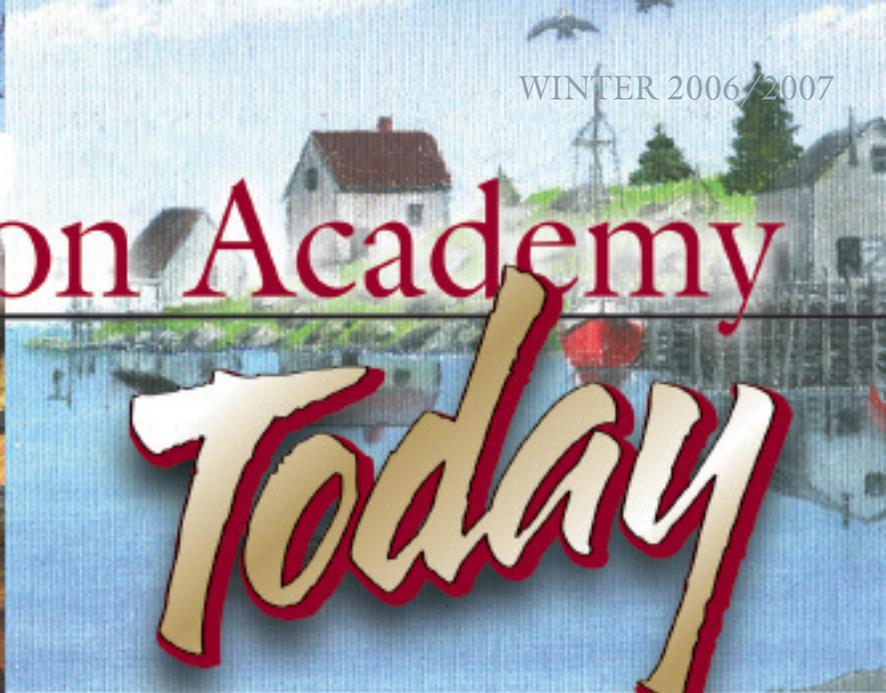
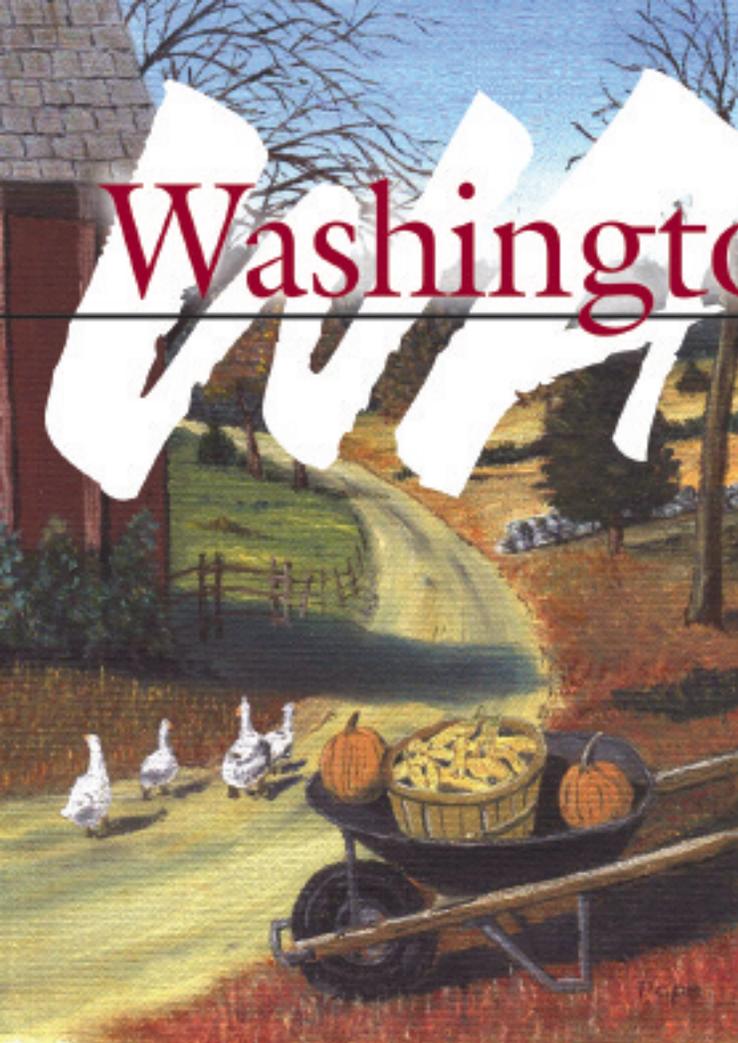


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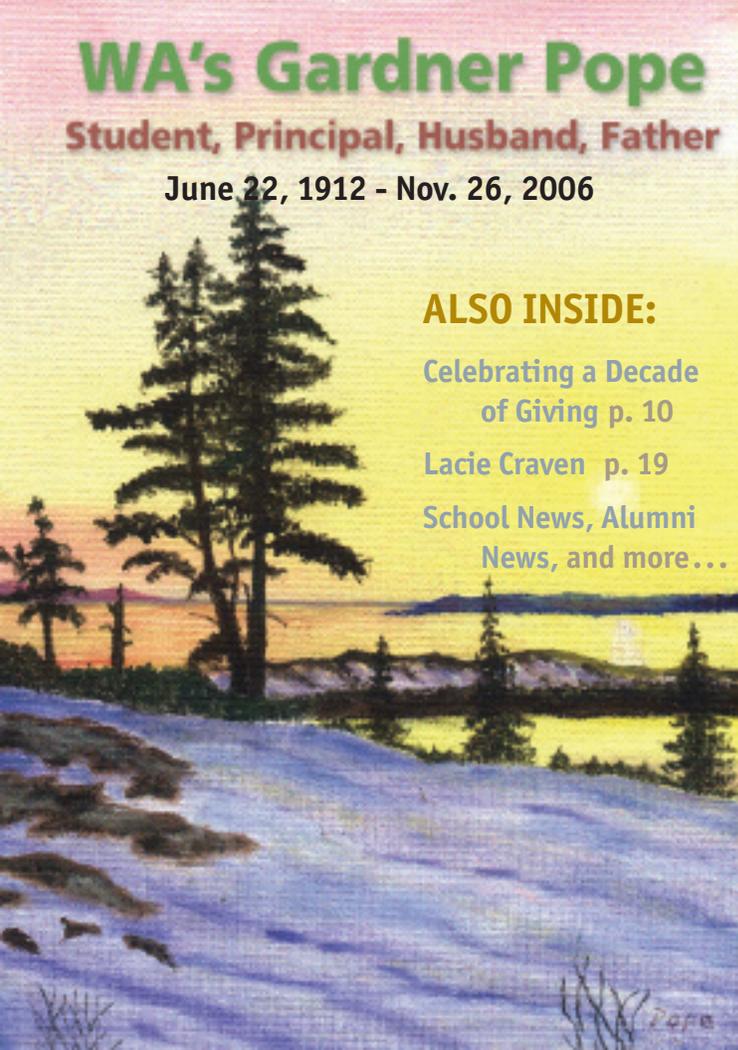
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News from the Head of School



A Firm Foundation for the Future

On December 10, 2006, during a ceremony with Trustees, faculty and friends, we at Washington Academy celebrated the completion of our new dormitory with the laying of a cornerstone. With the assembly of people both young and old, and the new building in the background, I was reminded of the enormous role the Academy plays in building a firm foundation in the life of every student.

Bricks and mortar form one part of this foundation. Financial health is another very real part of our foundation. Successfully educating students in today's world is expensive and we are proud that individuals have partnered with us in this endeavor. As we "Celebrate a Decade of Giving" this year, it is encouraging to think that alumni and friends have generously contributed over \$300,000 towards improving programs in the last nine annual campaigns.

Even beyond facilities and finances, the personal relationships students build during their years here will form the most enduring foundation. With the recent passing of beloved Washington Academy Principal Gardner Pope, I am reminded of the many stories Alums have shared with me about the very positive impact that past principals and teachers have had on shaping their lives.

Other educators like Arthur Gardner, Molly Beam, Barbara Beatty, Ena Drew, Margaret and Richard Gardner, Nancy Hastings, Mary Horton, Annie Kinsey, Mina Phinney, John Sprague, Rebecca Talbot, and many more inspired students to reach their full potential. These individuals were all well known for their commitment to academic excellence, however, it is the touching recollections of the educators' ability to personalize education for each student that are retold over and over by alumni. These educators showed interest in students' lives, inspired enthusiasm, discipline, and nurtured confidence. I have set a priority for all of the Academy's educators to do as others have done before them, developing supportive relationships with students to ensure their success.

As I enter my tenth year as Head of School, I have to consider the foundation we are laying today. I have a lot to be thankful for. Programs and courses supporting all students have greatly expanded, graduation and college placement rates have risen, Seniors were top in the county in SAT scores, enrollment exceeded the four hundred-student mark for the first time in the school's history, and the school is embarking on its first capital campaign. But before I celebrate too much, I must tell you that I face the Academy's future with a sense of humility and a healthy dose of fear. My own son Jacob will graduate in a decade, and children born at the beginning of this school year will graduate in 2024. It makes me wonder what the world and the Academy will look like in the future.

As I look forward to this future, I look to the past and those who built the strong foundation we currently enjoy. I trust we will be creating more positive stories today, for future Alums to tell tomorrow.

Yours Truly,

Judson McBrine, Head of School



On Our Cover: The Art of Gardner Pope The subjects vary from serene harbors and majestic eagles to the lightness of butterflies and warm sunrises, but with each brushstroke Gardner Pope captured the heart and soul of the "pretty little town" he called home for 94 years.

Washington Academy TRUSTEE NEWS

New Board Members



MARCIA JACKSON, Lubec, ME

Marcia is a registered nurse who graduated from EMMC School of Nursing in 1979. She worked med/surg, long-term care, and at a rural health center. For the past 13 years she has been a board member of Healthways/RMCL. She has been married 30 years and is the mother of two boys, Jarred and Josiah, a junior at WA. She has taught several CNA courses. She has been a Sunday School teacher and enjoys being involved with children and young people. She enjoys watching sporting events, especially when her sons are involved. She has volunteered at the local schools – RTF (Reading is Fundamental), Vision/Hearing Screening. In the past she has been a member of the Friends of the Library in Lubec. Her hobbies include reading, riding a motorcycle with her spouse, and boating. Marcia is currently employed as the clinical coordinator at Maine Veteran's Home in Machias.



SUZANNE W. PLAISTED, Jonesboro, ME

Suzanne is a teacher. She is the Literacy Coordinator of the Narraguagus Family Literacy Program. She is married with two sons, a Cub Scout Den Leader and on the Pack 125 Advisory Committee. Suzanne's hobbies include cooking, crafts, and collecting. She likes to collect bone china cups & saucers and items decorated with blueberry designs.

John Sprague Receives Distinguished Chair from WA Board of Trustees



Head of School Judson McBrine, John Sprague seated in chair, Board of Trustees Chair Richard Gardner.

Over thirty years ago, a young man walked into Washington Academy and begun what was to be a long and distinguished career as mathematics instructor and then department chair, a position he held until his retirement at the end of the 2006 school year.

To honor the service and commitment to all of the students and staff of WA, the Board of Trustees honored John Sprague with a beautifully crafted study chair embossed with his name and the school seal at their September meeting.

Remembering Sprague fondly, friend and WA colleague Pete Rensema relates, "The funniest memory I have is when John lost the "kiss the pig" contest, a fundraiser where the one raising the most "wins" the contest and reluctantly accepts his or her prize of a smooch with a pig. He was a good sport about it, planting a big one on that old inker. My fondest memory, though, was when John took me aside my first year of teaching and told me if I ever had a problem with a parent, to refer them to him, He was always supportive and I appreciated his wise counsel."

Having worked side by side Sprague, WA math instructor Marty Jordan begins, "John touched so many lives. He is an institution within an institution. He is always good counsel about educational issues. He always had a good way of working with parents. John is a friend to all." Jordan concludes, "Mr. Berry and I would like Spragueman to know that we still expect him to drop by some Friday at lunch and bring a meat lover's pizza with him."

Sprague is spending his newly found free time completing his third novel and just relaxing.

Trustee Advisory Committee

Formed last Spring, the Washington Academy Advisory Committee is comprised of individuals connected to the school, as alumni, friends, parents, or past parents, tuned into local issues and acting as advisors to and ambassadors for WA, complimenting the roles of the Trustees and Alumni Association. The Advisory Committee, which meets semi-annually, will hold its Winter meeting on February 8.

WAYDE CARTER, Marshfield, ME

Wayde is a game warden and a k-9 trainer/handler. He and his wife Toni have four children – Britany –15, Tim-14, Matt-12, and Libby-6. He enjoys fishing, hunting, camping, boating, and gardening. His interests include training and breeding Labrador Retrievers.

WILLIAM T. HOLMES, JR., Machiasport, ME

Bill is a full-time pastor at the Larrabee Baptist Church. He and his wife Judy have been married 47 years. He is a retired schoolteacher. He loves gardening. His children are grown and he has all kinds of grandchildren. Bill states that his greatest blessing is his family.

PETER KNOWLES, Charlotte, ME

Peter is a chiropractor, diplomate in chiropractic acupuncture, certified personal trainer, and a polarity therapist. He also teaches Personal Wellness at UMM and Anatomy & Physiology at WCCC when needed. Originally from Ellsworth, he graduated from Ellsworth High School in 1973, attended University of Maine at Orono for three years, and then studied for five years at National College of Chiropractic. With the exception of two years in Florida, he has had a private practice in Machias since 1981. He has been married for 25 years and has five children, the youngest three currently attending Washington Academy – Megan ('07) and Mike & Steve ('09). He often takes classes at UMM as he loves to learn. Other hobbies include reading, running, swimming, and Civil War & Revolutionary War reenactment.

NICK LEMIEUX, Cutler, ME

Nick is a lobster fisherman and a boat-builder. He is a 1993 graduate of Washington Academy. His wife Belinda graduated from WA in 1988. They have two boys Ryan (4) and Jackson (2). Nick really enjoys Downeast Maine life, spending time with family, being outdoors on the water or in the woods hunting. He likes to be involved in competitive activities such as boat racing.

JON REISMAN, Cooper, ME

Jon has been a college professor at the University of Maine at Machias since 1984. He was appointed an Associate Professor of Economics & Public Policy in 1990 and Chair of the Professional Studies Division in 2006. He was the 1st Selectman of Cooper from 1997-2006. He is a policy analyst for the Maine Heritage Policy Center. He and his wife Ernestine have two sons at Washington Academy – Asher ('06) and Avram ('08). His hobbies include gardening and swimming. Jon's other interests are politics, policy – especially environmental and education – he has written on climate change policy and school choice, rural development, and the culture war.

SHANE RENSHAW, Marshfield, ME

Shane is a 1988 graduate of Washington Academy. He and his wife Valerie have two children, Alex and Brianna. His occupation is a mobile crisis worker. Shane is also a Martial Arts Instructor.

RICHARD YOUNG, East Machias, ME and Tampa Bay, FL

Richard enlisted in the Air Force after graduating from the Academy in 1955. He was stationed in Vt., as an Aircraft/Engine Mechanic. He was employed with Vt. ANG for 7 years as an Aircraft/Engine Technician. He was employed with Pratt & Whitney for 32 years as a Field Representative and Regional Customer Support Manager working with military and commercial airlines. His assignments included: Vietnam duty with the Navy on an aircraft carrier; assigned to British Airways living in Wales, G.B. for 6 years with family; transferred to Beirut, Lebanon until the war broke out in 1973; transferred to Pratt and Whitney home office as a member of the Airline Engineering/Maintenance Advisory Group assisting airlines with Engine Overhaul Shop processes and assembly problems. Promoted to Regional Customer Support Manager in Atlanta, Ga., in 1980, working primarily with Delta Air Lines. This job encompassed all aspects of business between P&W and the airline, i.e. Engineering, Maintenance, Marketing, Spare Parts, etc.. P&W won four major engine contracts at Delta Airlines during his 17 years in Atlanta. He retired in 1997. He has been happily married to his wife Cecile for 47 years. They have three boys and all three were military pilots in the Army and Navy. He works part-time maintaining the Golf Club Handicap Computer System. His hobbies include golf, hunting, and fishing.

Also on the Advisory Committee, **DOROTHY BARNES, DIXIE BEAUDOIN, LISA HOLMES, DAVID HOPKINS, and EDWARD NICHOLAS.**

GARDNER POPE AN INSTRUMENT

Gardner Pope
1912-2006



College Frat member

With his easy grin and his relaxed nature, Gardner Pope nonetheless never minced words. Even nearing 90, he'd barely hesitate when asked his opinion – as when this writer asked what he thought were the most monumental changes in education since his years in the classroom.

“Computers and girls’ athletics,” he immediately answered.

Gardner Pope made unique contributions to Washington Academy. In 1934, as a recent Bowdoin graduate he accepted a teaching position at the academy, little knowing this would set him on a new fast track. A scant month later he was made coach following the untimely and tragic death of Principal Judson Merrill. Ernest Gatcomb became principal and Pope, in a move that would bring great athletic recognition to WA, began to groom some of the finest basketball players at that time in Washington County.



Gardner & Macy Gardner

Teacher and coach for six years, he turned out championship basketball teams in 1937 and 1938. Because he tended to be quiet and understated in most of his actions, one would think effectiveness would be lacking in these practice sessions. Obviously, this was not the case.

“You’d think anyone as calm as he was wouldn’t be a good disciplinarian, but he was,”

said the late Bill Talbot in 1999, recalling his student-basketball years at the academy. “He was, because we respected him so much that no one ever wanted to disappoint him.”

Gardner Pope was born on June 22, 1912 in East Machias, the son of John and Alina (Gardner) Pope. Ninety-four years ago East Machias was “a pretty little town,” as Barbara Whittier used to describe it. Hugging the river, the village hummed with a ribbon of variegated activity unraveling along its shores. A handful of shops coming into town on the right, sawmills, many horses and wagons and a couple of taverns fringed the dirt roads.

The Pope Mill and the Pope Memorial Bridge hearken to the position of the Popes in town, but for Gardner Pope, academics and



Lillian Pope, 1930

athletics always beckoned. Basketball player and runner, he graduated from WA as salutatorian of the Class of 1930. A dean’s list student and member of the college band at Bowdoin, he graduated in 1934, having played four sports and lettered all four years as a pole vaulter.

Pope was an instrument of change almost from the beginning of his working years at WA. Principal from 1939-1952, he started the school band in 1940 with Hovey Wiswell as band director. Those easy, swing and sway tunes of the ‘40s were made for the peripatetic Pope and his ever-ready saxophone. His passion for music and his ability to bring it all together gave birth to the Pope Hayloft dances on the top floor of his barn.

He began the effort to start an Annual Alumni Jamboree in the IOOF hall. Part of the magic of Gardner Pope was that nothing ever faltered or folded. He very quietly built a good and lasting foundation, whether the goal at hand was a chemistry project, the National Honor Society or the drive to build the bandstand. He taught by example, showing young people that volunteerism and community participation are vital components to living a meaningful life.

Therefore, he was also a primary figure in the Congregational Church of East Machias and in the town.

“He was a deacon of the church since 1948 and remained an honorary deacon (after moving to Scarborough in 1978),” says Linnie Crane, Class of 1937.

From Scarborough, the Pope family moved to Brunswick in 1986. Although Pope taught chemistry and physics at Falmouth High School, served as track coach and was principal (1959-1972), his heart remained in East Machias. Significantly, all three of his children – Carol



Square dance

MENT OF CHANGE AT WA *by Ruth Leubecker*

Ann, John and Susan – graduated from Deering High School in Portland, but three of his grandchildren graduated from WA.

A rare leader, an accomplished coach and an esteemed teacher, Gardner Pope at 87 said, “I’ve got things to do. I’m not done yet. I’m still kicking.”

That was certainly true. His wanting to learn and do new things was inspiring to see. At 90-plus, playing bridge, painting, designing his note cards and framing his works of art for friends was more than ambitious.

But that’s what made him special. His kindness and his curiosity. Many have a bit of Gardner Pope in their lives. Mine is a painting of the old covered bridge in Newry, Maine, done by him, signed by him, even though by then the tremors had worsened.

Gardner Pope left us on November 26, 2006. But not really. His lasting influence indelibly touched too many young lives for that to ever happen. Perhaps Ruth Simpson, Class of 1940, said it best. From a one-room school in Cutler to George Washington University, what changed her life was her alma mater in East Machias.

“Washington Academy was the best,” she said several years ago, “and Gardner Pope was part of that.”



Lillian and Gardner

The WASHINGTON RECORD--1930

BAD MEDICINE

Wal folks, sezia' yer all talkin' 'bout this new kind a coffee that ain't coffee at all, and 'bout how it ween't bendin' yer sleep, I want ter tell yer 'bout some new medicine to put yer to sleep that me and Sam Tucker tried a couple a years back.

It was one night after that barn dance what me and Sam was fiddlin' fer in Squire Sykes' barn. We was walkin' 'long by Judge Tomkin's place and Sam complained of being all tuckered out.

"Hain't it funny," says he, "I ain't had a bit of sleep for five nights. I go to bed, but I'll be durned if I can get to sleep. Have you ever been in such a predicament, Horace?"

"Sam," says I with a yawn, "I be a cross-eyed hyena if I ain't been the same way fer a week!"

"What can we do," says he, "we'll be as lean as John Jones' old grey mare if we don't get sleep before long. All I can do is hold my head up now."

"Sam," says I, "I've got a bright idee. Tommorrow morning after meetin' I'll hitch up old Dobin to the yeller faggar and we'll go see old Dr. Whipple over in Pineville."

"Gee whikers, Horace, I always knowed you had a head on yer shoulders. By gash, that's jist what we'll do," he says.

Well neither one of us slept that night so after meetin' away we went fer Pineville. Old Dobin couldn't do much hustlin' so we didn't get there 'till three o'clock after dinner.

We drove right up to the doctor's front yard and got out and tapped on the door.

In less time than the kick of Widdler Casey's mule we had informed Dr. Whipple of our ailment.

Says he, "Well, gentlemen, I have a beva' new kind of sleepin' medicine and I ain't tried it yet, but if you want it you can take it. Of course I think it's O. K. It comes from a reliable company."

Wal, now I tel yer, Sam and I was some durn glad to try it, so we took

some home with us, all wrapped up in brown paper.

On the way back to Goldenrod Sam told me he hadn't had a good drink for a long time, and he said he hoped there would be a little "good stuff" in the medicine.

Well, folks, after we got home I milked Rosy and Boss, did the chores and went straight to bed and took the required tablespoon of medicine. I'll be durned if I didn't get the best night's rest I ever got in my life. I was as spry as our bustam rooster when I got up in the mornin'.

I moved in the mender all that day and when I went to bed that night I took some more medicine. Gash, didn't I sleep good. In the mornin' jist as I was hitchin' old Dobin to the old mowing machine Sam Tucker's wife came a-running up the road.

"Oh, Horace, Horace," says she, "do something quick. What can be the trouble with poor Sam? Oh, what will I do? Come quick!"

By that time I was all hot up. I couldn't imagine what had happened so I followed Marthy back to Sam's house on the ran. She pushed me into the ber room. There was Sam lying in bed jist as if he was dead.

"Oh, Horace," says Marthy, "What can be the matter? He ain't been awake for two days and two nights. I can't make him budge. Oh, Horace, he can't be dead 'cause he's breathin'. Poor Sam! Oh, what can I do, what can I do! "Then Marthy got to cryin' and went out in the kitchen and left me alone with Sam.

Folks, I tel yer I was mighty scal. I stayed there by the bedside for three hours. Marthy came in, and after a time Sam stirred. Marthy shook him like she would her old kitchen rug. At last he opened his eyes. Rolling them up at me he says, "Say, Horace, is there any more stuff up there on the shelf?" Quick as chain lightning I turned my eyes to the shelf. Upon my word there was that medicine bottle like mine, as empty as could be.

Sam smiled and says, "90%, Horace, 60%." GARDNER POPE, '30



GARDNER CHASE POPE, East Machias—"Izzy"

"tis for light hearts to take light leave of love"
Salutatory (2nd honor) 4; Football 2-3-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Track 1-2-3-4; Dramatics 1-2-3-4; Class President 2-3-4; Orchestra 3-4; Choir 1-2-3; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Latin Prize 1; Secretary and Treasurer "W" Club 3; President "W" Club 4; Art Editor 4; Captain Dual Track Meet 3; Captain of Field Events 4; Orchestra Leader 4.

How we'll miss that fellow with his tricks and his leadership, too; Izzy has been in everything since he came to W. A., and yet his scholarship has not suffered. He is our saxaphonist, soloist and artist. In our plays, he says, "Gosh, but I do dislike that woman," but in real life! Oh, Izzy!

SERVICE LETTER

The Service Letter for this year was awarded to Gardner C. Pope 1930 of East Machias by Principal Crane in recognition of outstanding service to his school and class during his four years as an undergraduate. The award was well merited for Gardner has been prominent in all activities and most faithful. He has always maintained a high scholastic average and taken an active part in the orchestra, dramatics, basketball, football, track, choir, public speaking, Washington Record and president of his class. We wish him success at Bowdoin.

In Memoriam

Albert I. Burns Jr. '74	6/07/06
Mary Elizabeth Black '44	6/08/06
Ivan L. Gilpatrick '63	6/17/06
Dora Jamieson Mayhew '29	6/22/06
Harold R. Geel '40	8/10/06
Howard R. Dwelley '45	8/27/06
Newton H. Ackley Jr. '65	8/30/06
Neil E. Sprague '98	10/18/06
Kathryn Cole Smith '34	11/04/06

Washington Academy Welcomes New Staff to School

Washington Academy welcomed five new staff members to the school this fall.



Michele Lenfestey joined the Guidance Department as the Guidance Secretary. Currently residing in Whitneyville, Michele enjoys spending time with her family, hiking, and coaching Little

League baseball.

The Business Office has two new staff members, Business Manager Mark Mickelinc, and Administrative Assistant Deborah Stauffer. Mark received his Bachelor's degree from the University of South Carolina in mathematics, following with a Master's degree in meteorology and physical oceanography. When Mark is not managing the business office of WA, he devotes his time to model railroading, as well as landscaping and traveling. Mark currently resides in Marshfield.



Deborah, a resident of East Machias, received her nursing degree from the University of Maine-Orono and complements that with certification as an Education Technician II. She previously worked for SAD 77 before coming to WA. Deborah's special interests include devotion to her children and her boarding kennels.

The restructured Development Office is directed by Robin Moloff-Gautier. Robin is originally from New York, having come to Maine in 1980 for graduate studies at University of Maine in Orono. She comes to WA with more than 20 years of community education and development experience, having most recently worked at HealthWays/Regional Medical Center at Lubec. She currently lives in Lubec.

Assisting Robin is Annemarie Davis as Development Assistant and Campaign Office Manager. Annemarie comes to WA with 21 years of experience in community services and education, having directed the Housing Division for Washington Hancock Community Agency and worked at Elm Street School as an education technician for seven years.



Annemarie is an avid walker, kayaker and quilter and enjoys spending as much time as possible with her family.

With the retirement of John Sprague at the close of last year, Peter Rensema was promoted to the position of Math Department Head. Pete has been teaching at Washington Academy since 1997, having started with calculus and physics, and



adding the honors program and advanced placement courses to his full schedule. Prior to his coming to WA, Pete served in the Air Force for 24 years, retiring as a Colonel. He returned to East Machias where he had been a part-time resident since 1961. He has held positions on both the planning and school boards of East Machias.

Washington Academy

wishes a warm welcome to the following new teachers for the 2006/2007 school year.

Lori McBrine
Education: BS in Business Education from the University of Maine at Machias
Previous Experience: Jobs for Maine Graduates Teacher at WA
Hometown: East Machias, ME
Currently Teaching at WA: Government/Economics and Psychology
Special Interests: Walking, outdoor activities and her children

Laurie Esposito-Hain
Education: BA in English from Mount Saint Mary College
Previous Experience: Director of Education at Nous Theatre, Science Teacher K-7
Hometown: Shohola, PA
Currently Teaching at WA: Study Hall
Special Interests: Environmental sciences and urban education

Cynthia Rowell
Education: BS in Animal and Veterinary Sciences from the University of Maine at Orono and BS in Professional Education from Bemidji State University
Previous Experience: Math Teacher Union 104 and Science Teacher in Minnesota
Hometown: East Machias, ME; formerly Bemidji, MN
Currently Teaching at WA: Pre-Algebra, Algebra 1 and Algebra 2
Special Interests: Hiking on old roads, gardening, sewing

Malcolm Holmes
Education: BS in Biology from the University of Maine at Machias
Previous Experience: Student teaching, tutor, retired Airforce
Hometown: East Machias, ME
Currently Teaching at WA: Health, Chemistry, Earth Science and Physics
Special Interests: Little League, basketball, foster parenting

Jacob Sturtevant
Education: B. Mus. Jazz and Contemporary Music Composition from the University of Maine at Augusta, M.A. Music Composition from the University of Minnesota
Previous Experience: University of Minnesota, The Maine Arts Commission, Hartford Summer Elementary School, Buckfield Jr./Sr. High School
Hometown: Livermore Falls, ME
Currently Teaching at WA: Chorus, Band, Guitar, Music History, and Jr. High Band
Special Interests: Jazz, Electronic Music Recording, Soccer, Basketball and Mountain Biking

Margaret Peacock
Education: BA and MA in Communication Disorders from the University of Maine at Orono, ESL Certification
Previous Experience: Speech Pathologist
Hometown: Whiting, ME
Currently Teaching at WA: English as a Second Language and English Lab
Special Interests: The Cobscook area and her daughters and granddaughter

College Panel

Seven WA alumni returned on December 20, 2006 to talk to current students about their college experiences over this past year, leaving plenty of time for answering questions about location, size of school, social activities, roommates, finances, work study and, of courses, grades, type of testing, time management, classes, advisors, and the like.



Standing left to right: Tess Matraw '06 now attending Dartmouth College in Hanover New Hampshire, majoring in Biology; Adrienne Merritt '06 now attending University of Southern Maine in Gorham, Maine, majoring in Nursing; Hannah Murashita '06 now attending Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, majoring in Biochemistry; Leila Alcieri '05 now attending Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts, majoring in Politics and International and Global Studies; Sarah-Gayle Godish '04 now attending Elmira College in Elmira, New York, majoring in Psychology and Human Services. **Seated left to right:** Asher Reisman '06 now attending Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts with plans to attend Haverford College in Haverford, Pennsylvania next fall; no major declared as yet; and David Roth '05 now attending Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts; majoring in Chemistry.



Christine Small removes a hot pizza from the warmer as Ellen Weed, Alumni Association Treasurer looks on. The warming oven was donated by The Fat Cat Deli and Pizzeria in Machias to the WA Alumni Association, who operate the concession stand at home basketball games in coordination with the Senior Class.

Alumni Reunion 50th & 60th Anniversary Classes



Darold Ames, Bill Bryant, Marlene (Bryant) Andrews, Pauline (Gatcomb) Tyson, Dolores (Scoville) Hanson, Back row Jerry Dwelley, Douglas Coffin, Dick Young, Muriel (McLaughlin) Pottle, Elizabeth (Young) Pettegrew, Reggie Foss, Paul Griffin



Mattie (Willegar) Flynn '45 & Harland Flynn '45



Dale Pettegrew, Blanche (Hasty) Johnson, Claire (Huntley) Edy, Clarence (Cici) Dennison, Mary (Holmes) Kennedy, Robert Huntley.

For more photos of the 2006 Alumni Tea and Reunion, see pages 12-13

Homecoming Mark your Calendars!!

The WA Alumni Association has begun making plans for the 1st annual Washington Academy Homecoming to be held September 21-23, 2007. The Alumni Association is very excited to host such an event at WA. Some activities will include a soccer game under the lights, a barbeque, entertainment, homecoming dance, Raider Run and many other exciting events.

New officers elected at the Biennial Reunion business meeting are Dean McGuire, President, Sherry Radeka, 1st Vice President, Tom Gaddis, 2nd Vice President, Kathie Ramsdell, Secretary, Ellen Weed, Treasurer and Christine Small, Assistant Treasurer. The group, with the help of others will be selling concessions at WA home basketball games.

The Alumni Association would also like suggestions for other activities that you would like to attend. Ideas can be submitted via email to alumni@washingtonacademy.org. You may also call Dean McGuire, president of the Alumni Association at 207-263-9600. Suggestions can also be mailed to Washington Academy Alumni Association PO Box 466 East Machias, ME 04630.

Your input in both our fundraising events and planning for our Homecoming events is vital to making these events successful. Please contact Dean McGuire at 263-9600, or any officer listed above with your thoughts on the following questions.

1. Would you attend homecoming events?
2. What events would you like to see offered during a homecoming weekend?
3. Would you like to see the Biennial Reunion banquet held during homecoming weekend or remain in August as a separate event?
4. Would you be able to volunteer for planning and/or during the homecoming weekend?

Let us know what you think! Email alumni@washingtonacademy.org

Annual Giving CAMPAIGN 2005-06

2005-06 Annual Campaign WA's Annual Fund Sets Record at \$92,000



In recognition of the support of the donors, a plaque will be placed in one of the renovated labs, as well as a bronze tablet outside the science department rooms dedicating the new lab with the following: Down East Community Hospital Science Laboratory... Dedicated January 31, 2007... Down East Community Hospital is Proud to be Washington Academy's Partner in Preparing Healthcare Professionals of the Future

Washington Academy successfully closed its ninth annual campaign, setting a new school record by raising just over \$92,000. The campaign's success was fueled in large part by special gifts from alumni, friends and local businesses including donations from Machias Savings Bank, H. F. Pinkham Inc., Bangor Hydro Electric, Down East Community Hospital, and the families of George Carey, Adien Look, and James Pettegrove.

Over 230 individuals donated to the campaign. In regard to this outpouring of gifts, Judson McBrine, Head of School and campaign chair stated, "we are really proud of our community and our alumni. Their dedication to the school and its future growth is obvious. They have made our campaign theme, *Building Community and Supporting Success*, a reality in the lives of our students."

At the opening of school, students attended science classes in one entirely new lab created from an existing classroom and two re-

modeled labs. The new lab includes ergonomic workstations, a portable handicap accessible workstation, and state-of-the-art safety equipment including eyewash and safety showers. All three laboratories were updated with new ceiling tile and refinished woodwork courtesy of a \$2,600 contribution from H.F. Pinkham Inc. According to James Ausprey, Science Department Head, the addition and renovations has created more lab experiences for a greater number of students.

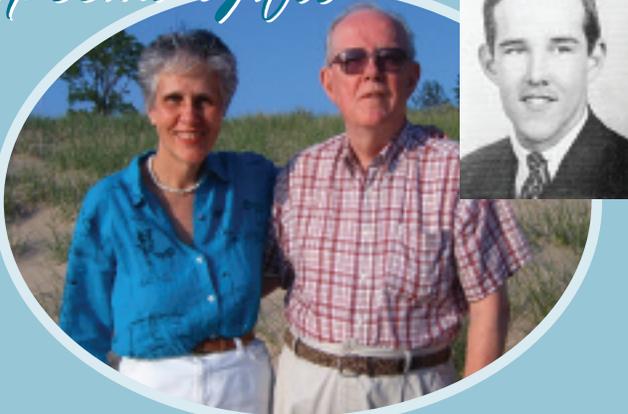
New lighting now illuminates WA's soccer field. The lighting includes twenty-eight 1500W lights mounted on four 55 feet wooden poles. Labor to set the poles was donated by Bangor Hydro.

The school's objective in lighting the fields is to increase community participation in soccer. Girls soccer coach Justin Walston states, "It's an exciting time for WA's soccer program, providing a chance for working parents to attend games they could not attend otherwise." In addition to increasing the number of fans, the lights will help accommodate a growing interest in the sport. This year over 50 boys and 30 girls turned out for tryouts. The school hosted both J.V. and Varsity teams, all four of which participated in at least a 10 game schedule. The community also benefits as the expanded evening usage allows junior high teams such as Elm Street School and Union 134 to use the field.

Washington Academy wishes to thank all donors and volunteers for their commitment to education in Washington County.



Special Gifts



Adien L. Look, Class of 1947

In honor of her father Adien L. Look, Dr. Katherine Y. Look made a special gift on the occasion of her father's "60th anniversary of his graduation from WA."

"My dad taught me a lot-some of which I am sure he learned from his folks, but some he learned at Washington Academy. [He always said] "Keep Learning-Love Learning. It will make your life larger." I would like this gift used to enhance science education at Washington Academy." And so it did. The contribution allowed for installation of gas, electricity, water and stools for a science lab station in the newly renovated science department. The science lab station supported by Dr. Look's gift carries a brass plate honoring Adien Look and the love of nature and science that he gave to his daughter.

WASHINGTON ACADEMY WOULD LIKE TO THANK THESE DONORS FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR 2005-06 ANNUAL CAMPAIGN.

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ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN 2005 - 2006

2006 HIGHEST PERCENT PARTICIPATION

Class of 1955 62.5%

2006 LARGEST CLASS GIFT

Class of 1965 \$1,450

Celebrate...

A DECADE OF GIVING

Over the past decade, many have helped support Washington Academy's effort to provide a comprehensive and contemporary quality curriculum that fully prepares our students for whatever challenges and experiences meet them along their way. As we look forward to many more decades, we recognize the past 10 years as the cornerstone of our future.

This year we are launching Washington Academy into the next decade with our continued commitment to green, environmentally sound and innovative technologies. Solar technology will advance the studies of the Wetland Nursery and Field Ecology program, while wireless internet throughout campus will allow students to research and communicate beyond the traditional computer-equipped classrooms.

Looking forward, a healthy future is dependent on our ability to incorporate healthy practices into our daily routines. Lifetime sports such as tennis, golf, cross country running, and swimming form an integral part of WA's athletic curriculum, as they can be carried far beyond our students' four years of high school. These programs provide opportunity to engage in these activities for many years to come.

In addition, this year's annual fund wishes to purchase a ramp for handicap access to the graduation risers used during ceremonies and performances.

Providing financial assistance to students wishing to attend WA is paramount to WA. This year's annual fund will continue to support scholarship assistance for students to attend WA.

So as we look toward another decade of generous support from alumni, friends and families, please join me in supporting Washington Academy, its students, faculty, and community as we kick off the 2007 Annual Giving Campaign by "Celebrating a Decade of Giving... The Cornerstone for Our Future."

Name: Frances Esty '33

Town: Houlton

Why I give to Washington Academy...

Happiest memories of my life are connected to WA. Happy to give to WA and happy to get any news concerning the Academy.

Name: Vincent Dowling '39

Town: Jonesboro

Why I give to Washington Academy...

I feel that the Academy is doing a great job and want to support it in any small way I can. I also feel that by giving financially, I'm showing support to the administration.

An interesting experience that I had as a WA student...

I remember having to walk to school from Jacksonville regardless of the weather. I enjoyed participation in several productions...and was a member of the NHS.

Name: Jane Cullen '43

Town: Waterville

Why I give to Washington Academy...

Strongly in favor of WA and its programs of study...Great school.

Since graduating, I have...

Lived in Waterville for 50 years, during which time I have been a substitute teacher and have worked in the library of the Waterville High School.

Name: Carlton Dowling '44 & Majorie Dowling '46

Town: East Machias

Why we give to Washington Academy...

We both attended, 2 sons attended, 2 grandchildren attended...we've always lived in the area...are very interested in WA.

Since graduating, Carlton has...

Entered the Merchant Marines directly from high school...as a MM went to Italy and Philippines...upon returning to the States he enlisted in the Army... Among places he served were: North Africa and Zama, Japan. He was honorably discharged in California, put the West Coast

behind him and headed east to the place he loved and has not a desire to travel again. He has worked a total of three jobs since returning home (10 years for the Rayon Textile Mill, 10 years for Coca Cola, and 23 years for the UMM as Building and Grounds Maintenance Supervisor).

An interesting experience that Carlton had as a WA student...

Most of his memories were around sports...He claims to have been nothing but skin and bones when in school but a certain math teacher, Mr. Jimmy Flynn, was determined to turn him into a shortstop. He would hit balls to him on the (uneven) lawn of the old academy where they would bounce everywhere but where he thought they would... most days ending up with a swollen face. From there his next class was typing with Mrs. Drew. He claims to have done quite poorly in that class because his eyes were so swollen he couldn't see. He never did become a shortstop, but remembers playing in the outfield where a Mr. Joe Mattatall would lean over the fence to yell encouragements to him if he happened to make a catch. He often spent activity periods marking what's now the baseball field into a tennis court and playing tennis until he dropped. Mr. Dowling claims the only reason he attended school was to play sports and because his parents made him. After graduating, he felt going to work was more important than going to school. He now wishes he had taken advantage of all the Academy had to offer...he still has a quest to learn.

Name: Betty Albee White '47

Town: East Dennis, MA

Why I give to Washington Academy...

I am so pleased with the way the school has developed over the years, especially the opportunities for the young people. I also think the leadership is great!

My favorite WA memories...

Gardiner C. Pope was the Principal during my years at WA. He hired some great teachers and the one I most remember is Ena Drew, who was the Commercial Teacher (Business). She was very, very demanding and not until much, much later did I realize how fortunate I was! I have always considered myself a good secretary, if I do say so myself, thanks to her. Nancy Small and I learned how to dance. I also loved cheerleading, and our team was very dedicated.

Since graduating...

I still love to dance and participate in ballroom dancing group. I raised two daughters, one has her PhD in the science field, the other received her Master's Degree in Nursing Administration. David and I have three wonderful grandchildren. We returned for our 50th Class Reunion and I enjoyed talking with friends, especially Ellen Holmes Cates.

Name: Clara Campbell '50

Town: Lubec

Why I give to Washington Academy...

WA meant a lot to me...I received a good education... What I learned from Annie Kinsey stood me well in my chosen field (bookkeeper)...Many pleasant memories.

An interesting experience that I had as a WA student...

No one experience stands out...was a cheerleader...participating in all drama productions...belonged to as many activities/clubs as possible.

Name: Edwin and Margaret Berry '51

Town: Hudson, Maine

Why we give to Washington Academy...

It's a little way we can give back to the community.

Since graduating from Washington Academy...

Margaret went to work immediately following graduation for the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad. She retired from there after 40 years. I went off to college, and then went to work for the same railroad for 36 years.

As a student...

Molly Beam was our favorite teacher; but the teacher that had the biggest impact on my life was Gardner Pope. He would tell me...if I'd only "brighten up and stop fooling around" I might make something of myself. So I did. I went on to the University of Maine and received a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Name: Adair Bagley '52

Town: East Machias

Why I give to Washington Academy...

Graduated from WA...Would like to see the Academy continue to grow the way it is now.

Community Activities/Hobbies

My husband makes baskets; I paint them...the basket are sold in Machias during the 4th of July Celebration and during the Blueberry Festival...Our baskets have gone to places such as Hawaii, Alaska, Italy, England (My baskets have been to places I'll never see).

Name: Robert Huntley '56

Town: Derby, Kansas

Since graduating, I have...

Retired after 23 years of service in the Air Force...also retired after another 23 years as Head of Maintenance at Derby High School (the largest high school in Kansas...). Now I spend my time in "Home Management" and enjoying my 8 grandchildren.

Name: Dennis Mahar '79

Town: Pembroke, Maine

Why I give to Washington Academy...

I give to WA to help improve all programs for the students. I support the Academy by serving as a Trustee and I attend school events when possible.

Since graduating...

I have been practicing law for 20 years and am a past President of the Maine State Bar Association. I also serve on the Board of Directors for Calais Regional Hospital. When I'm not working, I enjoy traveling across the country, coaching Little League, playing tennis and volleyball.

While at WA...

Voted most likely to succeed, I also belonged to the Chess and French clubs for four years and was a member of the National Honor Society.

A HISTORY OF SUPPORT

1997 In 1997, the Academy formed the development office to help them keep in touch with alumni, parents, friends, and community members.

1998-1999 In 1997-98, we raised \$20,000 for an Applied Math program through the **Creating New Pathways for Learning** campaign. In 1998-99, **Teaching for Tomorrow** raised \$39,000 for a new computer lab that allowed the integration of technology in the classroom that WA had not had prior to this effort.

2000 Our third annual campaign in 1999-2000, **Setting the Standard**, made a significant impact on three important areas: the performing arts, the sciences, and software by raising over \$44,000.

2001 WA's fourth annual campaign, **You've Walked in Our Shoes**, enhanced activities in Environmental Science, Music and contributed immensely to the Vocational Programs, specifically the boat building program, raising over \$27,000.

2002 **The Doors May Change, But the Path is Always the Same** was the theme for 2001-02's campaign. Through your generosity, this campaign raised over \$35,000 from 166 donors for the renovation and expansion of the music room for the growing music department now boasting a jazz band, pep band, concert band, a chorus and over 80 involved students.

2003 In 2002-03, **At the Heart of Education is a Teacher**, honored those special teachers that made a difference. Over \$36,000 went towards specific classroom supplies that our teachers requested.

2004 **Investing in the Minds of Tomorrow** continued the effort of Washington Academy to provide the technology necessary for our students to keep pace with the advancing world around them. The seventh annual campaign raised \$22,500 to support a laptop cart, allowing truly mobile technology to enhance the programs of study at WA.

2005 Washington Academy also has something you can't put a price on: school pride! But you can raise money to support all of those activities that add up to pride in the Maroon and White. WA's eighth annual campaign, **Pride & Tradition**, brought in over \$22,000 in funds from alumni, businesses, parents, and community members to help preserve WA traditions and sustain school pride.

2006 In 2005-06, our ninth annual campaign, **Building Community and Supporting Success**, raised over \$92,000 with the generous gifts of alumni, faculty, staff, and WA's business supporters. The renovation of the school science labs included a handicap-accessible workstation. The outdoor lighting of the soccer field now allows families to attend athletic events at convenient times for all members.



Alumni Reunion

Distinguished Service Awards



2005-JAMES BROWN-RECOGNIZED POSTHUMOUSLY

Mr. Brown was born in 1918 and spent the majority of his life bettering his hometown community of Pembroke. He graduated from Pembroke High School in 1935 and furthered his education at the Maine School of Commerce in Bangor. His career was spent managing the family business, Sunset Packing Company. He saw many changes in the sardine industry during his career and during his time serving as State Chairman of the Maine Sardine Council and state sardine inspector. Mr. Brown was also in the U.S. Navy and was a World War II veteran.

Mr. Brown is recognized for his outstanding service to his community. His commitments included involvement in the Crescent Lodge, St. Croix Council, Anah Temple Shrine and the International Order of Odd Fellows. He held various elected positions including selectman and school committee member. It is during his 50 years of service to the Pembroke School Committee that Mr. Brown made his most significant contribution to Washington Academy. In the 1970's he persuaded the town of Pembroke to give their students the opportunity to attend WA. Thanks to his perseverance, the town and the school have enjoyed a mutually beneficial relationship which has contributed to Washington Academy's growth and the successful graduation of many fine Pembroke students.

2006-CLINTON GARDNER

Mr. Gardner is a 1949 graduate of Washington Academy. He is most well known in our small community for the countless hours he has spent managing and eventually owning Archibald's One Stop. His career began early, greasing cars and pumping gas while yet a freshman at W.A. in 1944. He went to work for Jack Archibald immediately following his graduation and managed the store until 1977 when he purchased it as his own. Mr. Gardner also held a second job from 1952 to 1962 as a loom repairman at the textile mill in Machias. The second job enabled him to buy his first new car in 1953, a Hudson Jet.

Clinton Gardner is recognized for his deep devotion to the Town of East Machias, the fire department, and to Washington Academy. Though many individuals join organizations for short periods of time, few can say they have committed themselves so faithfully. Clinton has served on the East Machias Fire Department for over 62 years, beginning as a junior fireman in 1944. He was fire chief for 34 years, resigning from this position in 1999.

Mr. Gardner's longstanding dedication to W.A., becoming a trustee in August of 1991. He has also served as treasurer for many years, overseeing the finances involved in the renovation of the alumni building, construction of Gardner Gym, and the recent purchases and renovation of the school's dorms. His watchful eye and conservative approach have steered the school to financial stability over the past 10 years. His own financial contributions have helped the school to grow and prosper. He has been an avid philanthropist not just for W.A. but for the Little League, Elm Street School, Boy Scouts, and many other local organizations.

Mr. Gardner married his wife Mary in 1953 and has three children, Patty, Brenda and Jack, all of whom are W.A. graduates.



... & Tea Awards

2005-JOHN JOHNSON

Mr. Johnson is a 1953 graduate of Washington Academy. He went on to receive a Bachelor's of Science degree in Education at the University of Maine at Orono in 1962. He also obtained a Master's in Education from Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Florida.

John Johnson is recognized for over 30 years of dedicated service in educating the students of Palm Beach County Florida. During this time he spent 13 years as a teacher, 2 years as a Curriculum Director, 7 years as Assistant Principal, and 7 years as a principal. He also continued his own education taking summer school courses in religion at Florida State University and setting up a program for religion in schools. He also attended summer school at Syracuse University in order to implement a newspaper program in the classroom. John was a Trustee at Washington Academy from 1998 to 2004. Currently he serves the Board as an Honorary Trustee.

John Johnson retired and began raising blueberries in the Cooper area. He is currently building a cottage at Cathance Lake. He enjoys fishing, hunting, and rowing. He has one daughter, Shannon Love Johnson who currently lives in Florida and is a produce broker.

2006-JOHN SPRAGUE

Mr. Sprague is a 1956 graduate of Machias Memorial High School. He then received a Bachelor's degree from Washington State Teacher's College in 1960, now known as the University of Maine at Machias. He began his career in education in 1960 at Glen Cove Christian Academy while also attending the Glen Cove Bible College. He has taught for a total of 46 years, teaching in Florida, and Calais before beginning his long career at W.A. In 1973, Mr. Sprague began teaching math here at the Academy. In addition to his teaching duties, he has been girl's basketball coach, driver's education instructor, and senior advisor, to name just a few.

In addition to education, Mr. Sprague owned and operated Mackenzie's Market, the Machias Trailer Park, and various blueberry fields. He has also been involved in the Machias Historical Society and the Machiasport Historical Society. Mr. Sprague is currently pastor of the Marshfield Congregational Church and has served there for 15 years. He also pastored the Community Church in Whiting for 12 years and has been actively involved in Machias Valley Baptist Church since its inception 50 years ago.

Mr. Sprague married his wife Carole Ann in 1961 and has two sons, Chris and Ralph. He is also a grandfather to Hannah and Lydia.

This year will be Mr. Sprague's first year of retirement from W.A. He plans on adding to his coin collection, playing with his metal detector, and studying the Bible and writing a book on the Holy Spirit. Instead of gracing the doors of W.A., you will find him spending time with his grandchildren, especially at his camp on First Chain Lake.

Distinguished Educator Awards



Alumni News & Notes

'36 Hazel Josephine Harmon Huckins Corbett went to Bar Harbor on graduation night and went to work the next week at a store that sold expensive furs and jewelry. She worked as their secretary that summer. She married Edward Huckins in 1937, spending summers in Bar Harbor and winters in New York and Florida. They saw and did many educational and fun things. Bar Harbor was always home so they finally moved into one of the houses they had bought. Hazel went to work at the Bar Harbor Banking and Trust Company as the secretary to the Vice President, working her way up through all other positions, ending up as Head Bookkeeper. She went from manual posting on IBM machines to changing over to computers...a challenge but she loved it. After 20 years with the bank Hazel retired and moved back to Hadley's Lake. Her husband passed away after 50 years of marriage. She has been remarried for 18 years to Purcell Corbett of Cutler. She is now a homemaker, bookkeeper and sometimes Lay Speaker when a fill-in is needed at her local Methodist Church. **Lois P. (Huntley) Boone's** list of children would take too much space, she says. (Six children, 12 grandchildren, and 6 great grandchildren). She has two daughters living in Oakland, two sons in Dixmont, and one in Glenburn. (All in Maine). Another son lives in Texas. Lois married a minister in 1942. She was a pastor's wife in Maine and Connecticut, a missionary in Alaska and Massachusetts. It was a very interesting 54 + years. She became a widow in 1996 and now lives in Dixmont, near her son Timothy who is a pastor of the church she attends.

'37 June (Albee) Snow has memories of walking to Washington Academy on snowshoes when the road to Hadley's Lake wasn't plowed. She spent many happy days at WA. It doesn't seem so long ago. Edgar and **Ruth (Bagley) Foss** ran a trucking company, local and long distance for many years until Edgar died in 1969. Ruth also taught school for SAD #77 for 12 years. Their son Richard has been running Foss Transportation since 1970. Son Harlan, class of '59, worked in transportation, among several other things in the Portland area until he retired. Son Malcolm, class of '57, worked in the Portland area including over the road and owning a filling station and a garage for a few years. He's now retired.

'41 Arlene Gatcomb Greenlaw worked for 14 years at the Merrill Trust Bank in Machias. She then moved to the Portland area. After 37 years in Civil Service she retired in April 2004, at the age of eighty. She is still working various part time jobs. She graduated from the University of Maine in 1982 with a BS Degree in Business Administration.

'55 Muriel McLaughlin Pottle graduated from Washington Academy in 1955. Her daughter, Gale Pottle Townsend graduated in 1979, while her granddaughter, Robyn was a member of the Class of 2006.

'56 Clarence "Cici" Dennison says nothing much changed! Thirty years military retiree and 13 years postal retiree. Now working at Disney World during the winter months at Animal Kingdom. Clarence talks about the animals, not with them.

Then & Now '80



"It has been almost 26 years since I walked the hallways of Washington Academy. It has been 21 years since I have visited the great State of Maine. Somehow, I received a copy of Washington Academy Today in the mail.

I'm not sure who knew where to send it but it found me. I have, for years, longed to be back in contact with many of my classmates and friends from High School. I have talked occasionally with a few but I felt it was time, long overdue, to give everyone an update.

After graduation in 1980, I moved to Lynchburg VA to attend Liberty University where I graduated in 1985 with a BS in Pastoral Ministries and a double minor in Greek and Theology. Feeling God's call upon my life to serve Him fulltime in ministry, I enrolled in Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary to pursue a Masters Degree. It was during this time that the Lord brought my wife, Ruth Ann into my life. We met during our freshman year at Liberty but did not date until my second year of seminary. We were married in January of 1988. I graduated from seminary with a Master of Divinity (MDIV) in 1989. We began the long search for a fulltime position in church work. During the search I enrolled in another Masters Degree program wanting to make good use of my time. We were heavily involved in our local church, Heritage Baptist Church. In 1991, our first daughter was born, ending temporarily, my studies, in order to pick up extra work so that Ruth Ann could be at home with her. In 1992, Rachel was born and eighteen months later (1993) our third daughter Rebekah was born.

I was employed at Sears during this time and working part-time for the local newspaper office, still waiting for God to open the door for fulltime church work. After candidating in Ohio, Michigan, and Kentucky the Lord opened the door for me to be hired at our home church, Heritage Baptist Church. I have been serving the Lord at Heritage since 1995. I serve as the Adult Ministries and Discipleship Pastor of a congregation of over 1400 people. It is an incredibly fulfilling job.

In 2000, I was able to return to seminary and finish my Masters of Theology (ThM). I am currently pursuing a Doctorate of Ministry degree from Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas TX with a target graduation date of May 2009. I also serve as an Adjunct Professor for the School of Religion at Liberty University here in Lynchburg VA. In 2005, I was appointed as the Virginia State Mentor for the International Association of Biblical Counselors headquartered in Denver CO.

I have had an incredibly fulfilled life serving the Lord. Living with a wife and three daughters has its blessings as well, even though I am a man trapped in a woman's world. Bethany (16) is learning to drive. I am sure that Mr. Sprague would get a kick out of hearing that as he taught me to drive after my dad gave up trying. She is a sophomore at the local high school here. Rachel (14) is a freshman and Rebekah is in 7th grade. My wife Ruth Ann serves as a staff accountant at Liberty University.

I have attached a picture of our family taken in June, 2006. It is easy to pick me out as I am the only man in the picture.

I would love to hear from any of the class of 1980. My email address is jeff_goduke@hotmail.com. Our church website (which is being updated) is www.heritagebc.net. One of these days, I'll make it back to Maine for a visit."



Jeff Scott's wife Ruth Ann their three daughters left to right: Rachel (14), Rebekah (12) and Bethany (16).

Alumni

And yes, he has ridden the Mount Everest roller coaster. (A one-time event.) **David Gordon Small** retired from Dalko Industries in 1997. His son, Vincent, is a Computer Engineer who owns his own company in Philadelphia. His daughter, Cheryl, a Physical Therapist, resides in San Diego. Steve, a Plastic Surgeon, lives in New Hampshire, while his son Shawn, a lawyer, also lives in Philadelphia.

'62 Sharon Crane retired in 2003 after thirty-six (36) years of teaching U.S. History/English at O.H. Platt High School in Meriden, CT. She is now living in Florida and serving as a reporter, editor, etc. for the News from the Green monthly newsletter for 750 residents of her complex at Village Green. "Loves it here!"

'67 Bobby Ingalls has recently welcomed his first two grandchildren into the family. Grandson Cole Arden Ingalls was born to Adam Ingalls and Jill Fickett, followed by another grandson Luke Benjamin Ingalls born to Charles and Erin Ingalls.



'76 James E. Ackley Jr. is a 1977 graduate of NMTC-PI. He was an active member of the US Army for 6 years and in the inactive reserves for 4 years. He has owned and operated J & C Masonry for over 16 years and owns and operates a fishing vessel during the winter. James has been married to his wife, Alice, for 30 years. They have two children and three grandchildren. Both **Rick Ramsdell** and **Katherine Small Ramsdell** graduated from UMO in 1981. Rick received both civil engineering tech – 2 yr degree and a four year B.S. in Civil Engineering. Kathie received a BS in Physical Education with a minor in Special Education. After living in the Portland, Maine area for 13 years they have moved back to Downeast Maine. Rick started a Structural Steel Detailing business in 1991. He currently employs 4-5 full-time positions. Kathie has taught school and coached volleyball & basketball both elementary and high school (Grace Baptist School, Portland, ME) along with 4 yrs administration at Machias Valley Christian School. All four of the Ramsdell children have graduated from Washington Academy. The oldest, Karen '01, is married to Matthew Gurney. They have one daughter, Grace who is their precious delight. They are expecting their 2nd child in February 07. Nathanael, '02, is a senior at Clearwater Christian College in Florida. He will graduate in December with a degree in business. Emily, '04, is a junior and has attended Clearwater Christian College, Bob Jones University, and Baptist Bible College. She plans to continue her

education at UMM this fall. Jonathan '06 is studying Civil Engineering. Rick and Kathie celebrated 25 years of marriage on August 1, 2006. Rick has served a two-year term on the W.A. Board of Trustees, and Kathie has served a two-year term as Alumni Treasurer for W.A.

'81 Anastasia Cassella-Young is disabled, but doing fairly well. Her son is a basketball player for Narraguagus High School. He is currently 6'3". She is now a successfully published author and working on a second book while editing a series and a biography with a friend of hers. In her years in New York, she was a legal secretary for 17 years. She also worked a couple of years for Attorney Ebitz in Bangor. She returned home with Will in 2001, three days after September 11th.

Then & Now '83

Hello, **Karen Beskalo Landry**, class of 83 here... I've just started receiving Washington Academy *Today* and I am really enjoying the newsletter. It's well done. Kudos.

I'd like to offer a blurb about what I'm up to these days.

After receiving my Masters Degree in Communication Studies from the University of Maine in 1991, I spent several years working as a social worker for Catholic Charities Maine in Portland, and am currently on staff at Shalom Mountain Retreat Center in the beautiful Catskills Mountains of upstate New York. Part of my salary package includes being given a bungalow to live in on the property, as well as free attendance at all the retreats and trainings offered at the center. I miss the ocean, but I must admit that the mountains are lovely. I enjoy living in a rural area that is only a two hour drive from downtown Manhattan, which my friends and I visit frequently. I just achieved a long term goal of driving across country this past summer, and particularly enjoyed Oregon, coastal California and San Francisco, as well as the deserts of Utah. When I saw the Rocky Mountains of Colorado, it occurred to me that we don't really have mountains in the east...more like hills! It was breathtaking. Still, my heart is in New England.

I feel grateful to have been recently reunited with old class of 83 buddies Kelley Ward Scoville and Val Pennell Carter. And I still count Mrs. Beatty and Mrs. Plummer as significant influences in my life to this day.

Best,
Karen Landry

'83 Paul L. Alley lives in Cushing with his wife of 20 years and his three daughters. Though losing most of his sight in an accident in 1999, he is still active. His disability/retirement from Prudential Financial has allowed him to follow his girls' sports activities as well as other interests. This fall he will have two daughters in college: Katherine, 3rd year nursing student and Sarah, 1st year Culinary Arts student. The youngest will be a junior in

her home-schooled high school program. All three have been home schooled. Paul has taken golf back up where he uses the buddy system to follow his ball. His wife, Heidi, works part time for Clear Channel Radio so that she can have time to take care of the family. Paul and his family are active members of Calvary Baptist Church, Warren, Maine. Children: Katherine, 19; Sarah, 17; and Virginia, 15

'86 Eddie Huntley has been employed at Morrison Chevrolet where he is currently the Shop Foreman. He is a Past President of the Ellsworth Lions Club, a member of Lygonia Lodge, the Anah Shriners, and currently a member of the Anah Nascas Unit. His wife of 13 years, his daughter, and he reside in Surry. **Charles "Chuck" Vose** and **Heather Dennison Vose '89**, along with their three children, Joshua-6, Micah-4, and Rachel-8 months, are building a home of Gardner's Lake in Whiting. Chuck obtained his Master Electrician license in May 2006.

G'day to all at Washington Academy!

How surprised I was when google brought up my name in the Washington Academy *Today* 2002 Newsletter! I have really enjoyed reading the newsletter and seeing many familiar names. I was an AFS exchange student in the class of 87 and my year in Maine remains a highlight of my life. I lived with "mom and dad" Pauline and Bobby Wood of East Machias, and recently we were fortunate enough to receive a visit from them here in Australia! Now Pauline and Bobby are "Grammie and Grampie" for my two children, Reece (aged 5) and Drew (aged 3). I am happily married to my husband Adrian and have a private psychology clinic where I work as a clinical psychologist specializing in sleep disorders. Special thanks must go to my Washington Academy psychology teacher Nancy Hastings who introduced me to psychology and began what has been an exciting and rewarding career for me. We are hoping to return to Maine within the next five years to visit Pauline and Bobby and all of my other Maine family and friends, so will be sure to drop in to WA for a visit.

Kind regards,
Kristyn Kemp (Schumacher)



Carson Nathaniel Prout

'87 Darren Prout was married to Jennifer Kasper on December 4, 2004. Their son

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Carson arrived 7 weeks early on December 23, 2005. Darren continues to work for his family business, Bluebird Ranch, as well as running his lawncare and snowplowing business "The By 'US' Company". Jennifer is a speech-language pathologist.

'89 I just received the most recent edition of "Washington Academy Today" – very nice publication by the way... I like the alumni news and notes section, so I thought I'd send in my updated info.

My name is Scott Pinkham, I'm from the class of '89 – I'm currently the CFO for the Linnehan Family of Businesses (used cars and computer software), and my wife, Barbara, used to be a social worker but is now a stay at home mom. We had our first child last September (05) – so she is now just about 16 months old... below is a picture of the three of us earlier this month.

We are currently living in our home in Franklin and have been there for 8 years now.

Our daughter's name is Alexandria (we call her Alex).



Scott Pinkham '89 with wife Barbara and daughter Alex

'90 T. Sgt. Lou Marin is currently deployed to Guam, USA in support of national interests.



Jennifer (Ackley) Wickett '92 with husband Rick, and children Rachel and Jason

'92 Jennifer (Ackley) Wickett and family are new home owners in Levant, Maine. Jen is an OR nurse at EMMC, husband Rick is a department manager at Home Depot in Bangor. Jason 2, and Rachel 1 are stay at home kids with Nanny, **Patty (Gardner) Snowdeal '73** watching them grow!

'94 Mike Gilmore's father was in the Navy stationed at Cutler, so he lived in the area only three years. He started at Elm Street school for the second half of 7th grade. He was with the class of 1994 until half way through sophomore year

when he moved to Chesapeake, VA. He graduated from Great Bridge High School. He got a BS in Math and Geology with a minor in Music from Salem State College in Salem, MA. He went to Boston University for an intensive Software Engineering program (40 hours a week for 6 months). Now he writes software for a financial company. He just finished an MBA at Rivier College in Nashua, NH. In his spare time he plays guitar and sings with Chrissy, his wife, and the kids Andrew (7) and Aidan (5 mos); and he has started his own software consulting business which is slowly getting off the ground, www.gilmore.cc. In true Renaissance spirit, in September of 2007 he is planning to start Biology and Chemistry classes at Harvard Extension School to begin a path to a PHD where as he says, "I am involved in curing cancer or something like that...Wish me luck."



Aidan Gilmore

'95 Angela (Ames) Skidgel graduated in 2004 from WCCC, majoring in Medical Office Technology. She had her youngest son, Gavin, on February 5, 2005. She got married on July 2, 2005 to Wade Skidgel, originally from Caribou, Maine. Angela, Wade, Joey, and Gavin currently reside in Machias. **Gwen Curtis Walker** and her son, Branden, live in the Bangor area. She currently works in Brewer. She graduated from Eastern Maine Community College with an Associates Degree in Business Management. In 2000 she received a license to sell/write insurance. **Scott Lingley** married Christina Dziorny, Long Island, New York, on July 3, 2005. They are currently living on Long Island and recently celebrated their first anniversary. Christine is a recent graduate from Long Island University of C.W. Post with her Masters of Science in Early Childhood Education, while Scott is a department manager with Bed, Bath, and Beyond.

'96 Jalene Seeley Nadeau married in 1999 then moved to Connecticut to study for her Graduate Degree in Audiology. They moved to Kennebunkport in 2002 where she worked in York as an Audiologist. They then moved to Presque Isle in June of 2004. She gave birth to their first child, Joshua, in February 2005. Though pregnant with their second child, she still finds time to work part time outside of her home.

'97 Sara Bradshaw spent 4 months traveling in South America this past winter. She visited Ecuador, Peru (Machu Picchu, Uros Islands of Lake Titicaca), Bolivia and Argentina. Beginning in November 2006, she planned a six month stay in Argentina.

'01 Becca Lingley has been hired as the Group Sales Manager for the Lynchburg Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau, a division of the Lynchburg Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Having served as an intern in 2004 for the Lynchburg Regional Chamber, she is familiar with the workload and protocol. Lingley holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management, with honors, from Liberty University and is currently completing degree requirements for her Master of Business Administration. She has had career experiences as a recruitment specialist, sales representative and server/new employee trainer. As Group Sales Manager, she will generate business leads while promoting and marketing the Lynchburg Region as a destination to the tourism and travel specialists who package tours and activities for sports, military, education, reunion, and family vacations.



Scott Lingley '95 and Christina Dziorny were married on July 3, 2005.

BABY TEE SHIRTS

Abigail Grace Maker
b. 11/15/06
daughter of
Tony '84 and
Paula '90
Maker



WASHINGTON ACADEMY'S
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FUTURE RAIDERS....

Alumni, let us know about the birth of your future Raider and we will package up our new Baby Tee and send it right out to you.

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WA PLAYS ITS FIRST NIGHT GAME *Under the Lights*

On September 30, 2006, the excitement could hardly be contained as the crowds gathered for the inaugural lighting of the soccer field at WA. The lights went on for the earlier girls game, even though daylight provided illumination. As the sun set, revealing a brightly lit playing field, the WA girls continued their strong showing against their opponents and finished with a victory. Awaiting the boys appearance on the field, spectators prepared for the cool evening ahead with blankets and hot tea at the ready. The air was filled with an energy that only a “night game” can generate. Of course, much of that energy came from the boys soccer team, as they powered over Sumner in a decisive 5-0 win.

The soccer field lights were part of Washington Academy’s 2006 Annual Giving Campaign, *Building Community, Supporting Success*. The unexpected early completion of the installation of the light poles allows WA to complete its season under the lights. This is due in part by the effort of Mark Wright Construction to set the four 55-foot wooden poles; and the diligent effort by Border Electric to install the 28 1500-watt lights and associated wiring.

Washington Academy’s annual campaign set a new school record by raising just over \$92,000. The campaign’s success was fueled in large part by special gifts from alumni, friends and local businesses including donations from Machias Savings Bank, H. F. Pinkham Inc., Bangor Hydro Electric, Down East Community Hospital, and the families of George Carey, Adien Look, and James Pettegrove.

In addition to the benefit to WA sports programs, the lights will also benefit the community, providing expanded evening usage for junior high teams such as Elm Street School and Union 134.



Boys Cross Country Team Captures DAC Championship

Crowning off a winning season, the Boys Cross Country Team took First Place at the DAC Cross Country championship meet held at Roque Bluffs on October 16. Eric Leighton finished first for WA, third overall, with a time of 19:19. Ben Teer finished second for WA, sixth overall, with a time of 20:06. Other WA runners who were named to the DAC All-Stars are: Gabe Winski, finishing 3rd and Steven Knowles finishing 4th for WA. Other runners included: 5th-Milos Gautier; 6th-Will Crosby; 7th-Ian Lookabaugh; 8th-Michael Knowles; 9th-David Glidden; and 10th-Zach Roos. Congratulations to everyone.

*Congratulations to all teams
on their accomplishments!*



Girls Varsity Soccer and Volleyball Teams Win DAC Championship and Eastern-Maine Runners-Up Titles

The battle for the Down East Athletic Conference Soccer Championship between Eastport’s Shead Tigerettes and WA’s Lady Raiders ended in a 4-0 victory for the Raiders. The Raiders finish their winning soccer season in fourth place going into conference play with a 10 and 2 record. Our Lady Raiders defeated Penobscot Valley and Fort Kent in their bid for the Eastern Maine title, coming up against the tough George Stevens team.

Girls Varsity Volleyball recorded an equally impressive season, being the only team to beat MDI during the regular season. They came from behind twice with exciting wins to move toward their Eastern Maine final match against MDI, which they lost 3-2. Congratulations to both teams on their great seasons!

WA Opens School Year with Record Enrollment

Washington Academy opened its school year on August 31 with a record enrollment of 404. Although the early 90s saw enrollments near 400 at the opening of school, official October 1 counts with the State place the school's highest enrollment at 379 in 1993. The growth has occurred among local students, with the boarding program remaining constant at 50 students.

With over 400 students gathered in a morning assembly, the school was a buzz of activity. Ninety-seven anxious freshmen entered the doors for the first time as WA Raiders and 106 seniors anticipated graduation in the spring. The student body now represents 22 towns and 10 countries.

Head of School, Judson McBrine believes the growth is due to the school's growing reputation as a regional comprehensive high school. States McBrine, "With more students, we are able to offer a more diverse curriculum. We have new vocational opportunities such as our Certified Nurses Program and a culinary arts course, and our longstanding programs of Computer Aided Drafting and Marine Trades. For students pursuing college, we have honors courses, 7 AP classes and up to three and four years of a foreign language".

The Board of Trustees' goal is to support students at every academic level. Programs such as Math Lab and English Lab implemented during the 2005/2006 school year proved very beneficial for students and has been expanded for the current school year. An advisor/advisee program where students meet daily in small groups helps to give the students a sense of community and a small school appeal. According to McBrine, "School climate is not determined by enrollment, but by attitude. We strive to personalize education for students and the key is having quality programs presented by caring staff."

Freshmen Seth Maker sums up his experience in a few short words. "I like Honors Algebra I and my culinary arts class, but the best part of the day is lunch." Well said Seth.



The Washington Academy Players. Standing (from left): Molly Pierce, Carrie Johnson, Arielle Richardson, Nadine Biss, Will Guida, Christine Garland, Chris Gibson, Will Bragdon, Avram Reisman. Seated (from left): Colin Martinez, Tia Bellows.

Washington Academy Players Present *The Curious Savage*

For this fall's dramatic production, the Washington Academy Players presented *The Curious Savage* by John Patrick. This classic play, written in the early 1950s, concerns the involuntary placement of an elderly woman (Mrs. Savage) in a psychiatric institution by her stepchildren in an attempt to gain control of the family fortune. It soon becomes obvious Mrs. Savage does not belong in the institution even though the other "guests" might. It doesn't take long for Mrs. Savage to become fond of her new companions and their quirky eccentricities. The gentle and compassionate demeanor of her new friends stands in stark contrast to her self centered and greedy family. By the end of the play, Mrs. Savage would rather stay than leave. The script is full of gentle and sensitive humor interspersed with commentary on the general human condition written by a Pulitzer Prize winning playwright.

The play was ensemble in nature with Tia Bellows playing Mrs. Savage and Will Guida, Molly Pierce, Arielle Richardson, Chris Gibson, and Nadine Biss playing the guests. Kristina Garland, Avram Reisman, and Will Bragdon played the Savage family. Colin Martinez and Carrie Johnson represented the institutional staff. James Ausprey and Molly Nichols directed the play.

A Korean Summer



Leila Alciere with two of her students

Leila Alciere, Class of 2006, traveled to Korea this past summer to assist with tutoring English at a secretarial school in Incheon. Through her friendship with Isabelle (In Houg) Lee, who she lived with for a year and a half while at WA, Leila was able to drop and go when Isabelle called in dire need of someone to teach English.

"Isabelle first called me at 6 a.m. on a Tuesday. One week later I was on a plane! A few weeks after that, Molly Nichols, Class of 2007, arrived in Korea to help out also. The English school I was working for paid for the travel and lodging while in Korea."

Working 6-7 hours a day, Leila taught a small class of young Korean children simple English, from the ABCs to the beginnings of understanding poetry.

"I had an amazing time in Incheon and I got to spend a little time with all my old Korean buddies from WA. It was great. I highly recommend that other students from WA consider traveling abroad and immersing themselves in a new culture."

Pee Wee Soccer Season Celebrated with Barbeque and Game Under the Lights

For the third year in a row, Raider soccer athletes volunteered their time, talents, and techniques to teach young children about soccer. Over 60 area youngsters, ages 5-11, participated in the Saturday morning program throughout the fall soccer season, which culminated in a final game under the brilliant lights on Raider Field on November 4, 2006.

Under the direction of the WA Varsity coaches and staff, 36 WA soccer players demonstrated, directed, encouraged and cheered as the young children learned various soccer fundamentals. WA students gave a total of 183 hours of volunteer service for this exciting program.

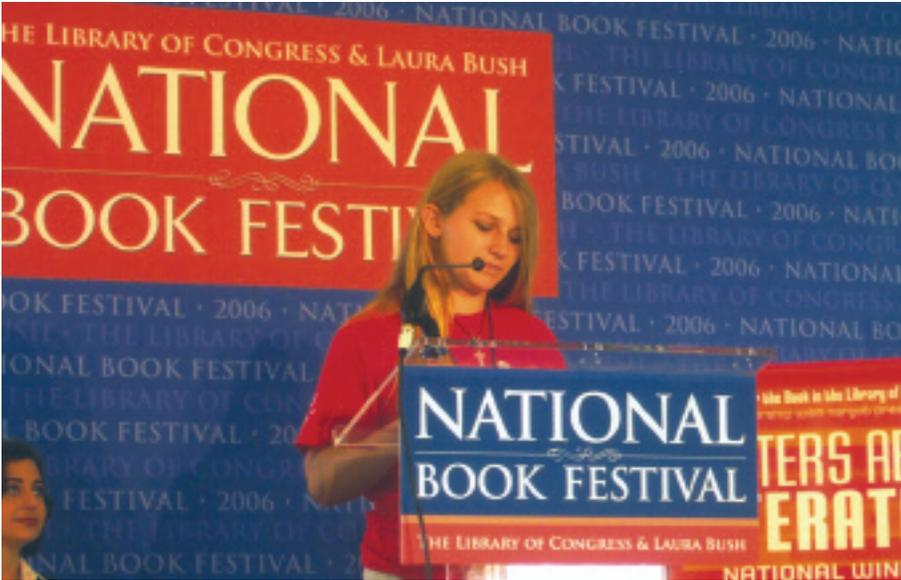
Following the game a barbecue was enjoyed by everyone. Certificates, medals and tee-shirts were presented to every participant.



Washington Academy Youth Soccer Program participants sport their new tee-shirts following the final soccer game under the lights of Raider Field and a barbecue.

Lacie Craven '10, Bucks Harbor

First National Winner ever in the Maine Humanities Council's six years of sponsoring Letters About Literature



Lacie Craven '10 addressed avid readers at the National Book Festival held in Washington DC

The Center for the Book in the Library of Congress named Lacie Craven, a freshman at Washington Academy from Bucks Harbor, as one of six national winners in the Letters About Literature writing contest, sponsored nationally in partnership with Target and brought to Maine by the Maine Humanities Council. The Maine Humanities Council's panel of judges selected Lacie's letter to Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, author of *The Yearling*, as the state winner in the Level II competition for children in grades 7 and 8. Lacie received her national award during National Book Festival in Washington, D. C. on September 30, 2006. She is the first-ever national winner in the six years that the Maine Humanities Council has brought the Letters About Literature contest to Maine.

Lacie Craven's family owns and operates Wild Wind Farm in downeast Maine, on the coast in Bucks Harbor. When asked about her award, Lacie said, "I still don't believe it." This was Lacie's second year in a row of participation in the Letters About Literature program, which she initially found out about through a newsletter that the Maine Humanities Council sent to her home schooling group a few years ago. In addition to her new studies at Washington Academy and work on the farm, which Lacie says "keeps us pretty busy," all of the Cravens play musical instruments at home and in church. Lacie plays Celtic fiddle, and has been taught mostly by her dad, David.

The Maine Humanities Council's Harriet P. Henry Center for the Book provided local funding and program support necessary to

bring Letters About Literature to Maine. The contest was open to all 4th through 12th grade students. To enter, young readers write a letter to an author, past or present, describing how that author's work somehow changed the student's view of the world or of himself or herself. The letters offer a chance for young readers to reflect on the work of their favorite authors, think about why reading their work was such an engaging experience and then express those thoughts and feelings. Approximately 48,000 young readers across the country entered the competition this year, with more than 700 participants from Maine. Three first place state winners were selected and advanced for national judging.

Target awarded each national winner a \$500 Target GiftCard and a trip to Washington, D.C., to attend the National Book Festival on September 30, 2006. The national winners read their letters to their favorite authors during the award ceremony at the festival.

Congratulations, Lacie!

(Lacie's winning letter is below)

Dear Mrs. Rawlings,

I live near the ocean, under a mountain, on a farm. We raise a lot of different animals, but mostly sheep. We also hunt for our food. These things made me feel very close to the characters in this book. If you have sheep, you have orphaned lambs, if you have orphaned lambs, you have true friends. They get into a lot of trouble (A lot like Flag!) but it's all worth it to have a little lamb that follows you and is dependent on you.

I remember Mattie, a lamb whose mother had refused to take her. I had heated up her bottle and fed her every two to three hours every day of her life. She would kick up her heels and run with me down the road, then push her little plush head into my hand. We would lay in the grass, and I talked to her about everything, and she listened as I felt her fragile little hoof and followed her tiny, warm curls. One day she got sick. I kept watch over her the whole day, praying hard and making her as comfortable as possible. I picked her up and held her tight, tracing a little swirl on the side of her face. I hoped to feel her lean her head against me. She didn't. She was dead. I reluctantly put her down and looked at her for the last time, covered her with a towel, stepped back, and said goodbye through tears to my lifeless friend. Afterwards I ran to the barn in secret and cried into my sister's lamb until it was time to feed him. After each death it feels like you lost a child. It is so devastating, I cry and feel like I did something wrong, like I could have prevented their death. I felt like I had trusted in God and he let me down, like He had forgotten about me. Why did He give me something only to take it away? Why didn't He heal her when I asked?

The answer came in your book. When I read about Jody and his fawn at first I asked the same question. Why does this happen? Then I saw what Flag taught him. All my lambs had been working unintentionally to help make me who I am today, and who I will be. They taught me how to deal with challenges in my life, how to overcome, and when it seems like I'm all alone, I'm really not. If I could have changed the past and brought Mattie back to life, I wouldn't. I look back now and I only smile. I continue to raise sheep, and always happiness prevails over death. In every way when it seems like there is no good left in the world, you see it displayed in indirect ways. For every sad thing, there's a happy reason behind it and it makes us stronger people. We can find rest in this. Thank you for writing this book.

Lacie



WA Music Director Jacob Sturtevant introduces the musicians as they prepare to entertain visiting veterans during the annual Remembrance Day concert. The concert was followed by a brunch held in the WA Alumni Building.

Veterans Celebrated at Washington Academy with Music and Song

Gathering in the Gardner Gymnasium on Thursday, November 9, the faculty, staff, and students of Washington Academy welcomed nearly 25 local veterans for a morning of reverence and remembrance. The Academy's chorus and band performed several patriotic pieces in honor of Veterans Day that had the assembled guests and students applauding for more. Following the musical performances, a brunch was served in the main Alumni Building, prepared by the WA culinary students under the direction of Emily Mawhinney, Director of Culinary Services for WA.

WA Down East Athletic Conference- DAC All Star Athletes

Girls Varsity Volleyball *Volleyball All-Stars:* Megan Knowles '07, Ashley Tilton '07, Marissa Huntley '07

Eastern Maine Runners Up; DAC Champions

DAC Coach of the Year: WA's Chris Davis and Amy Fritz

All State Volleyball First Team: Ashley Tilton '07

All State Volleyball Senior Showcase: Megan Knowles '07, Ashley Tilton '07

Golf *Golf All-Stars:* Rawn Rabain '09, Jeffrey Ramsdell '07

Boys Cross Country *Cross Country All-Stars:* Eric Leighton '07, Ben Teer '10, Gabe Winski '07, Steven Knowles '09
DAC Champions

Soccer *Girls Varsity Soccer-Eastern Maine Runners Up; DAC Champions*

Girls Soccer All-Stars: Joslyn Corey, Kayla Wood '08, Samantha Rodrigues, Lauren Finn '07

Boys Soccer All-Stars: Julian Washington '08, Josiah Jackson '08, Milos Gautier '09, Aaron Farris '07

All Eastern Maine Class C Boys Soccer All-Stars: Joey Hunter '08, Julian Washington '08, Milos Gautier '09

WA Math Team On Winning Track

Washington Academy's Math Team traveled to Machias High School to compete for the second time this season against area schools in the fast paced individual, team and relay events. And for the second time this season, WA outscored its opponents taking first place with its #1 team scoring 144 points! This meet marked the halfway point in the Washington-Hancock County Math League season with two more meets following basketball season in March. Currently WA is in first place having won both meets convincingly.



Washington Academy hosted the first county math meet of the season and three of WA's teams had the top scores. WA Math team members for 2006-07 Will Bragdon, Sou Ji Lee, Gahwi Kim, Kyung, Alice McBride, Robert Costa, Seth Maker, Carrie Johnson, Will Guida, Ally Talbot, Ryan Cramer, Ngan Dao, Gordon Smith, Avram Reisman, Ahrom Kim, Milos Gautier, Jonah Baskerville, William Park, Dylan Wright, Todd Juhn, Kipyoo, Sarah Look, Steve Park, Nayeon Kim, Trang Lam, Josiah House.



National Honor Society Inducts Its Newest Members

On Thursday, November 30, 2006, Washington Academy inducted new members into the National Honor Society as parents, staff, faculty and fellow students proudly applauded the special efforts of these select individuals. The ceremony, held annually to honor those two and three year members, and to induct new members, included recognition from Head of School Judson McBrine and Maine State Representative Ian Harold Emery.

The National Honor Society (NHS) is the nation's premier organization recognizing high school students who demonstrate excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. NHS is proudly sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP). WA's local chapter is under the guidance of English teacher Virginia Plummer.

Two and Three Year Members: Dan Baskerville, Jennifer Beckwith, Letitia Bellows-President of WA Chapter of NHS, William Bragdon, William Guida, Marci Hatt, Casey Hawkins, Molly Nichols, Amanda Snowdeal, Mary Thompson, Gabe Winski

2006-07 New Members: *Seniors* - Ngan Dao, Lauren Finn, Sydney Hallowell, Hilary Hopkins, Smamantha Sutton, Soo Ji Lee, Sarah Nehrings, Kaitlin Sprangers, Meghan Sprague, Takao Kuose; *Juniors* - Cassie Craven, Hannah Hudson, Carrie Johnson, JuWeon Kyung, Colin Martinez, Avram Reisman; *Sophomore* - Milos Gautier

Washington Academy's CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Remaining Relevant and Planning for Tomorrow

Washington Academy, like many public and private schools today, faced many challenges as it entered the new millennium. While student population peaked at 379 in the early 1990s, that bubble was short lived. By the end of the 1990s, the State Planning Office forecasted that by 2010 the Academy could expect a population decrease to approximately 230 students.

Under the guidance of a proactive Board of Trustees, in the late 1980s, the Academy had already developed an aggressive long-range strategic plan to strengthen the school's position as it entered the 21st Century. This plan consisted of various capital expansions and improvements to the campus, including remodeling the Alumni Building, the construction of an industrial technology facility and the construction of the new Gardner Gymnasium, which was completed in 1994. In 1997 the Alumni/Development Office was created to renew connections with alumni and the community and generate additional contributed revenue. Through this office, the Academy also created a marketing plan to expand local, national, and international student enrollment. Today, more than 400 young adults from 22 different Washington

County towns and 10 different countries are part of the Academy's rich and thriving community, bringing together a wealth of academic, athletic, and artistic talents.

Each year, students from all over Washington County make the choice to attend WA, even though their communities support a local high school. The delicate balance of resources versus numbers has forced some difficult discussion around public

education in the county. Washington Academy accepts all students wishing to attend, regardless of their originating town, and of their ability to pay. Ten percent of the domestic students (31/350) attending are choosing WA over their local school. The strength of the Academy's faculty and programs continues to be the catalyst for this growth. The Academy's strong programs have attracted high caliber students by providing them with opportunities that would not otherwise be available in this geographically isolated area.

Tuition from those students attending through a publicly funded pathway is capped at approximately \$7,500 per student. A significant gap exists between this and the actual cost of educating a student at WA. This additional expense adds up to nearly \$350,000 per year.

To maintain this strong and thriving school, the Academy's Board is constantly reassessing and evaluating its programs and facilities. In order to meet the challenge of providing an exceptional educational experience for the young people of this region of Maine, the Board has developed a plan to enhance its arts and music, strengthen athletics, begin preparatory work on Raider Point for outdoor education programs, and add to its endowment for future scholarship and program needs in a multi-phase plan that has already successfully completed Phase 1, the construction of a new dormitory to house 44 students and four full-time dorm parents/families. To accomplish Phase 2, the

Dear Members of the Washington Academy Community,



I am taking this opportunity to introduce myself to all of you as I begin my tenure at Washington Academy as the Director of Development. In that role I will be putting most of my attention on the very exciting challenge of directing our first capital campaign that will bring creative and strategic growth to this institution.

In addition, we are now underway with our tenth annual giving appeal, Celebrating a Decade of Giving-The Cornerstone for our Future. These two campaigns leave a bit of time for me to learn about Admissions and Kim Gardner's coordination of this vital component of WA. In addition, Justin Walston, our Director of Residential Life, will complement the newly established Development Office along with our new Development Assistant, Annemarie Davis. I am looking forward to my education by my colleagues.

I come to WA as a parent of a Sophomore and former development and communications director for one of Maine's largest community health centers. I have lived in Lubec for nearly 25 years, having taken a few leaves of absence to live aboard and sail our 38 foot boat, including one very long sail across the Atlantic.

In my short time at the Academy, I have already forged vital connections to the very dedicated Board of Trustees, many of our Alumni, the staff and faculty at WA, and of course the pulse of this institution...the students. I look forward to meeting many more of you as the days, months, and years (!) go by. Please stop in to the Development Office, currently located in the Alumni Building, Room 17, and say hello. We have dedicated a portion of our space to the Alumni Association, complete with a new desk, bookshelf to hold a small library of yearbooks and other alumni material, and a computer to assist in researching alumni that are "lost."

We are also receiving your e-mail communications at alumni@washingtonacademy.org for those of you who are wired and wish to offer your news and updates. Continue to visit our web site for up-to-date information about our students, and check out the new on-line giving feature that allows you to make your contribution to WA fast, easy, and secure.

I want to congratulate everyone on a very successful 2005-2006 annual campaign that allowed the purchase and installation of our new soccer field lights and the creation of a brand new science lab/classroom with renovations to the two current lab/classrooms. This bodes well for the start of our Tenth Annual Appeal, Celebrating a Decade of Giving-Building on the Cornerstone for Our Future. With this campaign, we recognize those that have consistently given to the Academy by highlighting some familiar faces on our stationery and on our Profiles in Giving section in this newsletter. We are also focused on expanding our wireless hot spots to cover more of the campus. The tenth annual appeal is promoting life long sports, such as swimming, tennis, and golf. It also showcases environmentally friendly, or green, technology with its move toward solar power for the greenhouse and wetland nursery programs. Lastly, we are hoping to raise enough funds to purchase a handicap-accessible riser for graduation exercises and performances.

Of course, I can't end this letter without mentioning the ambitious capital campaign, which is currently in the quiet phase. On December 10, we celebrated the completion of Phase 1 of the Campaign with the dedication of the new dormitory and the Masonic cornerstone ceremony. Input from many of you helped tremendously in crafting the campaign's goals. As we move forward with Phase 2, your continuing help will certainly help in attaining all of them.

Respectfully,

Robin Moloff-Gautier

Robin Moloff-Gautier, Director of Development

Phase 2 Campaign:

Arts and Music Center	\$1.1 million
Health and Wellness Center	\$50,000
Raider Point	\$50,000
Athletic Improvements	\$325,000
Tennis Courts, Baseball Diamond, Cross Country Trail	

* Fundraising and administrative costs not included

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Harland Hitchings, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of Maine presided over the traditional cornerstone ceremony.

New Residence Hall Opens

The halls of Washington Academy in East Machias were filled with activity on Sunday, December 10 when the school dedicated a new residence hall, the first step of the new capital campaign just getting underway. With the snip of a pair of scissors, the future of Washington Academy got brighter. A new, multi-million dollar dormitory is officially open.

"It's bringing money into the economy of this area, with the building itself. With the people we had to hire and local contractors and so forth of which we used," said Richard Gardner, Chair of the Washington Academy board of trustees.



Rylea Steeves and Alexis Welch, class of 2017, place one of two time capsules behind the cornerstone.

The new building has apartments for faculty and residential staff, and their families. Of the 400 students at Washington Academy, 55 live in dorms or with host families. "International students come to the U.S., they want to eat, live and play with American students. So it will allow us to have more American boarding students as well," said Judson McBrine, Head of School.

Students are excited about the new dorms as well. "It's really cool because I have a friend who hangs out with all the international students; she's good friends with them. We all hang out. It's cool," said Lehann Hester, a student at the Academy.

Resident students currently live in two separate houses, The Larson House for boys, and The Cates House for girls. Those combined only house 36 students. The new gender segregated dorm will house 44 students and sets the course for future development.

The new 22-room dormitory is a green-friendly design with radiant in-floor heating, propane high efficiency boiler that discharges only water into the outside air, and skylights that adjust to the weather, closing automatically when it rains.



The dedication of the new building was initiated by a cornerstone and time capsule ceremony presided over by the Grand Lodge of Masons of Maine's Past Grand Master Harland Hitchings. The one by two feet granite cornerstone was donated by the Warren Lodge #2 in East Machias, and designed by Bettina Davis, one of WA's trustees.

Two time capsules were laid in the space prior to sealing the opening with the stone. Second grade students from area schools collected thoughts and photos for one time capsule, scheduled to be opening in 2017, when these students will graduate, and marking the 225th anniversary of Washington Academy. The second time capsule contains photos and memorabilia from the 2007 graduating class of WA along with news and items of the events of the day. This capsule is scheduled to be opened in 2042 on the 250th anniversary of the Academy.

The new dormitory completes Phase 1 of an ambitious capital campaign that plans a new Arts and Music Center, the establishment of a Health and Wellness Center, athletic improvements that include tennis courts, a new baseball field and cross country trail, and site improvements on Raider Point, a 4-acre shorefront parcel donated to the Academy by the Machias Valley Boat Club.

"It certainly enhances our position as one of the major players of schools in this area," said Gardner.

Washington Academy has attracted bright students since 1792. Now they're looking to offer their standard of education to a larger domestic and international level.



Richard Gardner, WA Trustee Chair, cuts the ribbon to officially open the new dorm. Looking on from left: Judson McBrine, David Eldridge, and David Hardy.

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Academy needs additional funds above and beyond its annual operating expenses, so the Board of Trustees has approved conducting a capital campaign to raise \$1.65 million.

Still in its organizational phases, the Academy's capital campaign is being directed by Robin Moloff-Gautier, the school's development director, under the guidance of Campaign Chair Richard Gardner, currently the Chair of the Academy's Board of Trustees, and Demont & Associates, Inc., a consulting firm out of Portland that has had experience conducting campaigns in Washington County, having worked with the University of Maine-Machias Center for Life Long Learning. A campaign cabinet is forming from an Ad Hoc Committee group that is kick-starting the campaign with advance gifts solicitations. The campaign will move into its leadership gift phase in early Spring.

Planned Gifts:

Helping secure the future of Washington Academy for generations to come

You can do so much for our students by remembering to include the Academy in your estate planning. There are many methods of making planned or deferred gifts to the Academy, including but not limited to: Bequests, Annuities, Trusts, IRAs, Life Insurance Policies.

As a qualified public charity, Washington Academy suggests three options: Capital Campaign, Annual Campaign, Endowment

Bequests

Gifts made in a last Will and Testament are a meaningful source of support for Washington Academy. The gift, or "bequest", usually provides tax savings to the donor's estate because all or part of the value of the bequest is deductible when determining the taxable estate. Bequests can be made in a number of ways.

- **Direct bequest.** By making an unrestricted gift, you allow us to apply the funds to the Academy's most pressing needs. You simply bequeath a given sum of money or other asset.
- **Percentage or residue.** You may choose to leave Washington Academy a percentage of your estate or the balance remaining after bequests are made to your heirs.

Annuities

You can boost your income and cut your taxes while supporting Washington Academy with a gift of annuity. By transferring assets to the Academy, you can receive a guaranteed fixed quarterly payment for life. The assets are invested with the Academy's other holdings, and the remainder, upon your death, becomes part of the Academy's endowment.

Trusts

Many different kind of trusts are available and can be discussed with your financial planner to find the one that is right for you. Two of the most frequently used trusts are:

- **Charitable Remainder Trust.** With an irrevocable remainder trust, you can ensure income for yourself or a loved one, for life or a fixed number of years. Upon the death of the last beneficiary, the assets of the trust are transferred to the Academy.
- **Charitable Lead Trust.** By transferring assets to a lead trust, you can contribute the income generated to Washington Academy for a specified period of time. Upon termination of the trust, the assets revert to the donor or another specified beneficiary.

Life Insurance Policies

By naming Washington Academy as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, you receive a charitable deduction for the present cash surrender value of the policy. Contributions made for premiums paid after the transfer are also deductible.

IRAs

By naming Washington Academy as a beneficiary of your IRA or other retirement plan, you gain the potential of reduced or eliminated estate taxes.

IRA Charitable Rollover Offers A Unique Opportunity To Make the Gift of a Lifetime

Since 1974, millions of Americans have saved billions of pre-tax dollars in Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). A federal bill recently signed into law by President Bush enables older Americans to share the wealth of their retirement savings by giving directly to charity — without first counting it as income and paying income tax.

The Pension Protection Act of 2006 (H.R. 4) allows people who have reached age 70½ to exclude from their income up to \$100,000 per year in retirement plan assets if it is contributed directly to a qualifying charity. The new "IRA charitable rollover" will be allowed in 2006 and 2007 only, and must be made from a traditional or Roth IRA and not from any other type of retirement plan.

By giving directly to Washington Academy, the money is not included for income tax purposes and — most importantly — is not taxed, preserving the full amount for charitable purposes.

Qualified charitable distributions

A qualified charitable distribution is any distribution from an IRA made directly by the IRA administrator to a public charity that would have been taxable if distributed to the plan participant. Distributions will be counted toward the minimum distribution requirement for that year.

Washington Academy is a qualified charity under this law! Potential donors are encouraged to consult with their legal and financial advisors to learn if this opportunity is appropriate for them.

Having more retirement money than you need is a great problem to have, and now generous IRA donors have multiple options to make a difference.

IRA Charitable Rollover summary:

- You must be at least 70½ years of age
- Only assets from IRAs and Roth IRAs are allowed
- Donations are allowed in 2006 and 2007 only
- Transfer up to \$100,000 per year, tax-free
- Distributions will be counted toward the minimum distribution requirement
- Donations may be made to any public charity or private operating foundation
- Donor advised funds and supporting organizations do not qualify
- California conforms to the federal law
- Consult with a professional advisor to assess your specific situation

The new law does not affect bequests of IRA assets to charities. A bequest of retirement plan assets remains an attractive estate planning strategy, especially for larger estates, where experts estimate that 75 percent or more of IRA wealth goes to estate taxes and income taxes of beneficiaries when passed through estates.



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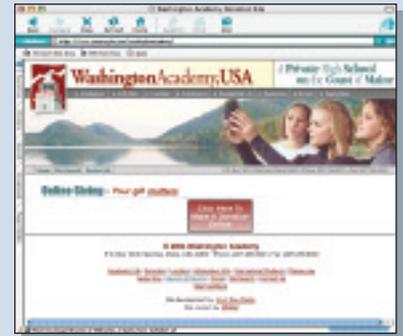
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