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A LETTER FROM THE HEADMASTER



Dear Members of the Pingry Community,

For many, many years, back-to-school preparations have had a certain comfortable routine to them. Just as with a major holiday, stores begin their “back-to-school” advertising (earlier each year, of course), and visions of new backpacks filled with the latest in pens and pencils begin to consume students. The fresh start that a new school year—and new school supplies!—promises leads to all kinds of resolutions to be more organized or more studious, to speak more in class or take better notes. This year at the Pingry Upper School, the pens, pencils, and notebooks will still be needed, but they will be joined in the students’ backpacks by laptop computers. This is the first year of our 1-to-1 laptop program, and each student will be required to bring a laptop to class each day.

“Back-to-school” this year will also usher in new class schedules on both campuses, for the first time in many years. In fact, it has been so long since the last schedule change on the Basking Ridge Campus that current

parents who graduated from Pingry still remember the schedule we have just replaced! There is an extraordinary amount of inertia to be overcome when making a change to a class schedule. Time is, in schools as in many other environments, the scarcest of resources—the currency that represents institutional values—and every schedule is a compromise. To change a schedule is to revalue the currency, to achieve new compromises, and those are no easy tasks. The new schedules strike a careful balance between supporting our existing programs and slowing the pace of the school day, reducing the number of class-to-class transitions, allowing for more depth of engagement, and providing more time for collaboration and reflection.

Of course, we are not the first school to move to a 1-to-1 laptop environment, nor are we the first school to implement a new schedule. Both of these carefully-considered changes grew out of our Curriculum Review, and the feature article in this issue of the *Review* provides a glimpse into the thinking, the process, and the research that led to these changes. Most importantly, both the new schedule and the laptop initiative are designed to improve outcomes for our students, and the planning that has gone into implementing these changes was exhaustively thorough.

I would like to publicly thank the teachers and staff members who participated in the Curriculum Review process and the schedule and 1-to-1 implementation planning, whether they served on the Steering Committee, as Co-Chairs of subcommittees, as members of subcommittees, or on the crucial implementation teams. Each of them put in many extra hours in addition to their daily responsibilities, all to help Pingry move forward in the coming years. I am immensely grateful for their creativity, passion, insight, and dedication.

As we progress through the initial stages of the new schedule and 1-to-1, I am sure we will experience a few challenges along the way, but I am confident that we will overcome them. In the meantime, enjoy this issue, and welcome back to school. Students, remember to bring your laptop!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nat Conard". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a white background.

Nathaniel E. Conard P '09, '11

SCENE AROUND CAMPUS



PSPA Day of Service: Lower, Middle, and Upper School families participated in the Pingry School Parents' Association's first annual Day of Service on January 21, 2013 (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, recognized around the country as a "day on" for service, rather than a "day off"). The event, benefiting local organizations such as BRIDGES Outreach and Bryan's Dream, combined the PSPA's mission of community building with Pingry's dedication to community service. Pictured: Michael Lu '18, Jamie Zoellner '18, Billy Fallon '18, and Jenn Korn '17 displaying blankets for Bryan's Dream.



Lower School Garden Art: First-grade students were proud to display clay owls sitting atop each fence post in the Lower School's Kitchen Garden. In this interdisciplinary project, first-grade teachers Mary Ogden P '10, '12 and Heather Smith-Willis P '16, along with systems administrator Colleen Collins, taught the students about owls (as rodent protectors for the garden) using books, a DVD, and an iPad app. The owls were made during Lindsay Baydin's art classes.



Chinese Partner School: For the second consecutive year, Pingry hosted 12 students and a Chinese language teacher from Quzhou No. 2 High School (above, pictured in one of Pingry's sixth-grade Chinese classes) during celebrations of the Lunar New Year. At an Upper School welcome ceremony in February 2013, the teacher related that his group was touched by Pingry's Chinese decorations and felt at home, and Pingry also welcomed the New York City-based Chinese music ensemble "Melody of Dragon." In a Middle School assembly, the audience learned about signs of the Zodiac and was treated to two colorful dances—a Dragon Dance and a Lion Dance (right, featuring Pingry's seventh-grade students taking Chinese).



LeBow Oratorical Competition: Hunter Stires '15 won the annual Robert H. LeBow '58 Memorial Oratorical Competition on February 22, 2013. Taking his speech's title, "With No Loss of Enthusiasm," from a quote by Sir Winston Churchill, Hunter praised the virtues of failure. Funded in 2005 through the generosity of the Class of 1958 in memory of their classmate, the competition honors the memory of Dr. LeBow, an accomplished public speaker who spoke to audiences worldwide about the need for health care reform. Pictured: history teacher John Crowley-Delman '97, Tiffany Yu '15, David Rockoff '15, Peter Rothpletz '15, Assistant Headmaster Jon Leef P '15, '18, Hunter Stires '15, Dr. Jim Smith '58, Anna Butrico '14, Stephanie Yeh '14, and Ted Walter '58.



Moving Up Day: Fifth-grade students began their move to Middle School on June 7, 2013. Lower School Director Ted Corvino, Sr. P '94, '97, '02 congratulated the students for their hard work, teachers recognized the students' accomplishments in their disciplines, and prizes were awarded. Pictured: Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11 presenting a certificate to and shaking hands with Leah Edwards '20.



Newest Legacy Quilt: Marking their transition from Middle School to Upper School, each member of the Class of 2017 made a square to illustrate a character trait he or she stands for, such as honesty, strength, or hard work. Middle School science teacher Dr. Patricia Lowery sewed the quilt, and the eighth-grade Team Leader was Katie Dlesk.



Women in History: Second-grade students with their dolls at the annual assembly on April 5, 2013. For this popular project, all 32 students in Grade 2 selected a famous woman and researched her life story. They also performed songs written for the occasion by music teacher Patty Finn and Kindergarten teacher Judy Previti. This year's assembly was dedicated to the memory of astronaut Sally Ride (1951-2012), the first American woman in space.

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TECHNOLOGY FORWARD



WHAT HAPPENED FROM ONE YEAR TO THE NEXT?

2012

Upper School students walk into Period 1 on Wednesday, 8:15 to 8:59 a.m., carrying spiral notebooks. Period 1 meets the next day, Thursday, at the same time.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

With the beginning of the 2013-14 school year, Pingry is talking about letter days, new starting and ending times for classes, longer classes, the same class meeting at different times each day, and all students using laptops. These changes are courtesy of the long-awaited introductions of new Middle and Upper School schedules and the 1-to-1 Laptop Program in the Upper School.

Even though the new schedule and 1-to-1 program were already scheduled to be implemented this year, the importance of both initiatives was put in context by the outcomes of Pingry's recently-completed Curriculum Review, a three-year process that began in 2009 to examine the school's offerings from every perspective. This review was called for by the school's Strategic Plan and implemented by Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11. In his charge to the Curriculum Review Steering Committee, Mr. Conard describes a process that allows Pingry to "acknowledge that which we do that is exemplary," as well as articulate, "with support, changes that are warranted."

Assistant Headmaster Jon Leef P '15, '18 and History Department Chair Dr. Jim Murray served as Co-Chairs of the Steering Committee, itself consisting of Co-Chairs of seven subcommittees, which were made up of the entire Basking Ridge Campus faculty, Short Hills Campus administrators and specialists, Grade 5 teachers, and interested staff members. Surveys, research, school visits, workshops, and conferences were all part of the effort. Mr. Leef and Dr. Murray guided the co-chairs about how to approach their work, helped them compile their results, and synthesized all of the subcommittee reports into one executive summary.

"Early in the process, Mr. Conard made the decisions to define the curriculum broadly and philosophically, not just looking at the scope and sequence of courses as had been done in the past, and to involve as many people as possible. That approach resulted in a far more inclusive and thoughtful outcome," Dr. Murray says. This was Pingry's first Curriculum Review of such magnitude, although "the school has engaged in self-reflection and self-evaluation during accreditation, and teachers continually examine their own courses, departments, and programs. They also attend conferences, observe each other's classes, and visit other schools as part of professional development, so all of those activities informed their work on Curriculum Review,"

2013

Upper School students walk into Period 1 on Day A, 8:10 to 9:15 a.m., carrying laptops. Period 1 meets the next day, Day B, at 1:30 p.m.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

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Mr. Leef adds. However, nothing this ambitious and wide-ranging had been attempted. The closest Pingry had come to this degree of examination was re-making the Grade 6 curriculum for that grade's move from Short Hills to Basking Ridge.

As mentioned, the Steering Committee oversaw the subcommittees, which were divided into seven areas of focus, or "manageable chunks" in Dr. Murray's words. "The Headmaster charged us to consider anything that demands our students' time, in school or at home, on behalf of Pingry, so we tried to figure out the major issues and questions," Mr. Leef says. "For example, environmental sustainability and technology are huge issues and both could have been subcommittees. The fact that we already had a standing Technology Committee influenced our thinking, so environmental sustainability ended up as a sub-committee, while several groups addressed technology. We had to make choices to keep the process moving forward." Along with choosing those seven categories, Mr. Leef and Dr. Murray worked with the Steering Committee to develop the Outcomes Document, which Mr. Leef calls "the North Star that kept us on task for the entire process."

School visits in New Jersey and across the country, research, conferences, and workshops constituted the external work during Curriculum Review, with school visits particularly beneficial to the Time & Schedule, School Design, and Pedagogy subcommittees. "At first glance, many of the schools that we visited were fundamentally different from Pingry. Some people questioned that tactic, suggesting that we stick to schools roughly similar to Pingry, since we're not likely to make radical changes. But we wanted to go outside of our paradigm," Dr. Murray says.

Three years later, with Curriculum Review concluded, Pingry can reflect on the school-wide themes that emerged from all of the subcommittees: **depth versus breadth** (spending more time on a topic rather than trying to do more

of everything), **pace and load** (people's workloads and the pace of school life had reached critical levels), **student engagement and student-centered pedagogies** (both are key), **faculty collaboration** (teachers are enthusiastic about collaboration, but the process should be part of every teacher's Pingry experience), **innovation** (must be supported for faculty and students, especially intellectual risk-taking), and **a program geared toward the outcomes** (the school must continually evaluate its students, programs, and requirements with those outcomes in mind).

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Desired Outcomes: Portrait of a Pingry Graduate

- Creativity, Curiosity, and Initiative
- Empathy, Community, and Social Responsibility
- Communication, Collaboration, and Leadership
- Critical Thinking Problem Solving, and Adaptability
- Integrity and Truthfulness

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For implementation, Pingry has a long list of plans to consider, but the priorities are the new schedule and 1-to-1 program taking effect this fall (the Middle School joins 1-to-1 next fall), responses to depth over breadth, pace of the day, and student-centered learning. "Both the new schedule and 1-to-1 lay the foundation for the faculty to enhance their teaching strategies," says Upper School Director and math teacher Dr. Denise Brown-Allen P '13. "When we encourage students to explore ideas using technology, a 44-minute period doesn't allow enough time for hands-on activities—if every science class were 44 minutes, you couldn't do the lab work. A 65-minute period allows more time for in-class discussion, exploration, and guided practice, and, by introducing 1-to-1 at the same time, teachers know that students have access to laptops and can plan their lessons accordingly. We are

encouraging teachers to imagine their 65-minute class period as two to three mini-lessons."

This schedule is the product of a careful, thoughtful, deliberate process. Administrators and committees met weekly for more than a year to iron out details, and presentations were made to students, parents, and teachers. Under the new schedule, based on a seven-day cycle (Days A-G), four classes meet each day, and only one of those classes meets the following day. Students will have to prepare homework for fewer classes each night (Dr. Brown-Allen calls that "a quality of life improvement"), have more time in each class, meet with teachers during collaboration/flex time, and, perhaps most important, have almost no back-to-back classes. The breaks between classes will make better transitions for the brain and learning, analogous to administrators, faculty, and staff needing down time between meetings. "The schedule really slows down the pace of the day, which means *less stress [for our students],*" Dr. Brown-Allen says.

The new Middle School schedules were developed similarly to the Upper School's schedule and follow the same seven-day cycle, but contain age-appropriate differences. First and foremost are 45-minute morning classes and 60-minute afternoon classes. "Students will build up to 60-minute periods every day, reflecting shorter attention spans for younger adolescents and the idea of 'waking up for the day,'" says Middle School Director Phil Cox. Second, the time slot for Co-Curricular courses was moved up so that students will not feel as tired or physically fatigued. Third, Conference Period, which was the floating period, now comes at the end of each day when students have all of their assignments.

Mr. Cox is most excited about the longer periods. "Projects that require collaboration won't be confined to 45 minutes. Fifteen extra minutes might

Overview of New Middle and Upper School Schedules:

- Seven-day cycle, A-G
- Morning Meeting/Advisory Groups/Assemblies continue on a Monday-Friday schedule
- Classes meet at different times of the day, so teachers will see students at peak learning times
- Classes begin and end at times ending in "0" or "5"
- Break times between most classes reduce transitions from one class directly into another
- Collaboration/Flex time for science labs, meetings with teachers, or other projects

Highlights of Upper School Schedule:

- 65-minute periods (up from 44 minutes)
- Fewer classes meet each day, which means less homework each night
- Conference Period remains

Highlights of Middle School Schedules:

- 45-minute morning classes and 60-minute afternoon classes (previously, all classes were 44 minutes)
- Co-Curricular block of time is earlier in the day for Grade 6
- Conference Period ends each day for Grade 6, and Conference Period opportunities are expanded for Grades 7 and 8

Highlights of Lower School Schedule:

- Six-day cycle
- Longer class periods for Grades 4 and 5 (increased from 40 to 50 minutes)

Time and Schedule Committee Co-Chairs:

- Brad Poprik
- Dr. Patricia Lowery
- Tom Keating

Upper School Schedule

Early Lunch	Late Lunch	Day A	Day B	Day C	Day D	Day E	Day F	Day G
8:05 AM	8:05 AM	Attendance Period	Attendance Period	Attendance Period	Attendance Period	Attendance Period	Attendance Period	Attendance Period
8:30 AM	8:30 AM	1	5	2	6	3	7	4
9:15 AM	9:15 AM	Collaboration/ Flex/Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Period
9:40 AM	9:40 AM	Community Time	Monday US Meeting	Tuesday Advisory Mtg.	Wednesday Form/Dept. Mtg.	Thursday Advisory Mtg.	Friday Club Mtg.	Community Time
9:45 AM	9:45 AM	2	6	3	7	4	1	5
10:10 AM	10:10 AM	Lunch	3	Lunch	7	Lunch	4	Lunch
11:20 AM	11:20 AM	3	Lunch	7	Lunch	4	Lunch	6
11:25 AM	11:25 AM	4	1	5	2	6	3	7
11:55 AM	11:55 AM	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period
1:00 PM	1:00 PM	4	1	5	2	6	3	7
1:05 PM	1:05 PM	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period	Collaboration/ Flex/Club Period
1:30 PM	1:30 PM	2:35 PM	2:35 PM	Monday Music/ Conference Period	Tuesday Conference Period	Wednesday Music/ Conference Period	Thursday Conference Period	Friday Music/ Conference Period
2:40 PM	2:40 PM	3:30 PM	3:30 PM	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice
3:30 PM	3:30 PM	5:30 PM	5:30 PM	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice	Co-curricular/ Athletic Practice

Grades 7 and 8 Schedule

Time	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
8:05 AM	CONFERENCE PERIOD	4	1	5	2	6	3
8:50 AM	1	5	2	6	3	CONFERENCE PERIOD	4
9:45 AM	Monday Morning Meeting	Tuesday T.H. or Advisory	Wednesday T.H. or Advisory	Thursday T.H. or Advisory	Friday T.H. or Advisory		
10:10 AM	2	6	3	CONFERENCE PERIOD	4	1	5
11:00 AM							
11:05 AM	LUNCH						
11:35 AM	3	CONFERENCE PERIOD	4	1	5	2	6
12:35 PM	Flex	Flex	Flex	Flex	Flex	Flex	Flex
1:00 PM	4	1	5	2	6	3	CONFERENCE PERIOD
2:05 PM		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
2:10 PM		ATHLETICS			ATHLETICS	1/2 of STUDENTS MUSIC	ATHLETICS
2:50 PM							
2:55 PM							
3:30 PM							

Grade 6 Schedule

Time	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
8:05 AM	B-A/D/M	4	1	5	2	G-A/D/M	3
8:50 AM	G-ENM	5	2	B-A/D/M	3	B-PE	4
9:45 AM	Monday Morning Meeting	Tuesday T.H. or Advisory	Wednesday T.H. or Advisory	G-PE	Thursday T.H. or Advisory	Friday T.H. or Advisory	
10:10 AM	2	B-ENM	3	B-ENM	4	1	5
11:00 AM		G-A/D/M					
11:05 AM	LUNCH						
11:35 AM	3	B-PE	4	1	5	2	B-PE
12:35 PM	Flex	G-ENM	Flex	Flex	G-PE	Flex	B-PE
1:00 PM	4	1	5	2	B-A/D/M	3	G-PE
2:05 PM							
2:10 PM	CO-CURRICULAR						
2:50 PM	CONFERENCE PERIOD						
2:55 PM	CONFERENCE PERIOD						
3:30 PM	CONFERENCE PERIOD						

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not seem that important on a daily basis, but that change will make a *huge* difference in the cumulative time spent on a project,” he says. “Moreover, collaborative projects can be done with the teacher as a resource to answer questions and provide guidance.”

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- Curriculum Coordination
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- Health and Wellness
- How People Learn/Pedagogy
- School Design
- Time and Schedule

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Although Mr. Cox and Dr. Brown-Allen realize that the new schedules will take some initial adjustment, Dr. Brown-Allen assures everyone that the school will communicate which day people should be following and where they should be going during certain breaks. “We think we’ve thought of everything, but there will be some bumps, so we will all need to have a sense of humor and be creative,” she says.

Dr. Brown-Allen is excited that 1-to-1, for which teachers have received extensive training, will make classrooms more interactive and enable students to do real-time research in class. She uses National Public Radio (NPR) as an example. “If I hear a story on NPR that has a direct connection to what we’re studying in class, as happened recently, I can e-mail the link to my students so we can review the content together, rather than me having to rush to print and distribute the article,” she says. As she did last school year, Dr. Brown-Allen gave her students the option to purchase an e-book or textbook; she anticipates more students will use e-books in a 1-to-1 environment.

With the new schedule taking effect, the school community has tangible evidence of the importance of Curriculum Review, as noted by Board of Trustees Chair Jack Brescher ‘65, P ‘99 at Commencement in June 2013; his recognition of Mr. Leef and Dr. Murray as recipients of The Cyril and Beatrice Baldwin Pingry Family Citizen of the Year Award is fitting, given their three years of commitment and oversight. “It was a behemoth of a process, but, thanks to the enthusiasm and stamina of our colleagues, we managed to bring the thing to a successful conclusion. I loved working with the Steering Committee and found it incredibly rewarding to collaborate with Jon on writing the final report and on bringing everything together—by doing so, our colleagues’ efforts will produce meaningful action,” Dr. Murray says.

As Mr. Leef points out, teachers and the school’s leadership make small and big decisions every day, week, and year. The lasting impact of Curriculum Review is that it has informed numerous decisions and will continue to do so. “I truly enjoyed working with the members of the Steering Committee. These folks were enthusiastic about the process and about Pingry. They were incredibly optimistic throughout the process, despite the various challenges that we confronted. I also enjoyed getting to speak with faculty, coaches, students, and young alumni about their experiences at Pingry. Hearing the personal stories and reflections was fascinating, enlightening, and inspiring.” He adds with a laugh, “Dr. Murray and I were royal pains at times, but we weren’t burned in effigy!”

In the coming months, it will be intriguing to hear the students’ and teachers’ perspectives on the new schedule and 1-to-1...stay tuned! 🎧



Board of Trustees Chair Jack Brescher ‘65, P ‘99 (left) presented **The Cyril and Beatrice Baldwin Pingry Family Citizen of the Year Award** at Commencement on June 9, 2013. It is given to members of the Pingry family who, in rendering meritorious service to the community, have demonstrated those qualities of responsible citizenship that Pingry aspires to instill in all of those associated with the school. For three years, Assistant Headmaster Jon Leef P ‘15, ‘18 (top) and History Department Chair Dr. Jim Murray (bottom) served as Co-Chairs of Pingry’s Curriculum Review. They are pictured with Headmaster Nat Conard P ‘09, ‘11.

Students Teaching Students about Society, Values, and Issues Why John H. Scully '62 Dedicates Support to Financial Aid

"We all learn from each other. A broad mix of students from differing socio-economic backgrounds educates each other in so many ways," says John H. Scully '62, who has been supporting financial aid at Pingry for over 15 years.



John H. Scully '62 continues to provide educational opportunities to economically-disadvantaged students.

From his perspective, Pingry's student population barely included different cultures or economic backgrounds during his five years at the school. "Most of the students lived in good homes in good areas," he recalls. Mr. Scully has been doing his part to change Pingry's capacity to admit students from diverse backgrounds ever since former headmaster John Hanly reached out to him in the late 1980s. "Mr. Hanly wanted my advice about building Pingry's endowment, which prompted me to start thinking about Pingry's contributions to my life—outstanding teachers who created intellectual curiosity, and a value structure that emphasized giving back to others who are less fortunate," Mr. Scully says.

In the late 1990s, he began to make gifts to bring underserved students to Pingry, helping to establish The Neha Pathak '98 SEEDS Scholarship Endowment Fund (named for the first SEEDS Scholar to graduate from Pingry), and fully funding The Edward W. Cissel '39 SEEDS

Endowment Fund (named for the former assistant headmaster who sparked Mr. Scully's interests in math and finance). His newest gifts to financial aid extend those earlier efforts, endowing two full-tuition scholarships for economically-disadvantaged, preferably African-American, students. "I had previously committed to annual gifts so that up to three students who needed complete aid could get it. Then as the financial markets improved, I was planning to make gifts to permanently endow two scholarships to fully fund two students in perpetuity," Mr. Scully says.

As he talks about the timing of his gifts, Mr. Scully expresses concern about the future. "The problem of enabling these students to attend Pingry is probably getting worse. Expenses across the board are going up at a higher rate, including tuition, and Pingry needs to be able to embrace other demographics. Less-fortunate students gain so much from a Pingry education, and those who are more fortunate learn about the full matrix of American society—important cultural and societal themes to which they would otherwise not gain exposure. Students educate each other at the same time that they're getting an education from this wonderful school."

With its emphasis on global citizenship and creating a student body that is more inclusive of other cultures, Pingry is making strides in this direction. "I am encouraged by the current administration's views on this subject," Mr. Scully says, "and the fact that they're building an endowment to reach beyond the school's typical socio-economic borders."

The recipient of the Pingry Alumni Association's Letter-in-Life Award in

1999, Mr. Scully is co-founder and a managing director of SPO Partners & Co., a private investment firm in California. He is a strong supporter of education, including his other alma maters Princeton University and Stanford University, and another of his passions is the Making Waves Education Program, which he co-founded in 1989 with the late Rev. Eugene Farlough, an African-American minister in Richmond, California. 🍷

"With John's gift, we moved the needle on financial aid, and, over the past eight years, we nearly doubled the percentage of the student body on financial aid from approximately 8 percent to 15 percent... this is a significant achievement in which he has played a pivotal role."

- Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11

Mr. Scully has generously provided one of the first major gifts for financial aid, yet we must continue to move the program forward to ensure that Pingry not only attracts the best and brightest students, but is able to accept them regardless of their socio-economic backgrounds. For more information about the ways you can support financial aid at Pingry, please contact Director of Institutional Advancement Melanie Hoffmann P '20, '26 at (908) 647-7058 or mhoffmann@pingry.org.

Class of 2013 Graduates in 152nd Commencement Ceremony



One-hundred-thirty-one members of the Class of 2013 received their diplomas during Commencement on June 9, 2013. Pingry teachers, trustees, and the graduates' families attended the ceremony on the Basking Ridge Campus.



Claire Chen '13, Yumi Casagrande '13, and Pingry's other newest alumni being congratulated by the faculty.



Conor Malloy '13 and Will LaCosta '13.

Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11 presented the **Magistri Laudandi Award** and **The Class of 1902 Emblem Award**



Sonalika Reddi '13—Magistri Laudandi Award, for being the student who cares the most about helping others succeed.



Caroline Murphy '13—The Class of 1902 Emblem Award, for having the most school spirit.



Daniel Allen, Upper School Director Dr. Denise Brown-Allen P '13, Dorian Allen '13, and Douglas Allen P '13.



Jordan Homer '07 and Harrison Homer '13.



Monica Toomey P '13, '19 and Ryan Toomey '13.



Amanda Flugstad-Clarke '11, Anne Flugstad-Clarke, Stuart Clarke (Parents '11, '13, '18), Henry Flugstad-Clarke '13, Mitchell Flugstad-Clarke '18, Ingeborg Flugstad, and Tore Flugstad (GP '11, '13, '18).

Colleges Attended by the Class of 2013

- Babson College (1)
- Barnard College (1)
- Bates College (2)
- Boston College (2)
- Bowdoin College (2)
- Brown University (2)
- Bucknell University (2)
- Carnegie Mellon University (1)
- Colgate University (2)
- The College of New Jersey (2)
- Columbia University (4)
- Cornell University (1)
- Dartmouth College (2)
- Davidson College (1)
- Dickinson College (1)
- Duke University (3)
- Elon University (1)
- Franklin & Marshall College (1)
- George Washington University (1)
- Georgetown University (4)
- Georgia Institute of Technology (1)
- Hamilton College (2)
- Harvard College (5)
- Haverford College (1)
- Hobart and William Smith Colleges (4)
- Howard University (3)
- Johns Hopkins University (1)
- Lafayette College (2)
- Lehigh University (4)
- Macalester College (1)
- Middlebury College (2)
- Muhlenberg College (1)
- Northeastern University (1)
- Northwestern University (4)
- Princeton University (5)
- Sarah Lawrence College (1)
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago (1)
- Skidmore College (1)
- Stanford University (3)
- Stevens Institute of Technology (1)
- Swarthmore College (3)
- Syracuse University (1)
- Tufts University (5)
- Union College (1)
- United States Naval Academy (1)
- University of California at Berkeley (2)
- University of California at Los Angeles (1)
- University of Chicago (3)
- University of Delaware (1)
- University of New Hampshire (1)
- University of Pennsylvania (4)
- University of Richmond (2)
- University of Southern California (2)
- University of Virginia (1)
- Ursinus College (1)
- Vanderbilt University (4)
- Vassar College (1)
- Villanova University (3)
- Wake Forest University (2)
- Washington and Lee University (2)
- Wellesley College (1)
- Wesleyan University (2)
- Williams College (2)
- Yale University (3)
- Gap Year (3)

*Totals as of June 6, 2013



Former trustee Harriet Perlmutter-Pilchik P '76, '79, '80, GP '11, '13, Emily Kamen '13, and Trustee Genesis Perlmutter Kamen '79, P '11, '13.



Valedictorian Sophia Feng '13, Spanish teacher Victor Nazario P '90, '94, Katherine Ruesterholz '13, and Amanda Haik '13.



Brad Fechter '05, Matt Fechter '09, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving David M. Fahey '99, and Christian Fechter '13.



Joy Dellapina P '13, Andrew Dellapina '13, John Dellapina P '13, and Abby Dellapina.



The 13-Year Club (members of the Class of 2013 who attended Pingry for 13 years). First row: Mikell Graves, Alexandra Welch, Katherine Axtell, Lisa Ulker, Hayley Advokat, Vinita Davey, Lauren Devito, Margaret Siesta, Nicole Witte, and Brigid Bruno. Second row: Lower School Director Ted Corvino, Sr. P '94, '97, '02, Daniel Muro, Billy Porges, Andrew Benito, Cole McCollum, Stephen Rienzi, George Pye, Ben Behrman, Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11, and Upper School Director Dr. Denise Brown-Allen P '13 (not pictured: Mac Hugin and Alec Kaisand).



Jonathan Wilf '02, Rachel Wilf, Elana Wilf Tanzman '04, Brett Tanzman, Zygmunt Wilf P '02, '04, '13, Stephanie Wilf '13, Trustee and Campaign Co-Chair Audrey Wilf P '02, '04, '13, Jason Wilf, Cori Wilf, and Marilyn Schwartz GP '02, '04, '13.



Legacy Families (members of the Class of 2013 with their parents or grandparents who graduated from Pingry). First row: Peter Jasper '51, GP '05, '09, '13, Christian Fechter '13, Allison Feman Haltmaier '80, P '11, '13, Benjamin Haltmaier '13, Nancy Kalkin '82, P '13, '15, '19, Graham Miller '13, Emily Kamen '13, and Trustee Genesis Perlmutter Kamen '79, P '11, '13. Second row: James Gensch '83, P '13, Cameron Gensch '13, Justin Trousdale '13, Mary Lee Donahue Trousdale '78, P '08, '13, Alexandra Welch '13, former trustee Susan Barba Welch '77, P '06, '09, '11, '13, Tim Landers '13, and Robert O'Brien '53, GP '13. Third row: Harrison Homer '13, Dr. Stuart Homer '70, P '07, '11, '13, Thomas Witte '83, P '13, '16, Nicole Witte '13, John Thomas '48, P '88, GP '13, '15, Katherine Thomas '13, Brandon Chow '13, and Dr. Matthew Chow '81, P '13, '16.

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The Class of 2013 proudly sporting their new college gear.



Jazmin Palmer '16, Julie Palmer P '13, '16, '22, Adam Palmer '13, Ashleigh Palmer P '13, '16, '22, and Willow Palmer '22.



Vincent Lima, Maureen Lima (GP '13, '17, '19), Vincent Lima, Beth Lima (Parents '13, '17, '19), Rachel Lima '13, Vincent Lima, and Ina Grossman GP '13, '17, '19.



Steven Sun '13 and Michael O'Reilly '13.



Robbie Hugin '11, Trustee Kathleen Hugin P '11, '13, Emma Hugin GP '11, '13, Class President Mac Hugin '13, Bob Hugin P '11, '13, and Hilary Hugin.



Thomas Witte '83, P '13, '16, Christopher Witte '16, Arnold Witte P '78, '82, '83, '88, '94, GP '13, '16, Nicole Witte '13, former trustee and former PSPA President Noreen Witte P '13, '16, James Gillen, Nora Gillen (GP '13, '16), and Patricia Magee.



Julia Axtell '16, Susan Axtell, and Katherine Axtell '13.



Hanna Beattie '13, faculty member and Boys' Varsity Ice Hockey Head Coach John Magadini, and Matt Beattie '11.



Dr. Jeannete Greer P '13, '14, '17, Leah Greer '13, and Edward Greer, Jr. P '13, '14, '17.



Diana SanAntonio P '13, Danielle Sedillo '13, and Thomas Sedillo P '13.



Student Body President David Soled '13, Alexis Soled P '13, Lauren Soled, Samantha Soled, and Leonard Soled P '13.



Steve Van Besien, Wendy Van Besien (Parents '13), Jess Van Besien, and Lexi Van Besien '13.



Sarah Mullery '13, Temilayo Butler '13, Hayley Advokat '13, Justin Sullivan '13, and Gianna Arata '15.



Ben Berhman '13, Jordan Flannery '13, Ayesha Saksena '13, Stephen Friedman '13, and Ellis Flannery '13.

Wrestler Ellis Flannery '13 Receives 2013 Stifel Award



Jordan Flannery '13, Trustee Henry Stifel '83, Ellis Flannery '13, Ingrid Flannery, Henry Flannery '15, and Simon Flannery.

As he enters college this fall, Ellis Flannery '13 can reflect on quite a list of achievements. Johns Hopkins University is welcoming him to its freshman class and wrestling program, having offered him early admission. He is an AP Scholar with Distinction. In his senior wrestling season at Pingry, he was 21-8, advanced to the finals in the first four tournaments that he entered, became Pingry's first back-to-back region qualifier since 2006, and won the Michael Jupka, Jr. '76 Wrestling Award. Ellis was also a recipient of the Class of '26 Reese Williams Award, given to a senior who has attended Pingry for at least four years and has shown the greatest improvement in athletics, perhaps over a serious disability.

"What Ellis has done is definitely inspiring to other wrestlers," says Varsity Wrestling Head Coach Mark Facciani. "He had a modest beginning in the sport in Grade 8, but then developed great movements, timing, and balance. His 'turn-around moment' was a pivotal win during the Somerset County Tournament in his junior year, when he defeated an opponent he thought was unbeatable."

These outstanding accomplishments are even more impressive considering that Ellis has achieved them despite the loss of an eye. When he was 15 months old, it was discovered that Ellis had a rare cancer: bilateral retinoblastoma. His left eye had to be removed, leaving his vision permanently impaired. Ellis not only learned to live with this challenge, but also rose above it on every occasion. According to English teacher Tom Keating, Ellis feels that his life is no

more difficult than anyone else's. "He is bright, funny, intellectually curious, sensitive, and sincere, exactly the kind of student and person we at Pingry want to send out into the adult world," Mr. Keating says.

Ellis is certainly deserving of such an inspiring award. Part of the Stifel Award description reads, "It shall be

awarded to the person who best exemplifies those characteristics exhibited by Henry G. Stifel III in the aftermath of his accident and spinal injury: courage, endurance, optimism, compassion, and spirit." Trustee Henry Stifel '83, for whom the award is named, was paralyzed in an automobile accident in his junior year at Pingry. He is Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation (originally the Stifel Paralysis Research Foundation), dedicated to curing spinal cord injury by funding research and improving the quality of life for people living with paralysis.

Mr. Stifel returned to the Basking Ridge Campus on April 8, 2013, to present the award; established in 1984, the Stifel Award offers a unique opportunity to single out a special person who might otherwise not be recognized. In his remarks, Mr. Stifel described some of his own challenges and progress made by the foundation. "It is humbling to have my name attached to an award that is given to such awe-inspiring people," he said. "These are people who recognize what they have to do to embrace life." 🍀

Mr. Stifel attended Pingry for 13 years (including four years at Short Hills Country Day School, where he entered pre-Kindergarten in 1970). He works in Manhattan for Morgan Stanley.



Ellis Flannery '13 in a match during the 2012-13 season.

Faculty Awards

Knowing that a strong faculty is key to the school's reputation for excellence and honor, Pingry places a high value on the professional development of its teachers. The school provides opportunities for its faculty to attend conferences and workshops, make educational trips, pursue advanced degrees, conduct research, and learn skills to enhance their current courses or develop new ones, among other professional growth activities. Faculty members are also recognized for making significant contributions to the school. The following endowed awards were presented to teachers in June 2013 or renewed for the current holders.

The Albert W. Booth Chair for Master Teachers

ESTABLISHED IN 1993 TO HONOR ONE OF PINGRY'S BELOVED MASTER TEACHERS, ALBERT "ALBIE" BOOTH, WHOSE PINGRY CAREER SPANNED 64 YEARS.

This award is given to a faculty member from any department who has taught at Pingry for at least five years and reflects those qualities of honor, integrity, idealism, dedication to students, and reverence for scholarship which defined Mr. Booth's life and work.

2013 – 2014

JUDITH L. LEBOWITZ, ENGLISH
(UPPER SCHOOL)

2013 – 2014

MARY W. OGDEN, GRADE 1
(LOWER SCHOOL)

The David B. Buffum History Chair

FIRST AWARDED IN JUNE 2005 TO HONOR DAVID B. BUFFUM, WHO TAUGHT AND INFLUENCED A GENERATION OF PINGRY STUDENTS.

This chair is awarded to an outstanding faculty member in the Pingry History Department who embodies Mr. Buffum's dedication to and love of education and history at Pingry.

2013 – 2016

JOHN P. CROWLEY-DELMAN '97,
HISTORY (UPPER SCHOOL)

The Edward G. Engel '33 Chair for Mathematics and Science

PINGRY'S FIRST ENDOWED CHAIR, ESTABLISHED IN 1983 IN HONOR OF "EDDIE" ENGEL, THE CLASS "MATHEMATICAL AND SCIENTIFIC GENIUS" WHO PARTICIPATED IN EVERYTHING FROM MUSIC TO SOCCER.

This award is given to a faculty member in the mathematics or science department who has taught at Pingry for at least five years and made a significant contribution to the life of the school outside the classroom.

2011 – 2014

DR. PATRICIA A. LOWERY, SCIENCE
(MIDDLE SCHOOL)

The Woodruff J. English '27 Faculty Award

ESTABLISHED IN 1996 IN HONOR OF WOODRUFF J. ENGLISH '27

This award recognizes teachers who instill in their students the love of learning and commitment to living the ideals of the Honor Code.

2013 – 2014

KENNEDY M. BUCKLEY, GRADE 4
(LOWER SCHOOL)

2013 – 2014

TIMOTHY P. LEAR '92, ENGLISH/
DIRECTOR OF COLLEGE COUNSELING
(UPPER SCHOOL)

The Herbert F. Hahn Junior Faculty Award

ESTABLISHED IN 1993, THIS AWARD IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THIS MASTER TEACHER TO RECOGNIZE TEACHERS WHO BEST PERSONIFY THE PINGRY PHILOSOPHY.

This award is given to encourage young, experienced teachers to stay in teaching and recognizes good teaching and successful involvement in multiple extracurricular responsibilities.

2013 – 2014

KATHERINE H. DLESK, HISTORY
(MIDDLE SCHOOL)

2013 – 2014

SONA A. MEHTA, KINDERGARTEN
(LOWER SCHOOL)

The E. Murray Todd Faculty Chair

ESTABLISHED IN 1989

This award is given to a faculty member from any department who has taught at Pingry for at least five years and who has shown extraordinary dedication to our students.

2013 – 2016

VICTOR A. NAZARIO, SPANISH
(UPPER SCHOOL)

The Norman B. Tomlinson, Jr. '44 Chair for History and Literature

ESTABLISHED IN 1989

This award is given to a faculty member in the humanities who has taught at Pingry for at least five years and made a significant contribution to the life of the school outside the classroom.

2011 – 2014

ALBERT C. ROMANO, DRAMA
(UPPER SCHOOL)

James P. Whitlock, Jr. '60 Faculty Development Fund for Science, Mathematics, and Technology

ESTABLISHED IN 2005 AND FIRST AWARDED IN JUNE 2007

This award recognizes outstanding teachers in the disciplines of natural sciences, mathematics, and technology.

2013 – 2014

KELLE S. LEONHARD, MATHEMATICS
(UPPER SCHOOL)

The Senior Class Faculty Chair

ESTABLISHED IN 1997 AND FIRST AWARDED IN JUNE 2007

This award was established to honor a distinguished teacher and provide a stipend for professional and curricular development in his/her discipline.

2013 – 2014

BRADFORD J. POPRIK, MATHEMATICS
(UPPER SCHOOL)

Arts and Language Teachers Inducted into the Magistri

The Magistri Maxime Laudandi (“Masters Most Greatly to be Praised”) recognizes faculty members who have devoted themselves to Pingry for 25 years or more. Four teachers who came to Pingry in 1988 are in the company of 79 other faculty members, including Dr. Pingry, who achieved this milestone. Year after year, class after class, they have shared their talents, knowledge, and love of learning with hundreds of students. Many alumni learned from these teachers during their time at Pingry.

Rich Freiwald P '03



Fine arts teacher Rich Freiwald P '03 preparing new luster glazed pieces for the American Art Pottery Association exhibit at the Stella Pier show of Art and Antiques in Manhattan in March 2013.

Pingry's hallways often contain displays of beautifully-made ceramics and sculptures that might easily be found in a fine retail store or gallery, yet they are the work of high school students, guided by fine arts teacher Rich Freiwald P '03.

“I like having the opportunity to teach students for several years at Pingry. That relationship grows along with the students' artistic abilities,” he says. Mr. Freiwald wears a ceramics apron around Pingry, hinting at the hands-on work in his 3-D studio given to Pingry by the Johnson family (Jamie Johnson '98 took his class for three years). That studio was “the nicest honor ever bestowed in my name,” he says. His teaching was enhanced by the donations of the Flowerman Family Kiln and the Westerhold Family Kiln Building.

“Mr. Freiwald is an incredible teacher and a wonderful man who enabled me to develop a passion for ceramics. I probably would not have pursued a

career in fine arts if it were not for ‘Frei guy,’” says former student Robert Siegel '01, who operates a successful business, Robert Siegel Studio, that produces fine bespoke porcelain for the home and table.

Mr. Freiwald's many accomplishments include...

- B.A. from Montclair State University and M.F.A. from Rutgers University.
- Has taught Photography, Clayworking, Graphics, Art Fundamentals, and Glassblowing; and introduced Ceramic Sculpture (became Metal Sculpture) and Jewelry and Metal Working (became Metal Working).
- Spent over 11 years printing photos for the *Blue Book*, was a club advisor for “Potters for Peace” and the “Make a Wish Foundation,” and taught extra sections of his classes due to their popularity.
- The Albert W. Booth Chair for Master Teachers (2012), E. Murray Todd Faculty Chair (2001), and Herbert F. Hahn Junior Faculty Award (1999).
- National Endowment for the Arts/ Council for Basic Education Grant for introducing interdisciplinary teaching in art and chemistry; Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation grant for “the capacity to encourage students to create their own art” and for consistently having the highest quality of student works accepted and win awards in “Fresh Perspectives” at the Morris Museum.
- Ceramist whose work has been widely-exhibited in New Jersey and New York and around the world.
- Web sites are freiwaldartpottery.com and richardfreiwald.com.

Kelly Jordan P '04, '06

French teacher and American Field Service (AFS) Advisor Kelly Jordan P '04, '06 went back-and-forth—literally—before arriving at Pingry. She lived in



French teacher and AFS Advisor Kelly Jordan P '04, '06.

France until age 22 and earned a B.A. in English at Université d'Aix-Marseille, where she received a scholarship to study in the U.S. and become a teaching assistant at The University of Iowa.

Madame Jordan returned to France to finish a master's in American Culture and Civilization, then came back to the U.S. for a teaching assistantship at Rutgers University, where she also pursued a master's degree in French literature. Later, while she was working for a bilingual personnel agency in Manhattan, Pingry happened to be looking for a French teacher.

Over 25 years, she has taught French in the Middle and Upper Schools, as well as Spanish I. She also advises the French Club, AFS Club, and French section of *Polyglot* (Pingry's modern and classical languages magazine), and coordinates the trip to France and Pingry students taking the National French Contest.

AFS Advisor since 1994, Madame Jordan works tirelessly to find Pingry families who are interested in hosting AFS students. “I have tremendous admiration for the families who open their homes to a stranger for a year and treat him or her like a family member,” she says. “I mentor the students while they're at Pingry, and I share details of their cultures with my classes so that Pingry students can benefit from their visits.” Read about Pingry's 2013 AFS award on page 25.

Tom Keating



English teacher Tom Keating conversing with students at his "office" in the Upper Commons—some students stay for a while, while others stop by for a quick conversation. Pictured with him are Stephanie Yeh '14, Brian Li '13, and Koryna O'Besso '14.

Even more than standing in front of the classroom, English teacher Tom Keating loves to get to know students better and share culture with them. Over 20 years ago, he moved his office from the English department to the Upper Commons. "I get to see scores of students I don't teach, and I'm in the heart of the action," he says.

His Cultural Literacy Test for students covers "things people should know about our culture. It is trivia with the additional purpose of inspiring students to become more cultural," he explains. Similarly, his Biographical Data Sheet for students, with questions about their interests and cultural activities, establishes an atmosphere of caring between student and teacher.

Mr. Keating's abilities to engage and energize students are described by former student Joshua Kazam '95: "Mr. Keating has been one of the most thoughtful, interesting, and thought-provoking people I have ever met. In my mind, that is exactly what makes a great teacher. He is one of Pingry's greatest assets."

Teaching English suits Mr. Keating perfectly. "I love to work with students on their writing, and I try to inspire mutual loves of great literature and the language itself," he says. "I've been allowed to bring my own understanding of literature, my personality, and my instincts into the classroom. At Pingry, I could become the teacher I want to be."

Mr. Keating's many accomplishments include...

- B.A. in English and history from Bucknell University and M.A. from Columbia University; taught both subjects at The Park School in Baltimore before joining Pingry.
- The Albert W. Booth Chair for Master Teachers (2006), The Norman B. Tomlinson, Jr. '44 Chair for History and Literature (2002), and Herbert F. Hahn Junior Faculty Award (1993).
- Has taught American Literature, Freedom (studying freedom from multiple perspectives, similar to a freshman seminar in college), Ethical Dilemma, American Perspectives, and Shakespeare. Advises the art and literary magazine *Calliope* and has coached Middle School wrestling and boys' basketball, JV girls' soccer, and varsity wrestling and track.
- Each year, for six weeks following Spring Break, teaches hour-long early morning preparatory sessions for students taking the AP English Literature and AP English Language exams. Students are well-prepared for these exams as a result of Mr. Keating's sessions, with a high percentage earning the top scores of 4 and 5.

Al Romano

A tribute to Drama Department Chair Al Romano is a tribute to the school's drama program, which, 25 years ago, consisted of the fall play and winter musical. "A seismic change was [former headmaster] John Hanly establishing the arts as a significant part of a Pingry education," Mr. Romano declares.

Mr. Hanly knew Mr. Romano from their time together at Trinity School in Manhattan, where Mr. Romano wanted to lead the drama program. When Mr. Hanly came to Pingry, so did Mr. Romano, who initially taught Creative Dramatics, Acting, Play Production, and Playwriting (the latter with one student). "I learned a valuable lesson from John Hanly. If you want to start something, you must wait for growth. He valued the addition of drama and understood that we wouldn't have full classes every year," Mr. Romano explains.



Drama Department Chair Al Romano with the cast of the 2013 Drama IV Spring Play, *The Nerd*. Front row: Michael Ketchum '13, Nicole Arata '13, Caroline Murphy '13, and Ben Behrman '13. Back row: Billy Porges '13 and Sam Ricciardi '13.

Within a year of Mr. Romano coming to Pingry, Mr. Hanly notes, "Al had established himself and his vision so effectively that the drama department was quickly seen as one of the jewels in the school's crown. He convinced the community of the importance, the power, and the effect of theater."

Today, the Fall Play, Winter Musical, Spring Play, Middle School Musical, DramaFest, and Drama IV Spring Play have large casts and often play to sold-out audiences. Thanks to Mr. Romano, Pingry's actors and audience members learn other people's stories. "That's why we choose the plays we do, like *The Laramie Project*," he explains. "We have culture with Shakespeare and Chekhov, and we do great American plays. That variety gives students opportunities to be creative in different genres."

Mr. Romano's many accomplishments include...

- B.A. from Villanova University and M.A. from the University of Rochester.
- Former English teacher who minored in theater at Villanova University.
- Princeton University Distinguished Secondary School Teaching Award.
- The Norman B. Tomlinson, Jr. '44 Chair for History and Literature (2011) and The Albert W. Booth Chair for Master Teachers (2000). 🍷

Saying Farewell to Faculty and Staff



Lower School teacher **Susanne H. Alford P '92, '95** retired after 30 years at Pingry. She joined the school when

Grade 5 transitioned to departmentalization. While she was teaching English and colleague Joan Pearlman was teaching reading, they realized that English and reading could not be considered separate subjects, so they collaborated on a comprehensive language arts program (English, reading, spelling, and vocabulary) that continued for over 25 years. After Grade 6 moved to the Basking Ridge Campus in 2007, they created and have team-taught a study skills course for fifth-grade students. Mrs. Alford has relished the latitude given to faculty in designing, tailoring, and expanding the curriculum.

Mrs. Alford received a Summer Faculty Fellowship (1993), The Herbert F. Hahn Junior Faculty Award (2000), and The Albert W. Booth Chair for Master Teachers (2004), and was inducted into the *Magistri Maxime Laudandi* (2008). She also served on various committees, including the Sunshine Committee, Space Utilization Committee for Short Hills (co-chair), Faculty and Staff Pingry Annual Fund in 2006 (Co-Chair), Admission Committee, Curriculum Review Time and Schedule Sub-Committee, Sesquicentennial Academic Committee, and Sesquicentennial Gala Committee.

Those on the Short Hills Campus between 1997 and 2009 remember Porterhouse, Mrs. Alford's 100-pound black Labrador who accompanied her to school once a week; his calm and gentle demeanor had a special impact on hundreds of children and adults.

What is she going to do now that the "R" word has entered her vocabulary? She says the possibilities are endless, but splitting time between Summit and Vero Beach, Florida, and spending fun

times with husband Bryant, children Jonathan Alford '92 and Stuart Alford '95, four grandchildren, and friends, in addition to becoming involved in new volunteer opportunities and playing tennis, are at the top of her list. Mrs. Alford would like to stay in touch with former students, colleagues, and parents. She can be reached at alfordsha@gmail.com.



Director of Global Programs **Sara Boisvert** joined Choate Rosemary Hall in Wallingford, Connecticut as Director of Global

Programs. At Pingry, Ms. Boisvert served in the position since 2009 and simultaneously served as Interim Director of Admission in 2009-10 (not a new experience, since she had been Pingry's Director of Admission from 2001 to 2007, before leaving to volunteer at an orphanage in Tanzania).

Among her many activities at Pingry, she helped create and coordinate service learning trips to China, Costa Rica, Hawaii, and South Africa, as well as faculty service trips to Egypt and Honduras; helped add Chinese and Spanish language and culture trips; helped create the first month-long wilderness trip to Idaho and Wyoming; assisted with visiting students and faculty from Guatemala, Senegal, and Pingry's partner school in China; helped facilitate Pingry's grant from the Hanban-Asia Society Confucius Classrooms Network, which expanded the Chinese language program; and facilitated students' participation in semester and year away programs. Ms. Boisvert was also Co-Chair of the Curriculum Review's Environmental Sustainability Committee and was an assistant coach for the Girls' Varsity Basketball Team.



Middle School teacher (History 7) **Alexandra Brinkman-Young** is teaching Middle School Humanities at

Avenues: The World School, an independent school that opened in 2012 in Manhattan. During the 2012-13 school year at Pingry, she was also Assistant Director for the Middle School Musical.



Lower School science teacher (K-3) **Mary Lou Cilli P '88** retired after 30 years at Pingry. She plans to travel with her husband John, and spend

the summers at their home on the Jersey Shore. They also plan to spend winters in Florida. She will continue to volunteer with organizations that assist children with learning disabilities.

Mrs. Cilli engaged and challenged her students with hands-on science activities, such as observing mealworms turning into beetles, watching caterpillars emerging as butterflies, and seeing chicks hatch from eggs. She used the Short Hills Campus to introduce students to tree identification and bird watching. One of the highlights of the Kindergarten program was tapping the campus maple tree, making maple syrup, and enjoying an annual pancake breakfast. She also involved the children in after-school enrichment classes to further increase their love of science. Courses included Rock Hounds, Science in the Kitchen, Young Explorers, Digging into Dinosaurs, and Bird Watching.

Mrs. Cilli was inducted into the *Magistri Maxime Laudandi* (2008), received The Herbert F. Hahn Junior Faculty Award (1994), and was awarded two Summer Faculty Fellowships

(1996 and 2004), one of which enabled her to research the rainforest in Costa Rica. She served on many committees, such as the Admission Committee, Sunshine Committee, and several curriculum committees, and is a member of NSTA (National Science Teachers Association) and NJSTA (New Jersey Science Teachers Association). Mrs. Cilli has two children, John Cilli and Lisa Cilli Ligos '88, and five grandchildren. "I have been very fortunate to have worked in such an exceptional school, and I will, above all, miss the children," she says.

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Assistant to the Director of Institutional Advancement **Sarah Crofts**, a member of Pingry's staff since 2011, is teaching middle

school science at The Pennington School in Pennington, New Jersey.

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Basking Ridge Campus permanent substitute **Elliot Faust** is working in Admissions and coaching at The Gunnery in

Washington, Connecticut. During his year at Pingry, he coached varsity and JV football, Middle School basketball, and JV baseball; assisted with the Quiz Bowl when the team won the national championship; and taught economics.

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Lower School Admission Associate **Connie Fayen P '90, '02** retired after 25 years at Pingry. She spent her first 11 years as the

Lower School Library Assistant, when the library switched from a physical

card catalog to an online card catalog—a huge undertaking that involved coordinating volunteers to apply bar codes to thousands of books, and learning the new computer search methods and check-out/-in system.

In 1999, Mrs. Fayen moved to the Admission Office, which also switched to a new database. For 14 years, she enjoyed introducing families to Pingry and welcoming them into the community at the conclusion of the admission process. She will miss the energy and enthusiasm of young children at the Lower School, but looks forward to spending time traveling with her husband Fred Fayen P '90, '02, who taught at Pingry for 45 years and retired in 2008; spending time with their daughters Blake (Fayen) Hargrave '90 and Julie Fayen '02; visiting other family and friends; and being involved in the community.

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Chemistry teacher **Amy Greenleaf** moved to Connecticut, where her husband joined the faculty of Quinnipiac University's

Engineering Department. A member of Pingry's faculty since 2000, she also spent about eight years taking pictures for the *Blue Book*.

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Major Gifts Officer **David Greig '98** moved to Australia to attend the Australian Graduate School of Management (partner school of

NYU's Stern School of Business) at the University of New South Wales. He is finishing an M.B.A. with specializations in Strategy & Leadership and Change. After graduate school, he plans to continue working in education. Mr. Greig was a member of Pingry's staff since 2008 and a science teacher from 2004 to 2006.

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Middle School science teacher (Grades 7 and 8) **Arlene Jangaard** moved to Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. She joined the

faculty in 1997 after serving as a project manager and developing interactive exhibits at a number of large science museums and zoos (for example, she managed the creation of the Environment Floor at Liberty Science Center, and she did similar work at the American Museum of Natural History, The Franklin Institute, and the Philadelphia Zoo). Ms. Jangaard, whose career focus has been instilling in students a love of science, continued the same spirit of fun with her students at Pingry, giving them hands-on, interactive projects. In addition to her classroom work, Ms. Jangaard served on the Technology and Diversity Committees.

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Upper School counselor and Peer Leadership advisor **Pat Lionetti P '85, '88, '89** retired after a 36-year Pingry career; a licensed clinical

social worker, she will continue her psychotherapy practice in Basking Ridge with long-time colleague Dr. Michael Richardson P '86, who retired from Pingry last year. Mrs. Lionetti joined Pingry in 1976 as a substitute English teacher and became a full-time English teacher in 1977.

Initially, she taught Linguistics (history and structure of foreign languages) and English 8 in the Middle School, then added English 9 and 10 and three English electives for juniors and seniors: Utopia, Sensitive Hero, and Greek Tragedy. Upon becoming advisor to *The Pingry Record* (1979 to 1990), Mrs. Lionetti created another English elective, Journalism. While it

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was open to any juniors and seniors, she particularly had in mind students who were on the staff of, or interested in joining, the *Record*.

“Very few students who were involved with the newspaper had any real training in producing a newspaper,” she explains. As its final project, the Journalism class produced its own issue of the *Record*, separate from regular *Records* that were published around it. “The overlap sounds complicated, but it really worked!” Mrs. Lionetti says with a laugh. The *Record* received many awards for Excellence in Journalism from Columbia University’s Scholastic Press Association.

Teaching English continued until 1993, when she stopped because of her new focuses on teaching psychology and counseling students. Dr. Richardson had been teaching a Cultural Studies course (sociology, anthropology, and psychology) that became a full-year psychology class due to student interest. Since Mrs. Lionetti was pursuing master’s degrees in Counseling Psychology and later in Social Work, she agreed to teach a section of psychology in 1989, and then enrollment continued to increase. Mrs. Lionetti welcomed the change. “I was becoming more interested in the ‘psychology’ aspects of English than the ‘English’ aspects of English, things like character motivations and behaviors,” she says, reflecting on the four years of overlap between both subjects.

Mrs. Lionetti also advised the Peer Leadership program (1984 to 2013), training the seniors who would interact with freshmen, and she counseled students on academic and personal issues (1990 to 2013). “My interests began to align more with the psychological aspects of working in a school—working with students on a personal basis—so the combination of psychology, Peer Leadership, and counseling worked well,” she says. During her time at Pingry, she also was a college advisor; taught an SAT preparation course with Dr. Richardson; and served on the Admission and Stifel Award Committees.

She is most proud of her years advising Peer Leadership, her 1988 and 2013 *Blue Book* dedications, receiving The Herbert F. Hahn Junior Faculty Award (1996), and receiving The Cyril and Beatrice Baldwin Pingry Family Citizen of the Year Award at Commencement in 2012.

In retirement, Mrs. Lionetti plans to visit her children David Lionetti ’89 (and his wife Michaela and their son Finn in Pittsburgh), Marc Lionetti ’88 (and his wife Jen in Austin), and Denise Lionetti ’85 (in Maui); volunteer at St. Hubert’s Animal Welfare Center; and take art lessons.



Lower School teacher (Grade 4 social studies) **Barbara Martin P ’10, ’11**

moved to Erie, Pennsylvania to join her husband, who recently changed careers. The mother of David Martin ’10 and Victoria Martin ’11, she spent eight years at Pingry.



Middle School Spanish teacher (Grades 7 and 8) **Laura Mila**, who joined Pingry in 2003, left to become a full-time mother;

she and her husband welcomed their second child in August 2013. Along with teaching, she coached Middle School girls’ softball, was the Form I Team Leader for two years, and led the Spanish trip to Ecuador in March 2011. During her decade at Pingry, Ms. Mila earned an M.A. in Spanish at St. Louis University in Madrid, and an M.Ed. in World Language Education at Rutgers University.

Middle School science teacher (Grade 7) **Bruce Rahter** retired after 36 years at Pingry. During his Pingry career, he was an assistant coach for Middle



School boys’ and girls’ soccer, coached Middle School fencing, and worked on stage construction for the Upper School Spring Musical.



Associate Director of College Counseling **Keith Vassall** joined Lycée Français de New York, an independent school

in Manhattan, as Associate Director of College Counseling. During his five years at Pingry, Mr. Vassall guided numerous students through the college process and established stronger ties with colleges. He also taught AP Psychology, coached squash, and served as an Upper School Form Advisor.



Benefits Coordinator **Pat Vergalito** retired from Pingry during her 28th year of service, having served under four headmasters and

three CFOs. She enjoyed interacting with all of Pingry’s employees, especially at school events, and always tried to be helpful with information. Ms. Vergalito particularly liked working in an environment with different ages of students and adults, and she followed Pingry sports. In retirement, she spends time with her four children and grandchildren.



Kindergarten teacher **Homa Watts** is on a two-year sabbatical to teach in Abu Dhabi, where her husband works. She came to Pingry

in 2006 and plans to re-join the community upon her return. 🌟

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP: Pingry Explores Issues Around the World

Pingry Honored as “2013 Top AFS School”

An American Field Service (AFS) member school since 1960, Pingry is the only school in New Jersey and one of only 81 schools across the country to receive this award for exemplifying AFS’s values.

“We are very proud of our relationship with Pingry. Our missions of intercultural learning and understanding complement each other. We have been able to offer dozens of students the life-changing experience of being an exchange student at this prestigious school,” said New Jersey Area Team Chair Sue Fershing at an April 23 ceremony on the Basking Ridge Campus.

Over the years, Pingry has hosted students from a long list of countries. French teacher Kelly Jordan P ’04, ’06, AFS Advisor since 1994, works with host families and mentors AFS students during their year at Pingry. “The excitement is palpable at the beginning



Sophia Feng ’13 (traveled to Japan, summer 2010), Michaela Scrudato ’13 (traveled to Italy, summer 2011), AFS New Jersey Area Team Chair Sue Fershing, Headmaster Nat Conard P ’09, ’11, Pingry’s 2012-13 AFS Student Uday Jubeh, and Ricky Morash ’15, whose family hosted Uday.

of each year when the AFS student is introduced. AFS enriches our community and our students,” she said.

Headmaster Nat Conard P ’09, ’11 commented, “What is amazing about our partnership with AFS is the number of AFS students who return for Reunions and stay in touch with

their Pingry classmates.” Sämi Ludwig ’78, for example, returned to Pingry in the 1986-87 school year to teach Latin, German, and Psychology and coach Middle School soccer. He is a professor in the Department of Applied Foreign Languages at the Université de Haute-Alsace in France. 🌍

Shanghai Principals Learn about Pingry

“We are incredibly impressed with how you develop the student as a whole person,” Dr. Zhang Jun hua, head of the 2013 Shanghai Independent Schools Principals Delegation, told Pingry administrators on May 7, 2013. Twenty-one principals were visiting schools in the United States on a trip coordinated by Jeff Wang of the Asia Society (who hosted Upper School Director Dr. Denise

Brown-Allen P ’13 on her trip to Beijing in December 2012).

Their questions ranged from the government’s involvement in school affairs to a typical student’s daily schedule. Speaking on the Short Hills Campus, Lower School Director Ted Corvino, Sr. P ’94, ’97, ’02 told the delegation that he is most proud of the relationships between students and teachers.

On the Basking Ridge Campus, Upper School students who are studying Chinese interviewed the principals in Chinese, and the delegation toured the C.B. Newton Library, the Hostetter Arts Center, and The Carol and Park B. Smith ’50 Middle School.

Headmaster Nat Conard P ’09, ’11 highlighted Pingry’s philosophy that “being good” is a risky idea because of possible complacency. “We must always ask ourselves how we can be better,” he said. The conversations made an impact on Dr. Zhang Jun hua, who summarized with his colleagues the very ideas that Pingry has always embraced: academic freedom should be the core of all educational endeavors; Pingry students care about themselves and others; and there is a natural, peaceful coexistence between students and teachers, achieved through respect and compassion. 🌍



The delegation visiting the Lower School’s music room during a tour of the Short Hills Campus.

Showcasing Students' Innovative Science Research



Peter Shim '15 (left) of the S.M.A.R.T. Team explaining a hypothetical flu vaccine and Kaitlyn Friedman '13 (right) explaining her AP Biology research project: factors that affect healing from rotator cuff surgery.

Researching cancer therapies...determining the factors that affect healing from rotator cuff surgery...using 3-Dimensional printers to generate models of hypothetical new flu vaccines. One might think this is the work of a major drug company and its scientists, but guess again. Biology teachers Luke De and Dr. Morgan D'Ausilio are part of a cutting-edge research program at Pingry. This spring, Mr. De launched an exhibit of science students' research projects, and the exhibit will now be showcased annually.

"Our research program is cutting-edge because of the quality of our equipment, the fact that my colleagues in biology and I have research backgrounds—allowing us to participate in science, not just teach it—and our ability to work with students before, during, and after school. That time commitment enables us to collaborate with outside scientists who provide new areas of investigation," Mr. De says.

Attendees were engaged throughout the event on the Basking Ridge Campus on April 6, 2013, moving from one location to another to observe various projects, such as the S.M.A.R.T. (Students Modeling a Research Topic) Team and AP Biology research projects. The Lower Commons housed explanatory posters; Journal Club (discussions of articles in scientific journals) made presentations in the faculty lounge; labs were filled with experiments being carried out by iRT (Independent Research Team), and

The next, larger exhibit is scheduled for April 5, 2014. It will feature interactive experiments and provide information about getting students involved in professional science.

Robotics and Computer Science had their own areas as well. In addition, Project 80, whose mission is to involve 80 percent of the school in science, discussed why its projects are relevant to people in an effort to stimulate interest.

Pingry's research program has been enhanced by the appointment of Dr. D'Ausilio (whose research paper was published in the prestigious journal *Nature Structural & Molecular Biology*, and whose research experience is expanding the range of what students can investigate) and Mr. De's expanded leadership of extracurricular research. 🍷



Amol Kapoor '14, right, explaining his and iRT's roles in developing cancer therapies.

Continuing a Carnegie Hall Tradition



Women's Glee Club at Carnegie Hall. "The performance presented logistical challenges," says music teacher Jay Winston. "The singers were spread so wide that there was no easy way for them to get their cues from me, but they trusted what they learned in rehearsals. They sang energetically, with confidence, and I think the best they had ever done."

Back in 1982, thanks to the reputations of former Pingry music teachers Dr. Clare Gesualdo and Tony du Bourg, the Women's Glee Club and Boys' Chorus received a unique invitation. Charles Dodsley Walker, founder and conductor of the Canterbury Choral Society, asked them to join his ensemble for a performance of Gustav Mahler's Symphony No. 8 (the "Symphony of a Thousand," a reference to its large-scale choral and instrumental forces).

Since then, these Pingry choruses have joined the Canterbury Choral Society every five years to perform this piece at Carnegie Hall. The seventh collaboration took place on January 14, 2013. "Pingry's musical contribution is outstanding [because] the singers are well-trained and enthusiastic about both the music and the opportunity to sing in the hallowed precincts of Carnegie Hall. The faculty and staff are fine practitioners of their art and are exceedingly cooperative," Maestro Walker says.

Music teachers Jay Winston and Tom Berdos prepared the Women's Glee Club and sixth-grade choruses, respectively. "It is a long and difficult piece. Mr. Winston began distributing the music in August and scheduled extra practice times during conference periods," says Glee Club member Melanie Naratil '14. "It is very inspiring to combine with so many other vocalists and instrumentalists, some of whom are students and some of whom are professional musicians, to create the big sound that Mahler's Eighth requires." 🎵



Sixth-grade choruses at Carnegie Hall. According to music teacher Tom Berdos, the students learned professional rehearsal and performance techniques; singing challenging music in a large-scale production; and what it means to perform in a world-class venue.

Students Providing Support for Technology

This may come as a surprise, but Pingry has its version of the Genius Bar and Geek Squad on the Basking Ridge Campus—the Student Technology Committee (STC), a group that has developed into a valuable resource for students and teachers. Until now, the STC worked in Pingry’s technology lab, but, thanks to their initiative, they will have their own help desk in the Lower Commons, giving them more visibility and validating the importance of their work.

“All along, STC has been answering tech questions posed by teachers and students who have stopped by the tech lab or office. Going forward, the help desk system will definitely allow their roles to expand,” says Director of Educational and Information Technology Brian Burkhart.



STC Co-Leader Greg Koziol '13 was instrumental in helping prepare for 1-to-1.



Aside from trouble-shooting, these students have been busy with projects like helping to complete the school’s technology inventory, reimaging school computers, and planning for the 1-to-1 Laptop Program. Mr. Burkhart is pleased that more people in the community will see STC in action and benefit from the help they can offer. “Students will go to the help desk to charge their laptops and print. Having STC stationed there will encourage the knowledge exchange to happen organically, which is really our goal,” he says.

It is impossible to overstate how integral STC has been to the launch of 1-to-1, from providing feedback and questions from a student perspective, to faculty training, to administering

surveys. In fact, for his Independent Senior Project, STC Co-Leader Greg Koziol '13 worked on 1-to-1, crafting a laptop readiness checklist and building templates for teachers so they can develop “best practices” for their classrooms. “STC will be an important part of 1-to-1, working with students and faculty going forward,” Mr. Burkhart says. Most important, the entire school will benefit. 🌟

Chromebooks Arrive at the Lower School

Pingry purchased 65 Chromebooks (light and portable with fast operating systems) for Grades 4 and 5 and the Lower School library. Mr. Burkhart explains: “As part of 1-to-1, the Middle School will be using laptops in school in the fall of 2014, so we’re trying to create a transition from iPads in K-3 to laptops for Grade 6. Chromebooks will introduce students to using laptops and Google apps.”



“Mags” Inducted into the NJSCA Hall of Fame

Boys’ Varsity Ice Hockey Head Coach John Magadini was inducted into the New Jersey Scholastic Coaches Association (NJSCA) Hall of Fame on April 14, 2013, one of 35 varsity head coaches inducted out of 8,085 in New Jersey.

“Mags,” as his athletes and colleagues know him best, has been at the helm of Pingry’s ice hockey program since the 1996-97 season. He has 293 career wins, with 204 of them earned at Pingry. Big Blue finished in *The Star-Ledger’s* Top 20 in six consecutive seasons and captured two Skyland Cup Championships (2011 and 2012). His players have earned a number of individual awards, including Player of the Year honors from *The Star-Ledger* and *Courier News*, recognition by the New Jersey Devils, and Skyland Conference selections as Scholar-Athletes and Rookies of the Year.

Prior to Pingry, he coached ice hockey at Delbarton, where his teams won three Mennen Cup Championships (1984, 1986, and 1987).

He has been named Coach of the Year by *The Daily Record* (1985 and 1987), *The Star-Ledger* (1986), the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (2004), and the *Courier News* (2010 and 2012). Coach Magadini was Pingry’s first coach inducted into the New Jersey Ice Hockey Hall of Fame (2012), and is Pingry’s seventh coach in the NJSCA Hall of Fame, joining Miller Bugliari ’52, P ’86, ’90, ’97, GP ’20, Tim Grant P ’03, ’06, Judy Lee, Bill Reichle P ’00, Manny Tramontana P ’85, ’87, and Mike Webster P ’24.

“Coach Magadini is an asset to our athletics program, as seen by the growth of the ice hockey program under his leadership,” says Director

of Athletics Gerry Vanasse P ’14, ’20. “He is greatly respected by current and former players, as well as Pingry faculty and staff. All of us are very proud of his well-deserved recognition by the NJSCA.” 🏆



Boys’ Varsity Ice Hockey Head Coach John Magadini receiving his plaque from Dianne Furusawa, Chair of the NJSCA Board of Governors.

Credit: Courtesy of the New Jersey Scholastic Coaches Association

Carter Marsh Abbott Coaches at All-American Showcase

Girls’ Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach Carter Marsh Abbott was one of 16 coaches selected by US Lacrosse for the 2013 Champion All-American Showcase (AAS) this past July.

The annual high school all-star event, featuring 200 of the country’s top players on four boys’ teams and four girls’ teams, took place at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex at Walt Disney World. Coach Abbott was in charge of Team Spirit, her first time coaching in the showcase.

“What an honor it was to be selected to coach such a wonderful and talented group of young women lacrosse players. These were the best kids in the nation who gathered to play for the love of the sport. It was a great experience,” she says.

About 40 girls’ high school coaches from across the country applied to US Lacrosse for the eight spots coaching the girls’ teams; only active varsity or

approved scholastic club coaches are eligible. “Carter Abbott has a wealth of experience and knowledge that makes her the perfect candidate for an AAS coach,” says Melissa Coyne, US Lacrosse women’s game director. “From her stellar playing days at Princeton to her selection as an assistant coach for

the 2011 United States Women’s Under-19 National Team, Carter’s dedication to the sport and its responsible growth has never wavered. We were lucky and honored to have her.”

Coach Abbott, sister of Ashley Marsh Pertsemliadis ’89, teaches Upper School history at Pingry. 🏆



Girls’ Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach Carter Marsh Abbott, far right, with coach Jay Watts and Team Spirit.

Home Court Advantage: Squash Played on Campus



Everyone had the chance to learn, play, or watch squash at Pingry this spring when squash was played on campus for the first time in school history.

For three weeks in March and April, Pingry hosted a full-size glass squash court in the Wilf Family Commons of The Carol and Park B. Smith '50 Middle School, an occasion that offered three special events, open court time before and after school, and evening parent clinics. The court's appearance is part of a larger fundraising effort, since Pingry needs the community's financial support to build six squash courts. These courts are part of the overall plan for a new Athletics Center.

"We raised awareness of the squash program, showed that we are serious about expanding the program, and highlighted the importance of bringing courts to Pingry. Having this court on campus was a tiny taste of what could happen with six courts on campus," says Varsity Squash Coach Ramsay Vehslage. Making the events

"Our mission is to build squash courts on campus, and we are actively trying to raise the money to do just that. Our family has been a big supporter of this project, and we ask that everyone contribute and reach out to their friends as well. With such a pool of talent here at Pingry, if we have courts in our own backyard, just imagine what the Pingry squash team could achieve."

- former trustee Terry O'Toole P '05, '08, whose lead gift to support construction of the new courts is intended to inspire others who have benefited or will benefit from the squash program

even more special, alumni and the current team surprised him with a commemorative award etched with his season and overall Pingry records: 125 wins over 10 years. "I had no idea I had that many wins!" he says, laughing. "But I measure success based on

how many students I can introduce to the sport and how much I can promote their love of the game. Winning is fun, but it's a side effect of success."

Senior Boys' Co-Captain Michael Beck '13 will always remember what Pingry did for the team. "My friends were very excited about the court coming to Pingry, and they don't even play," he says. "When the court finally arrived, it became a memory that I won't forget. It was a highlight of my senior year and my entire Pingry career."

This was also the first time that the glass court (owned by McWIL Courtwall) was used at a middle school or high school in the United States, an extraordinary opportunity that gave the school community a true sense of "home court advantage" because Pingry has been playing squash on two courts at Drew University for the past decade. "Being able to use a beautiful court that the pros use was a great experience for everyone on the team. Many of my friends tried the court and played for



Squash alumni and the current squash team presenting Head Coach Ramsay Vehslage with a commemorative award (above and inset left) etched with his Pingry season records.

the first time,” says Derek Hsue '14, who became the country's top squash player among boys under 17 at the U.S. Junior Championships in March.

Ali Welch '13, who has not had much experience playing squash but was able to try the sport while the court was on campus, was among the students who improved their skills. “It took my friends and me a while to get the hang of reacting fast enough and hitting the ball hard enough to keep a rally going, but, once we warmed up, we began playing points one-on-one, some of which were consistent 10-hit rallies,” Ali recalls. “By the end of the hour, we were out of breath and reluctant to leave because we were having such a good time!”

A very accomplished squash player at the high school, college, and professional levels, Jeff Stanley P '16 had

the chance to play on the court with his daughter Lindsay Stanley '16, a member of Pingry's team. “This opportunity was quite unique, because the court is usually set up for professional events. It was great for the squash team to have the exposure, so other kids could see what the players are talking about, and amazing for the students to be able to watch pros in action,” he says. “It was like stepping onto the basketball court at Madison Square Garden.” Mr. Stanley is especially pleased that Pingry's efforts are helping to crystalize the plan for the new squash courts.

To make a gift to build the squash courts and the new Athletics Center, please contact Director of Institutional Advancement Melanie Hoffmann P '20, '26 at (908) 647-7058 or mhoffmann@pingry.org.

Event Highlights

- **Alumni Squash Open Court**, for alumni of all skill levels
- **Squash Exhibition: The All-Americans**, when young alumni and current students watched matches between college All-Americans: **Yasser El Halaby** (Princeton University '06), the only man to win the individual college squash national championship title four consecutive times; two-time college squash individual national champion **Baset Chaudhry** (Trinity College '10); and **Christopher Callis** (Princeton University '12) and **Alexander Domenick** (Cornell University '12), partners for two national junior doubles championships
- **The Supreme Court Event**, when alumni, parents, grandparents, faculty, staff, and Trustees attended an afternoon of exhibition matches featuring professional players **Yasser El Halaby** and **Gilly Lane** (University of Pennsylvania '07), plus matches showcasing Pingry's top players.

Pingry thanks Guy Cipriano '74, P '06, '08, Jeff Stanley P '16, and Varsity Squash Coach Ramsay Vehslage for their efforts to bring these professional players to Pingry.



Three long-time supporters of Pingry's squash program: Guy Cipriano '74, P '06, '08, former trustee Bob Pyle '56, P '91, and former trustee Terry O'Toole P '05, '08.



Left: Head Coach Ramsay Vehslage and Derek Hsue '14, holding his trophy from the U.S. Junior Championships. Right: Lindsay Stanley '16 and Jeff Stanley P '16.



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The Grass Just Became Greener

World Cup Soccer Field Readies for Rededication at Homecoming

The Miller A. Bugliari '52 World Cup Soccer Field is getting a makeover in time for soccer season.

“We reconstructed the field using the highest-quality and longest-lasting methods and materials,” says Director of Facilities Mike Virzi P '18. Instead of sitting (or standing) on the hill along the sideline, soccer fans will have terraced, handicap-accessible seating areas atop three concrete retaining walls. A pervious concrete walkway allows water to drain so the surfaces stay dry and excess water does not run off onto the field. Also new are the scoreboard, sound system, international-style goal posts, team shelters, and fencing. Mr. Virzi also cites important, less-visible aspects of the new construction: “We created one underground system for both the soccer field and adjacent Reese Williams Baseball Field, including new drainage, irrigation, and a new sand base. Several thousand tons of sand were laid before the sod was installed.”

Coach Bugliari, beginning his 55th year at the helm, says, “This soccer field was built nearly 20 years ago, and we’ve had so many terrific moments on it—not just playing soccer, but learning about life and what it takes to achieve your best. Now, this field can continue to create memories for hundreds of Pingry children, alumni, and faculty, including me.”

The field was constructed in 1994 as the Italian National Soccer Team’s training site for the World Cup. The field became a reality through the foresight and guidance of Charles Stillitano, Jr. '77, P '14, '17, World Cup '94 Venue Director. It was built in memory of his father and loyal Pingry soccer fan Charles Stillitano, Sr. and was named for Coach Bugliari, who brought Pingry’s boys’ varsity soccer team to a championship level.

This top-notch reconstruction was made possible by the generous support of several members of the Pingry community, including the lead gift from the Kimber family, leaders in our community and supporters of The Pingry School; look for coverage of the rededication and a profile of the Kimbers in the next issue of *The Pingry Review*. The school is grateful for this philanthropic leadership and support of Pingry Athletics. 🍀



ATHLETICS ROUNDUP: Winter 2012-13 Season Results

BOYS' BASKETBALL: 4-19

Skyland Conference All-Conference/Valley Division: Maxwell Helfman (2nd team), Jack Galiardo (Honorable Mention)
Courier News All-Area: Jack Galiardo (Honorable Mention)

GIRLS' BASKETBALL: 13-13

Skyland Conference/Valley Division: 3rd place
Skyland Conference All-Conference/Valley Division: Lexi Van Besien (1st team), Kate Sienko (2nd team), Erin Jensen (Honorable Mention)
Courier News All-Area: Lexi Van Besien (Honorable Mention)

BOYS' FENCING: 10-3

Skyland Conference/Delaware Division: Champions
NJSIAA District No. 2 Qualifier: Wenrui Lu (2nd, sabre), Avery Vella (3rd, epee), Stephen Rienzi (6th, epee)
NJSIAA Individual States: Wenrui Lu (9th, sabre), Avery Vella (10th, epee)
NJIFA All-State: Wenrui Lu (3rd team, sabre)
Skyland Conference All-Conference: Wenrui Lu (1st team, sabre), Avery Vella (1st team, epee), Stephen Rienzi (2nd team, epee)
Star-Ledger All-State: Wenrui Lu (3rd team, epee)

GIRLS' FENCING: 6-8

Santelli Tournament: 10th place out of 49 teams
NJSIAA District No. 2 Qualifier: Kate Vella (3rd, epee)
NJSIAA Individual States: Kate Vella (10th, epee)
Skyland Conference All-Conference: Kate Vella (2nd team, epee)

BOYS' ICE HOCKEY: 9-11-1

Skyland Conference: 4th place
Skyland Conference All-Conference: Mac Hugin (1st team), Eric Rogers, Kyle Walker (2nd team), Andrew Dellapina (Honorable Mention)
Star-Ledger All-Central Jersey: Eric Rogers (3rd team)

GIRLS' ICE HOCKEY: 8-10-1

WIHLMA A Division: 3rd place
WIHLMA All-League: Hanna Beattie (1st team), Haley La Fontaine (Honorable Mention)
Star-Ledger All-State: Hanna Beattie (1st team)

BOYS' SKIING

Freedom League/Men's Division: Alec Kaisand (1st place), John-Tod Surgeon (10th place)
Freedom League All-League: Alec Kaisand
All-State: Alec Kaisand (2nd team)
State Championship/Men's Division: Alec Kaisand placed 9th

GIRLS' SKIING

Freedom League/Women's Division: Charlotte Zee (3rd place)
Freedom League All-League: Charlotte Zee
All-State: Charlotte Zee (3rd team)
State Championship/Women's Division: Charlotte Zee placed 13th

BOYS' SQUASH: 8-4

New Jersey State High School Championships: Jonathan Zeitels (Champion)
U.S. Squash Junior National Championships: Derek Hsue (Champion, Boys Under 17)

GIRLS' SQUASH: 6-2

- NJIFA**—New Jersey Interscholastic Fencing Association
- NJSIAA**—New Jersey Independent School Athletic Association
- NJSIAA**—New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association
- SCIAA**—Somerset County Interscholastic Athletic Association
- WIHLMA**—Women's Ice Hockey League of the Mid-Atlantic



Middle School Squash: National Champions

Middle School squash won an unprecedented victory in the 2013 United States Middle School Squash Team Championships held at Yale University in January. Sponsored by U.S. Squash, the national championship is the premier team competition in the sport on the middle school level. There were 45 teams competing across three separate divisions, and Pingry was seeded No. 3 in Boys Division I (the elite flight). Pingry's club team upset the No. 1 seed and four-time defending national champions from the Brunswick School (3-2) to claim this historic win for Pingry's squash program (the best finish Pingry previously had in the Middle School National Team Championships was a sixth-place finish in 2012). The win is all the more remarkable because the Middle School players have "club" status at Pingry, rather than full "team" status, because of limited court space and practice time (see squash article on page 30).



Boys' Swimming: Prep A Champions

Pingry brought home its fourth consecutive NJISAA Prep "A" State Championship trophy following a defeat of Lawrenceville (335-295). Pingry swimmers won nine of the eleven meet events, and four Pingry swimmers won a combined seven individual state prep titles. It is the first time since 1998 that the Pingry boys' and girls' swim teams have won the NJISAA Prep State Championship in the same year.

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BOYS' SWIMMING: 11-1

NJSIAA Non-Public B: State champions (6th consecutive year and 9th in team history)—won all 11 events (3 relays and 8 individual events)

NJSIAA Non-Public B: Sectional Champions

NJSIAA Prep A: State champions (4th consecutive year)—won 9 of 11 events (2 relays and 7 individual events) and set a meet record in 200 medley relay

NJSIAA Prep A Most Valuable Swimmer: Sebastian Lutz (won 50 free and 100 free)

SCIAA Tournament: 2nd place and record-holders in 400 free relay

SCIAA Tournament Individual Winner: Sebastian Lutz won 50 free

NJSIAA Meet of Champions: Sebastian Lutz won 50 free. Pingry won two relays (200 free and 400 free). Pingry has captured a record 12 relay titles in five seasons. In the meet's history of the 200 free, Pingry holds the four fastest times and seven of the top eight.

Star-Ledger All Area: Ranked No. 4 in Top 20

Star-Ledger High School Top Performer of the Week (February 25): Will LaCosta—won two races and was part of two winning relays in the Non-Public B State Championship. He was one of three seniors on the team who, over four years, won four state championships.

Star-Ledger All-State: Sebastian Lutz (1st team, 50 free), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Kamau Holston, Will LaCosta (1st team, 200 free relay), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Dorian Allen, Will LaCosta (1st team, 400 free relay), Matt Barickman, Jamie Finnegan, Will LaCosta, Sebastian Lutz (3rd team, 200 medley relay)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Sebastian Lutz (1st team, 50 free), Will LaCosta (1st team, 200 free), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Kamau Holston, Will LaCosta (1st team, 200 free relay), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Dorian Allen, Will LaCosta (1st team, 400 free relay), Matt Barickman, Jamie Finnegan, Will LaCosta, Sebastian Lutz (1st team, 200 medley relay), Jamie Finnegan (2nd team, 100 free), Dorian Allen (3rd team, 200 free), Matt Barickman (3rd team, 100 back), Matt Zeikel (3rd team, 100 breast)

Star-Ledger All-Non-Public: Sebastian Lutz (1st team, 50 free), Will LaCosta (1st team, 200 IM), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Kamau Holston, Will LaCosta (1st team, 200 free relay), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Dorian Allen, Will LaCosta (1st team, 400 free relay), Matt Barickman, Jamie Finnegan, Will LaCosta, Sebastian Lutz (2nd team, 200 medley relay), Dorian Allen (3rd team, 500 free), Alex Tung (3rd team, 200 IM)

Courier News All-Area: Sebastian Lutz (50 free), Will LaCosta (200 free), Matt Barickman, Jamie Finnegan, Will LaCosta, Sebastian Lutz (200 medley relay), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Kamau Holston, Will LaCosta (200 free relay), Sebastian Lutz, Jamie Finnegan, Dorian Allen, Will LaCosta (400 free relay)

GIRLS' SWIMMING: 4-7

NJSIAA Prep A: State champions (4th in team history and 1st since 1999). Pingry won 200 free relay (Ingrid Shu, Morgan Burke, Hollie Hopf, Christina Ou) and 400 free relay (Ingrid Shu, Morgan Burke, Christina Ou, Sara Gagnon). The 400 free relay set meet and pool records.

NJSIAA Prep A Individual Winners: Morgan Burke won 50 free. Ingrid Shu won 100 free and set a meet record.

NJSIAA Prep A Most Valuable Swimmer: Ingrid Shu

SCIAA Tournament: 2nd place

SCIAA Tournament Individual Winners: Ingrid Shu won 200 IM. Morgan Burke won 100 free. 200 free relay team (Ingrid Shu, Morgan Burke, Hollie Hopf, Christina Ou) won and set a meet record.

NJSIAA Meet of Champions: Ingrid Shu won 100 free and 200 free (first freshman girl to win an event since 2010)

Skyland Conference: Ingrid Shu won 200 free

Star-Ledger Somerset County Girls Swimmer of the Year: Ingrid Shu

Star-Ledger All-State: Ingrid Shu (1st team, 200 free), Ingrid Shu, Morgan Burke, Hollie Hopf, Christina Ou (3rd team, 200 free)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Morgan Burke, Ingrid Shu (1st team), Ingrid Shu, Morgan Burke, Hollie Hopf, Christina Ou (2nd team, 200 free relay and 400 free relay), Hollie Hopf, Christina Ou, Alli Dorneo (3rd team)

Star-Ledger All-Non-Public: Ingrid Shu (1st team, 200 free relay and 400 free relay), Morgan Burke (2nd team)

Courier News All-Area: Ingrid Shu (200 free)

All-American: Ingrid Shu was ranked 1st in the state in the 200 free with an All-American time of 1:49.19 at the Meet of Champions. She also posted an All-American time of 50.70 in the 100 free at the Meet of Champions.

BOYS' WINTER TRACK

NJSIAA Non-Public B Championship: 3rd place

NJSIAA Non-Public B Individual Winner: Liam Mullett (3,200)

Star-Ledger Somerset County Athlete of the Year: Liam Mullett

Star-Ledger All-State: Liam Mullett (3rd team, 3,200)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Liam Mullett (1st team), Stewart Wood (2nd team)

Star-Ledger All-Non-Public: Liam Mullett (2nd team)

Courier News All-Area: Liam Mullett (3,200)

GIRLS' WINTER TRACK

NJSIAA Non-Public B Championship: 5th place

NJSIAA Non-Public B Individual Winners: Ruthie Advokat, Erin Butrico, Emma Palmer, Vineeta Reddy (4x400), Angel Fluet (pole vault)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Angel Fluet (2nd team, pole vault)

Star-Ledger All-Non-Public: Angel Fluet (2nd team, pole vault)

WRESTLING: 5-12

NJSIAA Districts: Ellis Flannery placed 2nd in District XVIII and advanced to Regions

Rutgers Prep Tournament: Adam Palmer (1st place, 152 lbs.), Ellis Flannery (1st place, 285 lbs.), Tim Landers (2nd place, 160 lbs.)

Skyland Conference/Valley Division: Tim Landers, Ellis Flannery (2nd team)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Ellis Flannery (3rd team)

"COACH OF THE YEAR" HONOR

Steve Droste

Star-Ledger Somerset County Coach of the Year (Boys' Swimming)



Gatorade New Jersey Boys Soccer Player of the Year

Brian Costa '13 is Pingry's first boys' soccer player to win this prestigious award, which honors athletic excellence, academic achievement, and personal character. He is pictured with **Laurie Costa** and **Dr. Gerald Costa** (Parents '13, '16).



Boys' Swimming: NJSIAA State Champions

The team won its sixth consecutive NJSIAA Non-Public "B" State Championship by defeating Newark Academy (131-39). Pingry swimmers won all 11 of the meet events, and the victory marked Big Blue's ninth overall NJSIAA Non-Public "B" State Championship. For the Pingry seniors, the victory was their eighth state championship in four years. Over the course of 2010-2013, the boys' swim team has lost only four meets—while also winning four straight NJSIAA Non-Public "B" state titles and four straight NJSIAA Prep "A" state titles.



Girls' Swimming: Prep A Champions

Pingry notched an unexpected, but hoped for, upset in the NJSIAA Prep "A" State Championships by defeating Lawrenceville (215-199). It marked Pingry's fourth overall state prep crown in girls' swimming—and the program's first since 1999. It is also the first time since 1998 that the Pingry boys' and girls' swim teams have won the NJSIAA Prep State Championship in the same year. Among the highlights: **Ingrid Shu '16** won an individual state prep title with her victory in the 100-yard freestyle—her time of 51.26 broke the previous meet record time of 51.34; in the 400-yard freestyle relay, **Ingrid, Christina Ou '15, Sara Gagnon '14,** and **Morgan Burke '13** touched the wall in a jaw-dropping time of 3:33.73—their relay time shattered the former meet record of 3:37.35 and broke a 32-year old pool record; and **Ingrid** was named the meet's Most Valuable Swimmer for the "A" Division.



Boys' Track & Field: Sectional Champions

Pingry won its third state sectional crown in the last four years and brought home the trophy for the NJSIAA Non-Public B South Championship. The team won seven meet events and posted 158 total points, topping St. Joseph of Hammonton (128) and 10 other teams. New meet records were set by **Liam Mullett '14** (3200m) and **Adedire Fakorede '14** (discus). Big Blue swept all three throwing events, won both hurdles races, and also reached the top in the pole vault competition.



Girls' Track & Field: Sectional Champions

Pingry captured its third consecutive state sectional crown by winning the NJSIAA Non-Public B South Championship. The team posted 113 total points in the meet to top Gill St. Bernard's (91), Benedictine (83), and nine other teams. Big Blue won two individual field events (including a sweep in the pole vault) and posted two other wins in relays.

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ATHLETICS ROUNDUP: Spring 2013 Season Results

BASEBALL: 17-8-0

Skyland Conference/Valley Division: 2nd place

Skyland Conference All-Valley: Cole McCollum, Ryan Toomey, Kyle Walker (1st team), Justin Friedman, Max Gottlieb, Josh Lebowitz (2nd team), Ben Haltmaier (Honorable Mention)

Star-Ledger All-Non-Public: Ryan Toomey, Kyle Walker (3rd team)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Ryan Toomey, Kyle Walker (1st team), Cole McCollum (3rd team), Justin Friedman, Max Gottlieb, Josh Lebowitz (Honorable Mentions)

Courier News All-Area: Kyle Walker (3rd team), Cole McCollum, Ryan Toomey (Honorable Mentions)

SOFTBALL: 19-3

Skyland Conference/Valley Division: Champions

NJSIAA Non-Public South A Sectional: Advanced to 1st round

SCIAA Tournament: Advanced to 2nd round

Courier News Softball Player of the Week (April 10): Katie Marino: 68 strikeouts in 26 innings and pitched a no-hitter.

Star-Ledger Athlete of the Week (April 29): Katie Marino: 164 strikeouts and 15 walks in 12 games; at least 11 strikeouts in 11 of those games, and at least 14 strikeouts in half of the games. Only three earned runs allowed in 80 innings (ERA of 0.26). Batting average of .595 with 21 runs scored, 18 stolen bases, 10 RBI, six doubles, five home runs, and two triples.

Skyland Conference/Valley Division: Jaime Ferns, Rebecca Hoyt, Katie Marino (1st team), Hayley Advokat (Honorable Mention)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Katie Marino (1st team), Rebecca Hoyt (3rd team)

Courier News All-Area: Katie Marino (2nd team), Jaime Ferns, Becca Hoyt (Honorable Mentions)

BOYS' GOLF: 14-1

Skyland Conference/Valley Division: Champions

Skyland Conference All-Valley: Justin Chae, Matt Dannenbaum, Chris Devito, George Zachary (1st team), Alec Kaisand, Bobby Rigby (2nd team)

Non-Public B North Jersey Sectionals: Justin Chae (2nd place)

Tournament of Champions: Justin Chae (25th out of 127)

GIRLS' GOLF: 3-9

Skyland Conference All Delaware: Haley La Fontaine (Honorable Mention)

Team Player of the Year: Haley La Fontaine

BOYS' LACROSSE: 2-13

Skyland Conference All-Conference: John Dugan (Honorable Mention)

Ben Shepard: Set a freshman record of 17 goals

GIRLS' LACROSSE: 10-9

Skyland Conference/Delaware Division: 3rd place

NJSIAA Non-Public A South Sectionals: Advanced to semifinals

SCIAA Tournament: Advanced to semifinals

Skyland Conference/Delaware Division: Hanna Beattie, Margaret Siesta (1st team), Lauren Graves, Jennifer Wilkins (2nd team), Alexis Chang, Avery Hatfield, Mikell Graves (Honorable Mentions)

Courier News All-Area: Hanna Beattie (1st team), Margaret Siesta (2nd team), Lexi Chang, Lauren Graves, Avery Hatfield, Jenny Wilkins (Honorable Mentions)

BOYS' TRACK & FIELD: 1-3

NJSIAA Non-Public B Championship: 2nd place

NJSIAA Non-Public B South Sectional: Champions

NJSIAA Non-Public B Championship Individual Winner: Avery Vella (110-meter hurdles) and 3,200-meter relay

SCIAA Tournament Individual Winner: Liam Mullett (1,600)

Star-Ledger Somerset County Distance Runner of the Year: Liam Mullett

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Liam Mullett (1st team, 3,200), Adedire Fakorede (2nd team, discus)

Liam Mullett: New school record in the 3,200-meter (9:04.88)

GIRLS' TRACK & FIELD: 2-2

NJSIAA Non-Public B Championship: 3rd place

NJSIAA Non-Public B South Sectional: Champions (3rd consecutive year)

Skyland Conference/All-Raritan: Angel Fluet (1st team, 100 H and pole vault), Sophia Cortazzo (2nd team, pole vault), Emma Palmer (2nd team, 800)

Meet of Champions: Angel Fluet placed 2nd (pole vault)

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Angel Fluet (2nd team, pole vault)

BOYS' TENNIS: 8-11

NJSIAA Non-Public A South Sectional: Advanced to 2nd round

Star-Ledger All-Somerset: Julian Chartouni (3rd team)



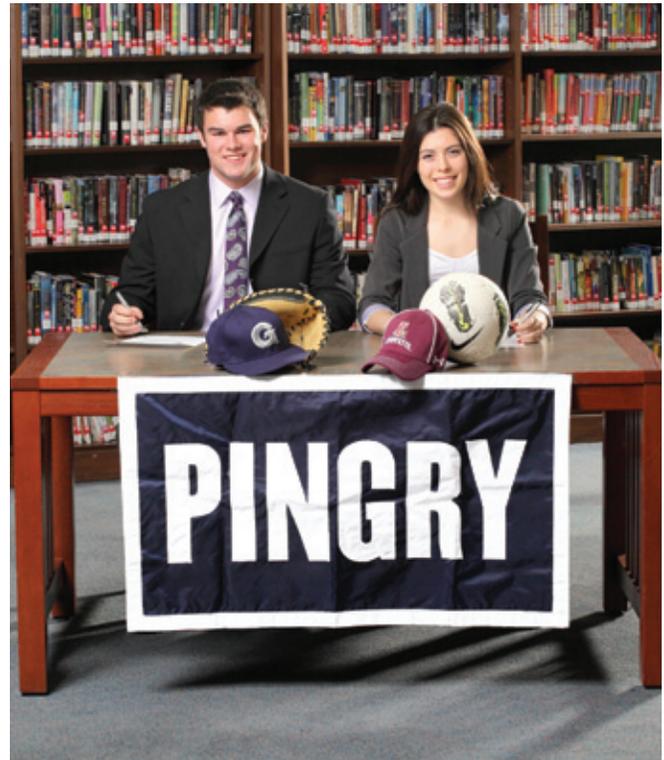
Softball Shines Bright on the Diamond

The turnaround story of the spring was written by Pingry Softball. They finished 19-3 and won the Skyland Conference Valley Division regular season title. These 19 wins were more victories than the team celebrated in the prior three seasons combined (15-42).

The turnaround coincided with the arrival of talented freshman Katie Marino '16. In the pitching circle, Katie went 19-3 with 287 strikeouts against just 27 walks. Her record included 10 shutouts—2 of which were perfect games. She finished with a jaw-dropping 0.58 ERA, and hitters batted just .134 against her arsenal. One opponent even took to Twitter: “Just bet my dad \$100 that in my entire high school softball career I will never have a clean hit against Pingry’s pitcher.” Katie was just as dominant at the plate. She hit .556 with 10 home runs, 2 triples, and 6 doubles—plus 30 stolen bases in 30 attempts.

Pingry Softball also succeeded thanks to the leadership of Head Coach Chip Carver, Jr. '77, P '09, '11, '14 and its senior players. Catcher Jaime Ferns had 25 RBIs and caught 11 runners stealing. Rebecca Hoyt (1B) batted .433 and was nearly flawless in the field. Hayley Advokat (SS) and Melissa James (OF) also played key roles in getting on base at crucial times.

Go Big Blue Softball!



NCAA Division I Letters of Intent

Ryan Toomey '13 and **Danielle Sedillo '13** both signed formal NCAA commitments to continue their educations and athletic careers at top Division I schools.

Danielle will join the women’s soccer team at Lafayette College. A four-year varsity starter at Pingry, she was the goalie for Big Blue’s two consecutive NJSIAA Non-Public “A” State Championships (2011 and 2012). Her talents in goal helped Pingry finish its recent season with a record of 14-4-2 and the No. 7 spot in *The Star-Ledger* state rankings. Danielle also played club soccer for PDA Celtic, the four-time New Jersey State Champions and three-time Region I Finalists.

Ryan is a 6-foot, 200-pound catcher who will join the baseball team at Georgetown University. A two-year starter for Pingry, Ryan first took the field with Big Blue as a junior transfer from Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy following his family’s relocation from Ohio. In his two seasons at Pingry, Ryan was an impact player as a catcher, pitcher, and third-baseman. As a senior, he hit an impressive .493 with 35 hits, 26 RBIs, 10 doubles, 4 triples, and 21 runs scored. On the mound, Ryan was 7-3 for his Pingry career and notched big wins in 2013 over both Morristown-Beard and Ridge. Ryan’s versatile play during the 2013 season helped lead Big Blue to an overall record of 17-8 and a division record of 11-3.



College Sports Recruits

Thirty Pingry seniors will be playing on college athletics teams beginning in the fall of 2013. This group of student-athletes is heading to 23 new campuses and playing 11 different sports for some of the premier college athletics programs in the country. Pingry senior recruits will be playing these sports: baseball (1), basketball (1), cross country/track (2), field hockey (4), fencing (1), football (1), ice hockey (1), lacrosse (3), soccer (9), swimming (4), and wrestling (3). Congratulations and Go Big Blue Recruits!

First row: **Katie Ruesterholz** (Columbia University/field hockey), **Amanda Haik** (Middlebury College/soccer), **Stephanie Carr** (Harvard University/lacrosse), **Cameron Gensch** (Babson College/cross country and track), **Stephen Rienzi** (Stevens Institute of Technology/fencing), **Jennifer Shahar** (Columbia University/swimming), **Carly Rotatori** (Harvard University/soccer), **Nicole Witte** (Haverford College/field hockey), and **Brigid Bruno** (Williams College/field hockey). Second row: **Tim Landers** (Washington and Lee/wrestling), **Morgan Burke** (Middlebury College/swimming), **Nicole Arata** (Tufts University/field hockey), **Henry Flugstad-Clarke** (Yale University/soccer), **Brian Costa** (Princeton University/soccer), **Adam Palmer** (Ursinus College/wrestling), **Danielle Sedillo** (Lafayette College/soccer), **Margaret Siesta** (Villanova University/lacrosse), **Dani Temares** (Yale University/soccer), and **Andrew Benito** (Lehigh University/track). Third row: **Graham Miller** (Bates College/lacrosse), **Ryan Toomey** (Georgetown University/baseball), **Hanna Beattie** (Williams College/ice hockey), **Christian Fechter** (Davidson College/soccer), **Will LaCosta** (Brown University/swimming), **Jordan Flannery** (Bates College/football), **Ben Haltmaier** (Macalester College/soccer), **Cameron Kirdzik** (Yale University/soccer), **Erin Jenson** (Swarthmore College/basketball), **Greg Koziol** (Bowdoin College/swimming), and **Ellis Flannery** (Johns Hopkins University/wrestling).

UPDATE: COLLEGE STUDENT-ATHLETES



Crew

Cameron Edwards '12 (Bucknell University) was part of the freshman four boat that won gold in a photo finish at the ACRA Championship Regatta in Georgia in May 2013. It was Bucknell's first gold medal at the ACRA Regatta since the race's debut in 2008.



Ice Hockey



Matt Beattie '11 (Yale University) and his teammates won the 2013 NCAA Men's Division I Hockey National Championship. The win was Yale's first national championship in hockey. Matt was drafted by the Vancouver Canucks in the seventh round of the 2012 NHL Draft.

Forward and team captain **Alyssa Zupon '09** (Yale University) capped her college career with academic, leadership, and community outreach awards: ECAC Hockey's 2013 Mandi Schwartz Student-Athlete of the Year Award; the 2012-13 Sarah Devens Award for a female student-athlete; the Yale women's ice hockey team's Bingham Award; and the Yale Athletics Department's Ford Student-Athlete Community Outreach Award. She was also named to the 2012-13 ECAC Hockey 2012-13 All-Academic Team for the fourth time. Alyssa, who played in all 116 games over four years (totaling 38 career points on 15 goals and 23 assists), started several community service initiatives at Yale, for which she was also named a finalist

for the 2013 BNY Mellon Wealth Management Hockey Humanitarian Award and a semifinalist for the 2013 Coach Wooden Citizenship Cup.



Lacrosse

Senior attacker and co-captain **Hillary Densen '09** (Amherst College) was named to the IWLCA All-America Second Team. She also received All-NECAC honors. In her final season with the Lord Jeffs, Hillary tallied 19 goals and led the team with both 25 assists and 44 points.



Soccer

Midfielder **Mael Corboz '12** (Rutgers University) was named the team's Most Valuable Player in April 2013 for accomplishments in his rookie season: he started all 15 games, scored three goals (second on the team), and made a team-leading seven assists (four game-winners; six more than any of his teammates; and the most by a Scarlet Knight in one season since 2001). He was also named a team captain for the fall 2013 season. Mael earned All-American Second Team honors from *Soccer America* and *College Soccer News*, and appeared on the All-BIG EAST Second Team and All-BIG EAST Rookie Team.



Swimming

Maja Feenick '09 (Hamilton College) was named to the 2013 NESCAC Winter All-Sportsmanship Team.



Credit: Swimsman.com

Nic Fink '11 (University of Georgia) had a breakout season on the international stage this summer. At the USA Swimming Phillips 66 National Championships, Nic shattered his personal best in the 100m breaststroke to touch the wall in 1:00.24. In addition to a silver medal, Nic's top-two finish at the meet earned him an even bigger prize: a coveted spot on the United States team for the FINA World Championships in Barcelona. A rising junior on the powerhouse team at the University of Georgia, Nic's performance at nationals prompted this comment from UGA Coach Jack Bauerle: "That's one of the greatest swims we've ever had. He just changed leagues. He went from Triple-A to Major League Baseball—maybe even the World Series." At the world championships, Nic posted a 1:00.18 in the prelims and advanced to the finals with a jaw-dropping personal record of 59.84 in the semifinals—the sixth-fastest time in American history. Nic advanced to the finals at worlds and finished eighth at 1:00.10 while competing against winners of the last three Olympic gold medals in the 100BR. Nic has won three individual SEC titles at Georgia: two in the 100BR (2 012 and 2013) and one in the 200 BR (2012). He is also a First-Team All-American, a two-time member of the All-SEC First Team, and a former SEC Freshman of the Year. 🏆

ACRA—American Collegiate Rowing Association

ECAC—Eastern College Athletic Conference

FINA—Fédération Internationale de Natation (International Swimming Federation)

IWLCA—Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association

NESCAC—New England Small College Athletic Conference

SEC—Southeastern Conference

Please contact us if you are aware of achievements that should be included in this section.

[ALUMNI NEWS]

A Message from the PAA President

Those of you who attended the Annual Meeting of Alumni at this year's Reunion heard the impressive list of alumni events that Pingry has held since July 2012. For those of you who were not able to attend, I can only say that the range of events demonstrates how committed Pingry is to staying in touch with alumni of all ages who live across the country. At the end of my first year as PAA President, I would like to thank the Alumni and Development Office, PAA Board members, Reunion volunteers, and all others who make this slate of events run so seamlessly.

In this issue, we highlight the 2013 Nelson L. Carr Service Award, presented to Lori Halivopoulos '78, and the 2013 Letter-in-Life Award, presented to Dr. Zsolt Harsanyi '61. It was great to see that both Lori and Zsolt were supported by many of their classmates—Lori at the Annual Meeting of Alumni, and Zsolt at a luncheon hosted by Headmaster Nat Conard prior to receiving the award at Commencement.

As you will see on the following pages, Reunion events kept everyone busy, such as the Class of 1963's tour of the former Hillside Campus, Pen Pal program, 50-Year Club Luncheon, Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, Clam Bake, and Class Parties. We were especially pleased about the new Friday night reception at The Beinecke House, "Celebrate Pingry!"

One month after Reunion, we held the Golf Outing at its new venue, Somerset Hills Country Club, and the event was a success. It was great to welcome back Pingry Hall of Fame member Paul Simson '69, a former U.S. amateur champion who played with several foursomes.

I would also like to remind you that, in addition to events and programs, the PAA continues to build networking and mentoring resources for alumni. For more details, please refer to "Career Networking & Mentoring" under the Alumni menu at www.pingry.org.

With gratitude for your support this past year, and looking forward to upcoming events.

Sincerely,



Peter L. "Chip" Korn '89

Lori Halivopoulos '78 Makes Pingry History Again with 2013 Nelson L. Carr Service Award



Former trustee and former PAA President Lori Halivopoulos '78 being surprised with the 2013 Nelson L. Carr Service Award by Trustee and PAA President Chip Korn.

Former trustee Lori Halivopoulos '78 has earned a number of "firsts" at Pingry. She played for the 1977 Softball Team, the first girls' team to be inducted into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame. From 2006 to 2008, she served as the first female president of the Pingry Alumni Association. And now she has become the first female recipient of the Nelson L. Carr Service Award.

Named in 1992 for Nelson L. Carr '24, a dedicated ambassador for Pingry who served as PAA President (1942-43) and received the Letter-in-Life Award (1982), the award is given for faithful and dedicated service in support of Pingry. Ms. Halivopoulos received the honor from Trustee and PAA President Chip Korn '89 during the annual meeting of the Pingry Alumni Association on May 18, 2013.

"Attending Pingry allowed me to grow personally and intellectually in ways I could never have imagined," Ms. Halivopoulos says. She entered Pingry as a sophomore and became very involved in school life—joining the French and AFS Clubs; participating in Blue Key, the Dance Committee, and the Student Activities Committee; and playing soccer and softball, as well as swimming. After Pingry, she graduated from Tufts University with a B.A. in Economics and French and received an M.B.A. in Marketing from New York University.

As an alumna, Ms. Halivopoulos has been an incredibly active supporter of Pingry, serving on committees for the Sesquicentennial Celebration, Branding, PAA Career Day (Chair and member), PAA Athletics Hall of Fame, PAA Alumnae, PAA Nominating (Chair and member), and PAA Awards (Chair and member). Ms. Halivopoulos has also been Vice President of the PAA (2004-2006) and has spoken at Career Day and mentored young alumni in the PAA's Mentor Program, which was launched during her tenure as PAA President. She has volunteered for Reunion and served as Alumni Co-Chair of The Pingry Fund. Also, she has dedicated her professional marketing expertise to the school, participating in discussions that have resulted in a stronger Pingry brand.

On top of all that, Ms. Halivopoulos is beginning her fifth three-year term as a member of the PAA's Board of Directors and is a member of the True Blue Society, which honors Pingry's generous and loyal donors who have made Pingry Fund gifts for 10 or more consecutive years; specifically, she belongs to a recently-added category of donors who have given consecutively for over 20 years.

"As I think about all of these activities, I have to ask myself if I really did everything on that list," Ms. Halivopoulos says. "But I've done all of it with love for the school, and gratitude for my amazing three years here as a student." 🍀

Reunion 2013

Big Blue, Big Tent, Big Fun



Special events included the Class of 1963 Middle School Pen Pal Program, 50-Year Club Luncheon, "Celebrate Pingry!" at The Beinecke House, Athletics Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, Clam Bake, and Class Parties.

Times have certainly changed from Pingry's Reunion once consisting of dinner on Saturday evening. In his remarks to alumni during Reunion Weekend, held May 16 to 18, Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11 highlighted the expansion of Reunion to a three-day event, and the fact that so many alumni come back to campus. This annual event offers so many opportunities to relax and reconnect, and more than 700 people did just that. During the course of these three days, it is fun to watch people's eyes light up with excitement when they see a classmate for the first time in over two decades or share a memory with a new friend. Teachers were delighted to see former students. Students in Grade 7 were eager to meet their pen pals from the 50-Year Class. In short, it is a joyous weekend of reconnection and celebration of many extraordinary people who have something so special in common.



Members of the Class of 1963 in the former Fiske Garden during a tour of the former Hillside Campus.



Pen pals Dr. Jeff Fast '63 and Clifton Johnson '18.



Joe Cornell, Jr. '58, John Davis '58, and Pat Coughlan '58.



Hugh Spilsbury '43 and Ruth Spilsbury.



Board of Trustees Chair Jack Brescher '65, P '99, Special Assistant to the Headmaster Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20, Jim Porter '53, Trustee and PAA President Chip Korn '89, Charles Atwater, Jr. '63, and Josh Ward '48, P '77.



Fred Rapell '45 and Al Bauer '45.



Members of the 2000 Field Hockey Team: Courtney Leone '01, Lindsay (Moyer) Stempniak '01, Lauren (Anderson) Holland '01, Micki (Rupon) Cobos '03, Coach Hilary Clark, Maggie DeFilippo '03, Margaret Kelleher '01, Lauren Callaghan '02, Jessica (Saraceno) Carroll '02, Meiko Boynton '01, Sety (Siadat) Britton '01, Lea (Salese) Mirabile '02, Laura Fuhrman '03, Liz Dee '02, and Head Coach Judy Lee.



Alumni Lacrosse Game.



Members of the Class of 1978 and other friends celebrating the Athletics Hall of Fame induction of football, wrestling, and lacrosse player John Witte, Jr. '78: John Brady '78, history teacher and Boys' Varsity Lacrosse Head Coach Mike Webster P '24, Mary Lee Donahue Trousdale '78, P '08, '13, lacrosse coach Pat Birotte '87, P '20, Von Rollenhagen '78, John Witte, Jr. '78, Steve Neues '78, lacrosse teammate Skot Koenig '77, Coach Bugliari, John McLaughlin '78, Trustee Stuart Lederman '78, Henry Ogden '78, P '10, '12, Fred Ulshafer '78, Dr. Scott Brown '78, and Ken Quaas '78 (John Brady, Skot Koenig, Steve Neues, Von Rollenhagen, and John Witte are members of the Hall of Fame 1977 Boys' Lacrosse Team).

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Latin teacher Margaret Kelleher '01 and her husband Gavin Millard with Martha (Ryan) Graff '84 and Guido Graff (Parents '15, '17).



Theodore Houvouras '89, John Coates, Gretchen Oatman '89, P '20, Dr. Ezra Jennings '89, Denise (Dragoni) Coates '89, and Dan Marchese '89.



Nick Ross '97, Kelly Ross, Jake Ross '96, Marshall McLean '98, Greg Cortese '97, Jessica Knoll, Major Gifts Officer David Greig '98, and Kimberly (Barbieri) McLean '98.



Dick Meyers '63, Bronson Van Wyck '63, Mary Lynn Van Wyck, Dale Christensen '63, and Honorary Trustee Ned Atwater '63.



Members of the Class of 1963 with Pingry ties that they received during the 50-Year Club induction ceremony.



Chip Humphrey III '83, Jim Gensch '83, P '13, Ilene Goldman '83, Sean Love '83, and Dr. Nicholas Ward '83.



Bob Mayer '63, Gary Baum '63, and Dale Schlenker '63.



Sitting clockwise around table: former Director of College Guidance Dave Allan, former Grade 1 teacher Connie Allan (Parents '83), English teacher Ted Li, former history teacher and college counselor Fred Fayen, former Lower School Admission Associate Connie Fayen (Parents '90, '02), Sean Love '83, Fred Ulshafer '78, and Fine Arts Department Chair Miles Boyd. Standing: John Thomas '48, P '88, GP '13, '15, and music teacher Sean McAnally.



Dr. Aaron Welt '67 and Will Welt '06.



Director of Admission and Enrollment Allie (Manly) Brunhouse '00 and Charles Brunhouse.



Gil Klein '68, Peter Epstein '68, Gail Klein, Paula Downs, and Christopher Downs '68.



Trustee Stuart Lederman '78 with his winning raffle ticket in his Pingry chair.



Amanda (Walsh) McNamara '98 and friends.



Kathy Sartorius '92, P '22, '25, Director of College Counseling Tim Lear '92, Chris Pearlman '92, Allan Donnelly '92, Coach Bugliari, and Michael Gerstein '92.

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Class of 1948.



Class of 1953.



Class of 1958.



Class of 1963.



Class of 1968.



Class of 1973.



Class of 1978.



Class of 1983.



Class of 1988.



Class of 1993.



Class of 2003.



Class of 2008.

Athletics Hall of Fame Inducts Three Alumni and One Team

Christopher Carey II '00, Allan Donnelly '92, John Witte, Jr. '78,
and the 2000 Field Hockey Team

Every year, Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame inducts new members during Reunion Weekend. The event honors former student-athletes, varsity coaches, and members of the athletics staff who have demonstrated leadership and whose athletic accomplishments at Pingry have been of the highest caliber. Following are the complete texts from the citations of the 2013 inductees.

CHRISTOPHER CAREY II '00

THREE-SPORT ATHLETE SET MULTIPLE RECORDS IN FOOTBALL

Described by his coaches as “a fierce competitor,” Chris Carey earned nine varsity letters in football, wrestling, and lacrosse.

A football co-captain and two-time MVP, Chris holds season records of 17 touchdowns (1999), 109 tackles (1999), 201 carries (1998), and 1,561 yards (1998). He also holds Pingry career records of 537 carries, 3,787 yards, and 40 touchdowns. He helped lead Pingry to a combined 15-6 record in his junior and senior years, and the 1998 team won the conference championship.

The New Jersey Football Coaches Association selected Chris for the Top 100 All-State Team (1999). He was also named All-Conference and All-County 1st Team Offense (1998 and 1999), All-Area 1st Team Defense (1999), All-Area 2nd Team Offense (1998), and All-Conference 1st Team Defense (1997).

As lacrosse captain his senior year, he led the team to an 11-7 record and the Waterman Division tri-championship. He was named All-State 2nd Team Defense his junior and senior years and received the Richard C. Weiler Lacrosse Award.

Chris also made history at Columbia University. A three-year starter at middle linebacker, he finished his career with 220 tackles, 14 tackles for a loss, five sacks, and All-American and All-Ivy Honorable Mentions. He recorded 102 tackles his sophomore year, the most at Columbia and the third highest in the Ivy League that season. His exceptional talents led him to be named the football team's captain in his junior and senior years—only the second junior captain in the team's 75-year history.

ALLAN DONNELLY '92

ONE OF THE TOP SCORERS IN PINGRY LACROSSE HISTORY

Allan Donnelly is considered one of the best lacrosse players in Pingry history and is admired by Pingry coaches for his superb athletic skills. He won nine varsity letters during his three years in the Upper School.

With Allan as a tri-captain of the lacrosse team his senior year, Pingry won 14 games, the second-highest total in team history. At graduation, Allan was the 3rd all-time leading scorer (109 points), 3rd all-time in goals (73), and tied for 2nd for most goals in one game (7). Among his honors, he was named to the New Jersey Interscholastic Lacrosse League All-Star 2nd Team (attack), Pitt Division 1st Team, *Star-Ledger* All-State 2nd Team, and *Courier News* All-Area Team.

Allan also played soccer and basketball and was co-captain of both teams his senior year. He helped lead the soccer team to the Somerset County Championship and the program's first NJSIAA North Jersey, Parochial B Championship. Allan also helped lead the basketball team to a 17-4 record and the county tournament semifinals.



Chris Carey II '00 with his father Chris Carey, fiancée Lisa Piscitelli, and mother Mary Carey.



Allan Donnelly '92 with his father Dr. Brian Donnelly, brother Brian Donnelly '90, nephew Brenden Donnelly, mother Kathleen Donnelly, sister Kate Gormley, and brother-in-law Sean Gormley.

At Bucknell University, Allan played four years of lacrosse and was the leading scorer in 1995 and 1996. The 1996 team was 12-0, the most successful team in school history and the only undefeated team in Division I lacrosse that season. Allan was named to the All-Patriot League 2nd Team as a junior and 1st Team as a senior.

Formerly the Editor-in-Chief of *FLEX* and *Muscle & Fitness Hers* magazines, Allan operates the National Physique Committee's web site and returned to Pingry in the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons to coach soccer and lacrosse.

JOHN WITTE, JR. '78

THREE-SPORT ATHLETE RECOGNIZED FOR SIZE AND SPEED

John Witte won seven varsity letters in football, wrestling, and lacrosse, and achieved success thanks to his agility and coordination. Friends and teammates admired him as a role model and recall his humility, sportsmanship, and support of athletes in other sports. At graduation, John received the Centennial Cup.

A football teammate described him as a "one-man tackling and blocking



John Witte, Jr. '78, his wife Beth, and their daughter Casey and son AJ.

force to be reckoned with." Captain of the team his senior year, John was named 1st Team All-State Prep (Offensive Tackle).

He spent four years as a varsity heavy-weight wrestler, amassing a record of 52-16, and the team could always count on him to secure a victory. John won the Pope Paul Christmas Tournament in 1976, 1977, and 1978. As a junior, he placed 4th in the New Jersey State Prep Tournament, then placed 2nd as a senior after going 19-1 in match competition. John's pin times were among the fastest in the state.

John made his mark as a lacrosse goalie, maintaining a low GAA (goals

against average) in back-to-back seasons. He led two teams to second-place finishes in the state lacrosse tournament, leading *The Pingry Record* to declare, "The backbone of the defense is goalie John Witte, without whose aggressive play and fine reflexes, many a game would have ended on a different note."

As a senior, John was named 3rd Team for the All-State Prep and Public School Lacrosse Team. John continued to play lacrosse at Hobart College and for various club and summer league teams and, since 2007, has coached boys and girls in basketball and lacrosse.

2000 FIELD HOCKEY TEAM

25-0 WITH THE MOST WINS, GOALS SCORED, AND SHUTOUTS IN PINGRY HISTORY

Pingry's first Field Hockey State Championship

Somerset County, Colonial Hills Conference, and North III, Group I Sectional Champions

Ranked No. 2 by *The Star-Ledger* 🏆



2000 Field Hockey Team.

Three Alumni Honored for Achievement in the Arts

“Imagination is the only real power we have as individuals.” With these words, Adam Kalkin '80 accepted Pingry's Achievement in the Arts Award. Even though he was speaking for himself, anyone can take his statement to heart; Pingry tries to instill imagination in all of its students by urging them to think creatively, and this award recognizes alumni who have distinguished themselves artistically.

Mr. Kalkin was one of three recipients of this year's award on May 16, 2013, along with Donald W. Johnston, Jr. '62 (posthumously) and William Michals '82.

Speaking about Mr. Kalkin and the fact that no comprehensive biography exists, Fine Arts Department Chair Miles Boyd said, “There is nothing in a neat little package, reflecting the complexity and subtlety of his career.” Mr. Kalkin, a graduate of Vassar



Adam Kalkin '80 pictured in his New Jersey home, “Bunny Lane.”



Donald W. Johnston, Jr. '62

College and London's prestigious Architectural Association School of Architecture, is an internationally-renowned architect who takes an interdisciplinary approach to his work and uses the concept of a “container” as a leitmotif throughout his work. His hybrid house in New Jersey, “Bunny Lane,” was featured in *The New York Times Magazine*, described as “a zany fusion of loft and house, modern and postmodern.”

Donald W. Johnston, Jr. sang in the Buttendowns and Glee Club and, thanks to Pingry's recommendation, was accepted to Yale, where he received an M.M.A. in Piano and Composition from Yale School of Music and graduated from Yale College. A grant from DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) enabled him to study in Germany. Mr. Johnston became a renowned arranger, orchestrator, and conductor of Broadway musicals, composer of piano music, and jazz pianist (at the Four Seasons Hotel and on tour), recording many Broadway and jazz albums. According to friend CJ Everett, Mr. Johnston also excelled in biology and physics and was a ranked baseball player.

William Michals participated in the Balladeers (co-ed at the time), Men's Glee Club, and musicals at Pingry

before attending Boston University. He has sung in many Broadway musicals including *Man of La Mancha*, *Les Misérables*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, *The Sound of Music*, and *South Pacific*, as well as operas and music festivals, appearing at prestigious venues such as Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. “It means the world to me to be in the company of my fellow inductees,” he said, “and I am grateful to my parents and my amazing education at Pingry.”

Describing Don Quixote in *Man of La Mancha* as his most meaningful character because of “not being defined by the past,” Mr. Michals praised Pingry's Honor Code and education for allowing students to reinvent themselves and make the next generation better people. With that introduction, and accompanied by Music Department Chair Dr. Andrew Moore at the piano, he surprised the audience with a performance of “The Impossible Dream” from *Man of La Mancha*! 🎭



William Michals '82 singing “The Impossible Dream” from *Man of La Mancha*.

Dr. Zsolt P. Harsanyi '61 Receives Letter-in-Life Award

The Letter-in-Life Award is the most prestigious award that the Pingry Alumni Association bestows upon a graduate. First presented in 1938, it honors those who, in gaining distinction for themselves, have brought honor to the school. This is the complete text from Dr. Harsanyi's citation that was presented at Commencement on June 9, 2013.

Dr. Zsolt P. Harsanyi has always wanted to know how nature works and apply his findings for the good of mankind, a curiosity that led him on a path of scientific and medical discovery. He was a member of various Pingry organizations, most notably the Science Club, was elected to Student Council, acted in plays, wrote for *The Pingry Record*, and played varsity sports. His Latin studies would eventually help him to easily grasp medical terminology; Pingry's athletics requirement developed his appreciation of individual and team effort through wrestling, track, and soccer; and public speaking in Chapel laid the foundation for his presentations at conferences, on television, and when testifying before Congress. Pingry prepared him for a continuing life of learning, which allowed him to move from the world of academics to government to finance and, eventually, to commerce.

He continued to explore various interests at Amherst College, where he received a Bachelor of Arts in Biology in 1965. The honors research program at Amherst inspired him to investigate how genes establish people's predispositions to medical conditions. On a larger scale, he became interested in drug development, based on an understanding of how chemicals interact with cells and organs. He attended the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, a research-intensive medical school



Dr. Zsolt P. Harsanyi '61 with his daughter Christina, Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11 (left), and Trustee and PAA President Chip Korn '89 (right).

dedicated to the development of ethical physicians and scientists, and received a Ph.D. in Genetics in 1970.

For the next nine years, Dr. Harsanyi taught at Cornell University Medical College, where he received the Andrew W. Mellon Teacher-Scientist Award, and directed Cornell's Genetics Training Program. While at Cornell, 13 bills were pending in Congress to stop the research of recombinant DNA, the process of combining genes from different species. Dr. Harsanyi was hired in 1979 to direct Congress' first major assessment of this emerging field of biotechnology, studying the pros, cons, and consequences.

His efforts, presented in a report titled "Impact of Applied Genetics," demonstrated the potential benefits of using biological processes industrially, such as growing pest-resistant plants or manufacturing human proteins, such as insulin. Due to Dr. Harsanyi's work, and despite national debates, genetic engineering continued—all pending bills were withdrawn when people understood that the benefits outweighed the potential harm. At the same time, he served as an Adviser to the President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research.

Following his work with Congress, Dr. Harsanyi helped to build the

biotechnology industry in his role as Vice President of Corporate Finance at E.F. Hutton, Wall Street's first biotechnology group. From 1983 to 2004, he was President of Porton International, a pharmaceutical and vaccine company he co-founded that developed the first botox therapeutic. Soon after Porton began collaborating with people researching HIV, Dr. Harsanyi co-founded the world's first AIDS clinic with experts in the field of infectious diseases. In 1996, Dr. Harsanyi founded Dynport Vaccine Company, awarded the U.S. Defense Department's multi-year contract to develop vaccines for biological defense.

Since 2004, Dr. Harsanyi has served as a Director of Emergent BioSolutions, a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development, manufacture, and commercialization of vaccines and immune-related therapeutics, and the supplier to the Strategic National Stockpile of the only anthrax vaccine approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. He serves as Chairman of Druggability Technologies, a company improving the efficacy of a variety of drugs, and of N-Gene Research Laboratories, a company developing drugs for the treatment of diabetes and muscular dystrophy. Dr. Harsanyi also co-authored the book *Genetic Prophecy: Beyond the Double Helix*.

In the community, Dr. Harsanyi is a recent Trustee of the Immune Disease Institute and serves as Co-Chairman of the American Hungarian Foundation, established to preserve Hungarian cultural heritage and recognize contributions of Hungarian Americans to American life.

Pingry is proud to present Dr. Zsolt Harsanyi with the 2013 Letter-in-Life Award, recognizing his efforts to use genetics and biotechnology to improve people's lives. 🌟

Career Day Keynote: Innovative Marketer James Heekin III '67



Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11 and James Heekin III '67. In his remarks, Mr. Heekin called his four years at Pingry "an amazing high point of my young life. I was motivated to work hard and was incredibly well-prepared for college." He considers Pingry's greatest legacy to be the enduring friendships between students.

Forty-eight alumni returned for the annual Career Day on January 25, 2013, to speak with Pingry juniors and seniors about potential careers. This year's sessions were preceded by Keynote Speaker James Heekin III '67, who has spent 37 years in advertising and is in his seventh year as Chairman and CEO of Grey Group, one of the world's top marketing organizations.

Grey serves one-fifth of the FORTUNE 500 and operates with 10,000 employees in 154 cities in 96 countries. "This is an intensely competitive business. Every marketing company must figure out how to differentiate itself from other marketing companies," Mr. Heekin said. Grey's approach is to offer clients "famously effective" advertising to make their products part of everyday culture (for example, the E*TRADE baby).

Under Mr. Heekin's leadership, Grey has added clients including the NFL, T.J. Maxx, DirecTV, and Red Lobster. *Advertising Age* named Grey to its prestigious A-List of the world's best agencies (2010, 2012, and 2013), and *Fast Company* honored Grey New York in its "World's 50 Most Innovative Companies" issue (2010 and 2011).

Mr. Heekin is also a member of Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame. He was named to both the All-Conference and All-State football and lacrosse teams in 1966 and 1967, and served as captain of Pingry's football and lacrosse teams his senior year. Mr. Heekin continued to play football and lacrosse at Williams College, where he was named to the All-New England football team (1970 and 1971) and All-New England lacrosse team (1970), and named captain of the All-American lacrosse team (1971). 🍀

Additional Career Day Speakers

Gordon Sulcer '61, P '95, '01	Sports Marketing/Management
The Honorable Harold Fullilove '63	Law
William Boyle '70	Hospitality Management
Richard McGeehan '76	Visual Arts
Dr. Jeffrey Lubin '77	Applied Science
Jane Sarkin O'Connor '77, P '11, '14	Media
Charlie Stillitano, Jr. '77, P '14, '17	Sports Marketing/Management
Mark Bigos '79	Real Estate
Steven Lipper '79, P '09, '12, '14	Advertising/Marketing
Dr. Matthew Chow '81, P '13, '16	Medicine
Laura Zinn Fromm '82, P '15, '19	Education
Dr. Alicia Salzer '84	Psychological Services
Lyric (Wallwork) Winik '84	Media
Daniel Tarantin '85	Entrepreneurship
The Honorable Thomas Kean, Jr. '86	Public Service
Gilbert Lai '86	Private Wealth Management
Scott Berson '88	Law
Joanna (Westrich) Brody '88	Finance
John Dziadzio '88	Entrepreneurship
Andrew Gottesman '88	Real Estate
Miguel Gutierrez '89	Performing Arts
Peter "Chip" Korn '89	Law
Chris Spirito '89	Public Service
Eric Turiansky '89	Advertising/Marketing
Dr. Geoff Archer '90	Entrepreneurship
Scott Loikits '90	Visual Arts
Ryan David Saniuk '90	Advertising/Marketing
Christa Tinari '92	Education
Christopher Shahidi '94	Public Service
Anthony Bowes '96	Education
Thomas Diemar '96	Private Wealth Management
Rahul Vinnakota '96	Finance
Frank Morano '97	Law
Gideon Lewis-Kraus '98	Media
Robert Polsky '98	Law
Michael Chernoff '99	Sports Marketing/Management
Benjamin Lehrhoff '99	Private Wealth Management
Dalia Oberlander '99	Entrepreneurship
Peter Rapp '99	Applied Science
Richard "Bif" Brunhouse '00	Applied Science
Brian Neaman '00	Advertising/Marketing
Dr. Arianna Papisikos '00	Medicine
Edward Barsamian '03	Media
John Anagnostis '04	Real Estate
Adam Goldenberg '04	Hospitality Management
Ashley Jackson '04	Performing Arts
Michael Page '05	Entrepreneurship

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Presidential Scholar and Storyteller Jenna Devine '08

Those who attended Pingry's drama productions in 2007 might remember Jenna Devine '08 as the Wicked Stepmother in Sondheim's Into the Woods and as Shen Te/Shui Ta in Brecht's The Good Woman of Setzuan...just two of her 11 appearances in Middle and Upper School plays and musicals.



Jenna Devine '08 makes time for writing while teaching high school English.

She loved not only theater, but also writing—serving as Editor-in-Chief of the literary magazine *Calliope*, writing for *Vital Signs* and *The Pingry Record*, and receiving Scholastic Gold Awards for writing (2007 and 2008). Rounding out her Pingry years were her induction into the Cum Laude Society and serving as president of the German Club, co-captain of the track team, and a peer leader. These accomplishments helped lead to Ms. Devine's selection as a 2008 Presidential Scholar in the Arts for poetry, an honor that stemmed from her acceptance into the National YoungArts program.

Ms. Devine considered her time at the helm of *Calliope* rewarding because she learned how to talk to writers. "It was my first time walking someone through the revision process, which helped me revise my work because I became more aware of my trouble spots," she says. But Ms. Devine still believes that drama was a highlight of high school.

"Mr. Romano gave me great advice about being myself with my students, and I channel Mr. Keating every time I hold office hours."

- Jenna Devine '08

speaking about the influence of Pingry faculty on her role as a teacher

"It was a chance to work with really talented people across grade levels and be part of tradition. On a personal level, I'm a writer because I love to tell stories, and theater is just a different way of doing that," she says. Ms. Devine credits Drama Department Chair Al Romano and English teacher

Tom Keating with setting high standards and treating her like a professional when she was a student, encouraging her involvement in the arts, and influencing her current position at Teach For America.

"Mr. Romano gave me great advice about being myself with my students, and I channel Mr. Keating every time I hold office hours. Many students won't stay after school for tutoring, so I meet them at McDonald's—a little bit like Mr. Keating's desk out in the hallway," she says.

At Princeton University, Ms. Devine served as poetry editor for *The Nassau Literary Review*, was general manager of the university's oldest student-run theater, won an A. Scott Berg (Princeton '71) Scholarship that funded her thesis research trip to Italy, and earned a B.A. in English. Now pursuing simultaneous careers as a teacher and writer, she teaches Grade 10 English with Teach For America in Texas and plans to pursue an M.F.A. in creative writing. ♡

Keyboardist Michael Arrom '13 spent his summer before college on an extraordinary adventure—an eight-nation tour of Australia and Asia with internationally-acclaimed rock guitar virtuoso Steve Vai.

Michael Arrom '13 Hitting a High Note

Michael was part of a four-person world-class band backing Mr. Vai. Scheduled stops included Australia, China, Indonesia, Japan, New Zealand, South Korea, and Thailand.

A three-time GRAMMY Award winner, Mr. Vai is an electric guitar legend who began a solo career more than 25 years ago and has sold more than 15 million albums, his latest being *The Story of Light*.

Michael's opportunity surfaced through a recommendation and strong support from his close mentor David Rosenthal, well-known as Billy Joel's musical director and keyboardist. What sealed the deal was Michael's grueling preparation of one of Mr. Vai's songs that many people consider "unplayable" because the piece requires a fast tempo, complicated finger techniques, and sudden leaps between octaves. At the end of the audition conducted via Skype ("I played with everything I had, nearly holding my breath through the piece," Michael says), Mr. Vai was satisfied. A few days later, his manager offered Michael the job!

In an interview for the *AU review*, Mr. Vai said, "This time through Aussie, I have this young wonder kid keyboard player named Michael Arrom. He's 18 years old and a stunning player."

In 2012, Michael first gained national attention as keyboardist for country music star and American Idol judge Keith Urban. The recording industry's prestigious GRAMMY Foundation® selected Michael for the incredible opportunity to perform live with Mr. Urban on FOX-TV's broadcast of the American Country Awards last December.

Michael has frequently performed throughout New Jersey at concerts, recitals, charity events, and Red Bank's "Rockit!" rock performance program. A pianist since age seven, he also plays the saxophone, synthesizers, and organ. In addition, he is a vocalist, composer, arranger, and producer. A versatile musician, he is at home with classic rock, country, classical music, jazz, pop, blues, and hip-hop. He has studied classical music under the tutelage of concert pianist Michelle Chen Kuo of Hanover Township, New Jersey.

Reflecting on the tour, Michael notes that, "I had always dreamed of doing something like this someday, but I always imagined that 'someday' would come after I graduated from college. Being only 18 makes this an incredibly humbling experience. I have so much respect for Steve and his band, and seeing my name in print next to some of the greatest musicians in the world just inspires me to work even harder to earn their respect."

Michael is continuing his music education by attending the University of Southern California—his "dream school"—where he is studying popular music in its esteemed Thornton School of Music.



ALUMNI EVENTS



Los Angeles Reception on November 27, 2012

1 Sitting: Yaffa Lerea, **Christian Donohue '86**, **Joe Lucas '91** (host), **Robert Siegel '01**, **Meg DeFoe '92**, **Jamie Shapiro '97**, Sharon Hillbrant, **William Hillbrant '48**, and **Eric Fullilove '72**. Standing: former English teacher **Dean Sluyter P '90, '98**, Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20**, **Vince Scully '66**, Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11**, **John Rachlin '82**, **Judith Schneider '77**, **Robert Green '84**, **Rick Hadley '66**, and **Dr. Tim Gustafson '71**.

San Francisco Reception on November 29, 2012

2 **Michael Pence '89**, **Will Hetfield, Jr. '01**, **Angelita Barrios '92**, **Marc Werres '99**, **Debra Marzak** (host), Trustee **Julian Scurci '99**, Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20**, **Geoff Dugan '69**, **Charles Eddy '68**, **Jess Marzak '68** (host), **Malcolm Talcott '78**, **James Girand III '58**, **Megyn John Lansing '81**, **Alison Conigliaro-Hubbard '87**, **Don Dixon '65**, **Heather Warren Mannion '87**, **Betsy Dixon**, **Ann Rapson**, **David Rapson '75**, **John Huber '79**, and Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11**.





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Seattle Reception on November 30, 2012

3 Front row: Linda Warren, **Dr. Hootie Warren '77**, **Kathleen Baxley '79**, **Dr. Michael Schatman '77**, and Anne Papik. Back row: **Dr. Michelle Brot '78**, Doug Ramsay, **Joseph Papik '76**, Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11**, **Franklin Fort '57**, Marilyn Fleming, **Dr. Thomas Fleming '59**, Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20**, **Bruce Jacobsen '78** (host), **Peter Murray '91**, Kay English, former English teacher and Director of Admission **Dr. Sherman English '71, P '89, '91**, and **Greg Geddes '95**.



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Young Alumni Holiday Party on December 13, 2012

4 Grace Lin '08, Kristin Molinari '08, Sarah Strackhouse '08, Lindsay Hyman '08, Austin Lan '07, and Gordon Peeler '08.

5 Christopher Svoboda '05, Will Munger '05, Nicole Daniele '05, Julie Ann Aueron '05, John Moore '05, and Dana Van Brunt '05.



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Alumni/ae Squash Match on December 22, 2012

6 First row: **Bruce Czachor '16, Mark Shtrakhman '16, Maggie O'Toole '05, Lindsay Stanley '16, Diana Masch '15, Liz Herman '14, Stephanie Clark '15, Haley Park '16, and Louisa Lee '10.** Second row: Squash Head Coach **Ramsay Vehlsage, George Zachary '14, Matt Sheeleigh '11, Hayley Shelby '11, Sarah Park '12, Mackenzie Roach '11, Brian O'Toole '08, Guy Cipriano '74, P '06, '08, Peter Cipriano '06, Maulin Hemani '14, Chloe Blacker '10, Jeff Boyer '96, Michael Ames '98, Nic Meiring '10, Martin Bawden '10, and Henry Gadsden '11.** Third row: **David Kerr '10, Justin Trousdale '13, Pat Trousdale '08, Hal Lee '07, James Elliott '07, Matt Vitale '11, Drew Blacker '05, Michael Beck '13, Derek Hsue '14, Nikhil Srivastava '05, Kevin Schmidt '98, and Marshall McLean '98.**



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Back-from-College Luncheon on January 9, 2013

7 **Yvonne Jeng '12 and Sarah Meyers '12.**

8 **Molly Schulman '12, Eberechi Uche '12, and Caroline Zee '12.**

9 **Kevin Fischer '12, Matt Lipper '12, and Connor McLaughlin '12.**

10 **Adam Jacob '11, Mael Corboz '12, Scott Keogh '10, Special Assistant to the Headmaster Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20, Taylor Wright '12, Victor N'Diaye '11, and Will Burchenal '11.**



New York City Community Reception on January 31, 2013

11 Evan Shore '02 with his parents Francine Shore and Ian Shore.

12 Leslie Hynes '04, John Anagnostis '04, Bobby Gildea '04, and Brittany Gildea '07.

13 Polly O'Toole P '05, '08 (host), George Foussianes and Fran Foussianes (Parents '22), and former trustee Terry O'Toole P '05, '08 (host).

14 Julie Hamilton '06, Kelly Marshall '01, Katrina Pregibon '06, Sandra Hough '07, and Anna Porges '07.



15 Robert Klein '56, Gaile Warren, Clark Warren '53, Special Assistant to the Headmaster Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20, and Richard Goldberg '56.

16 Donald Tansey '00 with his parents Marie Tansey and J. Donald Tansey '67.

17 Don Wiss '68 with Kathy Clingan and Tom Clingan (Parents '97, '03).

18 Tom Strackhouse '06, Logan Marshall '06, Sam Jurist '06, and Peter Cipriano '06.

19 James Hyman '77, Chris Meyer '77, and John Navin '77.





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Delray Beach Reception on February 21, 2013

20 Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20, Joan Corbet P '77, '78**, Honorary Trustee **Bill Beinecke '31, P '61, '64**, Henry Kreh, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving **David M. Fahey '99, Bud Kreh '44, Robert Umbdenstock P '97, '00, Jane Engel P '67, '70, Tom Clingan P '97, '03**, Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11, Kathy Clingan P '97, '03, Roger Hurlburt '67, Linda Umbdenstock P '97, '00**, Lewis Dames, Susan Hurlburt, **Maggie Corbet '78, Adele Lurie, Edwin Lurie (Grandparents '15, '18)**, Honorary Trustee **John Bent, Jr., Janet Bent (Parents '80, '82, '84), Ginny Welch**, former trustee **James Welch (P '79, '82, '84, '88, '90, GP '06, '09, '16)**, and former trustee **Jubb Corbet '50, P '77, '78**.

Vero Beach Reception on February 22, 2013

21 Charlotte Stifel P '83 and John Walbridge P '71.

22 Former trustee **Henry Stifel P '83**, Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11, Joan McIlwain P '77, '79, '81, '85, Barbara Baldwin P '75, '76, '78, '81**, Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20**, and Doris Grzynski.



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Princeton Reception on April 8, 2013

23 Front row: **John McLaughlin P '78, '80, '83, '84, GP '12, '15, '18**, Co-Director of The Pingry Fund **Holland Sunyak '02**, former Grade 4 teacher **Mary Jean McLaughlin P '78, '80, '83, '84, GP '12, '15, '18**, Jen Landis, **Houston Landis '51**, Penny Thomas, former trustee **Edward Thomas '47**, **Richard Partridge '48**, and Noelle Partridge. Middle row: **Michael McLaughlin '80, P '12, '15**, Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11**, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving **David M. Fahey '99**, Caroline Weymar, Honorary Trustee **F. Helmut Weymar '54**, **Dr. William Burks '51**, and Judy Burks. Back row: **Dr. Mark McLaughlin '83** (host), Physical Education Department Chair **Joe Forte P '00**, **Sharon Forte P '00**, **Edward Meyercord '83**, English teacher **John Murray '65, P '91**, **Michael Galkin '81**, **Dudley Ryan '83**, **Edie McLaughlin Nussbaumer '84, P '18**, **Matthew Adriance P '07, '09**, Julie McLaughlin (host), Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20**, **John McLaughlin '78**, math teacher and football coach **Tom Boyer P '96, '98**, Trustee and PAA President **Chip Korn '89**, former trustee and former PAA President **Steve Lipper '79, P '09, '12, '14**, **Tatiana Javier '06**, **Monal Mehta '05**, **Dr. William Prevost '67**, and **Caroline Na '04**.

Boston Reception on April 11, 2013



24 Front row: **Dwight Schultheis '93**, Headmaster **Nat Conard P '09, '11**, Margaret Angelino, and **Zack Cordero '06**. Back row: **Frank Perlmutter '76**, **Dr. Mark Poster '63**, biology teacher and Mentor to Independent Molecular Biology Projects **Luke De**, **Dr. Jeff Fast '63**, Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20**, **Ed Hoyt '65**, **Scott Ward '77**, **Tom Ward '76**, Katherine Babbott, **Amy Warner '78** (host), **Peter Ziobro '79**, Steven Kosowsky (host), Marion Johannsen, and **Peter Johannsen '60**.



Washington, D.C. Reception on April 18, 2013

25 Bob Blackstone '96, Dr. Richard Bates, Jr. '62, Laura Yorke Kulkarni '98, Mike Marino, Keith Castaldo '00, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving David M. Fahey '99, Sally Alexander, Dr. John Alexander, Jr. '47, Melanie Nakagawa '98, Jim Gibby '73, Guy Fisher '65, Assistant Headmaster Jon Leef P '15, '18, Lib Fisher, Christopher Shahidi '94, Ania Shahidi, Charlotte Williams '06, Sean Love '83, Douglas Clarke '02, Elizabeth Sebesky '05, Brandon Jonas, Holly Macke, Kevin Nichols '94, Pamela Nichols, Catherine Steinbrenner '95, Linda Salisbury, Jason Levinn '04, former science teacher Jim Salisbury, Emilee Ritchie, Volker Hähnke, Wendell Cook '05, and Special Assistant to the Headmaster Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20.



Senior Class BBQ on June 3, 2013

26 Hugh Thompson '13, David Soled '13, and John Galiardo '13.

27 Jessica McGregor '13, Molly Kandarian '13, Dani Temares '13, and Stephanie Wilf '13.

28 Solomon Taylor '13, Rebecca Hoyt '13, Jaime Ferns '13, and Melissa James '13.

29 Emma Galgano '13, Ali Welch '13, Carly Rotatori '13, Nicole Witte '13, Rachel Lima '13, Nicole Arata '13, Amanda Hulse '13, and Lexi Van Besien '13.



Golf Outing on June 17, 2013

30 Mary Partridge P '92, Drama Department Chair **Al Romano**, former PSPA President **Barbara Bunting**, and **Dave Bunting (Parents '97)**.

31 Special Assistant to the Headmaster **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20** and **Paul Simson '69**.

32 **Ryan David Saniuk '90** and **Sam Partridge '92**.

33 Rudolph Woode, **Bernard Davidson P '17, '19**, and former PSPA President **Leonard Murray II P '17, '19**.

34 **Peter Dannenbaum P '15, '17, '20**, **Matt Dannenbaum '15**, **Jake Mayer '17**, and **Dr. Mitchell Mayer P '17**.

35 **Gil Lai '86**, Kevin Quinn, **Brad Bonner '93, P '20, '23**, and **Tim Korth P '16, '20**.

36 Fran Weldon, Mary Weldon, **Woody Weldon '91**, Katie Angell, and **Jake Angell '90**.

37 **Harlan Rothman '94**, **Irving Rothman P '94**, and **Ben Lehrhoff '99**.



ASK THE ARCHIVIST



Lacrosse Pep Talk

Do you recognize any students in this photo with varsity lacrosse coach and Pingry Hall of Fame member Toni Bristol '41? Please contact Greg Waxberg '96 at gwaxberg@pingry.org or (908) 647-5555, ext. 1296.



Thanks to Joe Carragher '49, Howard Kramer '49, Dr. Warren Radcliffe '49, GP '16, Jim Urner '57, and Greg Serbe '63 for responding about the Science Class photo on page 44 of the Winter 2012-13 issue.

1. Bill McClenaghan '49
2. Stu Truslow '49
3. Bob Siegel '49
4. Jack Searles '49

5. Clarke De Waters '50
6. Harry Walburg '49
7. Joe "Red" Carragher '49
8. Science teacher Leander Kirk

CLASS NOTES

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1947



Credit: NJSGA

Ed Roll '47 and his wife **Lucille Roll** with Ed's scrapbook in 2013.

Ed Roll, a member of Pingry's Hall of Fame 1947 Golf Team, was profiled about his golf career in the Early Summer 2013 issue of *NJSGA Golf*. Titled "Mammoth Scrapbook Helps Ed Roll Look Back on Long Golf Career," the article mentions that he and Honorary Trustee **David Baldwin P '75, '76, '78, '81** started Pingry's golf team in the spring of 1946.

1948

Marshall Foster's roommate at Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida (1949-1950) was the late Fred McFeely Rogers of the PBS program *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood*. Just like on the show, he was busy opening and closing his cardigan, putting on his loafers, and taking them off.

1951

Robin Porter has passed us the sad news of the passing of Bernice "Bea" Dreesen on February 6, 2013, at age 84. Bea was the

widow of **Ron Dreesen**, her second husband. She was born in New York City, graduated from Bloomfield High School in 1946, went to secretarial school, and became a secretary. Bea was a past president of the National ALS Foundation in New York and an active contributor to local historic preservation committees. She was a passionate supporter of the environment. Bea is survived by her son Richard and daughter-in-law Cynthia. Robin recalls that Bea was a gracious hostess at many '51 Reunion parties planned by Ron as longtime class secretary and held at their historic home in Bernardsville.

1952

Alan Embree writes, "My wife and I moved to the village of Sandy Hook in the town of Newtown, Connecticut two years ago. Since the tragic school shooting of December 14, we have been largely occupied with the town and Sandy Hook Promise in addressing the needs of victim families and finding ways to reduce violence. Living here has been a transformative experience."

1953

Dick Feleppa writes, "What happens when Pingry graduates gather 60 years later? The occasion: the 60th Reunion of the Class of 1953 on May 18, 2013. There they were, the seven schizoid members of the Class, deeply rooted in the classic post-war schooling of the '40s and '50s at the old building with its round stone arch on the tree-lined quiet Palmer Road in Elizabeth, and yet catapulted into receiving their prep school diplomas in the spacious modernity of the new school in Hillside under the same Big Blue and white banner of the school that bears the name of the good Doctor John F. Pingry. Who can forget his favorite motto, 'The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom!?' Perhaps only the man who wrote, 'The fear of Damnation is the kick in the pants that we all need!?' Who were the 'They'? Borrowing *Blue Book* accolades, The Best-Dressed **Bob Pierson**, the triple-threat: Best Looking, Most Popular, and Most School Spirited **Bob O'Brien**, the Class Clown **Dick** (now **Rich** of name, if not of fame) **Feleppa**, and Unequivocally 'The Most' **Clark Warren**. They were happily joined by Perennially Handsome **Fred Duffy**, the same Duff who helped dunk Delbarton, and The Politically Savvy and Forever Amiable **Jim Porter** whose soccer sagas need never be retold. They were treated to a cameo

appearance by **Miller Bugliari '52** who, as our PG, continues to give us a preliminary Pingry Glimpse of what a person can contribute in dedication to a school he loves...and Please God can we all remain active and productive in the example that Miller has set! True to the habit of the old dining hall on Parker Road, they wore their ties and jackets and were seated at one large commodious roundtable unlike the long, penitentiary-style refectory tables in Elizabeth. They brightened up the rooms of The Morristown Club with their wives and loves of many years. It is not an overstatement to say that the beautiful, effervescent, and classy Virginia Pierson, Sara O'Brien, Sue Feleppa, Gaile S. Gibbs Warren, and Katie Porter brought femininity and charm to the roundtable. They conversed and caught up over cocktails and a splendid dinner. Of course, they talked about cars: **Bob Pierson's** purple passion Ford, **O. A. Wilkerson's** father's M.G., **Bill McCleary's** two-door coup, and **Jim Porter's** current fleet of classic vehicles, including a vintage Ford Woody, two Model Ts, and two (like us!) old tractors. They talked about their favorite movies of all time, *Koenig Kong*, *The Flaming Idiot*, and *The Mark of Zilch*. They lamented classmates lost or gone astray. They talked about the loon in the library, diminutive detective **Dick Hoos** in the locker, **Bob Frank's** young wife, and mostly of old friends



Sitting: **Bob Pierson '53**, **Sue Feleppa**, **Dick Feleppa '53**, **Jim Porter '53**, and **Sara O'Brien**. Standing: **Katie Porter**, **Gaile Warren**, **Clark Warren '53**, **Virginia Pierson**, and **Bob O'Brien '53, GP '13**.

whom they greatly missed, namely **Ralph Bernstein, Franklin and Freeman Bunn, Jim Hass, Phil Scrudato**, and many others. They talked about Mueller Egg Noodles, Vaile Deane and Kent Place cuties, the Savages, and the charismatic department heads **Cas, Mr. West, Albie, Mr. Buffum, Mr. Kirk, and Abel DeG.** They expressed their desires to keep in touch. They shared memories of the loves of their lives and the lengths of their marriages. They marveled at the medical advances that keep them ticking, and of their hope to return to the next big Reunion in 2017! And, hopefully, gather together soon again!! (Passing that assignment on to their wives!!!) The hypnotic and ageless **Clark Warren** gifted (to all those who swore they could pass a hearing test) a copy of his latest CD, *Lucky So And So*. **Bob O'Brien** penned a few quick lines to help toast our gathering, and delivered them with eloquent pizzazz:

*From Parker Road to Hillside
We All had a Wonderful Ride.
Buffum, Kirk, and DeGryse
All gave us Good Advice
Now Sixty Years Later
As we soon will meet our Maker
We know we didn't wing her
But learned from Mr. Springer
To Be Chaste and True and
To Find
The Best in All Mankind.*



Grandfather **Bob O'Brien '53** and grandson **Timothy O'Brien Landers '13**, who is heading off to Washington & Lee.

O'B summed it all up with 'The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom' as speaketh by Dr. John F. Pingry; and 'Oh you stupid fellows' as aptly put as can be by Belgium's own **Abel DeGryse.**"

Bob O'Brien GP '13 writes, "I am a national historian and give lectures about the War of 1812, etc."

1954

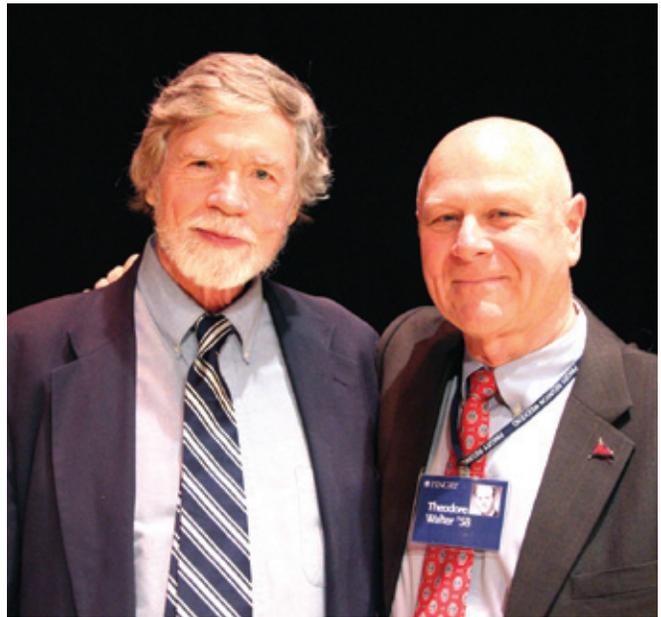
Former PAA President and former trustee **Bill Williams, Jr.** writes, "Lee and I bought a 1784 Cape Cod house overlooking the Meetinghouse Cove on the Medomac River in Waldoboro, Maine. We both are semi-retired and loving life."

1958

Dr. Jim Smith and **Ted Walter** attended Pingry's annual Robert H. LeBow '58 Memorial Oratorical Competition on the Basking Ridge Campus on February 22, 2013. Prior to the students' presentations, Dr. Smith mentioned how pleased he is to once again feel a connection to Pingry. Speaking about his late classmate, Dr. Smith noted, "Bob lived a life in which he gave to other people. He brought the best of Pingry's values to the people he served."



1958 **Pat Coughlan** showed **Will Welt '06** how to tie a bow-tie during Reunion in May 2013.



Dr. Jim Smith '58 and Ted Walter '58.

1960

Lawrence Clayton retired as of June 2013 after almost 41 years at the University of Alabama.

1961

Dr. Zsolt Harsanyi received Pingry's Letter-in-Life Award at Commencement on June 9, 2013. Read his citation on page 51.

Richard Kagan writes, "Shreve and I recently moved to Philadelphia, anticipating my retirement from full-time teaching at Johns Hopkins on June 30, 2013. I plan, however, to continue to research, write, and publish, so 'retirement' may not be the right term to describe my current situation."

1962

Former trustee **Dr. William Tansey III P '89, '90, '92** writes, "**Don Johnston** was among the most accomplished musicians of our generation—on the piano, the trumpet, the saxophone, bass, and vibraphone, as well as on so many pages of orchestral composition. Anyone who knew Don remembers his dance on the keys with everything from 'Watermelon Man' to 'Rhapsody in Blue.' It is very fitting that he was recognized with Pingry's Achievement in the Arts Award."

1963

Gary Baum retired in 2010 from a career in sales and marketing for paper manufacturers. He and his wife Susanna have two

children and three grandchildren. He writes, "The 50th Reunion was a lot of fun and very well run by those in charge, and it certainly was great to see old classmates, some for the first time since graduation."

Dale Christensen spent his 33 1/2-year career with the federal government as a mechanical engineer/computer specialist, overseeing large computer-aided design acquisitions for the Department of the Navy, approving major computer acquisitions and writing government-wide computer policy at the General Services Administration, and then leading the Architecture and Standards and then the Strategic Planning and Policy areas for the Department of the Navy's Office of the Chief Information Officer. Dale has been enjoying retirement for seven years. He and his wife Sally are very active volunteering at the Kansas City, Missouri Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. They have five children and 19 grandchildren, who are the joy of their lives.

Ted Corwin, Jr. worked in retailing for Bloomingdales in New York in home furnishings, then joined The Lane Company in North Carolina, where he learned about manufacturing, before founding Designmaster Furniture, a maker of dining furniture, now in its 25th year. He and his wife Lucy live in Hickory, North Carolina and have four children. He commented about the Class of 1963's 50th Reunion, "I am deeply grateful for my years at Pingry and for the 50 years since. Pingry planted wonderful values that have stood the test of time. The Lord has blessed me and my family in many ways, and certainly through Pingry."

Dr. Woody English reports from Portland, Oregon that he retired this summer after having practiced medicine for 33 years. Woody and his wife Annie have three children and one granddaughter, with two more grandchildren expected by the end of September.

Dr. Jeff Fast has been a teacher and an administrator in independent



Dr. Jeff Fast '63, right, receiving a Chelsea clock in recognition of 25 years of service to Belmont Hill School. He is pictured with Belmont Headmaster Dr. Richard Melvoin and award-winning Belmont senior Edward Columbia.

schools for over 40 years, having served most recently as both Director of Curriculum and English Department head at Belmont Hill School in Belmont, Massachusetts. He has also spent the last three summers teaching English to Chinese students in Shenzhen, China, for Foundation Global Education. He was appointed Director of the Shenzhen program for the summer of 2013. He and his wife Kathy live in Weston, just outside Boston.

Frederick Ganz writes, "I started my career in aerospace, first at the Grumman Corporation, where I was twice named Inventor of the Year. After Grumman, I became Chief Scientist of the Radar Systems Division at Photon Research Associates, a high-tech firm doing research and studies for the military. Thirteen years ago, I switched careers and became President of Aero-Vision Technologies, a company that pioneered a lot of the early work in high-speed wireless Internet and introduced flat-screen TVs to hotels in New York City. My wife Claire and I live in Florida, where we retired to play golf and cruise the southern waters in our sailboat."

In June 2013, **John Klein** retired as President of Randolph College in Lynchburg, Virginia. He heard great stories about Reunion from **Bob Mayer**. After Pingry, John graduated from Princeton and

University of Michigan Law School, taught at International College in Beirut, Lebanon, practiced law at Sullivan & Cromwell in New York, was a business executive for Bunge Ltd. all over the world (serving as the CEO of Bunge North America for 18 years), became the COO of Washington University in St. Louis, before moving to his previous job at Randolph. John and his wife Susan have two grown children, Jennie and Tom, both Princeton graduates.

Roger Lathbury has a different last name than when he attended Pingry (it was Lewis then), the result of marrying (a feminist gesture—the new name comes from a novel by Barbara Pym). He teaches English at George Mason University in Virginia and runs a small publishing company, Orchises Press.

Dick Manley, a member of Grove City College's Soccer Hall of Fame and Athletic Hall of Fame, spent the first part of his career in HR with the former American Hospital Supply Corporation and then with Glaxo SmithKline. He left the corporate world and began a management consulting company where he worked for 20 years and from which he retired in 2009. He currently resides in Aiken, South Carolina. He has two daughters from his first marriage and a daughter with his current wife Jeri. His youngest graduated from college in May 2013.

Curt Martin retired in May 2012 after 38 years of teaching and research in the Political Science Department at Merrimack College in Massachusetts. He looks forward to more time for his musical and artistic interests and travel with his wife Janet.

Bob Mayer spent his career in advertising and marketing, including a stint as Vice President of Marketing for Madison Square Garden. He is now a writer and consultant. Bob and his wife Mary have three children.

Richard Meyers is an associate professor at the New York Institute of Technology. He and his wife Beth have been married since 1987.

Dr. Henry Pitt recently accepted the positions of Chief Quality Officer for the Temple University Health System and Associate Vice Dean for Clinical Affairs of the Temple University School of Medicine. He and his wife Betty have three children and four grandchildren.

Psychiatrist **Dr. Mark Poster** writes, "I very much enjoyed meeting with Pingry classmates at both the Basking Ridge and [former] Hillside Campuses and at the Somerset Hills Country Club with a view of New Jersey wooded hills that I had never seen before." Mark has worked at the VA Hospital for over 40 years and has a private practice in West Newton. He has two children.

Greg Serbe and his wife live in New York City and have two sons and four granddaughters. Greg is President of Leberthal Municipal Asset Management, managing discretionary bond portfolios for his clients. He still looks back at the Pingry years as the foundation for his life.

Peter Somers retired as a member of the firm of Lindabury, McCormick, & Estabrook, P.C. where he practiced management labor and health care law with the firm for over 35 years. He and his wife Pam reside in Readington, New Jersey and have three children and five grandchildren.

Fear AND LOATHING IN DESTIN, FLORIDA

CLASS OF '66 ALUMNI GATHERING



The state of Florida was rocked May 10-14 with the arrival of a gaggle of geezers from the Class of '66. Having successfully avoided the immigration controls specifically set up to keep out such twisted Yankees, the assembling alumni rented their Ford Foci under assumed names, filled the back seats with grapefruit and libations, dangerously overinflated the tires, and headed out from the Pensacola and Panama City airports to the clandestine rally point in Destin, Florida. Mothers ran to grab their children from the sidewalks as the hordes of demented old men careened through their previously peaceful neighborhoods.

Friday night found the group carousing madly at Dr. William LaCorte's personal beachside skyscraper, bought with procured funds—specifically, the funds paid out by Big Pharma, which Bill had successfully blown the whistle on and collected his 10 percent federal reward. Many toasts were hoisted to the foolish drug companies that thought they could get away with cheating the country on Medicare billings, ignoring the ferocious focus of Wild Bill, the people's crusader!

Since the statute of limitations had run out on most of the alumni's various improprieties, each of them was able to get up and give brief presentations on their individual histories since Pingry. Happily, very few had lost the serious psychological deviance that school life removed from women had produced in all of them. And thanks to their excellent Pingry education, most

had made enough money to hire the highest-quality lawyers and successfully avoid jail time for most of their lives. With Gil Roessner and George Ellis playing the most dangerous songs from the '60s on their guitars and Roy Sykes's loose dogs running around on the beach, the group soon had most of the neighborhood to themselves.

Then he arrived—the man we'd all been waiting for, the Capo di Tutti Capo of the Northern Jersey families—Signore Millero Bugliari. Feeling comfortable among old friends and business associates, Signore Bugliari had dispensed with his usual security detail and had only one bodyguard with him. But that was Tom Behr '58, hardly able to walk with everything he was packing. No one feared any threat to our Godfather with the clone of Luca Brasi around.

After a sterling presentation on money cleansing (he'd used his wife, the former Elizabeth Budd, to run cash through the bubble gum market in Pingry's Kindergarten for years), Millero was toasted endlessly. But the festivities were abruptly halted as weak prostates forced the revelry into an early retirement.

Next day found the building empty, with nothing left of the alumni event but grapefruit rinds. The local residents cautiously emerged from hiding, praying that the group would move next year's gathering to the fortified cabin on Lake Tahoe hosted by yours truly.

BY VINCE SCULLY

Pictured above, kneeling: George Ellis. Second row: Bill Baker, Dr. Tom Behr '58, Gene Mancini, Fred Waggoner, Bruce Schundler, and David Budd. Third row: Jim Kowalski, Dick Shepard, Roy Sykes, Vince Scully, and Gil Roessner. Fourth row: Special Assistant to the Headmaster Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20, Dr. Bill LaCorte, and Ernie Moody.

Ed Stavenick was president of his own business, Maple Data, concentrated on sales and leasing of CAD (computer-aided design) equipment, workstations, graphics printers, and computer service replacement parts. Now retired, he and his wife Janice live in Westfield and have two daughters, a son, and five grandchildren. At the 50th Reunion, Ed was delighted to reconnect again with so many classmates.

Dr. Bill Stone is retired from a career as a physician specializing in ear, nose, and throat surgery. He practiced for 27 years in New Hampshire. Bill and his wife Judy have been married since 1968, and they have two daughters and a son. He writes, “We had a wonderful time at our 50th Pingry Reunion and will be planning for our 75th!”

Bronson Van Wyck and his wife Mary Lynn live in Arkansas and have two children. He is the Managing Partner and partial owner of farmland investments in the Mississippi Delta and Midwest (production of corn, soybeans, cotton, and rice) and in California (production and marketing of fresh citrus and wine grapes).

Chris Westcott and his wife Karen live in Princeton and have one son. He is a financial consultant serving individual investors at RBC Wealth Management in New York.

1966

Bill Duncan writes, “After visiting Iran this past November, I have now been to 43 different countries, mostly on business. I was in Iran to keynote the 8th International Project Management Conference. My topic was ‘Five Future Challenges We Need to Solve Today.’ My hosts were kind enough to send me on tours of both Isfahan and Tehran. In April, my country total increased to 44 when I spoke at a conference in Rio de Janeiro sponsored by the IPMA Member Association of Brazil.”



Dr. Stephen Naughton '72, Dr. Bob Cunningham '72, and Greg Hewett '72.

1972

Dr. Stephen Naughton writes, “On the heels of a very successful 40th Reunion in May 2012, **Greg Hewett, Dr. Bob Cunningham**, and I were persistent in our desire to meet again and share more stories. We had a fantastic dinner and enjoyed re-living the past through a scrapbook my Dad arranged of newspaper clippings and photos from our days on the fields. Three hours passed like three minutes! Any of you reading this, take note: we plan to do it again and would love for you to join—we’re easy enough to find.”

1973

The **Reverend Brian Fidler** writes, “My youngest graduated from college the weekend before Reunion. Perhaps the greatest tribute I can pay to Pingry’s influence on my life and education is the fact that I have now taught in independent schools—both

boarding and day—for more than 30 years, inspired by the example of those who taught me. All best wishes to the Class of 1973.”



Dr. Daniel Wetzel (above) writes, “Howdy from VT. Hard to believe 30 years already! We have been in Vermont for 20 years, living the outdoor life. My knees can attest to that. Two kids out of college and one more to go. This is a recent picture for comparison to my yearbook picture. My family thinks I have always been bald.”

1977

Stephen McCarthy writes, “Our son Thomas is three years old and the joy of our lives.”



Thomas Berwick McCarthy.

Jane Sarkin O’Connor P ’11, ’14, features editor of *Vanity Fair* magazine, was the speaker for the Connie Dwyer Breast Center’s Spring Luncheon on May 7, 2013, in Florham Park, New Jersey. Money raised at the event will support the center’s mission of providing top-quality breast care for all women, regardless of their ability to pay.

1978

Former trustee and former PAA President **Lori Halivopoulos** made Pingry history when she received the Nelson L. Carr Service Award during Reunion. Read more on page 40.

John Witte, Jr. was inducted into Pingry’s Athletics Hall of Fame in May 2013 to recognize his accomplishments in football,



*Deep, circular niches in the walls of the music room in Ali Qapu Palace in Isfahan, Iran. “This is one of the places I visited that I thought looked uniquely Iranian,” says **Bill Duncan '66.***



1978 Peter Allen P '10 writes, "Half Ironman in Hague, New York on June 29, 2013, with three Pingry alumni and Pingry football trainer **Marc Silberman**. From left: **Marc Silberman**, me, **Karl Fenske '68**, **Julia Scales**, and **Dr. Judd Allen '77**. Karl was third in his age group, Marc second in Aquathon Half, and I was top 25 in the bike leg. Judd persevered the longest!"



1979 **Mario Teixeira**, Special Assistant to the Headmaster and boys' soccer coach **Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP 20**, and **Pat Birotte '87** met for lunch at Fornos of Spain Restaurant in Newark on June 24, 2013.

wrestling, and lacrosse. At the ceremony, John spoke about lessons he learned in the athletics program and thanked his family and coaches for their support. Read John's citation on page 48.

1980

Adam Kalkin received Pingry's Achievement in the Arts Award in May 2013 to recognize his accomplishments as an internationally-renowned architect. He is working on projects in France, South Africa, and Australia, and developing robotic buildings (mobile, computer-controlled, mechanized architecture). Read more on page 50.

1981

Jim Mullen, Associate Professor of Art at Bowdoin College in Maine, was the recipient of the 2013 Fellowship Award Winner Exhibition this summer at Phoenix Gallery in Chelsea, New York. He writes, "The gallery has been part of the New York art scene for over 50 years. This spring, they sent out a national call for entries for a juried fellowship for the next 18 months. The winner would be awarded a solo exhibition at the gallery, as well as a sponsored membership to the gallery for the rest of 2013 and all of 2014. To select a winner, the

gallery asked Carl E. Hazlewood to be the juror. Mr. Hazlewood is a multimedia artist, writer, curator, and co-founder of Aljira, a Center for Contemporary Art in Newark, New Jersey."

1982

William Michals received Pingry's Achievement in the Arts Award in May 2013 to recognize his accomplishments as a Broadway and opera singer. Read more on page 50.

1984

Jill Furman writes, "In 2013, I reconnected with two Pingry friends. First, in January, I was visiting my 86-year-old father in New Jersey who was recovering from a post-Sandy-related fall when he suffered a heart attack. He was rushed to Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, where he required emergency coronary bypass surgery because the arteries to his heart were nearly completely blocked. They had arranged for him to be operated on by **Dr. Leonard Lee '83!** Dr. Lee is an associate professor of surgery at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and chief of the division of cardiothoracic surgery at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. He performed a nearly four-hour

quadruple bypass surgery on my father the next day. The entire episode was very frightening, but knowing my dad was in Lenny Lee's hands was both comforting and extraordinary. Dr. Lee took excellent care of my father, and he has been recovering well. My family and I will be forever grateful to Dr. Lee. Then, in February, I was fortunate to meet up with **Andre Birotte, Jr. '83**. Andre, the U.S. Attorney for the Central District of California, was in Washington, D.C. for the announcement of the Department of Justice's case against Standard & Poor's (as noted on page 64 of the Winter 2012-13 edition of the Review). I have been at the DOJ in Washington for nearly 14 years, where I am now the Deputy Director of the Consumer Protection Branch. It was great to see how our careers brought us together as colleagues in the Department of Justice (even though we are on opposite coasts) after all these years!"

1986

On December 29, 2012, **Steven Rothenberg** married Irina Mordasova in an intimate wedding in Palm Beach, Florida with closest friends and family. Attending to enhance the celebration were The Honorable **Tom Kean, Jr.** and **Reed Kean** with his wife Michelle. Steven writes, "It was just such a happy occasion, with lots of celebrating and dancing until the late hours. And having life-long friends by my side whom I met at Pingry so many years ago made it all the more special." Steven and Irina spent a fascinating and adventurous honeymoon in Vietnam.

Lynn Faherty Zimmerman is working with her younger twin brothers on a new swimwear/clothing company, Faherty Brand, focused on the beach. It is a premium, eco-friendly brand, and an average of seven recycled plastic bottles is used in each bathing suit. She previously spent nearly 20 years on the business side of fashion/fitness magazines,



Steven Rothenberg '86 and **Irina Mordasova**.

so she is thrilled to be able to work with her younger brothers on this business venture. The swimwear was featured in the June issues of *Vogue* and *Men's Fitness* and online at Harper's Bazaar.com (www.harpersbazaar.com/shopbazaar). You can check out Faherty Brand and buy their swimwear at www.fahertybrand.com. Use the code "lynn10" for a 10 percent discount.

1987



Greg Cohen's boxing company, Greg Cohen Promotions, presented ESPN Friday Night Fights on June 14, 2013, at South Mountain Arena in West Orange, New Jersey.

As Chief Executive of the skin care company Ahava North America, **Elana Drell-Szyfer** travels frequently for business. In an article in *The New York Times* (February 12, 2013), "Something Wise from a Talkative Seatmate," Elana relates how sitting next to an 80-year-old Catholic nun on a trip to Israel made Elana realize that traveling is a gift (it was the nun's first time flying internationally, using miles donated by a family member, and she was very excited about the trip). More than that, Elana now believes if you talk to your seatmates more often when traveling, "you might learn something wonderful."

David Jacobson writes, "Twenty-five years after graduation, I did something that I swore I would never, ever do—I moved back to New Jersey. I got a great job offer in New York City that was too good to pass up, and my family and I have resettled in Westfield. As I get reacquainted with Route 78 and the nearby diners, I'd be happy to catch up with any 1987 alumni still in the area. You can find me through the usual social media channels. I also ran into **Liz Kellogg Winterbottom** while I was house hunting."

1988

Director of Counseling **Dr. Angelica M. Diaz-Martinez** was interviewed on Telemundo's "Buenos Dias, Nueva York" in July 2013 to discuss things to consider when choosing child-care, the effects of physical discipline on children, and anxiety. Videos of her three interviews are available on YouTube. Angelica's affiliation with Telemundo began in October 2005 while she was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. The communications department asked her to serve as an expert for Telemundo's local news on the issue of domestic violence.

Marti (Suhl) Rogers writes, "I am not missing. I just switched my U.S. headquarters from New York City to Palm Beach and am back-and-forth between there and Anguilla, STILL making my high-end one-of-a-kind beadwork and putting on some reggae and jazz festivals. I would highly recommend for anyone and everyone to come visit Anguilla! Feel free to contact me at miz.overstood@yahoo.com with any questions about Anguilla."

1989



Dollaya Chaibongsai DePasquale writes, "Definitely a year of change for me profession-

ally. I've closed two businesses to pursue a managing director job running an M.B.A. admissions consulting business. It's been bittersweet to say goodbye to Dahlia Blu and Elite Ascent, but I'm really happy with what I'm doing. **Tanya (Fickenscher) Leonard** was in Dallas for a conference, so **Julie Kotz Richie** and I met her for dinner one night and caught up. Great fun!"

Angela Hyatt Hockman writes, "My wife Katie and I welcomed our second daughter, Jemma Perry Wolf, into the world in March 2013. She is sweet and very serious. Our four-year-old Aliza is enjoying kissing, hugging, and playing with her. I often enjoy a good meal with **Rachel Rochat '91** here in Boston. We are also lucky to spend time with **Margaret Day '93** on occasion."

Michelle Lerner writes, "Still living in Flanders, New Jersey, with my amazing son Sean, partner Gray, and a gaggle of animals. Doing legal policy work for the Animal Protection League of New Jersey and running my own Trap-Neuter-Return project and rescue for feral cats. Sean is into dance of every kind, watching ballet, fairies, and Montessori preschool. Asks amazing questions about gravity and why people sometimes do bad things. Stumps me every day. If anyone is up near northwest New Jersey and wants to get together or stop by and meet our sheep (very popular with toddlers!), let me know!"



Tanya (Fickenscher) Leonard '89, **Dollaya Chaibongsai DePasquale '89**, and **Julie Kotz Richie '89**.

Reconnecting in Cuba:

OUR HAVANA HERITAGE

BY LISA (DUBUSC) MILLER '87



Nancy duBusc P '87, '00 and Elizabeth "Lisa" (duBusc) Miller '87 embracing Havana heritage at José Alonso's burial place in Cristobal Colon Cemetery.



Nancy duBusc P '87, '00, Richard B. duBusc '59, P '87, '00, and Elizabeth "Lisa" (duBusc) Miller '87 with their Cuban tour guide Ale and American tour guide Tracy Lewis at an organic co-operative farm in Havana.

It is possible to visit Cuba now—I just did it on a Friendly Planet cultural tour. Anyone who loves to travel to unusual places should definitely add Cuba to the list.

Stepping off the plane, just a 35-minute hop from Miami, I was arrested by the Cuban reality of what appeared to be a 1950s car show. The juxtaposition of these old-fashioned jalopies against the landscape of breathtaking architectural gems in Old Havana was truly captivating.

This trip was a pilgrimage for my parents and me. My great-grandfather José Alonso had left Barcelona in 1940 to open a nightclub at 1 Bernaza Street in the heart of Old Havana. According to my mom and her old letters, he was friendly with Hemingway. The highlight of our trip was hopping into a shiny yellow 1957 Pontiac Super Chief convertible to find the Cristobal Colon Cemetery. Here, we tracked down my great-grandfather's gravesite and were able to pay homage.

Our hotel, The Nacional Hotel, was an experience in and of itself—and the same hotel where my dad stayed as a 16 year old with his father. My dad has great memories of the beautiful beaches and the famous nightlife of the Tropicana. Just like the rest of Havana, for better or for worse, the hotel hasn't changed much.

Our tour took us to an elementary school where we saw tough classroom conditions and gave small gifts. The building itself was glorious, but gloomy. The senior citizen home we visited moved me to tears, as they sang and clapped for us. I couldn't get over their gratitude for our visit.

Socialism certainly had imprisoned Cubans for so long. It is clear that they just made do with what they had, which had not been much. Our one-hour briefing by a government official to "teach

us about Cuban-American economic and trade relations" felt more like a long-winded plea: "lift the U.S. embargo, please."

Somehow, against the lush and balmy backdrop of avocado trees and royal palms, the Cuban people seemed a strange mix of learned helplessness, acceptance, peacefulness, and even pride as they sat amid both grandeur and squalor. Spanish-style mansions, irrefutably exquisite in style and grace, looked as if they would crumble to the touch.

In the midst of all this government-induced austerity, it seemed that Cubans had developed a "you get what you get, and you don't get upset" mentality. For this little island nation, the lack of means and choices for so long clearly had demolished the competitive drive.

Flashbacks to Pingry, where I first learned of communistic concepts via Orwell's *1984* and *Animal Farm* and Huxley's *Brave New World*, began to take hold of me. Does socialism have its benefits? Well, Cuba certainly is a perfect current day anachronism to launch that discussion.

Exposure to capitalism will undoubtedly increase and will gain a foothold (it already has a big underground presence we discovered), but I am so glad that I was able to see it the way it is today. Cuba is so quiet, so uncommercialized, yet so full of potential, like a sleeping baby with such a great future ahead of it—one with a Starbucks on every corner, no doubt.

I remember how I felt about Saigon when I lived there in 1994, just after Vietnam opened up. It felt like the Wild West. It was exciting and intensely dynamic. It's easy to see how Cuba will head down that same path soon. I just hope that, in the process, Havana maintains all of its charm and sense of peace that I felt so enveloped by.



1990 **J. Michael Coughlin** and his wife **Ashley** welcomed their first child **Catherine Jurman Coughlin** on October 10, 2012. Baptism was held at Seton Hall University on February 9, 2013. **Anthony Bugliari P '20** and **Helen Lucciola P '11, '13, '15, '17** served as Godparents.



1990 **Day Rosenberg** ran into **Diane Dubovy Benke** at The Pat Griskus Triathlon in Middlebury, Connecticut on July 10, 2012.

1992

Lee Hartley Carter lives in New York City and is a partner at maslansky + partners. She was excited and shocked when she was contacted via Facebook by former classmate and friend

Rose Maguire who had heard that Lee's long-lost Pingry Class Ring was found in Nashville, Tennessee! Lee lost the ring on her first night of college! All of this has made her thankful, once again, for the friendships she made at Pingry—and for her restored faith in the kindness of strangers.

Allan Donnelly was inducted into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame in May 2013 to recognize his accomplishments in lacrosse, soccer, and basketball. At the ceremony, he thanked his parents for their commitment. "Pingry is a special community because of the faculty and coaches—they help you grow into the person you're going to become and prepare you for life," Allan said. "I grew up idolizing Michael Jordan, but the guys I wanted to emulate were some of the other Hall of Fame members on Pingry's list, like **Scott Aimetti '89** and **Todd Gibby '87**." Read Allan's citation on page 48.

English teacher and Director of College Counseling **Tim Lear** is a recipient of Pingry's Woodruff J. English Faculty Award (read

more on page 19). In other news, Tim writes, "my daughter Hyla finished Kindergarten, where she learned to paint like Jackson Pollock, while her younger brothers James and Tighe had a great year pretending they were Power Rangers."

Sam Partridge writes, "Had a blast at the Pingry Golf Outing this year. Played with **Ryan Saniuk '90**, **Bruce Morrison '64**, and faculty member **Drew Burns**. Also got the chance to see **Jake Angell '90**, **Woody Weldon '91**, **Corby Thomas**, and **Brad Bonner '93**, among many others. As Chairman of the Golf Committee for this year's event, was thrilled to see the number of golfers jump from 70 to 116, a testament to the event moving to Somerset Hills, as well as all of the efforts of **David M. Fahey '99** and **Holland Sunyak '02** in the Alumni office. Come out and join us next year!"

1993

Rebecca (Horwitz) McCarthy writes, "I've been living in southern California for seven years. I have two beautiful children and recently started my own business as a book coach for entrepreneurs. I have many fond memories of Pingry and hope to reconnect with members of the Class of '93 soon!"



1990 Spanish teacher **Vic Nazario P '90, '94** married **Jo Ann Liptak** on June 30, 2013, in Raritan, New Jersey. Second row: English teacher **Ted Li**, **Adam Nazario '94**, **Sharon Forte**, and Physical Education Department Chair **Joe Forte (Parents '00)**. Third row: World Languages Department Chair and German teacher **Norm LaValette P '04**, **Joe Cantwell '98**, and **Becky (Nazario) Wright**.

Jen (Alessandra) Rothfeld writes, "We moved to Texas a year ago—enjoying all Austin has to offer! My son Joshua particularly likes the dirt and lizards!"

Mary (Moan) Swanson writes, "Things are going well, both personally and professionally! On November 4, 2012, I married Darmon Swanson in Peoria, Illinois. We met in October 2010 at Bradley University, where we

both are employed. I came to Peoria in August 2010 to become the head women's golf coach at Bradley—in three years, we have won two team titles and seven individual titles, and recently finished third at the Missouri Valley Conference Championship, our highest finish at the conference championship since 2007. I was also honored as the 2013 Missouri Valley Conference Coach of the Year. In addition



Mary (Moan) Swanson '93 and Darmon Swanson.

to my coaching duties, I am an LPGA Class B member and teach seasonally at Metamora Fields Golf Club. Also, I recently became a consultant with Rodan + Fields, a skincare company. Really enjoying my time in the Midwest!"

1995

Erin (Leone) Blute writes, "I'm still living in London with my husband Ryan and our two young daughters. I was happy to see some Pingry friends this summer back in New Jersey!"



Blythe Hoffman, Christian Hoffman '94, Jane (Shivers) Hoffman '94, and New Jersey Congressman Leonard Lance.



Jeff Boyer '96 and Michael Ames '98.

1994

Jane (Shivers) Hoffman writes, "On Friday, May 17, 2013, Christian, Blythe, and I traveled to Washington, D.C. to participate in the Step Forward for Orphans March sponsored by bothendsburning.org. We met up with Gladney Center for Adoption President and CEO Frank Garrott and met tons of other families, many of whom are in the midst of stalled adoptions around the world. We also met with New Jersey Congressman Leonard Lance and Senate staffers to urge them to support upcoming legislation that will reinvigorate international adoption."



1996 Members of the 2013 soccer camp staff: Mael Corboz '12, Dylan Key '12, Randy Falk '11, Boys' Varsity Soccer Assistant Coaches David M. Fahey '99, Kim Kimber '76, P '07, Mike Coughlin '90, and Jake Ross, Boys' JV Soccer Head Coach Tony Garcia P '06, '10, and Boys' Varsity Soccer Head Coach Miller Bugliari '52, P '86, '90, '97, GP '20. They are joined by author Dr. Tom Behr '58 (fifth from left).

1996

Jeff Boyer and **Michael Ames '98** played squash at Pingry when the school hosted a full-size glass court in the Wilf Family Commons of The Carol and Park B. Smith '50 Middle School for three weeks in March and April 2013. Read more on page 30.

1997

Jonathan Brauman and his wife Jennifer welcomed their son William Jonathan Brauman on May 25, 2013.

History teacher **John Crowley-Delman** is a recipient of Pingry's David B. Buffum History Chair. Read more on page 19.

Tyler Umbdenstock, Emily (Haverstick) Umbdenstock, and big brother Luke are thrilled to announce the birth of Wyatt Proud Umbdenstock on July 23, 2013. Wyatt came into the world happy and healthy, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces and measuring 20 inches. Everyone is in love with the newest addition to the family!



Luke Umbdenstock and Wyatt Proud Umbdenstock.



1997 **Chris Marzoli, Greg Cortese, Chris Runnells '95,** and **Nick Ross** caught up in New Jersey this past spring.

1998



Michael Ames' story, "The Awakening: Ron Paul's Generational Movement," was featured on the cover of the April 2013 issue of *Harper's Magazine*. (Cover courtesy of *Harper's Magazine*)

Joyce (Chang) Anderson writes, "I've settled in Evanston, Illinois with my husband Chris and two sons, Henry and James. After graduating from law school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, I practiced securities litigation for three years at Sidley Austin in Chicago. I currently stay at home with my children, am the Evanston Township High School Head Girls Tennis Coach, and offer occasional pro bono legal services through Chicago Volunteer Legal Services."

Gideon Lewis-Kraus, a freelance writer and author, visited Pingry twice in early 2013, first for Career Day in January and then for the Justin Society Creative Writing Festival in April. At the festival, he read part of an article about cats on the Internet that he had written for *Wired* magazine:

"In Search of the Living, Purring, Singing Heart of the Online Cat-Industrial Complex." Gideon also shared writing advice with students during afternoon workshops. The paperback edition of his first book, *A SENSE OF DIRECTION*, was published in May 2013.

1999



Sarah Keil Chernoff, Adam Keil '96, Mike Chernoff, Heather Keil '02, and **Noah Keil '05**

have been working hard to increase funding and awareness for pancreatic cancer with the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network. Wendy Keil P '96, '99, '02, '05 lost her nine-month battle with the disease in 2011. Last year, they had 300 friends and family walking as members of their Walking for Wendy team at different PurpleStride events across the country. They have raised over \$300,000 for the organization, which is committed to advancing research, supporting patients, and creating hope for all those touched by the devastating disease, which has a five-year survival rate of only six percent, no early detection tools, and no effective treatments. They plan to have a large Walking for Wendy team at the New Jersey PurpleStride event on November 10, 2013, and hope you will consider supporting their team. Last year, they were joined by a number of Pingry alumni! To register to walk, make a donation, or gather more info about the event go to: www.walkingforwendy.org/NJ. Please visit www.walkingforwendy.org/2012 video to learn more about Walking for Wendy.

Kelly (Sheridan) Florentino '99 writes, "Patrick, Shannon, and I participated in the March for Babies in April 2013 in New York City and couldn't believe how many people were there to support this wonderful cause! March for Babies is the March of Dimes' biggest annual fundraiser that supports lifesaving research and groundbreaking programs for moms and families. It was so inspirational seeing many of the groups walking with T-shirts showing pictures of individual tiny babies soon after their premature births with slogans like 'I walk for John' or 'I walk for Jane,' and then seeing those very same babies all grown up and healthy as can be."



Kelly (Sheridan) Florentino '99, **Patrick Florentino,** and **Shannon Florentino.**



Heather Keil '02, Noah Keil '05, Gordon Keil P '96, '99, '02, '05, Adam Keil '96, and **Sarah Keil Chernoff '99.**



1999 **Ben Lehrhoff, Nick Sarro-Waite, Wyatt Kasserman, former Major Gifts Officer David Greig '98, and Rob Vernicek** got together in Austin, Texas to celebrate the upcoming wedding of **Matt Margolis**.

2000

Chris Carey was inducted into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame in May 2013 to recognize his accomplishments in football, lacrosse, and wrestling. "I am blown away—the team should be up here," he said at the ceremony. Chris highlighted the lessons he learned from his parents and described football coach **Tom Boyer P '96, '98** as the "best leader in the room. I did what he told me to do and tried to be helpful. If you're going to spend 20 hours each week working on something, it might as well be 40, so do it at the highest level." Read Chris' citation on page 48.

Keith Castaldo and his wife Elissa are enjoying living on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. Keith recently started a new position as Finance Counsel for Senator Kirsten Gillibrand from New York. He enjoys working on the myriad of tax, banking, and trade issues that a diverse state like New York offers. Keith and Elissa spent the summer traveling around the country visiting family and friends, and they look forward to spending time back at home with their dog Miles.

Alan Jason Pepe has been running his eponymous public relations and marketing firm, Alan Pepe Communications LLC, since 2009, for high-profile and celebrity clients in New York.

2001

Erin Hearn writes, "I moved to Dallas about two years ago, so, if you find yourself in Texas, look me up! I work for Uplift Education, a network of charter schools that serves predominately low-income students of color in Dallas and Fort Worth. As the Road to College Coordinator, I help students develop the skills necessary to get accepted into and succeed in college."

Margaret Kelleher and her husband Gavin Millard welcomed Declan Rhys Millard on May 23, 2013. Margaret writes, "Everyone is well, and we are so enjoying Declan. This summer, we also had the chance to catch up with **Hannah Bloom** and her new son Ben."



Declan Rhys Millard.

Courtney Leone, co-assistant captain along with **Lauren (Anderson) Holland** of the state champion Pingry 2000 Field Hockey Team, was excited and honored to reunite with her teammates and teachers at the team's Hall of Fame induction this May. She recently moved back to New York City from London, where she lived near her sister **Erin (Leone) Blute '95**, and looks forward to catching up with old friends!

Lindsay (Moyer) Stempniak, captain of the undefeated and state champion Pingry 2000 Field Hockey Team, was honored to speak at the team's induction into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame in May 2013. "Playing on the field hockey team was one of the happiest times of my life. We all thank coach **Judy Lee** for teaching hard work and discipline," she said. Read about the Hall of Fame inductions on page 48.

2002



*Engaged! **Brian Martin '02** and Katherine L. Amestoy.*

Brian Martin writes, "Excellent news from Burlington, Vermont! On the night of June 7, 2013, I proposed to Katherine L. Amestoy of Waterbury Center, Vermont, on the deck of our apartment. She said yes! The photo was snapped by our nearby friend, moments after the proposal. Always love hearing from old friends who pass through Vermont, and love seeing old friends when in Jersey."



2000 **Kate (Martuscello) Smith and Ted Smith** were married on July 6, 2013, in Newburyport, Massachusetts. In the wedding party were Best Man **Gordon Hunt**, Groomsmen **Peter duBusc, Brian Neaman, and Jeff Roos**, and Bridesmaid **Jessica Goldfinger**. They celebrated with friends and other alumni: **Scott Buell, Rich Myers, Heidi (Barnes) Harper, Melissa Grandis, Patty Jeydel, Nicole Cohen, Meghan Lind, Keith Castaldo, Becca Buurma, Gary Silverstrom, Allison Weinstein, and Carolyn Crandall '01**.

2003

Rachel Askin writes, “I moved from New Jersey to Boston in June because I earned a promotion at my company, LevelUp, and have been enjoying getting to know another city! It’s also been great getting to reconnect with **Denise LaForgia**, who has lived here since graduating from Pingry. LevelUp is a mobile payment app that allows customers to pay with their phones and earn loyalty rewards, primarily at restaurants and bars throughout the country.”

2004



Jill Kehoe enjoyed participating in the “Pingry Faculty on the Road to New York City” young alumni event on June 6, 2013—as both a faculty member and an alumna! She was joined by **Ted Li, John Magadini, Deirdre O’Mara P ’17, ’19, ’21, Gerardo Vazquez P ’18, ’19,** and **Ramsay Vehslage.**

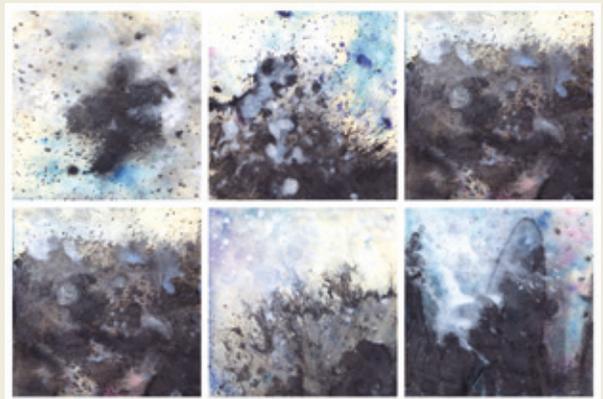
Andrew Werner is engaged to Kimberly Gallant. They both live and work in Manhattan and are planning an August 2014 wedding. Kimberly is in commodity sales at JP Morgan; Andrew is an architect at Kohn Pedersen Fox, where he is working on the design and construction of the Hudson Yards development on the West Side.

2005

Jessica Meyer is in her fifth year in education in the D.C. area. After teaching Grades 1 and 3, she is now the Vice Principal at KIPP DC: Promise Academy, the first KIPP (Knowledge is Power Program) elementary school in D.C. After another great summer session (the school is year-round), Jessica traveled to Croatia for The Yacht Week with **Gideon Oppenheimer** and other friends.



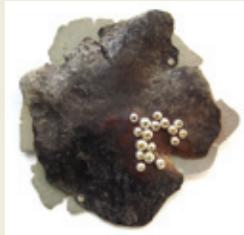
2005 Alumni in Spring Lake, New Jersey over Memorial Day Weekend. Front row: Pingry friend, **Catie Lee**, Pingry friend, **Maggie O’Toole, Nicole Daniele, Lauren Tanenbaum, Britt Silvestri,** and **Julie Ann Aueron.** Back row: **Brian O’Toole ’08, Eric Schonberg,** and **Brad Fechter.**



Action Series (paper, paint, ink, pencil).

Artwork by **Melissa J. Tyson ’04** was on display this spring in Pingry’s Alumni Art Exhibition. Ms. Tyson’s art combines metal work, individually-mixed alloys, enamel, and drawings with objects, materials, quotations, photographs, and other items that she has collected from her traveling and research.

In Pingry’s art department, she alternated between painting and filmmaking. “Class offerings, field trips, and the environment that the fine arts faculty put together—a studio environment in which we could work steadily and quietly and find our own direction—really shaped my experience,” Ms. Tyson says. “**Mr. Delman** is directly responsible for sparking my full-time pursuit of the arts because he validated the idea in an environment that heavily emphasized traditional academics and athletics. I had those interests, too, but it’s easy for art to get pushed into a supplemental role without the right time and setting carved out for it. He continues to be supportive and guiding today.”



Terrain Brooch, part of an ongoing jewelry series (hand-mixed silver-copper alloy, sterling silver, seed pearls).

After graduating from Pingry, Ms. Tyson attended the Rhode Island School of Design and studied abroad in Russia, Mexico, and Germany. In 2011, she co-founded The Bloomfield School (www.the-bloomfieldschool.com) in Brooklyn to teach technical metalsmithing skills to students of all ages. Her web site is www.melissajtyson.com.



2006 **Tom Strackhouse, John Stamatis ’05,** Boys’ Varsity Soccer Assistant Coach **David M. Fahey ’99,** Boys’ Varsity Soccer Head Coach **Miller Bugliari ’52, P ’86, ’90, ’97, GP ’20, Eric Hynes ’08, Sam Jurist,** and **Lenny Coleman** got together in New York City on July 1, 2013, for a boys’ soccer mini-reunion. The players caught up with Coach Bugliari and celebrated the launch of Sam Jurist’s new business, mygradpad.com.



Alex DeLuca '06 working with Dead Winter Carpenters.

2006

Alex DeLuca recently opened a recording studio, Heavenly Tracks, in South Lake Tahoe. His first clients, Dead Winter Carpenters, are pictured with Alex as they create one of their songs.

2007

Hadley Johnson writes, "I am looking forward to starting my Ph.D. program in Clinical Psychology at the Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies at Adelphi University! I recently completed a Master's degree at Columbia, where I studied clinical psychology with a specialization in Child and Family. In addition to academic and clinical work, I will be conducting research into disorganized attachment in middle childhood in relation to adolescent psychopathology."

2008

Megan Craighead writes, "After graduation, I went on to pursue a double major in International Studies and Slavic Studies at Boston College. After graduating in 2012, I decided to move with my family to Hong Kong to pursue a Master of International and Public Affairs at the University of Hong Kong. It is an absolutely amazing city that offers everything you would hope to find in a major international financial city. I will graduate in November 2013 and hope to stay in the region."

This summer, **Jenna Devine** attended a writer's workshop run by the literary magazine *One Story*. In August, she began her second year teaching high school English with Teach For America in Dallas. Read more about Jenna's accomplishments since graduating from Pingry on page 53.

2009

Christina Daquila writes, "I had so much fun at the Pingry lunch in D.C., and it was great to see classmates and **Mr. Leef!** I graduated from Georgetown in May and was excited to move to New York and start working full-time at Barclays this summer!"

Hillary Densen, a senior attacker and co-captain of the Amherst College women's lacrosse team, was honored this spring. Read more on page 39.

The New England Small College Athletic Conference honored **Maja Feenick** in early 2013. Read more on page 39.

Connor Jennings graduated from The George Washington University in May 2013 and accepted a position with *The Washington Post* as a Front End Web Developer commencing June 2013.

Yale University honored **Alyssa Zupon** with several leadership and community service honors this spring. Read more on page 39.

2010



Chloe Blacker writes, "Excited to participate in [the All-Americans' squash exhibition at Pingry in March 2013] when I was able to watch pros play at my alma mater, even a former Penn squash coach, Gilly Lane! This year, Penn Women's Varsity Squash received 3rd place at College Nationals, and I won the consolations of the Holleran Cup at Individual Nationals. I can't wait to be an upcoming captain of the Penn Women's Varsity Squash team, which I am really looking forward to this fall!"

Sam Fisher writes, "This year, I co-authored a book with two fellow Stanford students on the

rise of Stanford football. The book, *Rags to Roses*, was released in the Kindle store in July. You can purchase the book by searching for 'Rags to Roses' in the Kindle store, and you can read it on a Kindle or any of the free Kindle reader apps for an iPad, iPhone, Mac, or PC. All of the proceeds go to our college newspaper, *The Stanford Daily*. Thanks for your support."

Bozhena Lisko writes, "I can't believe I'm entering my senior year. I have been involved with the Society of Women Engineers and throwing a fun high school colloquium, which got me interested in engineering during my time at Pingry. I also continue to be involved with Tiger Inn and Kappa Alpha Theta."



Maureen Brady '08 and Megan Craighead '08 at the Peak in Hong Kong, overlooking Victoria Harbor.



Prehistoric Times.

Artwork by **Rob Ventura '07** was on display this spring in Pingry's Alumni Art Exhibition. He draws computer-generated images in Adobe Illustrator and, using a digital projector, projects each image onto a canvas. While the image is being projected, Mr. Ventura traces its outline with pencil and tape. Once the sketch is complete, he paints by number in acrylic, filling in each area with the appropriate color. The images range from pop-inspired cartoon characters to representations of household items.

"I was exposed to and had access to a wide variety of resources and opportunities at Pingry. When you have the opportunity to make art, play a sport, or experiment with computers at an early age, those things become integral to your happiness and success. Being around that kind of diversity of experience has enabled me to take greater risks and pursue my passion," he says. Mr. Ventura earned a B.F.A. at Boston College and an M.F.A. at Boston University. His web site is www.robventura.com.



Inferno.

Peter Martin writes, "Using the Pingry network, specifically the Alumni Department and the Wilf family, I became a Legal Intern this summer, working for the Minnesota Vikings. Because I go to school in Minnesota and have always been obsessed with the professional sports world, this experience has naturally been my dream job. I can't say enough about the people I worked for. They had a genuine desire to teach me about the profession, and the organization is one of the friendliest and most efficiently-run businesses I have ever seen. I can't wait to see what I will work on next. Go Vikings and Go Big Blue!"

Elisse Park writes, "It was great catching up with some of my classmates at the Pingry lunch in D.C. Time has flown, and I am a rising senior at Georgetown. Last year, I started walking our mascot Jack the Bulldog, and performed tricks with him at our basketball games."

Tyler Smith writes, "I interned as a research analyst with StepStone Group, a private equity firm in New York City. After my internship, I spent the rest of my summer biking and mountain climbing in Colorado. I am entering my final year at Middlebury College as an Economics major and will be a returning to play on the men's varsity soccer team."

Jennifer Soong writes, "In my third year of studying English and Visual and Environmental Studies, I have become interested

in poetry as a creative practice as well as a subject of literary criticism and aesthetics. I am working on a thesis about the role of objects in Elizabeth Bishop and Robert Lowell's work and interned at MOMA this summer."

2011

Adam Armstrong writes, "Studying criminal justice in Boston. Currently working on a technology initiative for crowd sourcing CPR."

Matt Beattie helped to make ice hockey history at Yale University. Read more on page 39.

Nic Fink competed for the United States team in this summer's FINA World Championships in Barcelona. Read about more of Nic's stellar swimming accomplishments on page 39.

Colleen Roberts writes, "At Georgetown, I've sought out opportunities around issues of diversity and inclusion. In April, there was a huge slam poetry event sponsored by a diversity club I'm involved in! It was great to see other Pingry alumni and **Mr. Leef** at the D.C. college lunch!"

Harrison Yu interned at Armani Exchange in New York City this summer and is heading to Vienna to study until mid-December. He is entering his junior year at the University of Chicago, where he is a food critic for their new food magazine, *Spoon*, and tries to



2011 **Adam Armstrong**, **Jennifer Soong '10**, biology teacher **Luke De, Brandon Brier '10**, **Vicky Wei**, and Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving **David M. Fahey '99** at the Boston-Area College Luncheon on April 11, 2013.

write a review every week. For MODA (the university's student-run fashion conglomeration), he ran the logistics of the school year's final fashion show and assumed a new position as Financial Director. Harrison also sits on the Student Alumni Committee's board as Alumni Outreach Chair.

2012

Mael Corboz earned a number of soccer honors in his freshman year at Rutgers University. Read more on page 39.

Cameron Edwards was part of Bucknell University's freshman four boat that won crew gold at the ACRA Championship Regatta in Georgia in May 2013. Read more on page 39.

Andrew Hanna writes, "Hey Pingrians! Hope your years are going well and college is as fun as you imagined it would be."

Patrick Lackey writes "This year, I graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy with high honors and was named Co-MVP of the hockey team, as well as being named to the New Hampshire All-State team. I will be continuing my education and hockey career at Tufts University."

Logan McGowan writes, "It was great being home for the summer and seeing my Pingry friends."

Madi Taylor writes, "Finished my first year at Harvard. I am taking classes in biology and theater and exploring all of the great

concentration options for the coming year! I spent three weeks this summer in Cambridge, England doing creative writing."

2013

Hayley Advokat worked at day camp over the summer. She's going to miss everyone so much!

Mahmoud Aliamer writes, "Off to UChicago—fun, fun, fun, windy fun."

Michael Arrom joined rock guitarist Steve Vai on an eight-nation tour this summer. Read more on page 54.

Hanna Beattie writes, "I am so excited to start college. Pingry was prepared me so well and has been an amazing experience. Can't wait to come back and visit!"

Andrew Benito writes, "I've had an incredible 13 years at this school and am sad to leave. However, I was excited to travel this summer and am looking forward to experiencing college this year."

Nicole Blum writes, "I will be attending Stanford University in the fall. I am still undecided about my major, but am super-excited."

Brigid Bruno is going to be a freshman at Williams College, where she will be playing varsity field hockey. She will dearly miss all of her teachers from Pingry!

Morgan Burke writes, "I was excited to have some free time before starting at Middlebury this fall."

Temilayo Butler is so sad about leaving the Pingry community, but so excited to continue on to Howard University.

Ellen Cahill writes, "I'm going to miss everyone so much, but I can't wait to attend Bowdoin this fall!"

Yumi Casagrande writes, "I'm so excited to graduate and begin at Tufts. Thank you to Pingry for everything it has taught me."

Claire Chen writes, "I've had a great four years at Pingry and met a lot of unforgettable people. I'm looking forward to starting college and coming back to visit!"

Brandon Chow writes, "I went to China this summer and was super-amped to see my friends!"

Vinita Davey writes, "It's been a pleasure to spend 13 years as part of the Class of 2013. Thanks to you all for everything."

Andras Deak writes, "I'm really going to miss **Ali Welch**."

Andrew Dellapina writes, "I'll be attending Vanderbilt University this year, and I hope the next four years will be as fun as the last four!"

Lauren DeVito writes, "I can't believe 13 years went by so fast! Lifer!"

John Dugan writes, "Villanova University, Class of 2017. I look forward to going to Villanova because I want to take the next step in moving forward with my life."

Alex Epifano writes, "Went to Japan for the summer and on my way to GA Tech this fall."

Jaime Ferns writes, "I have had an amazing four years at Pingry! I couldn't imagine a better place to spend my high school years! I wish everyone the best with whatever they do!"

Ellis Flannery is going to Johns Hopkins to wrestle.

Jordan Flannery writes, "I am playing football at Bates College in the fall and I am really looking forward to it."

Adam Fraites writes, "I was excited to go back and work at camp all summer and then start Richmond this year."

Kaitlyn Friedman writes, "I am going to miss all the amazing friends I have made at Pingry, but I am so excited to be going to Vanderbilt this fall!"

Stephen Friedman writes, "Looking forward to Lehigh this fall. Going to miss playing athletics here. Hoorah!"

Emma Galgano is looking forward to Cornell.

Max Gottlieb writes, "I'm going to miss the boys." A defenseman for the New Jersey Rockets, Max committed to playing for the Bonnyville Pontiacs of Canada's Alberta Junior Hockey League for the 2013-14 season. He scored 20 points (6 goals, 14 assists) in 43 league games and added 4 points in 19 exhibition and playoff games. He earned 10 of his 20 points on power plays (3 goals, 7 assists).

Mikell Graves writes, "This summer, I was a lifeguard at my local pool and went on a road trip out west! I'm most looking forward to



2011 A small alumni soccer gathering in Boston on April 10, 2013. From left: **Andrew Young**, **Adam Jacob**, **Ted Walbridge '78**, **Dr. Mark Poster '63**, **Dr. Don Burt '69**, **Andy Gottlieb '91**, Boys' Varsity Soccer Head Coach **Miller Bugliari '52**, **P '86, '90, '97**, **GP '20**, Boys' Varsity Soccer Assistant Coach **David M. Fahey '99**, **Greg Spurr '74**, and **Tom Ferry '80**.



Sarah Park '12, **Christina Daquila '09**, **Nick Rice '10**, Assistant Headmaster **Jon Leef P '15, '18**, Director of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving **David M. Fahey '99**, **Chloe Sorvino '11**, and **Colleen Roberts '11** at the Washington, D.C. College Luncheon.

going hiking and camping out with my future Northwestern classmates!"

Leah Greer writes, "Throughout my 10 years at Pingry, I have made so many friends, and I am so excited to see everyone succeed in the years to come."

Cara Hayes was a lifeguard this summer and is going to Washington and Lee University this fall.

Jack Hickey writes, "So excited to go to Northwestern in the fall!"

Brian Hochberger writes, "Going to School of the Art Institute of Chicago, living in Chicago, trying to stay warm, and learning how to talk to computers."

Harrison Homer is really looking forward to heading off to Tufts University.

Amanda Hulse writes, "Thanks for a great four years! I'll look back on them fondly, and I wish all of my classmates the best of luck!"

Melissa James writes, "I'm excited to go to the University of Delaware. I love my school and I can't wait to spend the next four years of my life at Delaware."

Molly Kandarian enjoyed going to California and Boston this summer.

Greg Koziol writes, "I'll be attending Bowdoin College in the fall. I know I'll make good use of all the skills I learned in **Mr. Burkhart's** computer science class."

Will LaCosta writes, "I look forward to college this year and more swimming. I will be aided by the education I received here at Pingry."

Tim Landers is looking forward to attending Washington and Lee University this year.

Brian Li is looking forward to going to Dartmouth College. He is going to miss Pingry because he had a phenomenal time, but, at the same time, he is looking forward to experiencing a whole new life and the future.

Sydney Li writes, "I am graduating this year to go to college in California."

Rachel Lima writes, "I'm really going to miss all my Pingry friends this year!"

Matt Lucciola writes, "Had a blast here! Definitely would do it again next year!"

Kelly Mao writes, "I loved my time at Pingry, and I will cherish my memories and experiences here forever. I'm so excited to go to Georgetown in the fall!"

Jessica McGregor writes, "My time at Pingry is something that I will never forget! I've shared so many incredible memories with my friends, teachers, and other members of the Pingry community. I can't believe we graduated!"

Henry Meiring writes, "I'm very excited to finally go to Duke this year!"

Valerie Morin writes, "I'm really excited to go to college this year! I'm going to miss all the wonderful people I've met at Pingry."

Caroline Murphy writes, "Getting involved and trying new things made my experience at Pingry incredible. I'm looking forward to doing the same at Georgetown."

Amara Nnaeto writes, "Was really excited to relax with friends and visit family in Nigeria this summer before I start at Princeton in the fall!"

Michael O'Reilly writes, "Pingry's been great."

Adam Palmer writes, "I am looking forward to attending Ursinus College, where I will wrestle and major in Biology."

Kavita Patel writes, "I'm sad to leave Pingry, but excited for the upcoming years."

Mike Patrizio is looking forward to college and keeping in touch with Pingry.

Billy Porges writes, "After 13 years at Pingry, it's going to be crazy going to a new school, but I'm really looking forward to it!"

Rahul Rakhit writes, "I really enjoyed my ISP working for **Andrew Young '11**, who started a company called Revivo Energy Chews. I can't wait to join the Boston College Class of 2017."

Carly Rotatori writes, "I'm really excited to play soccer at Harvard this fall!"

Katie Rueterholz writes, "While I am excited to go to

college, I will miss all of the great people I have gotten to know in my wonderful years at Pingry!"

Ayesha Saksena writes, "Thank you, Pingry, for such a great schooling experience! I hope that my time at the University of Chicago is just as special and that all my classmates have wonderful experiences as well!"

Lauren Salazar writes, "I will be attending Wesleyan University this fall. I am undecided on a major, but I'm looking forward to what's in store."

Michaela Scudato writes, "Going to have fun at college, but I'll miss everyone!"



Michaela Scudato '13 on her first day at the United States Naval Academy on June 27, 2013. Arrival day at Annapolis is called "I-Day" (short for Induction Day).

Ben Shahar writes, "I'm going to miss everyone so much, but I can't wait to attend Columbia this fall."

Kate Sienko writes, "Although I will greatly miss my friends and teachers, I am confident that Pingry has shaped a solid foundation for my college career. I am so excited to begin the next chapter of my life at Tufts!"

David Soled writes, "Pingry has been an incredible four years, and I hope to have just as great a time at Duke University! Congrats, Class of 2013!"

Steven Sun writes, "Do your best, Class of 2013! Been busy in Korea and Europe."

John-Tod Surgeon is going to Howard University in the fall.

Yuto Takamoto writes, "I am excited for the time of sun god's shine in my homeland, land of the rising sun."

Solomon Taylor writes, "What a long, strange trip it's been at The Pingry School."

Katherine Thomas writes, "I am so excited to begin at Wake Forest in the fall!"

Hugh Thompson writes, "I really have loved my time at Pingry, and I am excited to graduate and meet new people at Wake Forest. Hopefully, I will be able to stay in touch with my friends, but I am looking forward to my next four years."

Lisa Ulker writes, "I've been at Pingry for 13 years and I can't believe it's over, but I'm excited for college!"

Alexa Van Besien writes, "Thanks for everything! It's been a great four years, and I will definitely look back fondly!"

Ali Welch writes, "I'll miss Pingry and all the people I've gotten to know over the past 13 years."

Stephanie Wilf writes, "I am really excited to be going to Penn this year! Was also really excited to go on my service trip to India and Laos this summer. I will certainly miss Pingry! I had a great time here for the last 10 years, but can't wait to start the next chapter of my life at Penn."

Ashley Zhou writes, "I went on vacation to England, Scotland, and Ireland, and got a marketing and communications internship with GetSaleMail, an online startup that encourages interaction between retailers and their customers."

Andrew Zola writes, "I enjoyed relaxing for most of the summer and going on a family vacation to Italy!"

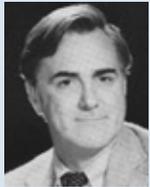
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[IN MEMORIAM]

Jeremiah "Jerry" Evarts

July 19, 2013, age 71, Cornish, N.H.



Mr. Evarts served as Pingry's Assistant Headmaster and taught English from 1985 to 1990. He attended St. Paul's School (where he edited the school's newspaper and won the 1960 Gordon Medal for being the school's best male athlete in football, basketball, and baseball) and Columbia University, where he earned a B.A., an M.A., and an M. Phil. in English literature. Prior to working at Pingry, Mr. Evarts taught English and served as a Department Head at Cleveland State University, The Dalton School, The Ethel Walker School, and The New Lincoln School. After leaving Pingry, he continued to teach and write; he was a poet and an author of fiction and non-fiction. Mr. Evarts was also the founding editor of *The Complete Hoot*, the monthly arts and events magazine of the Upper Valley, and creator and director of the Twilight Arts Shakespeare program, now in its 20th year of full-length youth productions in the Upper Valley. Survivors include his wife Jo, daughter Katherine, sons Jeremiah, Jr. '00, Sean '95, and Maxwell, and three grandchildren.

Everett T. Allen '38

December 4, 2000, age 80, Grayslake, Ill.

William H. Woodward '39

February 9, 2013, age 91, Dagsboro, Del.

Survivors include his children Jane and James and four grandchildren.

William Young Wallace '40

March 4, 2013, age 90, Westfield, N.J.

Mr. Wallace, who served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, received a B.S. and an M.S. from Dartmouth College. He worked as an electrical engineer and in management at New Jersey Bell Telephone and AT&T. He was predeceased by his wife Nancy. Survivors include his daughters Linda, Virginia, and Sharon; eight grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Nicholas H. Albano, Jr. '41

April 12, 2013, age 90, Allamuchy, N.J.

Judge Albano, who served in the U.S. Army during World War II, graduated from Villanova University and attended Rutgers University Law School. He was an attorney and a former presiding judge of the Essex County District Court. Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Anne; children Nicholas III, David, Elizabeth, and Frederick; three grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Herbert S. Chase, Jr. '41

July 6, 2013, age 90, Santa Monica, Calif.

Mr. Chase attended Hamilton College and Colgate University and served in the Pacific. He purchased the *Santa Monica Independent Journal* from Henry Luce and spent his career as editor and publisher of various publications. Survivors include his children Anne, Ashley, Herb, Frances, Carole, stepdaughter Lory, and Paige; 15 grandchildren; and brother-in-law Bob Kirkland '48.

Frank Boas '47

March 16, 2013, age 82, Honolulu, Hawaii



Mr. Boas earned a Bachelor's Degree and J.D. at Harvard University and spent his career as a lawyer. He was a long-time supporter of the University of Hawaii.

L. P. Linde '48

Merlyn Reed Arnold '49

February 15, 2008, age 76, Hackettstown, N.J.

Survivors include his son Jeffrey and four grandchildren.

H. Paul Reynolds '49

January 24, 2012, age 79, San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Mr. Reynolds graduated from Cornell University and served in the U.S. Army. He worked for Ford Motor Company, owned Paul Reynolds Ford, and later worked in finance and real estate. Survivors include his wife Virginia; children Barry, Paul, Brooke, Brian, Tricia, Beth, Mollie, Thea, Faith, and Donielle; 20 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Dr. Costan W. Berard '51

January 6, 2013, age 80, Fripp Island, S.C.



Dr. Berard attended Princeton University and studied medicine at Harvard Medical School. He served as Chief of the Hematopathology Section of the National Cancer Institute and as Chair of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. As hematopathology grew into a subspecialty in pathology, Dr. Berard co-founded and served as the first president of the Society for Hematopathology, an international venue to promote education and research in hematopathology. He was predeceased by his wife of 51 years, Susan. Survivors include two daughters and one granddaughter.

Lewis F. "Pete" Moody III '53

June 16, 2012, age 78, Southport, N.C.



Mr. Moody served in the U.S. Army, attended Franklin & Marshall College, and worked in the field of fluid dynamics. Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Yvonne; children Kathryn, Marcia, and Lewis; four grandchildren; brother William; and twin sister Pam.

Gary J. Stass '56

June 18, 2013, age 73, New Canaan, Conn.



Mr. Stass graduated from Dartmouth College, where he received a B.S. in History. He made a career in institutional sales and finished his Wall Street career at S.G. Warburg Securities in New York City. Mr. Stass generously supported Pingry's C.B. Newton Library through an endowed fund, established in 1996, that enabled the school to purchase many books and reference sets. Survivors include his wife Nancy, daughter Kyle, and two grandchildren.

Peter J. Tutulis '56

May 23, 2013, age 74, New York, N.Y.



Mr. Tutulis earned a B.S. at the University of Pennsylvania and served in the U.S. Army. He graduated from Rutgers School of Law and was admitted to practice in New Jersey. Mr. Tutulis opened his office as a sole practitioner in Elizabeth in 1973, eventually moving to Union, where he practiced law for nearly 30 years. Survivors include his wife of 39 years, Marie, and sisters Peggy and Emily.

Francis C. Simons '57

June 11, 2013, age 73, Parsippany, N.J.

Mr. Simons was a chemist and worked for the State of New Jersey, helping to computerize the parole department's record-keeping systems. Survivors include his son Everett, daughter Margo, and eight grandchildren.

Michael Samuel Gross '57

March 28, 2012, age 72, Rockaway, N.J.

Mr. Gross attended Seton Hall University and Monmouth College, and owned MBD Inspect Floors. Survivors include his wife Ann, daughter Karen, son David, sister Anita, three stepchildren, and two grandchildren.

J. Paul Smith '60

February 15, 2013, age 70, Michigan City, Ind.

Mr. Smith attended Villanova University and was a sports writer for major newspapers, known for his knowledge of sports statistics. Survivors include his sister Martha.

Dr. Sabin Tucker Snow '60

June 9, 2013, age 71, Chino Valley, Ariz.

Dr. Snow graduated from Duke University and received a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology and a Master's in Spanish from Rutgers University. He treated patients in New Jersey at Hunterdon Medical Center and later had a private practice in Scottsdale, Arizona. Survivors include four children and 11 grandchildren.

Peter B. Hughes '63

November 26, 2012, age 66, Blairstown, N.J.



Mr. Hughes attended Lafayette College, earned an M.B.A. at Temple University, and was an executive in the printing industry in New York City. He was captain of the 1963 Track Team and was inducted into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame as a member of the 1962 Football Team. Mr. Hughes was predeceased by his second wife Aggie. Survivors include his children Gretchen and Duncan '94, brother Jay '60, and five grandchildren.

John H. "Jack" Laporte '63

August 12, 2013, age 68, Baltimore, Md.



Mr. Laporte received a degree in political science from Princeton University and a master's in business administration from Harvard University. He worked for T. Rowe Price Group Inc. for 36 years and spent 22 of those years managing New Horizons, one of their largest and oldest mutual funds; the company praised his high ethics and standards. Mr. Laporte was also founding chairman of The SEED School of Maryland that serves disadvantaged children in Grades 6 to 12. He was captain of the 1962-63 Wrestling Team and was inducted into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame as a member of the 1962 Soccer Team. Survivors include his wife Andrea, sons Christopher and Timothy, and two grandchildren.

Mark S. Lerman '69

December 30, 2012, age 61, West Palm Beach, Fla.



Mr. Lerman, a software developer, was inducted into Pingry's Athletics Hall of Fame as a member of the 1968 Soccer Team. Survivors include his brothers Charles and David and sister Marjorie.

Laura K. Springer '83

August 6, 2013, age 48, Upper Strasburg, Pa.



Ms. Springer earned a bachelor's degree in Psychology at Rutgers University. She was a pianist and writer of music and poetry. Survivors include her father Robert, sister Emily, and brothers Erik, Robert, and Austin.

Shannon Dunphy Ramos '94

April 16, 2013, age 36, New York, N.Y.



Mrs. Ramos earned a B.A. at Harvard College and an M.B.A. at Harvard Business School. She was a director at Developing World Markets, an organization that obtains funding for micro-lenders worldwide to provide loans to impoverished people starting small businesses to improve the lives of their families and communities. She also worked for Bank of America and BankBoston in Chile. Survivors include her husband Manuel; daughters Joana and Sofia; parents Dermot and Joan; and siblings Brett, Deirdre, Erin, John, Loren, Madeleine, Nicole, and Siobhan.

Susan Reich

June 12, 2013, age 70, Morristown, N.J.



Mrs. Reich taught fifth- and sixth-grade science in the Lower School from 1983 to 2004. Survivors include her husband Ken Sidman; children Vicki, Andrew, Debbie, and Pamela; mother Anne; sister Harriett; and four grandchildren. She was predeceased by her first husband, Dr. Martin Reich.

Priscilla Carswell Bruno

February 26, 2013, age 94, Basking Ridge, N.J.

Mrs. Bruno was a music educator and spent two years as an adjunct strings teacher at Pingry in the 1990s. Survivors include her sister Janet, son Malcolm, daughter Christina, two grandsons, two granddaughters, and four great-grandchildren.

Joseph F. Ochab III ("Doc")

July 3, 2013, age 68, Dunellen, N.J.



Mr. Ochab worked for Pingry's maintenance department from 2006 to 2010 following his retirement from the Cranford Post Office, where he worked for 37 years. Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Elaine, a receptionist at Pingry; daughters Christine and Kimberly; and two grandsons.

Enid J. Pritchard

March 5, 2013, age 86, Newton, N.J.



Mrs. Pritchard spent 23 years as an administrative assistant for the Lower School, retiring in 1988. She earned a Bachelor's degree from Ohio Wesleyan University and came to Pingry through the merger with Short Hills Country Day School. Survivors include her daughters Lynne, Karen, and Joanne, and one granddaughter.

Pingry's Curriculum Review:

Final Thoughts from Co-Chairs Jon Leef P '15, '18 and Dr. Jim Murray



Assistant Headmaster Jon Leef and his wife Heather with their sons Clyde '18 and Max '15.



History Department Chair Dr. Jim Murray with his sister Ellen Murray and daughters Catherine and Sophie Murray.

What lessons did you learn from the Curriculum Review process?

Jon Leef: There is a bit of a perfectionist strand in Pingry's DNA, but I'm not sure that a process of this type can ever be perfect. We had to make a lot of decisions to keep moving toward our goals. Looking back, we can't stress enough how impressed we were by our colleagues on the Steering Committee and the faculty as a whole. Their dedication to the process and sincerity of effort were inspiring.

Jim Murray: I learned a lot about my own learning style and my own limitations as a teacher and as an administrator. A wealth of knowledge exists in the minds and experiences of my colleagues on the Steering Committee. This process succeeded because they believed in it and stuck with it. I acquired a new respect for the long-distance runner; the Curriculum Review process was a marathon, not a sprint. I never could have done it without Jon Leef's patience and steadfastness.

How do you think you might become a better teacher as a result?

JL: I couldn't help but be influenced by the vast amount of information processed during our review. The longer teaching periods provide an incredible opportunity for me. It takes time to synthesize the methods and material that my math students grapple with in the classroom. More seamlessly allowing my students opportunities for creating, collaborating, problem solving, presenting, and reflecting in each schedule cycle is an exciting opportunity.

JM: Probably more than anything, participating in this process has made me more open-minded, more flexible, and more willing to improvise. It was a good time to learn that lesson, since I have been teaching for over 25 years.

How has Curriculum Review become a catalyst for change at Pingry?

JL: While we are proud of the effort that went into Curriculum Review and the outcomes that were generated, Pingry is

in a constant state of evolution. For many future changes, it would be an oversimplification to say, "We did this solely because of our Curriculum Review." Faculty and staff members make decisions each week that are informed and influenced by research, data, past performance, our mission, and our local, national, and global communities. Our Curriculum Review will help inform our decisions for years to come, but it won't do so in a vacuum.

JM: Curricular innovation didn't begin at Pingry with Curriculum Review, and all subsequent curricular and pedagogical changes will not necessarily trace their origins to this single effort. However, the process has given momentum, structure, and institutional support to scores of innovations that might otherwise have died on the vine. If there's a single hope that I have for our Curriculum Review experience, it's that it contributes to a permanent, ongoing revolution in how we think about learning and teaching. 🍀

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Film Screening of *Tall as the Baobab Tree* Jeremy Teicher '06, Director Chris Collins '05, Director of Photography

Hauser Auditorium, Basking Ridge Campus
7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 5, 2013

Homecoming and Miller A. Bugliari '52 World Cup Soccer Field Rededication

Basking Ridge Campus
12:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 24, 2013

"Pingry on Wall Street" Networking Event

The Harvard Club, New York City
6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 28, 2013

Turkey Bowl Soccer Game

John Taylor Babbitt '07 Memorial Field
Basking Ridge Campus
10:00 a.m.

Friday, November 29, 2013

Alumni Ice Hockey Game & Day After Thanksgiving Party

Beacon Hill Club
8:00 p.m.

December 2013

Pingry on the Road to California

Tuesday, December 10, 2013

Young Alumni Holiday Party

Saturday, December 21, 2013

Alumni/ae Squash Match

Drew University
1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 8, 2014

Back-from-College Luncheon

Basking Ridge Campus

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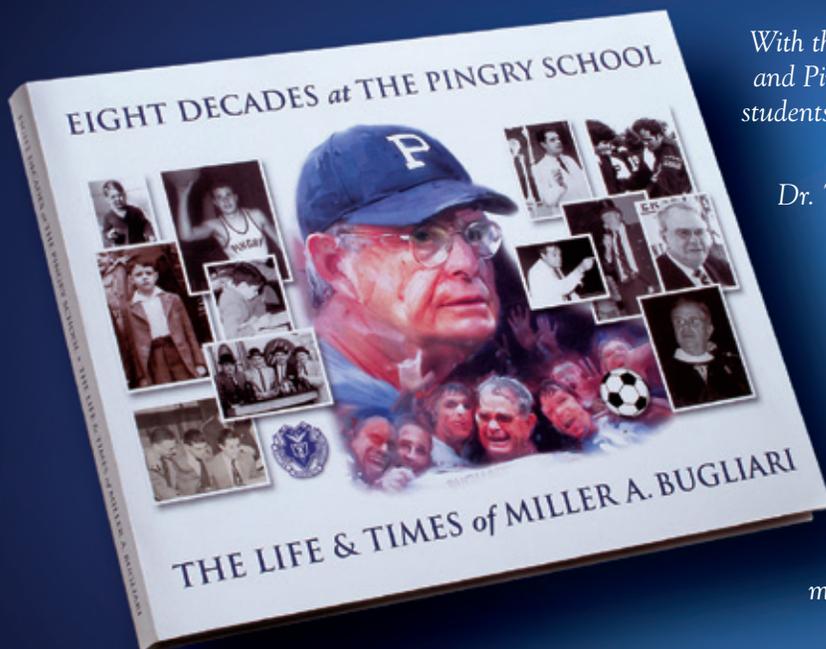
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THE LIFE & TIMES *of* MILLER A. BUGLIARI



With the generous support of Headmaster Nat Conard P '09, '11 and Pingry, and the wonderful contributions of dozens of former students, players, colleagues, and current and former coaches, the biography of Miller Bugliari '52 is making great progress.

Dr. Tom Behr '58 has completed initial drafts of Mr. Bugliari's early years, his Pingry and Springfield careers, his Army experience, the Camp Waganaki saga, and the story of Pingry soccer from the beginnings through the 1970s. Gil Roessner '66 is collecting pictures and memorabilia and beginning draft layouts as well.

They would still gratefully welcome personal notes and anecdotes and pictures or memorabilia for the book.

Print material should be emailed to Tom Behr at tom.behr@verizon.net. Photos or documents should be sent to Gil Roessner at Miller8@roessner.net, or mailed to Miller 8, c/o Roessner & Co., 1208 Rt. 202/206, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.

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