Dear Fellow Alumni,

I am thrilled that writing to you is my first official act as President of the Alumni Association. I am honored to serve you and the University for the next three years. I owe a ton of gratitude to the faculty, staff, students, parents, friends, and alumni who supported my journey back onto campus and to serve our alumni. I am fortunate to have people in my life who care and believe in me. This is truly a gift, and it is also what inspires and motivates me to share this gift with you.

It's All About You! The Alumni Board and Alumni Relations team are here to help you. We want to be part of your journey, and make UHart mean something to you every day. Your relationship with UHart doesn’t end the day you graduate. It is the start of the next exciting chapter. The story is yours to define, and we are cheering you on.

This coming year, the lineup for alumni events is extensive and impressive. There is something for everyone across the nation. Check it out at hartford.edu/alumni. Be sure to mark your calendar for Hawktober Weekend, October 14-16. I plan to attend as many regional UHart events as my schedule permits and hope to meet many of you. If you can’t attend as many regional UHart events as my schedule for HAS 1957 BEVERLY WEURDING (A (BARNEY), 78 years young, is the founder and CEO of the Wheelchair Dancers Organization. She is active in bringing all-inclusive individuals dance classes throughout San Diego and Southern California. 1960 ELLIOTT DUNN (BARNEY) of Windsor, Conn., was inducted into the 2015 Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame on November 30. The ceremony took place in the atrium of the State Legislative Office Building in Hartford, Conn. He was honored as a Golden Hawk in 2012. 1963 The Center for Engaged Learning’s new Institute for Teaching and Learning at Bridgewater College was named in honor of JANICE WADE (M (ENHP) and her husband, Ben, of Lakeland, Fla. It is now the Wade Institute for Teaching and Learning. 1965 DENNIS SULLIVAN (A&S) of New Britain, Conn., authored and published a memoir, “Irving Street & Other Hartford Memories: 1943-1966.”

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MARY BLAKE A (HCW) of Paris, France, is an accomplished painter who has an art blog (paintingparis.blogspot.com). She is a former New York avant garde artist who has made Paris her home for many years. Mary is a citizen of the village of Montmartre.

JOHN T. DILLON (BARNEY) of Greenwich, Conn., has assumed the chairmanship of the Atlantic Salmon Federation (ASF) U.S. Board of Directors. He is the retired long-time chairman and CEO of International Paper.

Amica Insurance chose a painting by ELIZABETH A. LAZEREN-DAGLIO (HAS) of Truro, Mass. for its 2015 Thanksgiving card. Elizabeth is an artist member of the Copley Society of Art in Boston, Mass., the oldest non-profit art association in the United States.

1967

KURT HYDE (A&S) of Cernith, Texas, won third prize with his play, “Peace on Earth,” in the 2015 Methods and Madness New Play Festival in Denton, Texas. His play is based on the true events of the first Christmas of World War I where the troops arranged their own informal truces over the holidays. Hyde is retired from the U.S. Air Force and from the computer industry, and now as become a writer.

1968

JOSEPH CELLI (HARTT) of Bridgeport, Conn., received an Asian Cultural Council grant for music research in Indonesia about Muslim culture and music, and has launched a nationally-broadcast radio program titled, Soundprint: Asia on WPKN 89.5 FM.

1969

CHERYL MELODY (HARTT) of Hopkinton, Mass., released her ninth CD, “Lullabies of Love.” The CD features heart-centered and peaceful adult lullabies, and is described as “Nurturing the Heart of the Inner Child.”

1971

PHILLIP BOWLER (HARTT) of Newtown, Conn., opened the seventh season of the Flagpole Radio Café by performing as “Phil Bowler and Friends” at the Edmond Town Hall. Bowler is widely respected for his artistry as well as his award-winning program, “Jazz Adventures.”

The photography work of DAVID KREISS (A&S), M’04 (HAS) of Collinsville, Conn., was featured in a solo exhibit at Gallery on the Green in Canton, Conn. in January. A former photographer for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of Conn. and River Front Recapture, he has taught photography at several colleges in the Hartford, Conn. area. David’s photographs have appeared in historical books and in around his hometown.

1973

BILL DOUGAL (HAS) of Lebanon, Conn., created a video called “Cowboy Billy’s OK Corral,” which teaches character values cowboy style. It is available on DougalMusic.net along with his other recent videos, “Fast Draw Fun” and “Fish Fact Fun.”

DAVID McBRIDE (HARTT) of West Hartford, Conn., had his composition “Flam” premier at the Percussive Arts Society International Convention in San Antonio, Texas, last November. JOSEPH VAN HASSEL D’11 (HARTT) of Lawrinburg, N.C., directed the piece, which was performed by the University of North Carolina Pembroke Percussion Ensemble.

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1978

DR. STEVE SOBEL (ENHP) of Longmeadow, Mass., was featured in a Hartford Courant article in July for his impact in influencing young people. The article focused on his Pauly Chute Slammb basketball team who has coached since 1984, and their participation in the Greater Pro-Am Basketball Showcase. The article describes him as a “Renaissance Man” and noted that he has been a college professor, special needs educator, motivational speaker and a specialized coach while influencing generations of youth.

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Artist DAVID HOLZMAN (HAS) of Avon, Conn., had his work displayed from January to March at New Britain, Conn.’s Stockman Gallery. The exhibit was titled “David Holzman: From the book of Umm.” Since 2011, he has produced a series of small watercolor/gouache paintings that has been the focus of his process. David has been teaching art at Simsbury High School since 1986, and also teaches sculpture at Central Connecticut State University.

STEVEN HUBBARD (A&S) of Bethel Park, Pa., was ordained by the Assemblies of God in Springfield, Mo., as part of the Centennial Class of the Pennsylvania/Delaware District. The ceremony was held at Christian Life Assembly in early May in Camp Hill, Pa.

The Wykeham Consort, featuring ANDREW LAFRENIERE (HARTT) M’85 (HARTT) of Bethlehem, Conn, as one of five band members, was profiled in a registration citizen.com article in March. Andrew plays guitar for the band which is known for featuring Renaissance music.

JAMES ROVELLA M’83 (A&S) (BARNEY) of Wethersfield, Conn., gave a presentation at the annual Presidents’ College Symposium on the University of Hartford campus in October. Rovella, whose topic was community policing, is chief of police for the City of Hartford (Conn.).

1981
DAVID CULLEN (HARTT) of Reading, Pa., performed the first solo faculty guitar recital at Millersville University, where he is a guitar instructor. The Grammy Award-winning classical guitarist is also artist in residence at Elizabethtown College.

TIMOTHY HURLOCK (BARNEY) of Farmington, Conn., was named chief financial officer at Catholic Charities. Previously, he had served as the organization’s controller.

1982
KEITH FROME (A&S) of Amherst, NY, the CEO and Co-Founder of College Summit, was featured in a PBS NewsHour segment in March. He spoke to the power of College Summit’s peer-driven model, and its impact on college enrollment and persistence in making a college education possible for students from low-income communities across the nation.

DEBRA PALERMINO M (BARNEY) of Westbrook, Conn., was promoted to senior vice president of corporate human relations at MassMutual. She has been with MassMutual since 2006.

LONNIE SHOR (BARNEY) of Marietta, Ga., was hired by Sprayberry High School in Marietta, Ga. as the varsity boys’ assistant head lacrosse coach. For the past three years, he was an assistant JV coach at Lassiter High School which compiled a 27-4-5 record.

JAMES A. SOWELL (BARNEY) of Panama City, Fla., was awarded a certificate and 20-year pin by the AARP for providing free income tax preparation for the elderly through its Tax Aid Program.

MICHAEL ZIOGAS (ENHP) of Bristol, Conn., received the Ed Lodovico Award at the Bristol Tramps Sports Union recognition event in April. A standout soccer player in Bristol, he continues to serve the youth of his hometown in a coaching capacity. Michael was an All-America goalkeeper for the Hawks and was elected to the Alumni Athletics Hall of Fame in 1996.

1983
MARK BOXER (Engineering) (A&S) of Glastonbury, Conn., joined Senator Ted Kennedy, Jr. and other advocates to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Boxer, who is CGI/NA’s global chief information officer, and other attendees at the Oct. 8 event at CGI/NA in Bloomfield, Conn., called for the need to expand job opportunities for people with disabilities.

ALISA COLEMAN (HARTT) of Morris Plains, N.J., was named the first chief operating officer of ABKCO Music & Records, Inc. in January. She first joined ABKCO in 1985 and has worked in every division of the company, finding innovative ways to introduce ABKCO’s song and film catalog to new generations. The catalog includes compositions, recordings and films by such notable performers as Sam Cooke, the Rolling Stones and The Kinks.

WENDY DAVIES-STAUFAFFER (A&S) of Cheshire, Conn., a lawyer at Rome, Clifford, Katz & Keorner, GAYLE MULLIGAN ’88 (BARNEY) of Hebron, Conn., a Representative in the Connecticut State Legislature, and ERIC BENCIVENGA ’99 (BARNEY) of Amityville, NY, a financial advisor at Edward Jones, returned to campus in early February to speak to a group of student-athletes about life after graduation. From developing teamwork, to overcoming adversity, to learning how to network, all three credited their time as a Hawk for much their success.

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RUTH B. SMITH (A&S), M’86 (BARNEY) of Barre, Vt., has been promoted to the position of vice-president for protection at National Life Group. Since 2009, she has been in charge of the life insurance division of National Life Group, a financial services firm with $29 billion in assets under management.

THE POWER OF THE CUP (Hill, Inc.) of the Family Medicine Center at Asylum Hill, Inc.

DOUGLAS (A&S) of Scarsdale, N.Y., was appointed the new chair of the Department of Family Medicine at UConn Health. He will also serve as professor of family medicine at the UConn School of Medicine. In addition, Dr. Montgomery will chair the family medical service at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center, and the Family Medicine Center at Asylum Hill, Inc.

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ALEX NAKHIMOVSKY (HARTT), M’88 (HARTT) of West Hartford, Conn., lead a quintet of jazz and classical musicians during a performance December 5 at Beth Sholom B’nai Israel in Manchester, Conn. He is a jazz and classical musician who is well-known throughout the world. Since 1999, Nakhimovsky has been a full-time faculty member at the Greater Hartford Academy for the Arts and an adjunct faculty member at the Hatt School.

MITCHELL C. SKLAR, Esq. (A&S) of Voorhees, N.J., has received a Certificate in Facilitation Skills from the Training Foundation. In addition, he has been accepted as an Associate Member of the British Institute for Learning and Development. Mitchell has been the executive director of the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police since 1999.

1986

DWIGHT EDWARDS A’86 (WARD), (WARD) of Boise, Idaho was the keynote speaker in January at the Toastmaster’s Leadership Institute’s District 15, Division A gathering titled Crisp Clear Cool Communication. He spoke in celebration of Black History Month. Dwight is a distinguished toastmaster and has delivered thousands of speeches to corporations, non-profits, and universities on topics ranging from how to develop self-esteem to overcoming the fear of public speaking.

PAULA S. GILBERTO M (BARNEY) of Farmington, Conn. was named President and CEO of the United Way of Central and Northeastern Conn. She joined the United Way in March 1998 and was previously senior vice president in charge of resource development, community engagement, and development of community initiatives.

University of North Texas College of Visual Arts and Design professor ANNETTE LAWRENCE (HAS) of Denton, Texas, had her art exhibit, “Around Again,” displayed in late January at UNT on the Square. The exhibition ran in conjunction with the Denton Black Film Festival.

1987

The Silvermine Guild of Artists welcomed ROBERT R. CALAFIORE (HAS) of West Hartford, Conn., as one of 11 new members. The Guild recognizes work that meets their criteria for excellence of technique, cultural or social relevance, clarity and continuity of style, and professional accomplishment.

GINNY (KIRWIN) JOHNSON (HARTT) of Rockland, Mass., has been selected as the director of library services for the East Bridgewater (Mass.) Public Library.

1988

PAUL ANDRUSZKO (CEA) of Clarence Center, N.Y., was named vice president of Gear Motions Buffalo, N.Y., operations, which includes its Oliver/Pro-Gear and Niagara Gear divisions. Paul has more than three decades of experience in the gear industry and most recently served as general manager of the company’s Niagara Gear division.

STEVE DAVIS (HARTT) of New Britain, Conn., and JAMES BURTON III ’03 (HARTT) of Westbury, N.Y., joined the Christian McBride Band and a slate of gifted artists who performed in “A Tribute to Ray Charles” February 26 at the White House in front of President Obama and the First Lady.

MICHAEL MORRIS M’07 (BARNEY) of Glastonbury, Conn., was promoted to managing director, operations and finance, at the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority.

GAYLE MULLIGAN (BARNEY)

See WENDY DAVIES-S TAUFFER ’83 (A&S)

Cellist JOLYN PEGIS AD’87 (HARTT), (HARTT) of Plano, Texas served as a guest artist in December at a Masterclass for the Eastman School of Music at the University of Rochester. She has been a member of the Dallas Symphony since 2000, and is also the assistant principal cello of the Chautauqua Symphony.

St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center nurse ELAINE SCHEINBLUM (ENHP) of West Hartford, Conn., was a recipient of a Health Care Hero Award at an awards ceremony December 2 at the Connecticut Convention Center. The Awards were given by HartfordBusiness.com.

1989

STEPHEN COLLINS (HARTT) of South Glastonbury, Conn., was named the executive director of the Hartford (Conn.) Symphony Orchestra. Since 2014, he has been HSO’s director of artistic operations and administration.

PHILIP FARACI (ENHP) of Middletown, Conn., created and performed the music for the Oddfellows Playhouse Youth Theater’s (Middletown, Conn.) production of “A Comedy of Errors” that ran in March. The Shakespeare’s classic farce was reimagined with circus acts, clowns, masks and careening confusions.

JEFFREY KURTZ (A&S) of Edwards, Colo., was appointed director of sales for the Colorado Mountain Express. His primary focus will be to develop strategic initiatives to enhance the overall guest experience. Kurtz has worked in hospitality and transportation for more than 20 years, including more than a decade with Colorado Mountain Express in a variety of sales roles.

MARC LIEBOWITZ (A&S) of Lawrence Township, N.J., has joined CFO Consulting Partners as a director and head of the firm’s insurance and risk management practice. He has more than 25 years of senior financial management experience in commercial insurance.

GIOIA ZACK A (HCW) of Wethersfield, Conn., joined O, R&L Commercial as a real estate professional since 2011.

1990

EDUARDO A. SERPA M (BARNEY) of Bogota, Columbia, was invited to join Ambassador Kevin Whitaker at his residence in Bogota. He was among more than 200 Columbian alumni of United States universities invited in recognition of the United States Department of Education’s “International Education Week” in mid-November.

Cantor ELLEN TILEM (HARTT) of Teaneck, N.J., shared her talent at the annual Cantor Sapir & Friends concert held December 24 in Delray Beach, Fla.

1991

GARA FIELD (A&S), M’93 (A&S) of Meredith, NH, has accepted a position as the director of global learning at the Moses Brown School in Providence, R.I. One of the most respected public school educators in Rhode Island, she has been at Pleasant View Elementary School since 2011. Field is widely credited with spearheading the turnaround efforts at the long-struggling school by promoting innovation and creating a culture that was embraced by teachers, students and families.

JEFFREY L. HAYMAN M (BARNEY) of Goldsboro, Pa. has accepted the Zurich Insurance Group’s (Zurich) nomination to join its board of directors. He is an independent consultant and advisor who has an extensive knowledge of the insurance industry.

DEREK HARDING (HAS) of Fall River, Mass. was named the coordinator of visual arts at Mansfield High School in Mansfield, Mass. In his new position, he will teach students to think creatively, combine technology and the arts, and bring the arts into better collaboration with other academic subjects.

Morgan Stanley has promoted RW “REGINALD” MARTIN (BARNEY) of Hong Kong to executive director. He will be responsible for the BYOD, VDI, Remote Access and Cloud global strategies as they apply to the delivery of desktop application virtualization to 60,000-plus users worldwide.

HERN SORCHER (A&S) of Newtown, N.J., was named vice-president of business development for the Morrisstown-based Sky Blue FC, a women’s professional soccer team. He will manage the team’s overall business strategy, including ticket, sponsor and marketing initiatives. Sorcher has been the CEO and managing ownership partner for the Danbury (Conn.) Whalers of the Federal Hockey League since 2009. Previously, he spent 17 seasons with the minor league baseball New Jersey Cardinals.
RICHARD M CANGRO (HARTT), D’04 (HARTT) of Macom, Ill., traveled earlier this year to Myanmar as one of the first United States educators to provide professional development to their music teachers. He also celebrated his selection as the new conductor for the Quincy Area Youth Orchestra in Quincy, Ill.

EVA ESPOSITO (A&S) of Branford, Conn., was named to the Branford (Conn.) Sports Hall of Fame. She played basketball for the Hawks.

PHILIP BOYKIN (HARTT) of Montclair, N.J., and fellow Tony Award nominee Carl-lee Carmello joined Cheyenne Jackson on stage at Carnegie Hall in New York City in November for a concert of classic songs from Broadway musicals. Boykin sang favorites from “Porgy and Bess” and “Show Boat.”

STEVEN W. MENEN (HARTT) of Kings-wood, Texas, was named vice president and general manager of the Oregon Symphony. In his new role, Menen will oversee artistic operations, broadcasts and recordings, orchestra personnel, and education and outreach programs.

The works of MATTHEW BEST (HAS) of Manchester, Conn., and MARGARET VAUGHN (A&S) of Wethersfield, Conn., were featured in an exhibition of collage works curated by Melanie Carr of the New Britain Museum of America Art in March.

David Carten (BARNEY) of North Granby, Conn., executive vice president of middle market at The Hartford, has been named to the Greater Hartford Arts Council Board of Directors.

SAGAR KURADE (BARNEY) of New Delhi, India has been chosen as the new President of the Food Processors Association (AIFPA). Kurade works with Suman Project Consultants Pvt Ltd in various positions, a leading consultancy in India dedicated to the food processing sector.

The evocative work of KATHLEEN ZIMMERMAN ’96 (HAS) was on display at the Kehler Liddell Gallery in New Haven, Connecticut from January 14 to February 14. The show, “Couples” featured Zimmerman’s drawings, prints and sculpture.
1997

JIMMY GREENE (HARTT) of Sandy Hook, Conn., was nominated for two Grammy Awards for his recording “Beautiful Life.” The album was nominated in the Best Jazz Instrumental category, and the song, “When I Come Home,” was nominated for Best Arrangement, Instruments and Vocals. “Beautiful Life” celebrates the life of Greene’s daughter, Ana, who was killed in the Newtown (Conn.) tragedy in 2012. Fellow Alumnus JAVIER COLON 00 (HARTT) of West Hartford, Conn., and LATANYA FARRELL M (ENHP), M’98 (ENHP) of West Hartford, Conn., appeared as vocalists on the album. Greene enjoyed national exposure, performing on the Meredith Vieira Show on Feb. 15, along with Colon, and then on the Jimmy Fallon show March 1, sitting in with the Roots.

New Canaan Public Schools will welcome JO-ANN KEATING D (ENHP) of Southbury, Conn., as its director of finance and operations beginning this summer. Her integrity, financial and budget skills, collaborative management style, and extensive experience in school performance and operations were cited by district officials as attributes that make her well-suited for the job.

ANDREW MAYO M (HARTT) of West Hartford, Conn., wrote the music and lyrics for the Poppins Children’s Theatre production of “Beautiful Life” for the job.

1998

ERIC BENCIVENGA (BARNEY) See WENDY DAVIES-STAUFFER ’83 (A&S)

JAMES BURTON III (HARTT) See STEVE DAVIS ’88 (HARTT)

DAN HORLITZ (HAS) of Granby, Conn., was promoted to creative director at van Schouwen Associates LLC, a strategic business-to-business launch marketing company in Longmeadow, Mass. He has been the firm’s art director since 2006 and previously worked as a graphic designer in the higher education field.

Torrington, Connecticut Mayor Elinor C. Carbone tapped JAIME M. LAMERE (A&S) of Torrington, Conn., as the town’s new corporation counsel. She was an associate at Cramer & Anderson in Torrington.

2000

JAVIER COLON (HARTT) See JIMMY GREENE ’97 (HARTT)

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TODD BERKICH (HARTT) of Mechanicsburg, Pa., joined the touring production of “Ragtime.” He played the roles of J.P. Morgan, Admiral Robert Peary, and a railroad conductor, in the ensemble.

Obest MEREDITH COLEMAN M (HARTT) of Overland Park, Kan., a member of the City Winds Trio, performed as part of the Music at Noon Concert Series held Dec. 3 for the Morristown, N.J. community.

JEANNINE NONAILLADA (ENHP) of New Hyde Park, N.Y., received her PhD in social work, with a concentration gerontology from Fordham University.

2002

PAUL BRAND A’02 (A&S), (CEA) of Hartford, Conn., is now senior engineer at GM2 Associates, Inc. He is a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

The love story and professional journey of ANNETTE ROGERS M (BARNEY), D’11 (ENHP) and Alden Davis of Avon, Conn., was chronicled in a Hartford Courant article in January. She was assistant dean at the Barnetp School of Business before leaving in 2013 to join Alden’s consulting business venture, MayValueTree.com. She was invited back soon thereafter and is now an assistant dean and clinic instructor of management in the MBA program at Barney.

2004


AMIEL “AMY” HERSCH (ENHP) of Ann Arbor, Mich., was named the head women’s basketball coach at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. He spent the last four seasons at Eastern Michigan University.

TINE DWYER ’07 (HARTT) from Brooklyn, N.Y. DOUGLAS LYONS ’09 (HARTT) from New Haven, Conn., JAMAL SHURIAH ’10 (HARTT) from Great Neck, N.Y. and ZOE KASSAY ’11 from New York, N.Y.

MATTHEW J. BROOKS (HARTT) of Har- risonburg, Va., conducted the Northern Neck Orchestra (Va.) in May. In August, he will join the full-time music faculty at Shasta College in Redding, Calif. where he will direct the student orchestra, teach music theory, ear training and keyboard skills courses.

ANDREW CHAN (BARNEY) of Hong Kong, People’s Republic of China, was named managing director of YGM Trading Ltd. Formerly an executive director of the company, Chan has extensive experience in international brand licensing and fashion retailing in the Far East, the United States, and Europe.

ELANA “LONI” HERSCH M’05 (ENHP) and AMIEL “AMY” HERSCH ’04 (ENHP) of Orangeburg, N.Y., recently visited campus with their four children, Micah, 6; Zev, 3; Noa, 1; and Yael, 1. Loni is a physical therapist at Mount Sinai/St. Luke’s Medical Center, while Amy, a rabbi, is an associate director at Camp Ramah in Nycack, N.Y.

SALVATORE “TORY” VERDI M (ENHP) of Ann Arbor, Mich., was named the head women’s basketball coach at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. He spent the last four seasons at Eastern Michigan University.

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STEVE DAVIS (A&S) of New York, N.Y., is the director of business development at Eternal Noise, a production house in New York City.

FAITH MONTAPER-TO-WARD (HCW) of Monson, Mass., along with her husband, Anthony Ward, are performing musicians and artists and own a very successful photography business, ArtHealinghearts Studio. The two were married on September 7, 2013 in a coffeehouse-style wedding.

STUART ORAVETZ (HARTT) of New York, N.Y., is the director of business development at Eternal Noise, a production house in New York City.

TODD MYERS (A&S) of Wallingford, Conn., was named vice president, programming acquisitions and development for ONE WORLD SPORTS. America’s network for Global Sports. He will be responsible for the network’s programming acquisitions across all platforms for the USA and Canada. Previously, Myers spent 16 years as director of programming & acquisitions for ESPN.
2005
The work of ELLEN AUGarten M (HAS) of Northampton, Mass., was selected as the featured photographs that appear in the upcoming Florence Bank calendar. A reception to introduce the calendar, including a meet and greet with Augarten was held December 4. Her body of work spans more than three decades and includes children and family portraits, and compelling images of the Pioneer Valley.

AARON BELEN (BARNEY) of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., president of AFB Hospitality Group, LLC and AFB Investments, LLC, was named to Crain’s 40-under-40 for 2015.

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North End of his hometown. Tagged the North End Pride Project, the paintings will be placed in the homes of the families and reflect each of their views on the neighborhood in which they live.

SANTO S. ALDERUCCIO (BARNEY) of Rocky Hill, Conn., has joined the corporate tax department at ESPN as a tax supervisor. He will be responsible for federal, state, and local income tax compliance for selected ESPN entities.

PETER CORDEAU (BARNEY) of Goshen, Conn., was named to the permanent CEO position at Sharon (Conn.) Hospital. He was appointed interim CEO the previous November.

SHANI HADJIAN (HARTT) of Baltimore, Md., earned a starring role as the Wicked Witch of the West in a production of The Wizard of Oz that played at the National Theatre in Washington, D.C. in May.

STEPHANIE LAURETANO (HAS) See KATHI PARKER ’92 (HAS)

DOUGLAS LYONS (HARTT) See MATTHEW BEST ’96 (HAS)

STEPHANIE MINOR (HAS) of Beacon, N.Y., gained international notoriety when a video of her placing the faceplate on Leonardo DiCaprio’s Oscar at the Governor’s Ball (with the actor standing by her side) went viral. The video first appeared on the Variety website, then BuzzFeed, and then found its way into cyberspace. Stephanie is the project manager for statutes at Polich Tallix Fine Art Foundry, the foundry that was contracted to produce this year’s Oscars. A performer at the InterHarmony International Music Festival as it opened its New York concert season at the Weill Recital Hall in mid-October.

JOSEPH VAN HASSEL (D, HARTT) See DAVID McBRIEDE 73

2012

Classical guitarist FRANCESCO A. BARONE (HARTT) performed a free concert at the Bethel (Conn.) Public Library in December. His performance represented four composers and spanned four centuries.

KATHERINE DONOVAN (BARNEY) of Suffield, Connecticut, was named to the Connecticut Society of CPAs (CTCPA) “New and Young Professionals to Watch” list. She was among a select group of three up-and-comers, aged 35 and younger, who have set themselves apart as emerging leaders in the accounting profession. She is a senior audit associate at Whitley & Hadley, PC, in Hartford, Conn.

ANDREW GOLDSTEIN (HARTT) of Olympia, Wash., has cofounded Emerald City Music, a new chamber music series, along with violinist Kristin Lee.

KEVIN HARRIS (BARNEY) of Naugatuck, Conn., joined Mahoney/Sabol & Company as a tax senior.

MARGARET VAUGHN (HAS) See MATTHEW BEST ’96 (HAS)

2013

JOSEPH ABAD C (HARTT) of Bristol, Conn., ANDREW BARNHART M (HARTT) of Davis, Calif., MAX SCHWIMMER M (HARTT) of Scottsdale, Ariz., and ANTHONY SPERANZA ’10 (HARTT), C’12 (HARTT) of Vernon, N.J., were members of the classical chamber music ensemble, Asylum Quartet. The group became the first saxophone quartet to receive honors in the 12-year history at the 2014 International Chamber Music Ensemble Competition. They won the grand prize and gold medal.

MICHAEL BASKOWSKI (HARTT) of Holliston, Mass., was featured in a story that appeared in the Providence Journal in late December. He was a member of the cast for the touring production of “Beauty and the Beast,” which played at the Boston Opera House during the holidays. It was a homecoming of sorts as Michael is a Holliston, Mass. native.

JUSTIN GLODICH (HARTT) of Montgomery, N.Y., authored an article that appeared in the December issue of Choral Journal, a publication of the American Choral Directors Association. It is titled “Vocal Percussion in Contemporary Choral Music.”

Pianist MICHAEL KORMAN (HARTT) of Manchester, Conn., and soprano MICHELLE FIERTEK D’14 (HARTT) of Berlin, Conn., performed a collection of Cabaret songs December 13 at the Sims- bury, Conn. as part of the “Songs Expose” musical duo.

JOSHUA LONG (HARTT) of Bangor, Pa., was the band leader for the Bellefonte Community Band (group of more than 50 volunteer musicians) that presented a concert March 13 on the Penn State University campus. The concert saluted the “Golden Age of Bands.”

WENDY MARTINSON M (ENHP) of Rocky Hill, Conn., was named program director at the Connecticut Center for Healthy Aging. She will be responsible for program development and care coordination.

Cellist OLIVIA J. PAGAN (HARTT) of South Euclid, Ohio, lent her talents in support of the “Music for Missions” series held at Faith United Church in Springfield, Mass., Nov. 24. The concert series benefited victims of domestic abuse.

Marguiles Peruzzi Architects welcomed MATTHEW SIMON (CETA) of Bedford, N.Y. as an architectural designer, responsible for design development, programming, and project management and coordination. The organization is one of Boston’s most innovative architectural design firms.

The Center for Latino Progress, a Hartford, Conn.-based non-profit organization dedicated to serving the Latino community announced the hiring of SAMANTHA SLADE M (A&S) of Cromwell, Conn., as director of advancement & marketing. Previously, she was the development manager at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford (Conn.).

KRISTIN ZECHER (BARNEY) of Merrick, N.Y., released an app on iTunes called “Aura Rating.” It finds farm-to-table restaurants in the five boroughs of New York. She is also a field consultant for TouchBistro which is an iPad software program used by restaurants.
2014

Paintings by BRIAN BURGESS M (HAS) of Fredricksburg, Va., were on display from Nov. to Dec. in Waddell Gallery at the Loudoun Campus of Northern Virginia Community College. Burgess is a multimedia artist who likes to paint, illustrate, and sculpt epic subject matter.

REBECCA DeNIES (HARTT) of Manchester, Conn., served as a guest artist during the 2015 season of the Connecticut Concert Ballet’s performance of the Nutcracker.

MICHELLE FIERTEK D (HARTT) See MICHAEL KORMAN MT3 (HARTT)

Michele Fierzek (HARTT) of Jamaica, N.Y., joined the touring production of “Ragtime.” She plays the role of Sarah’s friend in the ensemble.

“Wise Old Moon,” with band members DANIEL LIPARINI (HARTT) of N. Kingston, R.I., and STEPHEN CUSANO ‘15 (HARTT) of North Haven, Conn., released its second album, “Don’t Take Me Off.” The release of the album, which has received positive reviews from the critics, was followed by a March tour.

“Voids,” a film written by KYLE RODGERS (A&S) of Naugatuck, Conn., made its debut at Spotlight Theaters in Hartford, Conn. on April 24. The film, told through still images, featured The Hartt School students and alumni as actors.

ALEXIS SEMEVOLOS-VELAZQUEZ M (HARTT) of Glastonbury, Conn., landed a role in the musical “Golden Bridge” produced by the National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene at the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York.

2015

AMBER BEPKO B (A&S) of Guilford, Conn., joined the Northeast Conference in Somerset, N.J., this year as a member of the media relations staff. She is the primary media contact for specific sports and implements online video.

Indie rock group “Sorority Noise” member CAMERON BOUCHER (HARTT) of Hooksett, N.H., celebrated the release of the band’s album, “Joy, Departed.” It was inspired by Boucher’s struggles with depression and addiction.

ETHAN BOURDEAU (CETA) of South Hero, Vt., and KEVIN ZHENG (CETA) of Colchester, Conn., won the Hallberg Foundation Award from the Institute of Noise Engineering. They presented aspects of their work, accessing pedestrian noise levels in New York City, at the international noise conference INTER-NOISE 2015, held in San Francisco in August.

Saxophonist MICHAEL CASEY (HARTT) of Hartford, Conn., joined Cory Garcia for two concert performances in December Studio 59 in Torrington, Conn. While at Hartt, he studied under such jazz artists as saxophonists Abraham Burton, Rene McLean and Javon Jackson, trombonist Steve Davis and bassist Nat Reeves. Michael was a nominee for “Best Jazz” in the Hartford (Conn.) Advocate’s “CT Music Awards.”

BENJAMIN COHN (A&S) of Springfield, N.J., was featured in the popular TimeOut New York’s “The Undateables” section.

ASHLEY CROCE (HARTT) of Peabody, Mass., began her post-graduate professional career by returning to Hartford to join the cast of “Rear Window” at Hartford Stage. She played a young, recently married woman in the ensemble, which included veteran actor Kevin Bacon.

STEPHEN CUSANO (HARTT) See DANIEL LIPARINI ’14 (HARTT)

JUSTYNA DABROWSKI (HAS) of Danbury, Conn., had her artworks displayed on the walls at the 100 Pearl Street Gallery in Hartford. She creates images from old family photographs of happy gatherings. The centerpieces of the exhibit are paintings that hang across the gallery from each other that depict the same meal, but from views on opposite sides of the table.

The Boston Children’s Theatre named AUSTIN DAVY (HARTT) of Beverly, Mass., as its musical director. Most recently, he has written orchestrations for its new musical “Caps for Sale.”

NICK EINSTEIN (HARTT) of Basking Ridge, N.J., is working as an assistant at Jungle City Studios in Manhattan, one of the top recording studios on the east coast.

CARLY GLENN (BARNEY) of Chicago, Ill., presented the New York debut of her film “Bark Mitzvah,” at the Chelsea Film Festival.

CONOR HAMILL (HARTT) of Newington, Conn., landed the leading role in “Third” staged at TheaterWorks in Hartford.

Michele Beth HERMAN (HARTT) of Commack, N.Y., has been nominated for a New Hampshire Theatre Award as Best Actress in a Musical for her portrayal of Aldonza in Man of LaMancha that ran last summer at Jean’s Playhouse in Lincoln, N.H. The award winners were announced January 23 during a gala at the Capital Center for the Arts in Concord, N.H. She is currently performing with Celebrity Cruises in South America.

SARAH KAWALEK (HARTT) of South Easton, Mass., starred in the Fiddlehead Theater Company’s production of the classic musical West Side Story. She played the part of Velma.

KIMBERLY NOTO (BARNEY) of Norwich, Conn., was promoted to director of campaign management and analytics at Mohegan Sun.

CHRISTOPHER C. SAYER M (BARNEY) of Collinsville, Conn., announced plans to open a brewery titled “Brewery Legitimus” along Route 44 in New Hartford, Conn. The establishment will focus on serving Belgian and American-styled ales.

Professional dancer and choreographer KIRSTEN SCHRANZE (HARTT) of Plymouth, Mass., was featured by plymouth.wickedlocal.com in an alumni profile about a former student from Plymouth North High School.

ANDREY STOLYAROV M (HARTT) of Verona, N.J., received Honorable Mention distinction in the student choral division of the American Prize in Composition competition. Previously, his piece, Ebb & Flow, won first prize at the 2014 ISAM Festival Joseph Dorfman International Composition competition in Ochsenhauser, Germany.

ADAM S. YEE (A&S) of Newtown Square, Penn., signed a contract to play professional lacrosse with the Rochester Knighthawks of the National Lacrosse League. He was part of the 2011 UHart team that captured the program’s first America East Championship and an NCAA tournament bid.
Alumni Night with the Hartford Wolfpack
Alumni and friends gathered January 8 for Alumni Night with the Hartford Wolfpack. Some of those in attendance at the pre-game reception at Vaughn’s were (l-r) Ariana Tarpinian ’11, Chris Mazella ’12, Matt Moore, Matt Cooke ’10, Ben Accardo ’12, and Marissa Giammarino A’10, ’12.

National Networking Nights
National Networking Nights were held in five cities last fall. The events took place in Florida (top photo), Boston (bottom photo), San Francisco, New York and Hartford. Attending the Ft. Lauderdale event were (l-r): Domonique Bedbury ’08, Kenneth Kulas ’04, M’06, Lauren Firtel ’03, Scott Krasick, Jennifer Doctor ’86, Barry Doctor ’86 and Gabriel Deutsch A’02, ’02. Joining the crowd in Boston were (l-r): Melissa Ciociolo ’13, ’15, Molly Sadoff ’12, Brooke Tallinger ’14, Dale McGrath ’11 and Kimberly Packard ’11.

Alumni and current students attended the 25th anniversary celebration of the Hartford Scholars Program on November 13. Initiated by former University President Humphrey Tonkin (far right), the program has provided half-tuition support to students from Hartford Public High Schools since 1990.

Father and Hawks
The Alumni Association held receptions and alumni nights at three basketball games this winter. Rich Marinelli ’82 and Paul Brand ’02 were among the attendees at the January 30 men’s game (top photo) in West Hartford vs. Albany. Volunteer Nicole Boca ’95 (second row right in bottom photo) organized an alumni gathering at the women’s basketball game against George Washington in Washington, D.C. on December 30. An alumni night was also held in Providence, R.I. as the Hawks took on the nationally-ranked Providence Friars.

Faculty Lecture Series
A UHart Faculty Lecture Series hosted by President Walter Har- rison took place this winter in New York, Boston and Hartford. Below are pictures from two of the events. The top picture shows (l-r) President Harrison with associate professor Wick Griswold, and alumnae Marya Triandafellos ’81 and Natalie Camden A’88, ’90 in New York. The bottom picture shows associate professor Bilal Seklou flanked by Helyne Hamelburg P’16 and Stephen Hamelburg P’16 in Boston. Associate professor Michele Troy lectured in Hartford.

HCW Reunion
On May 8-9, the Hartford College for Women Class of 1966 50th Reunion took place. Among the HCW alumnae in attendance were: Sitting (l-r) Sharon Kasilus Byron A’66, ’71, Suzanne Meny Woodward A’66, Linda Demikat A’66, and Claudia Testa Weicker A’66; Standing (l-r) Margaret Brannan Pieschel A’66, Polly Bothfield A’67, Martha Anne Ferris-O’neal A’66, Rosanne Casale-Daigneulat A’66, Maris Carlson Corneli A’66, Barbara Despres A’66, Barbara Wolfe Bursi A’66, and Leila Cunningham Walden A’66.

Holiday Bus Trip to New York on December 3
To learn about other Alumni Association events, including details and how to register, log onto anchoronline.org/events. The University-wide events calendar is available at Hartford.edu.
Hawk Hatchlings
Births & Adoptions

Paul Brand '02 (CETA), '02 (A&S), an Alumni Association Board Member, and his wife Mary Kate Brand '04 (ENHP), M'14 (ENHP) of Hartford, Conn., welcomed Grady James Brand on November 23, 2015. Grady joins big sister, Whimsy, 4.

Saige Annmarie Stewart was born September 12 to Daileann Hemmings '06 (ENHP) M'11 (ENHP) of Manchester, Conn.

Sarah Rose Suissa was born July 7 to Nicole Sussa '12 (A&S) in Harrisburg, Pa.

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Not Pictured

William Jay Cushing Ginsberg was born October 20 to Jessica Cushing ‘06 (US) and David Ginsberg of Granby, Conn.

Robert Murratti ‘02 (Barney) and his wife, Brook, of Wallingford, Conn., who were married in August, 2014, announced the birth of their first child, Mia Elizabeth, on April 20, 2015.

WEDDINGS

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LAURA ENGEL ’07 (A&S) and ROB GRIFFITH ’07 (Hartt) of West Hartford, Conn., were married August 22, 2015 at The Bushnell in Hartford, Conn. Laura is a recruiting manager at Robert Half Technology in Hartford, Conn., while Rob is the drummer for the popular band Bronze Radio Return. The wedding party included THERESA DOLAN ’06 (Barney), ELISE BOUTIN ’08 (Hartt), ELIZABETH MCCONAUGHY ’08 (HAS), JOHN PHILLIPS-SANDY ’07 (Hartt), CORY SIMS ’08 (Hartt), JULIAN FREEMAN ’07 (Barney) and THOMAS CAFFREY ’07 (US),
BYRON WILLIAM HARRISON ’01 (CETA) and Brian Alexander Klinkesiek, of London, England, were married October 16 at Salvage One, an event space in Chicago. Harrison designs the acoustics of performing arts buildings for Charcoalblue, a theatre design firm. Klinkesiek is the director of European investment research and senior vice president in the London office of Heitman, a Chicago-based real estate investment firm.

TONY FILARDO ’09 (CETA) and TINA BROCKMANN ’09 (Hartt) of Belmont, Mass., were married at St. Rose of Lima Church on November 14, 2015 in Northborough, Mass. Alumni and faculty in attendance were REVEREND MICHAEL RUMINSKI ’08, DEACON PATRICK FIGGIRILLO ’10, Bridesmaid MICHELLE SCHULTZ WOODS ’09, Bridesmaid MARGARET FORTUNATO ’10, JIMMY LORUSSO ’09, SARA MURRAY MADISON ’08, MELISSA LEHM SHORTINO ’09, NICK SHORTINO ’09, CHRISTA VHU ’09, ANDREW SCHMIDT ’09, JULIE FALCONE ’09, MARILYN BREDEL ’10, M’14, ALYSSA PANTICH WHITE ’09, CHRIS WARD ’09, MATT SCHEAFFLER ’09, REBECCA EATON ’09, ANTHONY SPERANZA, JR. ’10, JONATHAN ZWICK ’09, SHANNON BROWN ZWICK ’10, M’13, Michael Crosbie, Ph.D., FAIA, Associate Professor Theodore Sawruk and Adjunct Assistant Professor Rebecca Tuscano-Moss.

Nathan Scalzone ’99 (Hartt) and Debbie Chou ’04 (Hartt) of Astoria, NY., were married last July in Camden, Maine. The two first met working in the Hartt administrative offices, and reconnected in New York City through their work at 92nd Street Y and Steinway & Sons. Hartt Composition Professor David Macbride was the officiant at the wedding. Joseph Diponio M’00 (Hartt) and Audra Jamai White (A&S) were in the wedding party.

STEPHANIE GENOVESE ’10 (Hartt) and ROBERT YONSKIE ’09 (Hartt) of North Miami, Fla. were married September 20 at West Hills Country Club in Middletown, N.Y. Alumni who were members of the wedding party include Maid of Honor TRACY FUNK ’02 (Hartt), Best Man CODY RYAN ’10 (Hartt), ANDREA RICE ’10 (Hartt), ALDEN CAPLE ’10 (Hartt), NICK PALAZZO ’10 (Hartt), DAVE MARMAELLO ’10 (Hartt), SHANI HADJIN ’09 (Hartt), and KATIE BRESTLER ’09 (Hartt). DAVID J. MADORE ’01 (Hartt) provided the music for the ceremony. Robert is using his theatre training to help coach public speakers on how to communicate a script; Stephanie is working in the regional theater circuit. Most recently, she played Electra in Broward Stage Door’s production of “Gypsy.”

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Manfred Adler A’48, B’52 (HILLYER), Bloomfield, Conn.  
Richard J. Ailbrie ‘69, M’78 (BARNEY), Newport, R.I.  
Ralph J. Archer, Jr. ’66 (A&S), ’69 (HARTT), West Hartford, Conn.  
Everett Archibald A’74, ’78 (CETA), Ellington, Conn.  
Frank J. Barbarossa C’55 (HILLYER), Stuart, Fla.  
David Barnes ’73 (BARNEY), Webster, N.H.  
Nancy Bauer ’70 (A&S), Enfield, Conn.  
Susan Rubin Block A’91 (HCW), West Hartford, Conn.  
Dr. Margaret Bogdanski M’02, D’09 (A&S), Lake Worth, Fla.  
Udo Birk ’54 (HILLYER), Bellingham, WA  
Adrian L. Bludeau M’74 (BARNEY), Wethersfield, Conn.  
Anthony Botticello ’56 (HILLYER), Newington, Conn.  
Janet Craig Bradford A’67 (BARNEY), Vernon Rockville, Conn.  
Guy W. Brisson A’63, ’67 (CETA), Plymouth, N.H.  
Sarah R. Brody M’68 (ENHP), Stonington, Conn.  
Charles T. Bunting M’64 (ENHP), Palm Coast, Fla.  
David Burgdorf A’67, ’72 (BARNEY), Vernon Rockville, Conn.  
Audrey Burke M’87 (ENHP), Southington, Conn.  
William J. Burke ’66 (BARNEY), Norwalk, Conn.  
Matthew J. Burvett, Jr. ’62 (BARNEY), Mountainside, N.J.  
Keith E. Burwell A’09 (BARNEY), ’11 (A&S), Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Earle S. Cathcart, Jr. ’78 (BARNEY), Yardley, Pa.  
Michael “Hap” Ciervo C’50 (HILLYER), Southfield, Conn.  
Frank A. Cimino M’60 (ENHP), Torrington, Conn.  
Everett J. Clark A’49 (HILLYER), Altoona, Fla.  
Anne Sullivan Collins ’62 (A&S) M’86 (BARNEY), West Hartford, Conn.  
Irene M. Conover M’60 (ENHP), Penny Farms, Fla.  
Alison Coolbirth ’65 (HCW), Bloomfield, Conn.  
Alison R. Cooperstein M’75 (BARNEY), Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Anita Pellelitter Cowles A’55 (HCW), Simsbury, Conn.  
Thomas E. Cummings C’67 (ENHP), Cheshire, Conn.  
Roy E. Dahlberg M’64 (ENHP), Southington, Conn.  
Robert B. Davis M’63 (ENHP), North Waterboro, Maine  
Stephen F. Davis ’87 (A&S), Hebron, Conn.  
Ronald F. DeLisa A’65 (WARD), Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.  
S. Thomas Denotto M’66 (ENHP), Bristol, Conn.  
Sandra Dickson ’93 (BARNEY), Mechanicville, N.Y.  
Robert J. Diemer ’92 (BARNEY), Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.  
Dr. Dario Diorio ’64, M’65 (ENHP), Torrington, Conn.  
Joseph W. Dishaw ’62 (BARNEY), Yorktown Heights, NY.  
John W. Dominice Jr. C’63 (WARD), Greenwich, Conn.  
Kathleen Holmes Dowd M’67 (ENHP), Deerfield Beach, Fla.  
Thomas G. Downes ’80 (A&S), Enfield, Conn.  
Laurier W. Doyon A’62, ’66 (CETA), Farmington, Conn.  
John A. Dronen III M’93 (BARNEY), West Hartford, Conn.  
Donald L. Dubiel ’59 (CETA), Enfield, Conn.  
Dr. Joan Duggan M’96, D’00 (A&S), West Hartford, Conn.  
Lisa K. Durgin A’78 (HCW), ’81 (A&S), Gardnerville, NV  
David F. Ertman ’69 (A&S), Penn Yan, N.Y.  
Alice D. Fisher M’73 (ENHP), West Hartford, Conn.  
Susan Waterman Foraker ’87 (CETA), Tintonville, Fl.  
Donald R. Foster M’87 (BARNEY), Simsbury, Conn.  
Marilyn Libby Fried A’48 (HCW), Vero Beach, Fla.  
Thomas F. Fulop A’64 (CETA), A’68, ’71 (BARNEY), Winchester, Mass.  
Roger J. Gagne ’73 (BARNEY), Enfield, Conn.  
Alan Gates ’63 (ENHP), Storrs, Conn.  
Lois Mueske Garrison M’78 (ENHP), New Hartford, Conn.  
Robert D. Gilmour M’85 (BARNEY), Plainville, Conn.  
Joyce Watts Godin ’78 (A&S), Farmington, Conn.  
Sidney A. Gold A’47 (BARNEY), Deerfield Beach, Fla.  
Alan Goldberg M’72 (BARNEY), Windsor, Conn.  
Joseph J. Golec ’59 (BARNEY), Wethersfield, Conn.  
Herman K. Golnik, Jr. M’66 (ENHP), Wethersfield, Conn.  
Cynthia Hanson Gordon M’03 (ENHP), Bloomfield, Conn.  
Frances S. Gracia ’60 (ENHP), Tiverton, R.I.  
Louise Greenfield ‘44 (HARTT), Waterbury, Conn.  
Evans E. Griffin, Jr. A’51 (HILLYER), Colchester, Conn.  
Marguerite Finnel Guinan M’66 (ENHP), P’72, East Granby, Conn.  
Joseph J. Gworek A’49, ’51 (HILLYER), Rocky Hill, Conn.  
Harry Haldeman ’72 (BARNEY), Fairfax Station, Va.  
Elaine Mulford Hambick ’84 (CETA), North Granby, Conn.  
George A. Harger, Jr. ’70 (CETA), M’79 (BARNEY), Enfield, Conn.  
Gail Cadwell Hansen ’71 (HAS), Wethersfield, Conn.  
Robert Harrigan ’60, M’74 (BARNEY), West Hartford, Conn.  
Richard J. Horwitz M’95 (ENHP), West Hartford, Conn.  
Muriel Hosch ’74 (HAS), Winsted, Conn.  
Nicholas A. Janazzo C’57 (WARD), Bristol, Conn.  
Azekah E. Jennings ’80 (HAS), Hamden, Conn.  
David P. Johnson’60 (A&S), Tariffville, Conn.  
Barbara A. Jordan ’90 (BARNEY), East Hampton, Conn.  
Robert Judd ’62 (ENHP), Pleasant Valley, Conn.  
Shirley Rosenthal Jurin M’65 (ENHP), Manchester, Conn.  
Elaine Kass M’87 (BARNEY), Wethersfield, Conn.  
Phyllis Sachs Katz M’66 (ENHP), West Hartford, Conn.  
Jerome F. Kennedy C’56 (WARD), West Hartford, Conn.  

Farewell
When someone suffers a severe bleeding injury, every second counts. That is why Frank Hursey ’77, who studied mechanical engineering in the University’s College of Engineering, Technology, and Architecture, invented QuikClot. It’s a type of gauze that stops bleeding practically on contact and has saved thousands of lives in hospitals and war zones around the world.

QuikClot is permeated with a mineral that accelerates the body’s natural clotting ability. When pressure is applied, it conforms to the wound site and stops the bleeding within minutes. It is particularly important in trauma cases caused by manmade or natural disasters, during which bleeding causes 40% of deaths.

Hursey came up with the idea for QuikClot in the course of his job building machines that separate oxygen from water. He was working with a mineral called zeolite, which is a highly effective absorbent of water. A scientist at heart, Hursey says he knew blood is 90% water and he hypothesized the mineral could work to stop bleeding. He was right.

Hursey patented his invention in 1987, but it didn’t get much attention until the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 and the resultant military conflicts in which U.S. troops suddenly had an unfortunate need for Quikclot. All five branches of the military now use it in the field. It is also part of the standard equipment for first responders and law enforcement officers, including the members of the University’s Department of Public Safety. The University became the first higher education institution in New England, and among the first in the nation, to equip its officers with life-saving Quikclot Bleeding Control Kits in February of 2016.

Hursey, a University of Hartford regent, is a former Apollo Space Program engineer and is the president and founder of On Site Gas, which sells oxygen and nitrogen generator technology.

“My advice for students would be to pursue your dreams and don’t ever give up.”

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