in 2000, Clinton’s last year in office, helping to coordinate the Interagency Task Force on American Heritage Rivers. Under Bush, I was asked to direct it, which I did until 2008, working with the 14 designated river communities, and with Fran Dunwell on the Hudson. Since that gig, I’ve been back at NOAA Fisheries’ Habitat office working on climate change and legislative policy related to fish habitat protection and restoration. Looking forward to Reunion Weekend 2014 and catching up!”

Randy Hagenstein writes: “I had a brief foray back to New Haven when my wife, Evie Witten ’95, attended F&ES. For the past 19 years, I have worked for The Nature Conservancy, first as conservation director and now as Alaska chapter director. Our daughter, Névé (5), keeps us young and reminds us of the joy and beauty of simple things in life. Summers find us boating, camping and shrimp- ing in Prince William Sound. Winter finds us on skis. Our little urban 1/8-acre existence was loaded this summer with chickens, bees, apple trees, berries and veggies in abundance."

Rose Harvey writes: “I had a great 27 years at the Trust for Public Land, buying land and building parks in urban, rural and remote areas, particularly communities that have none. Then I was awarded the Dorothy McCluskey Visiting Fellowship for Conservation and returned to F&ES for a semester of teaching (with Brad Gentry) and thinking and learning about the future. It was a fabulous experience, and I am greatly thankful to the Forestry school. Then I was tapped by Governor Cuomo to become the commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for New York State. I’m married and live in New York City and have a daughter and son who are both now in college.”

Leah Haygood writes: “My first career post-F&ES was in the environmental mediation field, which brought me here to D.C. to work at the World Wildlife Fund and Conservation Foundation. I was then lured over to work for the company Waste Management, where I did internal greening programs, stakeholder and employee engagement, public reporting, and other environmental programs. I next worked for Business for Social Responsibility and then started a consulting practice in corporate sustainable ability. My company, BuzzWord, practices mainly in the transparency, accountability and communications end of the field with major companies as well as a few nonprofit organizations. Home is Silver Spring, Md. I’m married to Ron Tucker, an
actor/teacher, and I will be an empty-nester a year from now. My son is going into his second year at (ahem) Harvard, and my daughter will be a high school senior. Despite an interesting career, they’re still the coolest thing I’ve done. I’m definitely making a push to attend Reunion Weekend 2014 — hope to see you there!" www.gobuzzword.com

**Boop Tabell Jordan** writes: "I spent almost 15 years working in land conservation after leaving the Forestry School, starting as an intern at the Trust for Public Land in New York City and ending up as the director of land protection for the Maine chapter of The Nature Conservancy. For 10 years after that, I worked as the school administrator at the K-8 elementary school that my two daughters attended. My husband, Bob, is a teacher, so the switch gave us 10 lovely, leisurely summers together with our children (and sometimes without them!). When my youngest daughter started high school, I finished up a master’s in library science (online) and am now an outreach and instruction librarian at my local public library in Bath, Maine."

**Mark Kern** writes: "I have a great apartment on the Blackstone River and bike path in Cumberland, R.I. One daughter is a nurse working on her nurse practitioner degree at the University of Michigan. My younger one is in senior year at the University of Pittsburgh. For the last seven years, I have been teaching yoga at the gym at work, and I got my yoga teaching certification last year. The Rhode Island seacoast is wonderful, and I snorkel and bike ride there when I can. I worked for the Maine Critical Areas Program and the Connecticut Fund for the Environment for a few years after graduating. Then I joined the EPA. I have been with EPA for 26-plus years. I have been mostly in the wetlands world, with visits to water quality and the estuary program. My job with the EPA continues to be 90-percent good, and I am grateful that I have work that I like, am good at, pays well and does something that makes a small difference in the world.”

**Karl Kleiner** writes: "After leaving F&ES, I obtained a Ph.D. in entomology from Penn State University. I am teaching environmental biology, ecology and evolutionary biology at York College of Pennsylvania. Up to my teaching gig, I’d spent about a dozen years working with trees and forest pests. After arriving at York College, I switched to studying a lifelong passion of mine — owls. I started pulling feathers (for DNA) from migrating northern saw-whet owls to study their migratory patterns through population genetics. I’ve shifted over to barn owls, which are declining in numbers in Pennsylvania. I am examining their population genetics and conducting radio telemetry to determine their foraging patterns. The latter may help with conservation planning. My wife of 22 years, Susan Klugman, works at the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy as a data and GIS manager. We run about 300,000 head of bees and sell the honey. Four cats on 10 acres in a log house with fruits and veggies outside round out the picture."

**Chun Lai** writes: "Post-F&ES, I’ve been based in Mali (USAID), Bangladesh (Winrock), Indonesia (FAO) and the Philippines (independent consultant in NRM for various international organizations and NGOs). Los Baños, a pleasant and green university town about a two-hour drive south of Manila, has been home for the past 16 years. My spouse, Pam, teaches at the university, and our delightful teenage daughter, Gayle, keeps us young and on our toes! We are also blessed with a wonderful home and a large diverse garden that provides our predominately vegetarian family with organic goodies every day.”

**Cara Lee** writes: "Straight out of New Haven I went to work for Scenic Hudson, a regional land trust/environmental organization, and had a 17-year run working on fisheries and power plants, PCB contamination, historic preservation, access and recreation, and water use issues. In 2001, I went to The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to direct a project to protect the Shawangunk Mountains and have fulfilled my interest in public land management, as well as working on ecological management, community outreach and land use planning. I am now working on energy issues and helping shape TNC’s work in these areas. I appreciate the grounding F&ES provided, and what a great time we had! My husband, Steve, and I are approaching our 25th anniversary and have had a wonderful time exploring and raising our two girls, Alice (24) and Margaret (19), one living in Boston and one at Mount Holyoke College, in Western Massachusetts. I’ll look forward to seeing some of you at Reunion Weekend 2014.”

**Don Masterson** writes: “After graduation, Annabelle and I headed to Washington, D.C. By January we were on our way to Costa Rica, working on a program with C1M, CATIE and the Costa Rican Park Service to prepare a management plan for La Amistad Biosphere Reserve in Costa Rica. That led to another planning project for Corcovado National Park. Over the next few years, I was part of CATIE’s protected areas unit. In 1986, I received a scholarship from the Brazilian Academy of Science to work as a planning consultant to the Mamiraua Sustainable Development Reserve in the state of Amazonas. I did a bit more consulting before joining WWF as coordinator of the Latin America Forest program. My three years at WWF working on protected areas and sustainable forestry with foresters in 11 different countries and ecoregions was very satisfying, but exhausting. After leaving WWF I continued doing some consulting and began working with my wife, Annabelle, on technical translations. I have continued working on translations, became an insurance agent, became the backup caregiver for my Mom and work with Annabelle in her start-up staging/decluttering/remodeling business based just outside the beltway in Northern Virginia. Rob, our oldest, is in his last semester at Virginia Commonwealth University’s Business School, Valery is a sign artist with Whole Foods, and Emily is a senior at the James Madison University’s Business & Computing program. Annabelle and I are eying the opportunities to relocate to Costa Rica.”
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Jennifer Mattei writes: “I saw my old roommate, Wendy Wagner, when she was passing through New York. I am a professor of biology at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Conn. I was chair of biology for six years and now am director of a professional science master’s program in environmental science and management. I am participating in a large ecological restoration project of a coastal estuary on Stratford Point, Conn., with the Connecticut Audubon Society and the DuPont Corporation. I also have a community research project running for the past 15 years on the population ecology and conservation of the American horseshoe crab in Long Island Sound. My husband, Ivan, and I have three kids. Larissa is starting her second year at Tuft’s Medical School, Sandy is a senior at Cornell and James is a sophomore in high school. All of them like to study science.”

Eva Muller writes: “I work at FAO in Rome (I have been for over 8 years) and I enjoy both FAO and Rome. In May of last year, I was appointed director of the Forest Economies, Policy and Products Division, one of the two divisions of FAO’s Forestry Department. I keep in touch with the other F&ES graduates in FAO and with a few of our classmates.”

Keith Pitchford writes: “I arrived in D.C. in ’84 for a job that lasted one week. Bemused, I left and went on to the World Wildlife Fund. After that it was an environmental consulting firm, and then a two-year hiatus in New Hampshire as a forestry consultant. I headed south for another stint in D.C. of environmental consulting in a cubicle, and started a tree-care business, then went on to a big tree moving company. I opened my own arboricultural consulting business after tree moving. Sixteen years and counting! Along the way, I have employed a variety of great people, including three F&ESers — Joe Burckle ’96, Matthew Fried ’14 and Shawn Walker ’06. Now I consult for some of Washington’s great landscapes, including the U.S. Capitol grounds, the White House, Dumbarton Oaks, Tudor Place and the National Cathedral. My projects range between Boston and Charlottesville, Va. I have two horses and a country house in Nelson County, Va., outside of Charlottesville. I trail ride in the summers and fox hunt in winter. We chase the fox but don’t kill them. It is my tonic. I row every morning on the Potomac River in my single shell and ride horses on the weekends. Throw in a little bit of golf, and what’s not to like?”

Nobby Riedy writes: “After Forestry School, I returned to North Carolina for a year of political campaign work, then on to Washington, D.C., where I dealt with the ‘human dimensions’ of natural resource policy. I worked with The Wilderness Society, first in D.C., then in San Francisco. My biggest project was helping to shepherd a bill through Congress and to the president’s desk to preserve 7.5 million acres of public lands in the California Desert. Then I shifted gears and helped to create a private philanthropy focused on federal land policy and curtailing sprawl in California. We’ve set aside millions of additional acres in preserves, improved forest management in the Sierra Nevada and are helping to find ways to manage the conflict between development of large-scale solar in the Mojave and preserving the ecosystem. The need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions led to state legislation to improve land-use planning and development patterns that further reduce GHGs. We’re making progress getting communities to focus on ways to grow that actually enhance the quality of people’s lives. My wife, Hilary, is a documentary cinematographer, a gardener and an incredible partner of 21 years. We moved 50 miles south to the coastal community of Pescadero, populated primarily by redwoods, artichokes, elephant seals and steelhead. Our daughter, Morgan, is in fourth grade. Our chickens and dog round out the domestic bliss. Thirteen years ago I was diagnosed with a form of lymphoma that so far has no cure, but we’ve been able to manage the disease, though there have been times when our lives were dominated by medical research, treatment regimens and recovery, both physical and emotional. I am participating in a clinical trial for a promising new drug. Four months into it, and the disease is in check. Just a couple pills a day!”

Chris Stecko writes: “April (Grimm) Stecko and I have been in our northern California town of Nevada City for the past 20 years. While I continue working in telecom sales, April has been working for a solar integrator for seven years. Our son, Mac (25) is finishing at U.C. Santa Cruz and working in Hawaii in technology, and Spencer (22) is completing his computer science degree at U.C. Davis.”

Susan (Huke) Stein writes: “After F&ES, I joined a very small coastal-zone management consulting firm. Next I pursued my dream of working in Africa on reforestation in a somewhat unlikely spot — semi-arid Corioley, Somalia. I then consulted for a few years in various locations in Africa (Zaire, Rwanda, Uganda) before joining the international office of the U.S. Forest Service in 1989. I have really enjoyed being part of an organization that allowed me to find creative ways to support natural resource conservation. One of my latest is a monthly webinar series, ‘Planning for Growth and Open Space Conservation.’ I live in D.C. with my husband and fellow conservationist Bruce Stein, our very active sons, Noah (12) and Ben (14), and an assortment of pets including a very calm (thank you!) Field Spaniel named Rangeley.”

Carol Stoney writes: “I started working for Winrock International a few years after graduating, first in Indonesia, then in Arkansas, then in Arlington, Va., since about 1998. My work for Winrock has been mostly on environment programs, but in recent years I also help other teams in agriculture, rural development and education with program design, proposals and project implementation. I was recently in Cambodia for a couple of weeks to help a project team with monitoring and evaluation. I built a house on the Cumberland Plateau in Tennessee and would like to try telecommuting from there. For now I am mainly in Arlington, with occasional travel to field projects. I have stayed in contact with the family in Senegal that adopted me as a Peace Corps Volunteer, and I help to put their three girls through school.”
Nate Williams writes: “After 21 years living in Vermont, working as a regional planner and then a science teacher for grades 6 through 12, I moved to Chatham, Mass., on Cape Cod. The only job I could get was working in a school for children on the Autism spectrum. This turned out to be the best and most rewarding job I have ever had in my life and was training for everything I have done since. That school closed but other doors opened in the worlds of physically and mentally disabled adults and, later, high school students with special needs. I work with high school students today. I also run a small business caring for my mother in the end stage of dementia. I manage the staffing and support logistics for a crew of seven aides and a hospice team. This is to keep my mother out of a nursing home to her final day. She lives right at the ocean’s edge, so seals are her view, not wallpaper. Art is how I survive. The scientists at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute have teamed with art students from colleges and universities in the Boston area, and the results for the two worlds have been amazing. Sailing continues to be my ultimate passion. Travel through each day with grace, I remind myself, and what is meant to happen will happen when it is supposed to happen.”

Tim Williams writes: “After graduation I consulted and then got a fellowship to work for two-plus years in research and program evaluation with an amazing family-planning NGO in Bogota, Colombia. I followed that with almost 10 years of research and evaluation with International Planned Parenthood Federation/WHR, based in New York. Just when it seemed I would always be a Latin American family planning/reproductive health specialist, I moved to the D.C. area where I’ve been with a public health consulting organization called John Snow for the past 16 years. I work on a wide range of health issues in over 30 countries. For the past two years, I’ve led our small strategic information team on a USAID-funded nutrition project. What I do most of the time is help ministries of health and other partners make better use of information to improve health systems performance and outcomes, either through routine information systems or various types of applied research. I’ve been married for 22-plus years to an amazing wife, Alby, and two wonderful kids aged 12 and 9 keep us busy. I do a fair bit of nature photography and have become a passionate birder, so that keeps me going to great wild places (just got back from Bwindi Impenetrable Forest in Uganda) and enjoying our great planet. We live in McLean, Va.”

Steve Winnett, D.For. ’90, writes: “In late 1989 I got a job with the U.S. EPA in Washington, D.C., working on climate change and forests, initially on mitigating climate change through managing forests and agriculture, then on adaptation strategies in those sectors. There I met my wife, Laura, an NPR newscaster and reporter. She got a great job at New Hampshire Public Radio hosting a daily call-in talk show. So we headed north and have been living in Concord, N.H., since 1995. I work on water quality at EPA’s New England regional office, coordinating several Clean Water Act programs such as the polluted runoff and TMDL programs. My great pleasure has been helping a number of farmers in Connecticut improve their animal operations with some really innovative water quality practices that have helped them prosper and stay in farming, protecting their rural communities against development. I co-teach a yoga class at EPA (with Mark Kern) and do it on the side at my local YMCA. Laura and I have two boys, Isaiah and Abe, who are in eighth and fourth grade. We’re surrounded by forests, lakes, mountains and the seashore. Concord is a center of political activity in the state, and the boys are growing up steeped in New Hampshire and national politics. I row and play bassoon, putter in my garden, do some winter mountaineering, and have run the Mt. Washington Road Race a couple of times.”

Gregor Wolf writes: “Post F&ES, my work in natural resources and environmental management had me posted to Haiti (CARE International), Kenya (ICRAF), Germany (KFW), and Brazil-Washington-Central America-Brazil (World Bank). I am now back in Brazil where I am coordinating our Sustainable Development Network’s investment portfolio and related advisory services. As one of the World Bank Group’s largest borrowers (± $3 billion per annum), there are fascinating opportunities to partner with Brazil to advance its green and inclusive growth agenda. My 30th wedding anniversary with my wife, Judy, will be coming up soon. Sam and Alex, our two boys, will be finishing high school soon. We spent the summer traveling to different university towns in the U.K. and the United States, educating ourselves on where might be a good fit.”

1985

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Alexander Brash writes: “I am now president of Connecticut Audubon Society (CAS). CAS is the state’s original and independent Audubon Society focused on protecting Connecticut’s environment for its people through science-based education and advocacy. The organization manages 19 sanctuaries plus Edwin Way Teale’s home, runs a renowned EcoTravel program based in Essex and advocates for progressive conservation policies in the state.”

Haydi Boething Danielson writes: “I am in Santa Cruz, a block from the beach. I’m involved in urban forestry and horticulture in California with my family nursery business. I’ve been married for 26 years to Damon. My two kids, Dylan (21) and Teddy (20), are healthy, happy and away at college. I stay in touch with Eva Muller ’84, whom I have visited in Rome twice.”

Louise de Montigny writes: “Several years ago, in a massive government reorganization, the Research Branch within the British Columbia Ministry of Forests was dismantled, and the researchers were spread far and wide across the entire province with no central research program. I am helping to design a Research Planning Framework/Process within this new Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations that has a much wider mandate than just forests, thus gaining an appreciation of the...
complexity of natural resource management within the broader context of climate change and cumulative impacts. My husband of 25 years, Raoul, a research director with the Canadian Forest Service, has been providing lots of advice. My son, Jaspar (23), has completed a master’s in mathematics and is heading to University of Waterloo to begin his Ph.D. Son, Oliver (21), is in the electrical engineering program at University of British Columbia.”

Whitney Tilt writes: “I live and play in Montana. I recently finished leading the effort to draft a new strategic vision for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Fisheries and Aquatic Conservation Program and have been creating mobile applications for flora of western United States.” www.HighCountryApps.com

1986

Class Secretary
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Eric Carlson and his wife, Susan, have moved their center of operations from Washington, D.C., to Seattle — for part of the year, at least. Eric is involved with cleantech, green building and educational software startups. The Carlsons hosted another ’86er, Ken Andrasko and family, enjoying another of the Pacific Northwest’s surprisingly spectacular summers.

Daniel Hellerstein, Ph.D. ’89, works for USDA in Washington, D.C. His kids are soon out of college, and the prospect of retirement is no longer an idle speculation. But there is still work to do on “markets for ecosystem services.” He is in the process of installing several kW of solar panels, a process that has revealed limitations in the U.S. home solar industry.

Nan Jenks-Jay writes: “This past spring I was invited to attend the F&ES Leadership Council Annual Meeting as a distinguished guest and panelist. It was an honor to participate and the first time I’d been back to Yale in a number of years or seen the impressive Kroon Hall. I’m dean of environmental affairs at Middlebury College in Vermont, where the Franklin Environmental Center received LEED Platinum status, combining sustainable design and historic preservation. Our students came in third at the Solar Decathlon, the only liberal arts college ever accepted for this U.S. Department of Energy-sponsored competition. I’m also co-owner of Miller Hill Farm-Native Plants Nursery with my husband, Carl Phelps. My daughter, Jessica Jay, is an attorney protecting land in the Rocky Mountains. Jessica also teaches conservation law at University of Denver and at Vermont Law School in the summer. She recently had two articles in the Harvard Environmental Law Review on the perpetual nature of conservation easements. Her time in Sage Hall at age 15 had a strong influence on her future path.”

Bob Unsworth returned to Ghana, West Africa, this summer with his wife, Lisa, daughter, Fiona, and a large contingent from the Yale Alumni Service Corps (YASC), which is part of the Association of Yale Alumni. He is now a member of the YASC Board and highly recommends these trips to all who wish to serve with other Yale Alumni. http://yaleservicetours.org/

1987

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Heidi Albers is a Fulbright Scholar in Tanzania until November.

Doug McGuire writes: “I’m working in the Forestry Department at the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) — 24 years next spring, after field assignments in Madagascar and Rwanda in the early ‘90s and at headquarters in Rome since 1994. I’m team leader of the Forest Resources Management team, where we provide technical assistance and policy support, mostly in developing countries throughout the world; to sustainably manage their forests and trees in an overall context of reducing poverty and food insecurity. I work closely with a couple of other F&ES grads: Susan Braatz ’80, who leads the Climate Change team; and Eva Muller ’84, who is director of the Forest Economics, Policy and Products Division. Jeff Campbell ’88 joined FAO in September to manage the Forest and Farm Facility. Colette has stayed busy with life in Italy, including making lots of stone mosaics, but we are both getting the itch for another field assignment, should something interesting materialize.”

Melissa Paly writes: “Josh Royte, Annette Naegel and I cohosted a lovely reception for Dean Crane in Brunswick, Maine, in August, when he was visiting our great state for a talk at the Maine Botanical Garden and piggybacked an alumni event on his trip. A diverse group of 30 or so alumni came, both recent grads and old timers like us. Peter provided his perspective on the School at the end of his first five-year term and heading into his second. We ate lots of delicious food and enjoyed networking and catching up. I made an extraordinary hiking trip in Iceland, my 18th-birthday present to my oldest daughter before she headed off for college. Pure heaven for a rock geek like me, probably not the place for those of you more interested in forest management. Saw about six trees in 10 days....”

1988

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Jeff Campbell started a new job with the Forest and Farm Facility, FAO, Rome, on September 1. He will be doing lots of community forestry and outreach, particularly around REDD implementation. Jeff stepped down from his position as director of grant-making for the Christensen Fund in San Francisco. He previously worked for the Ford Foundation for 17 years. This included serving as program officer for environment and development programs in India, Nepal and Indonesia, and then as program officer, deputy director and then senior program officer in the New York office.

Tom Strumolo writes: “I’m pleased to be in touch with many of my classmates...”
this reunion year. I had a chance to meet a bunch of master’s students (class of 2015) at the Great Mountain Forest MOD this summer. What a flood of great memories. Were we ever that young!?

Anthony Irving and I are still young. Others maybe not so much.”

1989
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Laurie Reynolds Rardin writes: “We dropped our daughter, Brynne, off to start her freshman year at Connecticut College. Amazing to be back on our old campus — but see it with new (and better) eyes as a parent. Looking forward to bringing both daughters to F&ES for a visit soon.”

1990
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Peter Jenkins’ work against pesticides that harm honey bees and native species was featured in the cover article of TIME (August 19, 2013, issue), entitled “A World Without Bees.” He works on pesticides as Of Counsel to the NGO Center for Food Safety in Washington, D.C. In a separate consulting arrangement, Peter works part time for the National Environmental Coalition on Invasive Species. This is a D.C. NGO coalition he cofounded more than 10 years ago that advocates on invasive species policy. He does this consulting through his Center for Invasive Species Prevention. www.cisp.us

Marco Lowenstein writes: “I’m living in Corrales, N.M. Summer of 2013 was relatively cool and rainy — 80s and 90s and maybe four inches of rain. Awesome for Albuquerque. Micah (17) is a senior at Bosque School and looking at colleges, thinking about engineering. Daughter, Kaileah (13), rides horses, draws people and does an awesome job at piano and school when she applies herself. My wife, Charla, is dusting off her career now that the kids are on track and her mother is gone, passed away this spring. I’m working from home buying wood from all over Latin America.”

Mary Taylor Miller writes: “I live and work at Elkhorn Ranch southwest of Tucson. Both of our girls are now in high school! I work with Altar Valley Conservation Alliance, through which I occasionally bump into a Yale classmate!”

Bet Flores Zimmerman writes: “After 18 years with Battelle, I’m working part time for a small strategic consulting firm, McCallum-Turner, mostly doing ISO 14001 environmental audits. I was widowed suddenly three years ago and thought life was over, but it wasn’t. On the summer solstice I married author Patrick McKenna Lynch Smith. We live on a small lake in rural Woodstock, Conn.”

1991
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Annette Huddle writes: “I am in San Francisco, where I’ve been since 1996, working at the San Francisco Botanical Garden since 1997. I’m the director of youth education and run a thriving program providing field trips, children’s garden experiences, intern opportunities, family programs and more. I love the kids, but I mostly enjoy working with the adults who work with kids — I do a lot of professional development for teachers and garden educators as well as training our large group of volunteers. My spouse, Gina Solomon, works as the deputy secretary for science and health for the California EPA, meaning long commutes to Sacramento. I hike a lot on Mt. Tam, tend a small menagerie at home and serve as Pipe Sergeant of the MacIntosh Pipe Band, all of which help keep me happy and healthy.”

Bram Gunther writes: “I am chief of forestry, horticulture and natural resources for the New York City Parks Department. (The joke of my life is that for 30 years I’ve been trying to leave New York City… I am still here.) I am also the president of the Natural Areas Conservancy, a nonprofit I started to advance urban conservation in New York City. Jennifer Greenfeld and I are close colleagues and friends, working together now for nearly 15 years. Jimmy Grogan, Ph.D. ’01, and I are the best of friends.”

Suzy Hodgson writes: “In 2009, I developed a web-based farmers’ market system to sell our local pasture-raised pork with other neighboring farmers in our community. Since launching this system in Charlotte, Vt., in 2010, we’ve been helping other people create online local markets for their food and farming communities. I also work on local food projects at the University of Vermont Center for Sustainable Agriculture. I’d love to hear from others working in the sustainable food and farming field.” yourfarmstand.com

Joan Becker Kelsch writes: “I live in Arlington, Va., with my husband, Tom Kelsch ’90. We have two boys ages 16 and 13. We try to hike and travel as much as we can, but the boys’ sports and activities keep us here more than I would like. I work for Arlington County government running our green building program and our climate initiative. Tom works for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and is running the gulf restoration efforts resulting from the BP mess. NFWF got a lot of the money from the settlement with BP. He travels to various locations on the Gulf to ensure that the states and organizations are working on their projects.”

Shivi Sivaramakrishnan, Ph.D. ’96, writes: “Since 2007, I have been back at Yale as Professor of Anthropology and Professor at F&ES. I am the codirector of Yale’s Program in Agrarian Studies since the fall of 2008.”

Gwen Thomas writes: “I am currently working as the chapter coordinator for the Texas Chapter of the Society for Ecological Restoration. We moved to Texas about three years ago, and finding a position here has been a true challenge, especially for someone whose experience has focused on international environmental policy and community development. I am working with amazing restorationists from all over the state and am being introduced to some beautiful areas and great work. Since graduation Tom and I spent four years

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in Costa Rica, me with CARE working throughout the Central America region and Tom in the coffee business. We have since moved around quite a bit. In the midst, we adopted a baby, Stephanie Maya (12 going on 18). I get back to the East Coast to visit family but have yet to return to Yale. I periodically hear from Alicia Grimes, who is keeping busy at USAID in D.C.”

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Elana Cohen writes: “I live in Chevy Chase, Md., with my husband, Steve, and three kids and work as the science specialist at a private school in D.C., where my green committee of second- through sixth-graders runs composting, litter-less lunch challenges, and brings in guest speakers. Any takers?”

Andre (Thomas) Eid writes: “I’m back in the Ministry of the Environment in Oslo after years of working with UNEP, UN-HABITAT and the Norwegian development program Oil for Development the last five years (mainly in Africa). I’ve switched to the domestic agenda of managing our national parks and securing access for the population to these areas. Norway has now one of the few remaining wilderness areas in Europe.”

Erik Esselstyn writes: “I’m living near Montpelier, Vt., with a thriving garden, solar hot water, grid-connected PV, an 8-year-old Prius and a loving spouse, Celina Moore. I’ve enjoyed the knees and elbows of the legislative fray that kept ATVs out of Vermont’s parks and an equally shrill tussle that prohibits statewide fracking. With grandchildren in mind, Celina and I got arrested, handcuffed and booked in the August 2011 350.org White House protest.”

Katie (Elsom) Frohardt writes: “Mark Frohardt and I are living in the D.C./Maryland area (spent some time in Rwanda, me doing mountain gorilla work, Mark with United Nations on human rights field operations — all following the genocide), with daughters Emma (15) and Willow (11). I am the U.S. executive director for Fauna & Flora International, and Mark is executive director of Internetworks Network’s Center for Innovation and Learning.”

Dean Gibson writes: “My update includes a return to San Diego, Calif., to settle down and get reacquainted with many old friends and of course the year-round summer weather. This move came about when I accepted the curator of primates position for San Diego Zoo Global, which involves directing primate collection activities at both San Diego Zoo and San Diego Zoo’s Safari Park. I am thoroughly enjoying all the daily monkey business that comes my way!”

Molly! Goodyear writes: “I live in Hailey, Idaho, with my husband, Mike Wolter, two children, Peter (15) and Ella (12), and three dogs. We enjoy mountain biking, hiking and Nordic and alpine skiing. Mike is the development director at the local YMCA, and my kids are both on the Nordic ski team and are quite the medal winners! My environmental career has included work with The Nature Conservancy, Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative and the Wood River Land Trust, of which I was a founding member. I’ve taken a few detours in my career path including owning a stationery store for four years and working as a veterinary technician at a local vet clinic for two years. (I am getting a vet tech degree online.) I am the executive director of the Environmental Resource Center, an environmental education organization working to promote sustainability for our community through education, leadership and collaboration.”

Arjun Heimsath writes: “I had a fun dinner with Brad Auer and Healy Hamilton ’92 as I’m spending the fall in Berkeley with my wife, Hanna, who’s doing a postdoc there. I’m cranking on with research projects around the world, teaching at Arizona State University and climbing a ton in the desert.”

Dan Hudnut writes: “I have been working at Wagner Forest Management in Lyme, N.H., for more than 12 years investing in and managing commercial timberlands in the northeast United States and eastern Canada. Lynn, Otis (15), Jacob (13) and I live across the river in ever-so-scenic Sharon, Vt.”

Tom Kalinosky works in the Capital Markets and Accounting Advisory group at PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), where he leads environmental support to financial audit teams in the United States and also is involved in due diligence work with PwC’s Transaction Services practice.

Maching Lee writes: “Greetings from Shanghai! It has been 20 years since I graduated. Thanks for the alum team’s effort to keep us all together. Let’s work together to make the environment better.”

Allen Liebowitz writes: “I’ve been on Willapa Bay in Washington State almost since graduation, working on how to make conservation and restoration of temperate rainforests standard operating practice. It has involved everything from lobbying legislators to setting choker under my tower logging operation. I would never have believed it, but setting choker is far more satisfying than lobbying. We’ve successfully developed approaches that make conservation-based forestry far more profitable than traditional approaches. The challenge has been competing successfully to raise investment funds in a very competitive forestland investment market. I’ve been raising two great little girls, Lexi (9) and Alia (6), with my wife who is a veterinarian. We run a new veterinary clinic in our
town. I have been working as the aquatic habitat restoration specialist for most of Washington for the Department of Natural Resources. DNR is the connection to wildlands firefighting, a voluntary but compelling part of working for the department. One benefit of wildland firefighting I’ve discovered is that you learn a bunch about forest ecology you don’t learn in school digging line on a fire crew.”

Sara Lomis writes: “Paul Jahngie and I live in Western Massachusetts with our three kids (7, 15 and 17). Paul is state director of greenways and trails and I am executive director of Hilltown Land Trust.”

Daniel Newberry writes: “I’ve been the executive director of the Siskiyou Field Institute in southern Oregon for the past two and a half years. I also publish about 40–50 freelance articles per year. My main areas are outdoors/health/fitness/conservation, and I manage the occasional watershed restoration project.”

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Eugene Simonov writes: “Greetings from Dauria Steppe at the junction of Russia, China and Mongolia. After completion of my doctorate in nature conservation at Northeast Forestry University in Harbin-China, I quit smoking pipe and reside with my wife, Svetlana, and two kids, Daniel (4) and Maria (1), in Dalian City at the Yellow Sea. I am always on the road working on various transboundary rivers of Northeast Asia as coordinator of Rivers without Boundaries Coalition and conservation scientist at Pacific Environment (a SFO-based NGO).”

Bhishma Subedi writes: “I am executive director of Asia Network for Sustainable Agriculture and Bioresources (ANSAB) since 1998. Prior to joining ANSAB in 1995, I was teaching at the Institute of Forestry of Tribhuvan University in Nepal. I have been engaged in participatory conservation and rural development programs, research, policy analysis, university teaching and networking. I have designed more than 50 development and research projects and provided leadership for the implementation of more than 40 projects, including those with multiple donors and partners; developed strategies, methodologies and tools; monitored and evaluated conservation and development programs; and acted as a resource person in national and international programs and conferences. Recently, I was recognized as the “Champion of the Asia-Pacific Forests” by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (2011), the Most Innovative Development Project Award (Second Prize) by the Global Development Network, and the Best Paper Award by the International Congress on Ethnobiology.”

Jamison Suter writes: “I work with a joint venture mining project that seeks to develop a major iron ore mine in a biologically rich mountain range in Guinea. I work on environmental management and community relations/development in mining. The site is heavily threatened by subsistence pressures so while mining would have its own impacts, subsistence pressures would continue to undermine the area’s integrity. My challenge is to ensure an environmental and social impact assessment that meets (or exceeds) all relevant international standards and good practice, that minimizes the proposed mine’s direct footprint, that manages indirect impacts like induced immigration of job-seekers (who frequently turn to hunting, farming, tree-cutting and other uses of natural resources when they don’t get jobs), and that strengthens protection of the local nature reserves. It’s a massive exercise to gain alignment across all stakeholders on ‘what success looks like’ and make plans accordingly.”

Takashi Mizuno writes: “I work for the government of Japan at Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for the technical cooperation of newly emerging countries. Unhappily, I am detained away from Japan for the moment until full recovery from acute myeloid leukemia, though I’m lucky to be alive. I hope I can go out and stay again in Asian or African countries next year.”

Anne Tartre writes: “I have been living in the San Diego area (Encinitas) for the past six years and love it here. I was a founding staff member and executive director of Equinox Center, a regional sustainability research and policy center until January of this year. My husband, John, and I took a mini-sabbatical/surfing/camping trip to New Zealand in February/March. I’ve now started my own consulting practice to work with foundations, nonprofits and businesses to help them with sustainability efforts and measuring their environmental footprints based on my experience of annually producing the San Diego Regional Quality of Life Dashboard. I am surfing and traveling as much as possible.”

Tim Wohlgenant writes: “Since 2007, I have served as the Colorado director for the Trust for Public Land (TPL). Our work in Colorado ranges from preserving the most iconic examples of Colorado’s backcountry, to protection of productive working ranches, to the transformation of urban neighborhoods through remediation of industrialized property and the design and development of parks, playgrounds, trails and gardens. Since I joined TPL, the Colorado team has protected more than 28,000 acres with a fair market value of $81 million, including nine new Denver metro area park projects. I serve on the Board of Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado and the Colorado Cattlemen’s Agricultural Land Trust. Annie, our two girls, Zoe (17) and Clio (14), and I spend a lot of time enjoying the outdoors, hiking, biking, rafting, skiing, as well as traveling when possible. We made a three-week trip this summer to Ecuador, which reminded us how fortunate we are to have opportunities to explore.”

1994
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ANIA’s “Children’s Lands” in Peru. 1.8 million square meters of natural areas are under the children’s management, either at their school, home, neighborhood or communal land. James Jiler ’95 and his three daughters visited the ANIA children’s garden project at the museum of natural history in Lima this year.

Jin Palmiotto writes: “Peter Palmiotto ’92, D For. ’98, and I had a great visit with Mirei Endara de Heras. Mirei visited us at Fire Island; for Terreco fans, remember when we went there?”

Nick Shufro writes: “I embed sustainability into mainstream strategy operations, principally by having S&P 500 companies’ financial auditors ask questions about risk, supply chain, product emissions, resilience and corporate strategies to address the inevitability of climate change. Work takes me from the wilds of New York to the wilds of Kazakhstan, while passion for sustainable protection and biodiversity protection is accomplished by chairing the Board of Directors for the EcoLogic Development Fund.” www.ecologic.org

Karen Terwilleger was recently named senior director of forest and environmental policy for the Washington Forest Protection Association. In this role, she supports the landmark Forests and Fish Agreement, which protects water quality and aquatic species while ensuring viable working forests. Karen lives in Olympia, Wash., with her two chihuahuas.

Jane Whitehill writes: “I have recently sneaked in trips to St. Lucia, Chicago, central and coastal Virginia, and northern and southern California while working in drug development. Here in New York City you can once again get to the real Atlantic Ocean on the subway. Until earlier this summer, Sandy destruction had interrupted that subway line.”

1995

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Dwight Barry writes: “I’ve been promoted to senior data scientist at Group Health Cooperative, a health care insurance and delivery system in Washington State and northern Idaho headquartered in Seattle that I’ve been with for a year and a half now. Andy Cooper and I meet up from time to time to tell lies and drink beer, since he’s recently become a Seattlite.”

Amy Dumas writes: “I’m living in Sacramento, working at the BLM in the wild horse and burro program. Another F&Eser works in my group, Jim Weigand ’89. Talk about a small world, or government! My horses and burro keep me busy when I’m not working.”

Sharon Hausam gets great joy simply from living in New Mexico. Being the tribal planner for the Pueblo of Laguna gives her the opportunity to work directly with community members on land use, housing, alternative transportation and environmental issues. She also teaches part time at the University of New Mexico. Check out her chapter in a new book, Reclaiming Indigenous Planning. Her remaining hours are happily filled up with time in her organic garden.

Kelly Hogan is a postdoctoral research fellow in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences at the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She had her review of Breasts: A Natural and Unnatural History by Florence Williams published in the July 26, 2013, issue of Science.

Heinrich Jessen writes: “I am in Singapore managing our industrial family company, which operates in the ASEAN region. The company is turning 50 end of this year, and we recently became what we think is the first carbon-neutral industrial company in this part of the world. My wife and I recently celebrated our 10-year anniversary. Our two school-going boys (9 and 6) are keeping us on our toes. I’m in touch with a few classmates, including Thomas Knecht and Mike Toffel. I met Jane Huang in Taipei and Kristen Steck in Singapore in the last year.”

Jonathan Scheuer writes: “Cami Kloster ’96 and I continue to live, and love living in, Honolulu, Hawaii. Life with Saul (4) keeps us busy. Cami has worked for over a decade on land use and environmental planning for a leading local firm. After six years as a policy analyst and land manager for the state Office of Hawaiian Affairs (an agency that serves Native Hawaiians), in 2010 I restarted my consulting practice, focused on managing and resolving conflict over natural resources. Most of my work focuses on water policy, climate change and issues that involve both conservation and Native Hawaiian issues. This has been professionally satisfying, allowing me to focus on the projects I am most passionate about, as well as spend time with my son and mother (who just passed at age 90). As a volunteer I serve on the O’ahu Island Burial Council (which determines the preservation of ancient Native Hawaiian remains found in the course of development) and on the board of the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust, the first statewide land trust formed from the merger of four smaller trusts in 2012. We will soon be sadly bidding aloha to Jim Spencer who is taking a job on the East Coast; we have celebrated Thanksgiving with him and others for many years.”

1996

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David Casagrande writes: “I’m an associate professor of environmental anthropology at Lehigh University. Donna and I have a small farm in rural Pennsylvania.”

Liza Esser writes: “This was an exciting year for me as my husband, Gary, and I welcomed our daughter, Clara, in April. She joins her big sister Molly (3). I teach science at a private school in Washington, D.C., and began my 13th year there in September. This past spring...
was named a finalist for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.”

Derek Halberg writes: “I lead the Tar River Land Conservancy. In July, we joined the elite ranks of the nationally accredited land trusts across the country. My family enjoys get-togethers with Alex Finkral ’97, Ph.D. ’05, and Liz Kalies ’04 and their kiddos, who live in nearby Chapel Hill.”

www.tarriver.org

Jon Kohl is founding the PUP Global Heritage Consortium to help heritage sites rise above the crisis of plan non-implementation by adopting emerging paradigms in organizational learning, power sharing and holistic thinking, among other things. At the same time he works to strengthen his particular technical contribution to the consortium in heritage interpretation by writing his blog on international heritage interpretation and co-writing with his wife a college text on environmental interpretation for Costa Rican and Latin American students. There are no textbooks in Spanish on this very important communication approach, which is used in parks, botanical gardens, zoos or anywhere else visitors arrive. The idea, by using the most updated understanding of communication science, is to provoke deeper thought by visitors about heritage so that they will come to appreciate it more and participate in its conservation and management.

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Ashley McKay writes: “In October, I helped organize a screening of Battle for the Elephants, followed by a solutions panel discussion at the University of Vermont and in conjunction with the Wildlife Conservation Society. I was thrilled to reconnect with Heidi Kretser ’99. It was an amazing event (300-plus in attendance and considerable media coverage) and the best panel discussion I have ever heard. I am now looking for pro-bono legal work to get a state ban on ivory.”

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Rebecca Turner is the senior director of programs and policy at American Forests. She resides in Washington, D.C., where she sees many fellow F&ESers in and outside of work.

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Dechen Dorji writes: “After establishing the Environmental Research and Training Institute (UWICE) from scratch, I have now moved on to establish another uniquely modeled, wholesome leadership school for my beloved King. Exciting journey, working with architects, curriculum developers, education researchers, investment planners and wise villagers from the project site.”

Tracy Melbhess writes: “I’m living in Boise, Idaho, working for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Mexican wolf recovery program in Arizona and New Mexico.”

2002

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Kim Awbrey moved from Namibia to Atlanta, where she recently joined Emory University’s Goizueta Business School as part of their Social Enterprise Team. She will be coordinating efforts in Nicaragua, helping to build models of collaboration and investment in health and sustainable development.

Skip Barbour, D.F.E.S. ’02, writes: “I am associate director at the Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS at Yale School of Medicine/EPH. My most recent publications apply many of the ecological principles that I learned at F&ES to epidemiological problems.”

Catherine Bottrill hosted a group of London F&ESers this summer to play croquet and drink Pimm’s.

Erika Diamond got married this summer.

Michael and Zhanna Beisembaeva Funaro have moved back to Connecticut.

Brad Hunter writes: “My wife and I just had a baby girl, Penelope. All is well in Portland, Ore.”

Laura Meadors gave birth to Finley Howard Hood in August.

2003

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Richard Chavez writes: “I am in northwest British Columbia working as a planning forester and enjoying every minute of my life with my family. Sometimes I miss working in the tropics. Cheers to all my friends and former classmates.”

Heather Coady writes: “I am working as a regulatory policy specialist with the USDA in Riverdale, Md. Two big projects of mine were recently launched: my baby girl, Rowen, on December 28, 2012; and my proposed rule on restructuring of regulations for the importation of plants for planting on April 25, 2013. The birth of the latter was more arduous by far.”


Alison Forrestel writes: “Life is good in San Francisco. We’re putting down deeper roots and just bought a house in the fog near Ocean Beach. Eslyn just learned to walk and I finished my Ph.D.”

Brian Goldberg writes: “I had a great time at our 10-year reunion. Though I’m stepping down as class co-correspondent, I am happy to report that Benjamin Hodgdon will continue to lead correspondent duties with unrivaled support from the newly appointed correspondent, Pete Land. Thanks, Ben and Pete, for your leadership, and thank you all for your updates!”
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Holly (Sage) Green writes: “I am serving as an associate branch chief in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s Drinking Water Protection Division. Our branch works with federal, state, local and nongovernmental partners to implement regulatory and voluntary programs aimed at protecting sources of drinking water. Our daughter, Olivia, will start kindergarten this month, and Josh (3) is cute, but stubborn.”

Bishop Grewell writes: “I moved to Denver, Colo., this spring to join the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Colorado. In October, we had our second little girl.”

Ben Hodgdon and Margarita Fernandez ’04 returned to Vermont with their daughters, Carmen (5) and Lucia (1), after a year in Chiapas, Mexico.

Betony Jones writes: “I wish I could have attended Reunion Weekend this year, but I have a very new baby. I’m living in the San Francisco Bay area, consulting under my business Fourth Sector Strategies. I’m working with California cities on energy and climate policy and designing a new strategic plan for the California utilities and their regulators on recommendations to jointly improve workforce and energy outcomes.”

Krithi Karanth is now associate conservation scientist with Wildlife Conservation Society in New York. She will continue to be based in Bangalore but will be working on conservation science and policy issues in India and 15 other countries.

Terry Miller writes: “Kate and I are happily raising our brood of Henry (7), Lucy (4) and Grace (5) in Portland. We enjoyed a beautiful summer making short trips around Oregon with friends and family. Hope all ’03 F&ESers are doing well!”

Fuyumi Naito writes: “I worked with Hope all ’03 F&ESers are doing well!”

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Jon Wagar ’99 at Conservation Resources helped provide funding to jump-start the next phase of the garden’s life! Jersey and F&ES ... perfect together.”

Nicole Vickey writes: “Jesse and I have just moved to Austin, with two kids and semi-comatose basset hound in tow. Any F&ESer’s here? If so, please be in touch!”

Yvette Williams writes: “I am happy to announce that I successfully defended my doctoral dissertation this spring and am beginning my professional endeavors as Dr. Williams!”

2004

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Philippe Amstislavski writes: “After five years of doing research and teaching environmental health and spatial analysis courses at the State University of New York, I am heading up a public health team in the Interior Region of Alaska. I will be responsible for environmental and public health in 14 small bush communities, located between Fairbanks and the Arctic Circle. We left New York City, our home for the last seven years, in late August and headed to Fairbanks, Alaska. I’m looking forward to real snow that stays and for living freer and less subway-centered.”

Jennifer Bass has taken a slight detour off the environmental path, heading up communications for Worldwide Orphans, an organization that provides healthcare and education for orphans and at-risk children. She has the blissful situation of having kindergarten, daycare, home and office all within a 10-minute walk of each other in leafy Maplewood, N.J.

Diana Karwan, Ph.D., ’10, writes: “After more than 10 years on the East Coast, Ted and I have moved back to the Great Lakes with our son, Will (4), and new daughter, Alexandra. I am an assistant professor in the Department of Forest Resources at the University of Minnesota, focusing on hydrology and watershed management. I would like to meet up with other F&ES folks in the upper Midwest.”

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Susan Tambi Matambo lives and works in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. She was pleased to meet up with Yemi Tessema ’02 when Yemi was in D.C. in July.

Dani Simons and Sarah Charlup-Powers ’09 write: “We are giddy to share that we got engaged in June. Sarah has recently launched the Natural Areas Conservancy, a public-private partnership to manage and restore natural areas in NYC. Dani is the marketing director for Citi Bike, New York’s new bike share system. We credit the F&ES alumni office with helping us meet for the first time!”

Daniela Vizcaino relocated back to NYC and is working as a designer for LeadDog Marketing Group. While this has pulled her away from the environmental field, she is involved in some projects tied to nonprofit organizations like Walk the Walk America to raise awareness of breast cancer and to raise funds for local organizations in New York. She hopes to reconnect with fellow alumni in the New York metro area and seek potential collaborative opportunities where she can provide her expertise as a designer and visual communicator. danielavizcainodesign.com

Abigail Weinberg writes: “I’m in my 10th year at Open Space Institute, now as director of conservation research. I am focused on understanding how we can do land conservation in a way that accounts for changes in climate and water quality — and being diligent about using my generous vacation allotment to experience first hand the great places we work.”
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Maura Adams writes: “I started a new job this spring as program director for the Northern Forest Center, a nonprofit based in Concord, N.H., that creates economic opportunity and community vitality from healthy working forests. My role is to promote small-scale, high-efficiency wood pellet heating throughout the northern forest region of New York, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. I’ve been traveling frequently and would love to meet up with F&ESers while I’m on the road. Get in touch!” madams@northernforest.org

Inés Angulo writes: “I moved to San José, Costa Rica, in July 2013 to work for the Natural Resources Division at the Interamerican Development Bank. Happy to be back in the tropics and closer to the beach!”

Lauren Baker writes: “I have had an exciting last couple of years. In August 2012 I finished my year and a half of fieldwork in the Peruvian Amazon, where I examined indigenous politics regarding oil operations, and since then I have been back in New Haven processing and writing up my data. I also came back to New Haven with a partner — a journalist I met in Peru, who is also a southern California native; we got engaged in December and married in August in California native; we got engaged in December and married in August in California native; we got engaged in December and married in August in California native; we got engaged in December and married in August in

Jamie Fergusson writes: “I’m still at International Finance Corporation in Washington, D.C., and being kept busy by Tessa (5) and Charlie (3). Best to you all.”

Ann Grodnik-Nagle writes: “I’ve moved to Denver and am happy to be closer to mountains, wilderness and a great F&ES crew here. I took a leave from my job at CB&i (energy efficiency program administration) for the move and to have a baby in late summer.”

Po-Yi Hung writes: “I received my Ph.D. from University of Wisconsin, Madison, in May 2013 and am assistant professor in geography at National Taiwan University.”

Andrea Johnson writes: “In August I moved across the country (of Costa Rica) to the lovely mountain town of Turrialba, where I’m now working at CATIE, a center for research, training and practice in forestry, agriculture and climate issues throughout Latin America. I’m part of a project that is trying to analyze and remove barriers to successful community forestry and small wood product businesses.”

Melissa Andersen Kuskie writes: “My husband, son, dog and I have moved back to my home state of Minnesota. I’m an air policy planner with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and am looking forward to eating deep-fried cheese curds at the state fair and shoveling snow this winter.”

Michelle Lichtenfels writes: “Matt and I just had our second little girl in July, Arley Julianna Lichtenfels, who joins us and her big sister Lowe (4) here in Portland, Ore. We have been busy adjusting to life as a family of four, riding mountain bikes, getting back into trail running, and getting ready for our new-annual Oktoberfest bash! I’m at PECI as a senior product manager in our data center energy efficiency group — been there almost six years now. Matt recently joined one of the local school districts as their energy manager.”

Trisha Victor writes: “I am working for URS Corporation as an environmental consultant specializing in air quality. I’m part-time so I can be at home with our two girls, Madysen (2) and Bayley (4 months as of this writing). Mike and I built our new house almost two years ago to raise our family in the Leesburg countryside.”

Carishma and Aaron Welch celebrated the birth of their first son, Ashim Robert, last April in Denver, Colo., where Aaron is working to help administer the state’s tax-credit program that incentivizes conservation easements. Carishma works with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, a nonprofit that encourages people to get outside — something that, as new parents, they don’t get to do nearly enough.

Laura Meitzner Yoder, Ph.D. ’05, started a new position as director of the Human Needs and Global Resources Program and associate professor of environmental studies at Wheaton College, Ill.

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Caroline (Simmonds) Cook and Jonathan Cook ’04 write: “We welcomed Gabriel David Cook to the world on August 2. We’re looking forward to getting him out in the woods this fall and maybe to New Haven one of these days. In other news, Jonathan moved from WWF to USAID’s Global Climate Change Office last summer. Still working on adaptation issues. Caroline is working for WWF in Washington, D.C., directing the Coastal East Africa program and will be on maternity leave until December.”

Yuko Dvořák-Miyata writes: “It is my fifth year as regional manager for the Asia-Pacific region at Enhesa, a global EHS regulatory consultancy headquartered in Brussels and Washington, D.C. Covering environmental laws and regulations in 190 jurisdictions in the world, I enjoy working day-to-day with colleagues from more than 40 nations. Based in Prague, my daughter (1.5) is already used to traveling between Europe and Asia for business with me.”

Ross Geredien writes: “I was in Perú this past spring investigating the environmental and social impacts of mining in Cajamarca Province and studying the spectacular avifauna of the Peruvian Amazon at research stations with the Asociación para la Conservación del Bajo Amazon.”
Ohene-Gyan, Ghana where I had the opportunity a two-month fieldwork trip in sunny is challenging! I just came back from experience of going back to classes I am enjoying so much this place, the is very intense and full of excitement.

and Environment School. Life in Oxford working on a Ph.D. at the Geography based in Oxford since October last year Gonzalo Griebenow writes: “I have been Cesar Moran Cahusac ’05 in Cusco.”

While in the country, I greatly enjoyed visits with Oscar Franco in Lima and Cesar Moran Cahusac ’05 in Cusco.”

Gonzalo Griebenow writes: “I have been based in Oxford since October last year working on a Ph.D. at the Geography and Environment School. Life in Oxford is very intense and full of excitement. I am enjoying so much this place, the experience of going back to classes is challenging! I just came back from a two-month fieldwork trip in sunny Ghana where I had the opportunity to meet with my friends Godfred Ohene-Gyan, Hugh Brown ’10 and Rebecca Asare ’03, Ph.D. ’10. They are doing great!”

Rita Lohani is working for the International Finance Corporation and is based out of Bangladesh. She works on programs that engage the private sector (financial institutions, companies, MSMEs) in providing and accessing climate-smart solutions to climate vulnerable communities and designing business models that spark the interest of the private sector to operate in high-risk environments. Her work is focused on working with agribusiness companies and financial institutions to provide farmers in the southern coastal belt of Bangladesh access to finance and improved inputs, cultivation practices, storage and processing techniques, as well as strengthening the supply chain of agribusiness companies to ultimately yield higher productivity and income in a changing agricultural landscape.


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Anamaria Aristizabal is starting to integrate her passion for coaching and group facilitation with sustainability. She was a facilitator for a Leaders for Sustainability program called “Byron Fellows,” created by Gabriel Grant ’14. She is also a curriculum advisor for Dalai Lama Fellows, run by Bidisha Banerjee ’11. She works as a trainer of coaches, facilitators and consultants, inquiring into the relationship between sustainability and social innovation. She is a member of the HUB, an Ecovillage, the Society for Organizational Learning and the Foundation for Reconciliation. She is starting a project of facilitating social innovation workshops around Colombia. She hung out with Ramón Olivas ’09 as he came through Bogota.

Terry Baker is a ranger at the McKenzie River Ranger District in Willamette National Forest. He has a number of long-standing, multi-level issues on the District on which he would like to bring closure, ranging from prescribed fire in wilderness, litigation, an environmental impact statement for a controversial project and a hydropower relicensing project.

Kate Neville writes: “Changes are afoot in my life! Still in the academic world, the fall always seems like the true start of the year, and it has been quite the year: since last August, I moved up to northern Canada (close to the border of British Columbia, the Yukon and Alaska) with my first foray into off-grid cabin life; defended my Ph.D. at the University of British Columbia (in political science/environmental politics); and got married to the love of my life. This fall, I’ll start a Canadian-funded postdoctoral fellowship at Duke University’s Nicholas School of the Environment and split my time between North Carolina and the Canadian north. Following the paths and adventures of many dear F&ES

cols is always inspiring, and I hope my travels and moves ahead will offer lots of chances to catch up with dear friends flung across the continent!”

Krishna Roka writes: “I have joined as a visiting faculty at University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, in the Department of Sociology from Fall 2013. I will be teaching environmental sociology and urban sociology courses. We are adjusting to our move from central Pennsylvania to central Wisconsin.”

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Mariya Absar writes: “I am living in Tennessee, working as a research associate with the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. I’m studying the impact of climate change on crop yields in the southeastern United States and developing socioeconomic scenarios for the region to assist with adaptation and vulnerability studies. Since moving to the South, I have had the chance to go hiking in the Smokies, tubing in the rapids and horseback riding in the nearby trails. I have traveled a bit in neighboring states and have found country music and line dancing to be quite therapeutic.”

Agha Ali Akram writes: “I’m currently at F&ES finishing up (fingers crossed!) my Ph.D. in environmental economics (expected to finish 2014). My wife, Zahra, and I recently had a baby boy and named him Zain. He keeps us very busy, but he’s tremendous fun!”

Jorge Bentín writes: “I am the director of the Corporate Environmental Management Program (undergraduate) at Universidad Sna Ignacio de Loyola in Lima, Perú. I am the co-founder and editorial director of Dystopia Publications, a publishing company that aims to empower people with useful and good-quality information about current events and am also a director for America Solidaria Perú, a nonprofit sending volunteers from and to Latin American countries to work in social initiatives. I
co-founded Sociedad Secular y Humanista del Perú and am vice president of the newly founded Yale Club Perú.

Anton Chiono enjoys the windy winter weather (and occasional earthquake) in Wellington, N.Z., where he is pursuing a Fulbright on climate policy at Victoria University. Down there he met up with Leslie King ’09 and a variety of other F&ESers, including Scott Laeser, Chelsea Chandler ’10 and Ariane Lotti ’07, who have migrated south to ensure it’s not too lonely at the bottom of the world.

Amanda Moss Cowan completed her doctoral studies at Oxford University’s Said Business School, successfully defending her thesis, “Sea Change: A Sensemaking Perspective on Competing Institutional Logics,” about the rise of the sustainable seafood movement in the aftermath of the cod fishery collapses off North America’s eastern seaboard in the early 1990s. She is a postdoctoral researcher at the Said Business School Centre for Corporate Reputation.

Qi Feng writes: “I am finishing my dissertation on environmental ethics at McGill University, Montréal. I am trying to rethink the concept of the self in forestry and will be using Aldo Leopold’s works in my research.”

Laura Alex Frye-Levine received a grant from the International Society for Ecological Economics and the Earth System Governance Project to attend the 2012 Thor Heyerdahl Summer School in Global Environmental Governance in Norway. Laura Alex is a dual Ph.D. student in sociology and environmental studies at the University of Wisconsin.

Nigel Gurnett writes: “After working as a contractor for a year I joined an organization called Intertek a few months ago, and I am an ISO 14001 environmental management systems auditor within the environmental group of Intertek Business Assurance. I audit the environmental management systems inside manufacturing companies all over North America. It’s very challenging and exciting work, and ISO 14001 is the most globally used and recognized environmental international standard in existence. I feel like I am making a difference. I hope everyone else feels like they are too.”

Annette (Bellaﬁore) Kelly writes: “I’ve moved to Maryland to start my career as a high school science teacher. I’ll be teaching courses on ecological systems and environmental science. Hopefully I’ll inspire some students to be future environmental leaders!”

Kyle Meister writes: “I married Sheri Earnhart in October 2012. Fellow F&ESers Tamara Muruetagoiena ’07, Zach Parisa ’09, Sam Price and Jason Weiner came from far away places. Great to have their support! Sheri and I recently relocated to South Carolina, where Paula Randler’s parents have graciously welcomed us.”

Sara Bushey Ohrel is living in Maryland and working on land-use economics and bioenergy issues at the EPA in D.C. Sara enjoyed gardening a lot over the summer and also successfully brewed her first ale at home (Bushey’s Brown Ale). She misses the Hav, but luckily gets to pal around with Adrian Deveny ’09 quite a bit and hang out with other F&ESers at the D.C. happy hours.

Teresa Sarroca moved to Cambridge, U.K., in early summer and reports she very much enjoyed the surprisingly sunny summer. She took a break from policy desk work and (to pay the bills) has been working at a good ol’ independent pub where she hopes she’ll get to serve a nice pint to any of you visiting. She’s loved it but started a position at IIEE in London. She’s wary of the commuting but still planning on staying in quaint Cambridgeshire. At least till the end of the year!

Yuliya Shmidt returned to San Francisco after spending 10 months in Guatemala City on a Public Policy Fulbright Fellowship where she worked for the Ministry of Energy on renewables. She is working on renewable energy for the California Public Utilities Commission.

Kelsey Kidd Wharton writes: “Chris and I welcomed our son, Dashielh Mack Wharton, into the world on my due date, April 9, 2013. Dash is a happy, smiley baby and we are loving the adventure of parenthood.”

Julie Witherspoon writes: “I moved to the Bay Area about a year ago and am enjoying reconnecting with F&ES friends, including Audrey Davenport ’09, Lauren Hopkins, Claire Jahns ’09 and Cat Manzo ’11. I know there are many more in the area .... hope to run into you soon!!”

2009

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Murefu Barasa writes: “Some colleagues and I have set up a boutique consulting partnership with service offerings in the energy and environment space. We are just starting out, so it’s been hectic but quite exciting.” www.eedvisory.com

Janette Bulkan, Ph.D. ’09, is assistant professor in the Department of Forest Resources Management of the University of British Columbia, Canada. Janette is also a member of the Policy and Standards Committee of Forest Stewardship Council and a member of the Governing Council of the Commonwealth Forestry Association.

Ke Cao has been relocated to Beijing, China, for more than one year, working for Heinrich Boell Foundation’s China ofﬁce. He hopes this city will have more blue-sky days in the future.

John Paul Jewell moved to Chicago in July to start a new job as a clean energy finance specialist with the Environmental Law & Policy Center. Visitors are always welcome!

Andre Mershon works for the U.S. Agency for International Development in Washington, D.C., as a climate change specialist. This spring, he enjoyed a vacation with his wife to the Galapagos Islands (especially snorkeling with the sea turtles) and Peru (especially hiking the Inca trail to Machu Picchu) and work trips to three continents. This summer was spent biking around Maryland and enjoying
local attractions, including Civil War history.

Eric Roberts writes: “I enjoy living in Portland, Ore., and working with Element Power to develop utility-scale wind and solar power plants. The F&ES community in the Pacific Northwest is reaching critical mass, and should you find yourself up this way, please reach out. A hike somewhere in the Columbia River Gorge is always a great way to spend some time.”

Neelsh Shrestha writes: “I’m a consultant for the Nepal Climate Change Support Programme. A highlight of this program is that it will implement the climate change adaptation activities that were identified by grass-roots level communities themselves in various climate-vulnerable areas of Nepal. Besides such consulting jobs, I also am looking for full-time staff opportunities.”

Hirosi Sugano writes: “I finished my work as climate researcher in Berlin. Now in Tokyo, I work to enhance environmental awareness through government projects.”

Simon Tudiver helped bring a future F&ESer into the world with the birth of his daughter, Leah, in January. He works for Environment Canada, most recently developing strategic directions for federal science research and clean technology funding programs. He lives in Ottawa with his wife, Sarah, and two children, Kai and Leah.

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Daniella Aburto writes: “I took an awesome trip to Yamoransa, Ghana, with the Yale Alumni Service Corps. It was an amazing experience working on business development with the community and meeting inspiring Yale alumni from across schools and generations.”

Luke Bassett writes: “After working on President Obama’s reelection campaign for more than a year, November 7, 2012, felt very good. I recently started working on climate policy at the Department of Energy.”

Gillian (Paul) Bloomfield writes: “It has been a good year working at the Environmental Leadership and Training Initiative and enjoying life in New Haven. I recently facilitated my first online course on tropical forest restoration, delivered in Spanish to 25 environmental practitioners in Latin America.”

Nasser Brahim is in his second year at the Climate Investment Funds and finally made staff. His last work trip took him to the Maldives where the CIF is funding some interesting renewable energy programs. He enjoys catching up with fellow D.C. forestry pals at the monthly happy hours that he co-hosts with the likes of Marshall Duer-Balkind ’11 and Dave Burns.

David Burns writes: “After leaving the World Bank in June, I joined the National Wildlife Federation. When not beating Ryan Sarsfield ’12 and Ben Larson ’11 in foosball, I manage the tropical forest and agriculture project, promoting deforestation-free agricultural commodities.”


Ashley Duval writes: “Two ethnobotanist colleagues from the New York Botanical Garden and I have started a bitters company called Shoots and Roots Bitters, working with mixologists, chefs and distributors in New York. We’ve developed a product line, host private events and offer a range of workshops, using sensory experience to raise awareness and appreciation of plant diversity, traditional knowledge and the evolution of useful plants. Proceeds finance research and conservation initiatives.”

Clara Changxin Fang writes: “I’m sustainability manager at Towson University near Baltimore, Md. My essay ‘Beyond Sustainability: Communicating a New Environmental Movement’ was published in the August issue of Sustainability: A Journal of Record. I have poems published or forthcoming this year in Cobalt Review, Terrain and Plain Songs. I blog about sustainability.”

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Eric Fourrier writes: “I’m in school, getting a Ph.D. in environmental informatics at UCSB. This mostly involves doing long division in a broom closet. Albeit, one with a view of the Pacific Ocean.”

Jacob Holzberg-Pill of Nevada City, Calif., has been hired as Kennebec Valley Community College’s sustainable agriculture instructor.

Adrian Horotan writes: “I’m living in North Branford, Conn., with Anastasia, Henry (3.5) and Alfred (1.5). I started in 2012 as a principal with Elm Street Ventures, a venture capital fund based in New Haven, investing in Yale technology spin-outs, including some green ones. I love getting together often with the other ‘townies’ from our year.”

Jenn Hoyle writes: “I’m starting my second year in Jim Saiers’s lab in the F&ES doctoral program! Just can’t get enough of New Haven. Be sure to reach out if you come to town!”

Heather (McCarthy) Jacobs moved to Rome, Italy, in April for a consultancy at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. She is working on the Mitigation of Climate Change in Agriculture Project, supporting coordination of international workshops on the collection of GHG data in developing countries. She is also assisting lead authors as a chapter science assistant for the Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Uses chapter of the IPCC 5th Assessment Report, due to be released in fall 2014.

Kathayoon Khalil writes: “I’m working on my Ph.D. in environmental education at Stanford. I’m in the analysis and writing phase, though, so with any luck I’ll be a doctor in the next year!”

Sudarshan Khanal writes: “I am in Nepal working for Asia Network for Sustainable Agriculture and Bioresources and had
Catherine Picard, Ph.D. ’10, writes: “For the past three years I’ve been working at the State Department in Washington, D.C., focusing on conflict diamonds and minerals, as well as the transboundary management of the Nile River basin. While I’ve thoroughly enjoyed my time in Foggy Bottom, I have decided to return to my natural resource management and governance roots. I’ve accepted a position this fall with a private international consulting firm, Tetra Tech International/ARD, based in Burlington, Vt. I will continue to focus on natural resource issues in Africa, while enjoying the beautiful Green Mountains of Vermont. Sadly, this means giving up my co-hosting duties with the F&ES Alumni Happy Hour in D.C., but I encourage anyone passing through D.C. to drop by if you’re in town the second Tuesday every month at the Mad Hatter in Dupont Circle.”

Tatjana Rosen writes: “Since the fall of 2012 I am the Snow Leopard Programme coordinator in Tajikistan for Panthera. I am based in Khorog, GBAO. My work consists in monitoring and research of snow leopards and their prey (Marco Polo sheep, ibex and markhor) in the Pamirs, addressing and mitigating human and snow leopard conflicts and supporting the establishment of local conservancies. I recently received a National Geographic Big Cats Initiative grant to support my conflict mitigation and community work. I also advised the Tajik government on the development of the National Snow Leopard Ecosystem Priorities document for the World Bank Snow Leopard Heads of State Forum in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, in September 2013.”

Berkley (Adrio) Rothmeier writes: “After three years working with Ceres in Boston, I’m relocating to Chicago. I also got married to Alex Rothmeier this spring and am now Berkley A. Rothmeier.”

Chris Starkey writes: “After teaching in the School of Architecture and working with Professor Felson’s Urban Ecology and Design Lab for a couple years, I moved into consulting with Terrapin Bright Green (no more late nights on the Metro-North!). Since I arrived at Terrapin, we have set up two internships with F&ES students: Andrew Zingleale ’12 and Sonali Bhasin ’14. Also, Vanessa and I are hitched. Miss y’all foresters — not too many of us in NYC.”

Toshi Tanuma writes: “I am working at PwC Japan in Tokyo as an associate and have been involved in an internal control, project-to-project management for system replacement of the financial industry. I’ll work my way back to the environment in the coming years.”

Meredith Trainor writes: “In September I celebrated three years in Seattle, working on Canadian boreal forest protection for the International Boreal Conservation Campaign. This year I’m looking forward to concentrating my professional efforts in yet another province (Manitoba) while continuing to develop my mountaineering resumé on the weekends.”

Hari Venugopalan Nair Radhamoni writes: “I am in India working with the Wildlife Trust of India (WTI). After leaving F&ES, I worked as an editorial intern with Audubon magazine, and later joined Fauna & Flora International (FFI) in DC as an intern. I became a program associate, managing grants and writing funding proposals for wildlife conservation projects across the tropics, until I decided to leave for India. The United States has been extremely kind to me, and the memories are something to keep. However, I had to accept my yearning for the warmth — of the air and the society — of a tropical country. I started with WTI in New Delhi, working on monitoring and evaluation of wildlife conservation projects. In July 2013, I moved to the development department and am writing grant proposals to raise funds for a number of projects across the Indian subcontinent. I have not done many things I wanted to do. Mixed bag, I had.”

Rae Wynn-Grant writes: “After receiving my M.Phil. in ecology and evolutionary biology from Columbia University on my way to a Ph.D., I happily married Obadele Davis in an April garden ceremony. To complete my dissertation work, I am eagerly embarking on a one-year field season in the Lake Tahoe region to study black bear habitat selection.”
**CLASS NOTES**

**Seth Zeren** left his planning position with the City of Newton, Mass., to teach urban planning and sustainable environments on a study abroad program traveling from New York to New Delhi, Dakar and Buenos Aires.

**2011**

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Margaret Arbuthnot writes: “I am based in D.C. but am splitting my time between strategy for the Market Transformation unit at WWF U.S. and project management for the global WWF Market Transformation Initiative.”

Charlotte Chan writes: “In August, I packed up my life and moved from the Bay Area I’ve adored for the past two years to Santa Cruz, Bolivia, to work for an NGO called Fundación Natura Bolivia (Bolivia Nature Foundation). The organization focuses on forest conservation and sustainable development, and I will be helping them out with their programs until February at least. A shout out to Paolo Barreiro Sanjines ’12 for introducing us. After that, life is one unknown, great big adventure!”

Esther Choi writes: “I have been based in Korea doing an internship and traveling extensively (met with Stefania Panousi in Greece) after my consultant job with the World Bank expired in April 2013. I have now moved to Berkeley, starting a Ph.D. program focusing on international environmental governance and politics. Nervous and excited!”

Erin Clark writes: “I’m enjoying introducing high school students to field science through Ecology Project International’s Yellowstone Wildlife Ecology Program, but I’m branching out to run a second program next year — our Belize Dolphin Ecology Program. Looking forward to working internationally and traveling to Central America frequently over the next 12 months. I’ll be based out of Missoula.”

Erin Derrington is working as an environmental consultant in the Seattle area, specializing in climate change adaptation and water resource stewardship. This summer she expanded her natural resource management repertoire to include leading technical trail construction on Mailbox Peak. Erin misses the fabulous folks of F&ES!

Elyzabeth Earnley is a consultant to the U.S. Forest Service, a job that simultaneously supports her love of the National Environmental Policy Act and square buildings. She enjoys traveling to visit classmates (Tina Schneider ’12, Jesse Daniel Oppenheimer, Erin Clark, you are next!) and adding to her collection of rocks from around the world. When at home in D.C., she can be spotted biking on the diagonal streets and/or loitering like a lost puppy by the Andean Bear exhibit at the National Zoo.

Erfie Friedlander, after interning in Philadelphia for the summer (where she met up with Max Piana, Steph Carlisle, Rod Bates ’07 and Chris Kieran), is back at architecture school at University of Michigan finishing her final year (FOREVER!) of graduate school.

Rebecca Lee Funk writes: “I’m working for NOVICA, a partner of National Geographic. We ethically source art, jewelry and other handcrafted pieces from artisans in developing and emerging countries. I’m based in Guadalajara, Mexico, and will head to Lima, Peru, in early 2014!”

Chris Kieran has had an amazing time as co-founder and CEO of Zokos — still powering our beloved veggie dinner, as well as crowd-funding campaigns for foodies across the country. He is helping other tech start-ups get off the ground as entrepreneur-in-residence at an investment fund and tech accelerator in India. Favorite portfolio company: RidingO — making ride sharing cool in Bangalore.

Jessica Koski is assisting her tribal community with mining issues in the Lake Superior Basin and is serving her second year on the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council’s Indigenous Peoples Work Group. She is expecting her first baby (a boy!) in November.

Ben Larson has returned to his roots, despite studying forestry, and is working on grasslands. Ben leads the National Wildlife Federation’s campaign to conserve America’s remaining native grasslands, particularly in the Prairie Pothole Region. Ben also works on sustainable bioenergy, including EPA’s enforcement of the Renewable Fuels Standard.

Eliza Little writes: “After a year in India, I started a Ph.D. at Columbia (one year down, four more to go). My husband, Bevan, and I are due to have a baby this winter and I’m trying to get lots done before then!”

Gina Lopez, after leading a timber crew on the Sierra National Forest in California, has relocated to the beautiful Rocky Mountains of Colorado to work as lead program facilitator for JPII Outdoor Lab, a nonprofit environmental science field program for youth.

Manuel Mavila Loli writes: “I’m coordinating a Sustainable Forest Management Program in four Andean countries, in collaboration with Finland. Also thinking about how to collaborate on the organization of the UNFCCC COP 20 that we’ll host next year in Peru. Hope to see some F&ESers!”

Gabriel Mejias writes: “Monica and I moved to D.C. last summer. I’m enjoying my job as an environmental and social specialist, implementing IFC Sustainability Performance Standards on Advisory Services projects (mainly public-private partnerships). The best perk of living in D.C. is having so many people from our class! We get to hang out a lot, which is great.”

David Mitchell and his family (wife and baby boy!) currently live in Trinidad, Colo., where he works as the general manager of a utility company. In January, 2014, they plan to move to Fort Collins, Colo., to take up a position at a strategic consulting group.

Pablo Reed is acting as an environmental consultant with DNV KEMA, though his duties as a forest carbon...
offset validator and verifier have now been complemented with services in and for new market mechanisms for climate change adaptation and mitigation in the developing world, such as Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) and Low Emissions Development Strategies (LEDS).

Chandra Simon writes: “I’m living in San Francisco, where I have been freelancing on a variety of work in environmental policy. I’m also producing environmental pieces for the TV series Dan Rather Reports. Recently I spent a weekend whitewater rafting on the American River with about a dozen of my classmates. The Bay Area wouldn’t be the same without the amazing F&ES community here!”

Kartikeya Singh writes: “I received the Boren Fellowship and am in India for seven months (September 2013 through March 2014) to conduct my Ph.D. research in energy access innovation.”

Rebecca McKay Steinberg writes: “I lived in the Adirondack Park for two years post-F&ES. During this time, I worked at North Country Community College as an adjunct faculty member and tutor, at the Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies as executive editor and with the Adirondack Chapter of The Nature Conservancy as a management plan writer. I recently moved to Kent, Conn., to be the assistant director of land management with the Weantinoge Land Trust.”

Dania Trespalacios finished her Knauss Fellowship at NOAA in February. She has recently completed an internship at WWF U.S., where she worked on legality issues in globally-traded fisheries commodities. She also worked as a consultant with the World Bank’s Global Environmental Facility Evaluation Office, where she assessed broader adoption of impact mechanisms on GEF projects in marine environments. Dania is seeking employment opportunities in marine conservation and engaging with her community in D.C.

2012

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Matthew Browning and Lara Browning are seeking an infant for private adoption. Matthew is a Ph.D. student in forestry and Lara, with a master’s in landscape architecture, is a project coordinator for the Community Design Assistance Center, an outreach portion of the College of Architecture and Urban Studies at Virginia Tech. They enjoy hiking, cycling, cooking local and organic meals for their friends and family, and working in their flower garden. They are both in their early 30s and live in a small cottage in a safe neighborhood close to excellent public schools. They are very close to their seven nieces and nephews, aged 8 months to 13 years, and they are the proud godparents to Benjamin (3). Any assistance would be greatly appreciated. matthew.mutel.browning@aya.yale.edu

Bryant Cannon writes: “I’m heading into my second year as a lawyer with the California Attorney General’s office, where I work in the natural resources section primarily defending California’s environmental agencies. My cases have included litigation defending against a variety of efforts to overturn California’s climate change law, AB 32 (in particular the auction and offset parts of that law). Other cases range across water, fisheries, gold mining, toxic hydroponic fertilizers and fracking. I’m having a blast in San Francisco, where I’ve been doing a bunch of kayaking (mostly sea but some whitewater), climbing, mountain biking and backpacking. Chelsea finished her landscape architecture and urban planning degrees in May and joined me in the Bay this summer. We will get married next May in a redwood grove down near Santa Cruz.”

Simon DeStercke writes: “I live in the not-very-F&ES-alumni-dense but highest-quality-of-life city of Vienna in Austria. I commute to a little place called Laxenburg where I work in an imperial Schloss/castle (where the famous Sisi passed a lot of time). My employer is the research institute IIASA, and I am working on my project on historical energy transitions. I enjoy what I do but will soon go back to school for a Ph.D. I’ve spent some time with lovely classmates and other alumni of F&ES:

Rita Effeh, Lakshmi Krishnan and Ritika Tewari (visited F&ES for 6 months) in India; Kavita Sharma and Randy Caruso in Paris and Croatia; Kandice Harper and Kyle Poorman this summer in Vienna; Kyra Busch in Italy and Vienna; John Paul Jewell ’09 in Munich and Vienna.”

Tseshang Dorji writes: “I am back at home and working for the Royal Government of Bhutan.”

Andrés González writes: “I live in Santiago, Chile. I teach natural resource economics and economics at the undergraduate and graduate level in two different universities (Central and Del Desarrollo). I also am developing an environmental technician program for another university (Santo Tomas). I am (as always) thinking what I want to do in the next years, not sure yet.”

Brendan Guy is loving life in New York City working as a Global Fellow at NRDC to forge multi-stakeholder commitments and partnerships that advance global sustainable development goals.

Rui He writes: “I am doing two part-time jobs in New Haven. One is research assistant with Professor Marian Chertow at F&ES. The other is project management with the U.S. Business Council for Sustainable Development (BCSD). I will stay in New Haven for another half year and then go to Texas where the U.S. BCSD is based.”

Brian Kauffman started as the executive director of the Keystone Energy Efficiency Alliance in Philadelphia in May. The group is a trade association of more than 60 companies and nonprofits working to transform the market for building energy efficiency across Pennsylvania.
Back in his hometown, the job is equal parts teambuilding, fundraising, membership development, utility regulation lobbying and financial management. Pablo Torres recently stayed over to race in the Philly Olympic Triathlon. Pablo finished in 2:33:25 — a new personal record. Brian stays in touch with Dan Constable (in Vietnam) and many others. A Philly F&ES chapter is rising with alums recently moved to our Brooklyn-esque city. Chris Colvin ’13, Hayley Fink ’13, Chris Kieran ’11, Max Piana, ’11, Evan Ray ’13 and Grant Tolley ’11.

Maisah Khan writes: “I live in F&ES-rich Washington, D.C. I live with Ainsley Lloyd, and we are keeping strong the F&ES spirit by hosting plenty of dinner parties and porch hangouts. We will have to throw a proper dance party soon. I work as a research assistant for a small strategic and political consulting firm, Freedman Consulting, that focuses on progressive issues.”

Rachel Kramer writes: “After graduation, I spent the summer exploring Bhutan and Peru, intersecting with friends from various hubs of Yale. In Bhutan, we stayed with the family of Tshewang Dorji at their beautiful farmhouse in Phuntsholing, near Trashigang. In Peru we were in Chris Milan’s gorgeous wedding in Lima, assisted with surveys at his archaeological site and explored Machu Picchu and Paracas. We moved to D.C. last August, and I work at WWF, coordinating the Wildlife Crime Technology Project and overseeing Borneo, Central America and Africa grants for TRAFFIC, the wildlife trade-monitoring network. My husband, Stephen Eckel, is doing his postdoc in atomic physics at the National Institute of Standards and Technology. We love being in a town with so many forests! We married in New Hampshire this September in a picnic wedding with canoeing on Lake Winnisquam and locally-sourced everything.”

Lakshmi Krishnan writes: “Until recently, I worked at IFC Delhi. If anyone needs contacts in the IFC South Asia office on renewable energy and climate change, please write to me. I shifted to Rome to work with CGIAR/IPSC on impact assessments in the natural resource management context.”

Jaimini Parekh writes: “I am a law student at UCLA Law and spent the summer working on California Environmental Quality Act litigation. Summer work highlights included hiking several hundred meters up a storm drain to capture dry-weather discharge in violation of the Clean Water Act and reading through case after case about what constitutes adequate disclosure of environmental impacts. Other than work, it’s back to classes this fall, and I envy those out working as opposed to reading, studying, test-taking and paper writing.”

Erica Pohnan writes: “I recently finished my Boren Fellowship in Indonesia and started a new job as the Conservation Program Director of a small NGO in West Kalimantan, Indonesia, called Alam Sehat Lestari.”

Juan Sebastian Ramirez writes: “We just launched ViveSolar.com a month ago, and now the company is starting to walk on its own feet. P.S. Happy.”

Danielle Rappaport writes: “I finished my year-long Fox Fellowship based at the University of Sao Paulo, where I worked with faculty from the Landscape Ecology and Conservation lab to develop a methodology of prioritizing forest restoration in the human-modified Atlantic forest using both temporal and spatial considerations. I moved back to D.C. (my old stompin’ grounds), where I will be finishing up the manuscripts from this research, as well as applying to doctoral programs over the next few months. I’m at a point of transition, so can’t furnish too many details at this point.”

Ryan Sarsfield is a manager of the Tropical Forest and Agriculture Project for the National Advocacy Center of the National Wildlife Federation in Washington, D.C.

Jonathan Smith writes: “After working for six months as a law fellow at Oceana in Washington, D.C., I moved home to Miami, Fla., and am clerking for a federal judge in Fort Lauderdale. I hope to get back into the field of environmental law — and back to the Northeast or West Coast — after my clerkship ends in the spring of 2014.”

Sharon Smith writes: “I began work at the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) in Berkeley in July after a year of consulting for various NGOs. I manage the campaign side of the Tropical Forest & Climate Initiative at UCS, working to reduce deforestation emissions related to land use, with a particular focus on palm oil. Over the past year I spent a month backpacking in Kauai and five weeks in Asia and slaked my wanderlust — so I’m happy to be settled now in a beautiful home just a mile from work.”

Denise Soesilo writes: “I have been in New Haven since graduation working with The Forests Dialogue. My appointment ends in October, and after having spent many years in New Haven, I look forward to heading back to home soil (if not Germany, then Europe) at least for a little while. For now I’m enjoying the thrill of uncertainty about what is to come after October.”

Bhavya Sridhar writes: “I live in Ithaca, NY, where I am beginning my second year of doctoral studies in ecology at Cornell University. I have enjoyed my first year in the program, during which I attended several small conferences focusing on northeast forest ecology. My classes and fieldwork have taken me to a diverse range of ecosystems ranging from tropical forests in Hawaii to temperate forests in New Hampshire. My current research involves studying soil carbon dynamics in the Adirondacks.”

Pablo Torres writes: “This year I was accepted into the Environmental Leadership Program fellowship — the Chesapeake region cohort. It’s an exciting journey of self-awareness and self-improvement toward becoming an authentic leader, and I am enjoying every part of the process of crafting a personal leadership plan.”

Theo Varns writes: “I have been living in Washington, D.C., since April. I briefly interned at the World Wildlife Fund where I conducted research on community conservation. Now I am volunteering at the Amazon Conservation Association while I continue to search for opportuni-
ties in international conservation and development work.”

Howe Wang recently graduated from F&ES after finishing one year as a Yale Fox Fellow and started working in New York as an energy economic consultant in Midtown.

Andrew Zingale writes: “I’m working as a sustainable business consultant on the West Coast, primarily with Cascadia Consulting Group (Seattle) and SCS Global Services (Emeryville, Calif.). I’m living in Berkeley, Calif., as of September 2013.”

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Sandy Aylesworth is headed to Antarctica after she completes her Arctic policy internship with Oceana in Juneau, Alaska. During her time on the ice, she’ll be working the aft deck of a research vessel for the U.S. Antarctic program over two cruises. On the first cruise scientists will research the (fascinating!) Antarctic benthos. On the second cruise Sandy will be tagging whales and identifying future field sites for Antarctic coastal research. In February, Sandy begins a Krauss marine policy fellowship and intends to work on Arctic policy in the executive branch. While she dearly misses F&ES, she’s excited to join F&ES’s robust D.C. network!

Alana Callagy moved back to San Francisco and is the lead environmental planner at Parsons Brinckerhoff, a global consulting firm assisting public and private clients to plan, develop, design, construct, operate and maintain critical infrastructure.

Hilary Oliva Faxon led a Yale alumni trip to Bhutan with several awesome F&ES grads this September. Interested in joining a future adventure? Check out www.bootsonbhutan.com.

Ben Goldfarb received a fellowship from the Solutions Journalism Network to document how the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative is helping western species and ecosystems adapt to climate change. As of this writing, he is busy setting up interviews, gazing at maps and brushing up on grizzly bear preparedness tactics in anticipation of his 2,000-mile reporting trip.

Bonnie Frye Hemphill writes: “It was a grand summer of sailing the Mediterranean, building cabins and generally reveling in both saltwater and freshwater Maine with friends old and new. I also dove into networking for a gig here come fall. I’m in Portland, Maine.”

Justin Lindenmayer writes: “After seven weeks in Bar Harbor, Maine, enjoying the outdoor playground that is Acadia, I came back to Connecticut to work part-time as director of operations and associate consultant for Sustainability A to Z, a green engineering and green chemistry consulting firm. It’s great to see recent grads still in the area and current F&ESers from time to time when visiting New Haven! And most importantly, my wife and I are expecting baby #2 in March!”

Dexter Locke writes: “I’ve started a doctoral program at the Graduate School of Geography at Clark University, where I will continue with urban and community forestry research.”

Jocelyn Mahone writes: “I’m working as a district forester in Michigan, covering two counties. My job primarily focuses on providing forestry advice to non-industrial private landowners, though I also get a lot of calls about sick trees in people’s yards.”

Jose Medina Mora writes: “I’ve been busy returning to the National Forestry Commission in Mexico as the manager for technology development and transfer. I’m very happy to be fulfilling my dream to return to Mexico to apply what I’ve learned at F&ES.”

Maria Ortiz writes: “I was married over the summer and have started working at the New York City Department of Sanitation in the Bureau of Waste Prevention, Reuse and Recycling.”

Charissa Rujanavech is back on the West Coast in San Francisco, working at Apple as an environmental program manager. When she is not working, she can be found climbing in Tahoe or the Sierras, running in Golden Gate Park, or napping.

Hank Seltzer writes: “I began working for Clean Line Energy Partners in July and am helping develop long-distance, high-voltage transmission lines that will carry 100% renewable energy. Elizabeth and I are living in Nashville, Tenn., and are perfecting our twangy singing voices in our spare time.”

Ke Yang writes: “Thanks to the variety of classes and opportunities offered by Yale, I am chasing my dream to be a Web engineer in a company one hour away from New Haven!”
IN MEMORIAM

Jonah Meadows Adels M.E.Sc. ’14 (1984–2013), 29, of Philadelphia, Pa., died on October 2 of injuries suffered in a car accident. Jonah was the oldest son of Peter Adels and Stacey Meadows and the beloved brother of Sam and Gabe Adels. He was born in Philadelphia and graduated from Abington Friends School in 2002. He was a 2006 graduate of Bard College, where he majored in film and electronic arts and in the history of science and technology. At the time of his death, he had completed one year of the master’s program at F&ES. He was a passionate interrogator of science and natural history, musician, songwriter, traveler, explorer of Shamanic traditions and practices, an ordained Maggid (a storyteller in the Jewish shamanic tradition) and a climate and environmental activist. He believed in Tikkum Olam (repair of the world) and brought this intention to diverse initiatives that integrated education, community organizing, ecological awareness and spirituality. During college he worked on organic farms in Central and South America and in the United States. After graduating from Bard, he spent two years in Portland, Ore., where he lived in an urban farming cooperative and worked as a computer and media specialist and urban garden educator for Self Enhancement, Inc., a charter school. He spearheaded a hands-on garden education program that transformed a defunct church garden into raised-bed biointensive grow spaces. In 2009 he and Gabe then worked at a rural orphanage and taught documentary video skills to teens, before cycling together for five months through central India. Upon his return, he did an apprenticeship with the Jewish Farm School and joined the founding team of Eden Village Camp, a new Jewish farm camp in New York rooted in sustainability, justice and spirituality. Over his three years at Eden Village, he held numerous positions including lead farm educator, teen program director and junior staff program director. He was the visionary force behind the camp’s edible forest gardens, orchard, beehives and mushroom cultivation. He was central to establishing the camp’s culture of activism, kindness, playfulness and nature connection. Over the winters, Jonah brought his uniquely inspired teaching to Jewish homeschoolers’ groups and Alternative Spring Break programs for college students, and offered environmental education to schools and synagogues across the country with the vegetable-oil-powered Topsy Turvy Teva Bus. He entered F&ES in fall 2012, where he discovered new outlets for his scholarship, facilitation skills, activism and musical expression. He was a founding organizer of the Yale Food Systems Symposium and developed a new class on carbon sequestering agroforestry. As a member of the Balkan band Orkestar, he delighted in creating and performing original music that expressed the buoyancy of his loving spirit. He believed deeply in the mission of woody agriculture as practiced by Badgersett Farm in Minnesota, where he performed carbon sequestration research this past June. He convinced Badgersett to compete for a $10,000 award from the MIT Climate CoLab Competition, which they won! Jonah deeply touched thousands of people through his joyful, creative and purposeful life.

Harold Belcher M.F. ’48 (1921–2013), 92, of Fernandina Beach, Fla., passed away on June 11. Born in Linden, N.J., Hal was the son of the late Harold and Ethel Kane Belcher. He graduated from Rutgers, served in World War II and then graduated from Yale. He moved to Fernandina in 1948 with his late wife, Claire, and began work as a forester in the Rayonier Timber Division. After retiring from Rayonier in 1984, he focused his attention on the community, combining his professional skills with a love of history. He made significant contributions to preserving the history of Amelia Island and received numerous recognitions and awards. In one project, he produced the first-ever plot map of the original section of Amelia Island’s historic Bosque Bello cemetery. That work led to the 1988 publication of a reference book, and his additional research provided information for a 1997 book on other Amelia Island cemeteries. In addition, he was well known in the community for cultivating camellias and for his extensive knowledge of Amelia Island’s historic lighthouse and Fort Clinch. He is survived by three sons: Jonathan of Eugene, Ore., Timothy and Christopher, of Fernandina Beach; four grandchildren, Andrew, Kathryn, Michael and Julia; and two great-grandchildren, Andrew and Jack Alanson Belcher.

Brian Tobey Callahan M.F. ’62 (1938–2013), 74, passed away suddenly on January 24 at his home on Denman Island, B.C. Although Tobey’s passing came too soon, he was granted his wish to remain active to the end, cutting and splitting the yearly firewood supply, gardening and helping his family. He was born in Seattle, Wash., on January 25, 1938, to Northwest artist Kenneth Callahan and writer Margaret Bundy Callahan. As a child he spent much of his time in the forests and mountains of Western Washington, and the natural world remained important to him all his life. As a young man he worked for the U.S. Forest Service out of Granite Falls, Wash., where his family had a cabin. This experience motivated him to earn a bachelor’s degree in forestry from the University of Washington, and a master’s from Yale University. He later returned to the University of Washington for a bachelor’s in biology and a teaching certificate. He worked for many years in the Seattle School District as a teacher and counselor. He married his Garfield High School sweetheart, Mikell Sherman, in 1959. In 1976, they moved to a cattle ranch in the British Columbia interior. They loved...
ranch life, the surrounding wilderness and the people who lived there. Finally, 15 years later, they moved to Denman Island on the southern B.C. coast, where he pursued his love of the outdoors by creating and maintaining a network of trails through their forested oceanfront property. Politics and family history were two of his enduring passions. Though he eventually became a Canadian citizen, he maintained a lifelong interest in — and was always prepared to debate the fine points of — American political life. He recently published Margaret Callahan: Mother of Northwest Art, a book based on his mother’s journals, newspaper articles and other writings. His generous and courageous spirit lives on in the hearts of the many people whose lives he touched. He was outspoken and caring, with a big laugh and a great presence. He is survived by his wife, Mikell; son, Sean, and daughter, Claire, on Denman Island; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Francis Clifton M.F. ’48 (1920–2013), longtime secretary for the Yale F&ES Class of 1948, died July 7 at a hospice center in Atlanta, Ga. His friend Marilyn O’Neal and her daughter were at his side. Francis was born in Arkansas and moved to DeLand, Fla., in 1954 after earning his bachelor’s degree in Arkansas and his master’s degree at Yale University. He was a U.S. Navy pilot during World War II, flying PBY airplanes on rescue and reconnaissance missions and delivering supplies to troops in the South Pacific. In DeLand, he had his own business, Clifton Timber and Realty, offering his expertise as a forester and a realtor. He served as president of what was then called the DeLand and West Volusia Board of Realtors and, in partnership with Bill Gould and John Turner, started the first multiple-listing service for area realtors in the late 1960s. For a number of years beginning in the 1990s, he created and contributed word-search puzzles to The Beacon and often helped the newspaper in its coverage of World War II and veterans affairs. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, a longtime elementary-school teacher. They were married for more than 50 years. He is survived by one brother, who lives in California.

Francis Dillon Jr. M.F. ’48 (1921–2013) of Great Falls, Va., passed away peacefully on January 25 after a short illness. Frank was a career Army officer and veteran of World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, retiring as a colonel after 31 years of active duty. During World War II he served with the 17th Airborne Division during the Battle of the Bulge and Operation Varsity, the allied airborne assault across the Rhine River in March 1945. In retirement he was active in his community serving as a scout master for Troop 673 in Great Falls and as a member of the Parish Council for St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church. He was also an avid sailor on the Chesapeake Bay and an instructor for the local Power Squadron. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Martha; his sons, Hank, Tom, Pete, Tim, Dan, James and Doug; 21 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Warren Doolittle, Ph.D. ’55, (1921–2013), 91, passed away on March 20 at Prince William Hospital, Manassas, Va. He was born in Webster City, Iowa, on July 24, 1921, son of Ed and Rhoda Leone Doolittle. Warren was a veteran of both World War II and the Korean War. Serving with distinction, he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, the European Theater of Operations with five Bronze Stars and the Korean Service Medal. He was a navigator trained in radar both for navigation and bombing, completing 29 missions in Europe and 17 missions in Korea. His planes were shot down several times, but the crews survived as a result of heroic actions. During and after his military service, he earned degrees from three Universities — Iowa State, Duke and Yale. His professional career with the U.S. Forest Service was distinguished as well, serving as director of research for the Northeastern United States and retiring as associate deputy chief for research after 38 years of service. After retirement he remained active, serving as president of the Society of American Foresters in 1986 and for 15 years as president of the International Society of Tropical Foresters. In 1990 he received the Duke University Charles W. Ralston Award for Distinguished Alumni and in 2005 he received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Yale F&ES. He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Jane Anne (Reddow) Doolittle; daughter, Linda Bushar, and sons, Randolph and Steven Eric; three granddaughters and one grandson; and two great granddaughters and two great-grandsons.

Peter Feuerbach M.F.S. ’86 (1960–2013), 53, of Manchester, Mass., passed away suddenly at Mass General Hospital on June 14 with his wife, Linda, by his side. Peter had a loving bond with his siblings and an incredible relationship with his wife’s family. He adored his children, and the wisdom and guidance he instilled in them will help shape their lives moving forward. The family shares fond memories of times together at Singing Beach in Manchester, hiking and camping, and trips to London, Paris and major cities along the East Coast. He was born in New Rochelle, N.Y., and raised in Larchmont, N.Y. He received a bachelor’s in geology/hydrology from the University of New Hampshire, before earning a master’s from Yale F&ES and a law degree from Suffolk University School of Law. His undergraduate research studies brought him to Greenland and McMurdo Station in Antarctica, which led to a career in environmental planning that began with the City of Braintree, Mass., and continued at McGregor, Shea & Doliner, a leading Boston-based environmental law firm. After receiving his law degree in 1994, he worked at Kopelman and Paige as an associate attorney. In 1998 he joined the law firm Rubin and Rudman, where he worked for 15 years, concentrating in real estate, environmental and land use, and zoning. He was known as a skilled and tenacious attorney. His unflinching dedication to his clients established him as a well-respected member of the legal community. His deep faith in God guided him in his daily life and was the foundation for who he was as an individual, a husband, father, brother, uncle, friend, attorney and member of the community. His strong sense of volunteerism inspired his devotion to the community in which he lived and raised his family. He was
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active in town government, serving as a member and ultimately as chair of the Manchester Zoning Board. In addition, he gave time and energy to the Manchester youth soccer and basketball programs, where he was a valued coach and mentor. He had a life-long love of the outdoors, starting in his senior year of high school when he hiked a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail. This launched many years of outdoor activities with family and good friends camping in the White Mountains, biking in the Green Mountains and telemark skiing throughout New England and the West. During a special trip to the ranges of Crestone and the Sangre DeCristo Mountains of Colorado, Peter proposed to Linda. He cherished his childhood memories, boating and swimming on Long Island Sound, and overnighting on Eaton’s Neck. He equally loved his summer vacations in Chatham, Cape Cod. He had a deep appreciation for the time he spent on Nantucket with his family. He is survived by his wife of 19 years; his children, Winston (16), Spencer (14) and Eve (12); and his parents, Dr. John and Florrie Feuerbach of New York and Massachusetts.

**Edward Mish M.F. ’39 (1915–2013),** 98, of Agawam, a self-employed silversmith for more than 60 years, died on October 20 at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, Mass. He and his wife, Stella, owned and operated Edward T. Mish Silversmith in Agawam. They began their silversmith business there in 1950 after setting up a silversmith shop in Wilbraham for seven years. Together, the couple developed Mish’s Silver Polish, first used at the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts in the 1950s, and later in such venues as the Metropolitan Museum of Fine Arts in New York City, the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., the White House and the Wolfson Museum in Jerusalem, Israel. They also exhibited at many regional fairs for 31 years. He was born in South Hadley, the son of the late Frank and Katherine (Kulpa) Mish. He was president of the South Hadley High School Class of 1933. He earned his bachelor’s at Massachusetts State College in 1937 (now University of Massachusetts) and his master’s at Yale University. His life was marked by his love for books, education, horticulture and chemistry, and his ability “to work with his hands with finesse,” thus making him a top-grade silversmith. He is survived by his daughters, Paulina (Polly) Zuffoletti and Carolyn Buehler; grandchildren, Lauren, Linda and Kristen; sister, Viola Mish of Holyoke; niece, Delphine Kane of Chicopee, and nephew, Joseph Mish of Berkley, Calif.

**Hans Nienstaedt M.F. ’48, Ph.D. ’51 (1922–2013),** 90, formerly of Rhinelander, Wisc., died in his home in Morelia, Michoacan state, Mexico, on May 27. Hans was born December 23, 1922, in Copenhagen, Denmark, to L.R. Nienstaedt and Inger Andersen Nienstaedt. He served briefly in the Danish Navy and was interned during World War II by occupying German Wehrmacht forces. He immigrated to the United States in 1946, where he earned his Ph.D. in genetics from the Yale School of Forestry. Working for the State of Connecticut Department of Forestry, he did pioneering work breeding resistance into the American chestnut, which had been severely weakened by a fungal blight disease first introduced into the United States in 1876. That work is carried on in Connecticut today. He began work for the U.S. Forest Service in the early 1950s, moving from St. Paul, Minn., to Rhinelander, where he became the first project leader of the newly established Lake States Forest Experiment Station, today the Northern Research Station Forestry Sciences Laboratory. He retired a project leader from the Forest Service in 1984. In retirement, he served during the 1980s as an adjunct professor of forestry, teaching genetics at the Chapingo Autonomous University, an agricultural college in Texcoco, Mexico. He met Marj Giesel at Yale where she was earning a master’s degree in horticulture. They were married in Ann Arbor, Mich., in 1949, and remained married 54 years until her death in Morelia in January 2004. They raised six children, five of whom — Marianne, Mark, Patty, John and Lisa — survived. He was a man of woods and forests, a hiker, bicyclist and canoeist, and maintained a love of the outdoors his entire life. As a boy in Denmark, he was very active in the Danish Boy Scouts movement, adventuring widely in Denmark and Sweden. With hundreds of other young scouts, he participated in the World Jamboree of Scouting in the Netherlands in 1937. He took a bicycle trip into northern Germany in 1939 just months before the outbreak of World War II. A lifelong reader and storyteller, he learned the bookbinding trade from an aunt in Denmark. He was always capable of sharing a good story with his grand-children and great-grandchildren, and his scouting tales were famously his best.

**Michael Pennefather M.F. ’48 (1922–2013)** died in his native Republic of South Africa on February 19 at the age of 90. Michael’s years at Yale were some of the happiest and most memorable of his life, leaving him with lifelong friendships and a profound and deep respect for American democratic values.

**Joseph Peters M.F. ’56 (1933–2013),** 80, of Oconomowoc, Wisc., passed away on October 4 at Shorehaven Health Center. Joe was born May 30, 1933, in Sheboygan, Wisc., to Joseph and Elizabeth (Walker) Peters. He was a forester for the City of Waukesha and a member of the Wisconsin Arborists Association, the Society of American Foresters and the American Forestry Association. He received his B.S. from Yale College in 1955 and earned a master’s in 1956 from Yale School of Forestry.

**Kraft von Maltzahn, Ph.D. ’54 (1926–2013),** 87, died peacefully on April 3 at the Queen Elizabeth II Halifax Infirmary after a sudden illness. Born in Rostock, Germany, Kraft was the son of the late Heinrich Freiherr von Maltzahn and Marie-Luise, born Graefin von Basewitz. Following studies at the universities of Cologne and Zurich, he completed his doctorate at Yale. He went to Halifax in 1954 as assistant professor of botany in the biology department at Dalhousie University. He was appointed head of the department and experienced Dal’s enormous 1960s expansion, hiring new faculty and advocating for more space. Under his leadership, the biology
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Seijuro Uraki M.F. ’60 (1931–2011), 82, died suddenly after a short illness on June 19, 2011, surrounded by his family. He returned to Japan after earning his degree at the Yale School of Forestry and became manager of the Hotel Urashima in Nachikatsuura, Wakayama.

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Where did the Class of 2012 go? Six months after graduation, here’s the profile of employment for our graduates.

NOT-FOR-PROFIT/ NON-GOVERNMENTAL

• American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy
  Senior Analyst, Washington, DC
• Appalachian Trail Conservancy
  Environmental Planner, Boiling Springs, PA
• Artists Activists
  Environmental Architect, Los Angeles, CA
• Center for Western Priorities
  Policy Director, Denver, CO
• Environmental Northeast (ENE)
  Policy Analyst, Boston, MA
• Environmental Defense Fund
  Manager, San Francisco, CA
• Fairfood International
  Sustainability Advocate, San Francisco, CA
• Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
  Programme Officer, New York, NY
• Global Environment & Technology Foundation
  Intern, Arlington, VA
• Greenpeace
  Research Specialist, Washington, D.C.
• Hudson Highlands Land Trust
  Stewardship Coordinator, Garrison, NY
• International Finance Corporation (IFC)
  at the World Bank Group
  Short-term Consultant, New Delhi, INDIA
• IUCN
  Consultant, Washington, D.C.
• New Mexico Land Conservancy
  Conservation Specialist, AmeriCorps, Santa Fe, NM
• Oceana
  Associate, Washington, D.C.
• Oceana
  Law Fellow, Washington, D.C.
• RESOLVE, Inc.
  Program Associate II, Washington, D.C.
• The Nature Conservancy/Northeast Sea Grant Consortium
  Ocean Conservation Coordinator, New Haven, CT
• United Nations
  Consultant, Geneva, SWITZERLAND
• World Wildlife Fund
  Program Officer, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, CHINA

PRIVATE (BUSINESS/LAW)

• Amazon.com
  Program Manager, New Castle, DE
• Apex Wind Energy
  Development Manager, Charlottesville, VA
• Chadbourne and Parke LLP
  Associate, Washington, D.C.
• Chipotle Mexican Grill
  Program Manager–FWI, New York, NY
• Drummond Woodsum
  Associate Attorney, Portland, ME
• General Electric
  GE EHS Stephen D. Ramsey Fellow, Fairfield, CT
• Hess Corporation
  Senior Specialist, Environmental Policy & Engagement, New York, NY
• JP Morgan
  Associate, New York, NY
• New Island Capital Management
  Investment Associate, San Francisco, CA
• NRG Energy
  Senior Analyst, Strategy, Policy and Sustainability, Princeton, NJ
• Perennial Energy Consulting
  Analyst, Washington, D.C.
• Philips and Cohen
  Fellow, San Francisco, CA
• Quince and Company
  Portland, ME
• Rio Tinto Minerals
  Marketing Analyst, Denver, CO
• SunEdison
  Associate, Belmont, CA
• Van Ness Feldman, LLP
  Associate Attorney, Washington, D.C.
• William J. MacDonald, Esq.
  Attorney, Rochester, NY

PRIVATE (BUSINESS/CONSULTING)

• ARCADIS
  Environmental Scientist, Sediment & Waterfront Group, Syracuse, NY
• Bain and Company
  Associate Consultant, Shanghai, CHINA
• CB&I (formerly Shaw Environmental and Infrastructure)
  Client Program Manager, Chicago, IL
• DNV KEMA Energy & Sustainability
  Senior Sustainability Professional, Sustainable Building and Communities, Oakland, CA
• ICF International
  Associate, Energy, Environment & Transportation, Atlanta, GA
• A. T. Kearney
  Business Analyst, Shanghai, CHINA
• Readiness Consulting Services
  Policy Analyst, Washington, D.C.
• Phase One Consulting
  Consultant, Alexandria, VA
• The Praxis Institute
  Consultant, ISRAEL
• Pricewaterhouse Coopers
  Associate, Sustainability and Climate Change, Beijing, CHINA
• SustainAbility
  Analyst, New York, NY
• Waypoint Building Group
  Engagement Associate, San Francisco, CA
• Working Lands Investment Partners
  Investment Associate, New Haven, CT

GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SECTOR

• California Attorney General
  Deputy Attorney General, Natural Resources, San Francisco, CA
• Clean Energy Finance & Investment Authority
  Senior Manager, Clean Energy Finance, Rocky Hill, CT
• Clean Energy Finance & Investment Authority
  Manager, Clean Energy Finance, Stamford, CT
• Government of India
  Conservator of Forests Panchkula, State of Haryana, INDIA
• Ministry of Environment, Chile
  Consultant, Environmental Economics,
  Santiago, CHILE

• National Parks Board Singapore
  Manager, Biodiversity Coastal and Marine,
  SINGAPORE

• NYC City Parks Foundation/US Forest
  Service - NYC Urban Field Station Strategic
  Partnerships
  Director, New York, NY

• Town of Fairfield
  Director of Public Works, Fairfield, CT

• U.S. Global Change Research Program
  Communications Coordinator & Web Content
  Manager, Communications, Washington, D.C.

• U.S. State Department
  Management Analyst & Special Assistant to
  the Director, Office of Global Change, Bureau
  of Oceans and International Environmental
  and Scientific Affairs, Washington, D.C.

• U.S. EPA – Region 6
  Assistant Regional Counsel, Office of Regional
  Counsel, Dallas, TX

• U.S. Forest Service
  Forest Biologist, Washington, D.C.

• White House Council on Environmental
  Quality
  Special Assistant, Office of Public Engagement
  Washington, D.C.

ACADEMIC
  (K—HIGHER EDUCATION)

• Calvin Hill Day Care Center
  Harris Fellow, New Haven, CT

• Darrow School
  Music Director and Environmental Science
  Teacher, New Lebanon, NY

• IIASA
  Research Assistant, Transitions to New
  Technologies, Laxenburg, AUSTRIA

• University of Massachusetts and UNFF
  White Paper Project
  Consultant, New Haven, CT

• Worcester Academy
  Director of Sustainability, Worcester, MA

• Yale Center for Business and the
  Environment
  Research Assistant, Blueprint for Efficiency
  New Haven, CT

• Yale School of Forestry & Environmental
  Studies
  Recruiter, Admissions and Financial Aid,
  New Haven, CT

• Yale University
  Program Manager, New Haven, CT

• Yale University
  Research Assistant, New Haven, CT

• Yale University – The Forests Dialogue
  Program Manager, New Haven, CT

FURTHER STUDY FOR MASTER’S
  GRADUATES

• Harvard University
  Ph.D., Department of Molecular and Cellular
  Biology, Cambridge, MA

• Massachusetts Institute of Technology
  Ph.D., Engineering Systems Division,
  Cambridge, MA

• Mississippi State University
  Ph.D., Animal Physiology, Mississippi State, MS

• Oregon State University
  Ph.D., Microbiology, Corvallis, OR

• Portland State University
  Ph.D., School of Urban Studies and Planning &
  Ecosystem Services for Urbanizing Regions,
  Portland, OR

• University of California – Los Angeles
  J.D., School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

• Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
  State University
  Ph.D., Department of Forest Conservation and
  Environmental Preservation, Blacksburg, VA

• Yale MacMillan Center
  Fulbright and Fox Fellow Researcher, ISRAEL

• Yale MacMillan Center/University of Sao
  Paulo
  Fox Fellowship, Sao Paulo, BRAZIL

• Yale University
  Ph.D., Ecology and Evolutionary Biology,
  New Haven, CT

EMPLOYMENT FOR DOCTORAL
  GRADUATES

• AIR Worldwide
  Scientist, Research and Modeling,
  New York, NY

• EMPA – Swiss Federal Laboratories for
  Materials Science and Technology
  Postdoc, SWITZERLAND

• Mississippi State University
  Assistant Professor, Mississippi State, MS

• University of Georgia
  Postdoc, Athens, GA

• University of Hawai’i at Manoa
  Assistant Professor, Anthropology,
  Honolulu, HI

• Yale University and the U.S. Geological
  Survey
  Postdoctoral Associates, New Haven, CT
FROM THE OFFICE OF:
ADMISSIONS

Help cultivate the next group of F&ES Alumni! If you know someone who has the passion and drive to pursue a career or research in the environment, speak with them about F&ES! Our office is always happy to follow up with leads or offer guidance as you speak and interact with the future leaders in this field. According to our incoming Class of 2015, more of our applicants learn about F&ES through a colleague or mentor than any other outlet!

If you are interested in getting involved with future F&ES students, please let us know. Telephone calls, emails or attending events are all great opportunities to connect with prospective students. Please contact Danielle Curtis, Director of Enrollment at danielle.curtis@yale.edu.

We are on the road again . . . please let us know if you are interested in attending one of our events across the country. The complete calendar of events may be found at environment.yale.edu/admissions/events.

Thanks for your continued support!

FROM THE OFFICE OF:
CAREER DEVELOPMENT

New Office Structure
The Career Development Office’s new director, Ladd Flock, has been making significant changes to the office’s operations during his first semester at F&ES. To better prepare students for their required summer internship and research experiences, students are now paired with an individual career counselor. Starting this fall semester, all students receive tailored guidance to develop their own individual internship, research and job search strategies. The office is adding another staff member to its team to oversee employer relations, manage internship and job listings for students and alumni, and coordinate employer activity when on-campus. Additionally, our doctoral students now have full access to postdoc and job listings through the F&ES GeO job listings service.

Job listings for alumni
The Career Development Office posts hundreds of jobs and internships in the F&ES GeO listing service each month. Many of these opportunities require post-graduation experience best suited to our alumni. As F&ES alumni, you will always have full access to our job listing service. If you haven’t created an account, log in to www.yalefesgeo.experience.edu and register.

Post jobs and internships to our students and fellow alumni
It is easy to post a job or internship. Forward listings in any format (.pdf or Word document, Web link, etc.) to Ladd Flock, and his team of graduate student assistants will upload the information to the GeO jobs listing service within 48 hours.

F&ES Resume Books
The career counselors at the Career Development Office have been busily working with our incoming and current students to update and fine-tune their resumes and CVs. In November, resume books will be available for alumni to download and share with their organizations’ hiring managers. If you want a resume book of current F&ES students, contact Ladd Flock and he will forward the latest resume book as a .pdf.

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The Development and Alumni Services team works to keep the connections strong among F&ES alumni, friends and the School. We sponsor annual Reunion Weekends, regional events and receptions, and onsite opportunities for continuing education, student mentoring, and social and career networking. To this end, you’ll find here a number of convenient avenues to connect and communicate with the F&ES extended community:

http://www.facebook.com/YaleFES
http://twitter.com/YaleFES
http://linked.com/groups?home+gid+147435

Attention Class of 2013 & Friends . . . Class of 2013 Yearbook is Available!

Thanks to the hard work and excellent efforts of the Class of 2013 Editorial Team — Ariana Gonzalez, Monte Kawahara, Vrinda Manglik and Karen Petersen — and the unstoppable photo enthusiasm of the class members, the Class of 2013’s memories have been collected in visual, paperless form for your enjoyment. Find the downloadable Class of 2013 Yearbook at:
http://www.yale.edu/fesalum/Yearbook2013.pdf

This is yours at a click, to keep and enjoy!

BRANCHES 2014 opens for submissions in January 2014

BRANCHES is an F&ES initiative to connect alumni with current students around summer internship, project and employment opportunities.

If you want to connect with current students to begin a conversation about engaging them in your research or project work, or an intern or employee, then go to http://environment.yale.edu/special/branches to get the dialogue started!

Your Updates are Needed!

Our contact and professional information for you is only as good as the information you provide. If:

1) you don’t receive the quarterly Alumni E-Newsletter,
2) you’ve recently relocated,
3) you’ve changed jobs or
4) you’ve changed your e-mail address,
please send us quick e-note with your current information at: alumni.fes@yale.edu