

# PINE VIEW FOUNDATION ALUMNI NEWS

Sept 2006

FIRST APOLOGIES AND THEN A REQUEST FOR HELP. Make that a desperate cry for help.

Julie and I are both sorry that we did not get a newsletter to you sooner in 2006. I know that several people wrote about 06 reunions and wanted it reported in the newsletter. Unfortunately for me and fortunately for Julie, Julie's business has really gotten busier than ever. She is unable to continue producing the newsletter. She kept hoping each month this year to get one out and then just said there was no way. She did want to write one last one, but could not.

**If there is anyone out there with time to volunteer for helping get the newsletter out and to help keep the mailing list updated, I would be forever grateful. This can be done by two different people if necessary. Please help. The foundation has managed to keep the newsletter going for over 17 years now and we hope to be able to continue. Can an alumnus help? Call me at 941-349-0838 or email me at [lauragr@comcast.net](mailto:lauragr@comcast.net). Or [pvfalconnews@yahoo.com](mailto:pvfalconnews@yahoo.com)**

**Laura Roberts, President of the Pine View Foundation Inc.**

## PINE VIEW CELEBRITIES IN THE NEWS

October 5, 2005 Sarasota Herald Tribune hails **RICK DAKAN** (PV 1990) as "NEO-RENAISSANCE MAN Sarasota Game designer takes a crack at the book world with 'Geek Mafia'" Sales have been great and he is started on his second book as sequel to this. For more information access his web site at [www.rickdakan.com](http://www.rickdakan.com) or email him at [rick@rickdakan.com](mailto:rick@rickdakan.com).

On Feb 26, 2006, **Roger Zare** was at Carnegie Hall for the premiere of his orchestral composition "the Other Rainbow". He is currently studying music composition at the University of Southern California.

## 1980'S

**DONALD SANDERSON '80** writes that he is now a full Professor at East Tennessee State University. Congratulations.

**RITTA HUIJANEN (FORMERLY UUSITALO)'80** writes from Finland.

**I am the Finnish exchange student who was in your class in 1979/80. I have not been back to Sarasota since 1980... However, I still connect the names of this mailing list with sunny memories!**

**It seems unlikely that I would come to the 25th reunion in Sarasota BUT in case anyone is passing by Helsinki in the future, please get in touch via the e-mail address below. Best Regards, Riitta Hujanen (formerly Uusitalo)**  
e-mail: [riitta\\_hujanen@hotmail.com](mailto:riitta_hujanen@hotmail.com)

**KIRSTEN L. OLSEN '81** wrote in July of 2006 *In May of 2006, I started a job in the media relations department of the Florida Public Service Commission. I'm enjoying combining my media and government experience and seeing issues from the regulatory point of view. I'm learning a lot about energy, water and telecommunications issues. In my free time, I am writing freelance articles for Tallahassee Magazine and pursuing my hobbies of photography, scuba*

*diving and cowboy shooting. My son is at the time of this writing (July of '06) 21 months old and I'm also loving being a wife and mom!*

**SHARON STONE WEST '81** has moved to Glen Allen, Virginia with her husband Glenn West and their four children, Abigail, Lillian, Matthew and Timothy.

**TODD AND GINNY LOVELL '83** write that they moved to Albuquerque in 2005, where Todd is the Director of Operations for the USAF's first CV-22 "Osprey" squadron. Ginny is a stay at home mom with two children, Amy (1993) and Sean (1995).

**HOWARD ZAHALSKY '86** - SEE ANDREW

**CHIEN-LI CHUNG '86** is living in Glen Ridge, Il. Chien-Li, I am so sorry that we were unable to get the information out sooner. If anyone has not heard about a 1986 Class reunion and would like to contact Chien-Li his phone number is 917-680-9585 or email at [gsb.columbia.edu](mailto:gsb.columbia.edu).

**ANDREW J, ZAHALSKY, MD '88**

Reports on the Zahalsky Trio *All 3 of us, (Howard class of 1986, Andrew class of 1988, and Michael class of 1991) went to Brown University for college and medical school and became doctors. Howard is an Internist in Fairfax Virginia, Andrew is an Oncologist in a suburb of Pittsburgh, and Michael is a Urologist just south of Boca Raton. The Zahalsky trio has also increased their numbers. Howard married Michelle (Green, not from PV) and now has a trio of his own: Daria age 6.5, Jacob age 4.5, and Aden 1.5. Andrew married Amy (Bittle, Not from PV) and has a daughter Eliana who is almost 2. You can see her at [zahalsky.homestead.com](http://zahalsky.homestead.com). Michael married Bari (Radin, Not from PV) and has a daughter Isabel age 2 with another baby on the way.*

**REBECCA (STONE) GORDON '88** graduated from American University and lives in Alexandria, VA with her husband, Eric Gordon. She has left AU (as staff, but is still a lecturer in audio tech and anthro departments). She is concentrating her time on writing mystery novels. She divides her time between the DC area and Florida (for brief research stints) and she volunteers at the National Zoo and for the American Red Cross. Her husband Eric is a manager at American University, as occasional adjunct, and she says he is the very best House music DJ ever and she is in no way prejudiced. <Rebecca – Let us know when your novel is published.>

**STEVEN RIEDEL '89** wrote in July 2006 that he and his wife Lynn have been blessed with another child. Elijah "Eli" Matthew Riedel on July 10, 2006. Eli joins a sister Madelene 6 and a brother Noah 2

**KIMBERLY LYONS BEACH '89** writes (Feb 2006) that she and her husband Brian have just had twin boys, Harrison and Jackson. Brian just started working for the University of Florida as Chief of Staff to the President so they have moved back to Gainesville also.

**1990'S**

**LORNA VICTORIA REID '90** announced her engagement to Alexander Seth Fleener. A January 2007 wedding is planned.

**KAREN PRINE DVM '90** wrote in May 2006: I will be joining the Army Veterinary Corps in about 2 months. I plan to do Pathology Residency while in the Army and hopefully get involved in vaccine or zoonotic disease research in a few years. I have been involved with the City of Virginia Beach Search and Rescue Team as the Canine Unit Lieutenant and I have a bloodhound that I was training for trailing.

**MICHAEL ZAHALASKY '91** – see class of 1988, Andrew Zahalsky

**HARPER (SEIGEL) HUNTER '92** writes: *My husband Matt and I welcomed our son, Noah Matthew Hunter, into the world on December 4th. He weighed 8lbs. 15oz. My 8-year-old step-daughter, Lauren, has lived with us full-time for the past three years. She is enjoying being a big sister, except when Noah cries too much.*

*We bought a house in High Springs, just outside of Gainesville, a few years ago and we're enjoying the small-town community. It's quiet and safe and a great place for the kids. My family lives close by, which is wonderful*

*I changed careers two years ago, and I now teach 8th grade Reading & American History. I've really enjoyed teaching 8th graders. I teach at a very small school in a small community. We've been an A School for four years in row- I've learned so much from some really great teachers there. I also draw from what I learned from teachers at Pine View- I'm often telling my students about teachers I had and how important they were in my educational career.*

**ERIN COYNE '92** wrote from Yerevan, Armenia in Nov, 2005. *My husband and I are pleased to announce the birth of our daughter Myroslava who was born on October 21, 2005 in Yerevan, Armenia. In the next few weeks, I will be finishing up my work here with Project Harmony and, in December, we will all be moving to California where I will begin a PhD program in Slavic Linguistics at UC Berkeley*

**AMY WIDMAN '92** writes that she and her husband have become parents to Oliver Harvey Koenig, born May 14, 2004. She is working at two jobs these days, as a public interest attorney and policy analyst at the Center for Justice and Democracy and as an adjunct professor at Cardozo Law School. They live in Boston and love it here. She writes " *I still manage to see some PV alumni. Just last weekend I caught up with a bunch of people at Lisa Molinaro's show in NYC. Hope everyone is doing well. I think of Pine View often, especially as I begin to assess the public school options available for Oliver. We were so lucky! If any one wants to get in touch, I'm at djkabw@yahoo.com.*

**ANTHONY RUDOLFF '94** graduated from UF in 1998 and has recently resettled in Las Vegas, NV.

**JENNIFER (WOODSON) HARI '94** graduated from UF with her degree of DVM in veterinary medicine. She writes: " *After graduating from UF's vet college in '03 I went to work as a horse vet for a couple of years until the long hours and nightly emergencies clashed with family time. So I switched to doing relief work for different small animal clinics, mostly the Humane Society. On October 28, 2005. Tom and I welcomed out son, Mitchell Thomas. He arrived a few weeks early weighing 6 lbs 8 oz, but is doing fantastic and growing like crazy. We are having blast with him every day.*"

**MEREDITH (BURGMAN) CLEVELAND '95** is now living in Nokomis. She graduated from UF and is an exercise physiologist at the Sarasota Memorial Hospital. She is married to Aaron Cleveland.

**CHRISTINE BURPEE '96** writes a correction to previously reported news. I quote “ *Well, I did have a baby 3-15-05 as reported, but I am not married nor living with Michael Smallwood. I am actually trying to finish up a long overdue college education after traveling with my ex-husband while he was in the army for 5 years. I moved back to SRQ in 2002. having a baby was the coolest thing that could have ever happened to me and has totally changed my life (in the best ways possible).*”

**PATRICK J. DUGGAN '96** graduated from Stetson College of Law in 2004 with his JD and is currently with the State Attorney's Office in Sarasota. He is married to Erin Thomas.

**CINDY (SKIPPER) GRIES '96** is living in Sarasota after her graduation from Florida State University and is working with Kerkering, Barberio and Co., PA, CPAs .

**JOSH DAVIS AND JESICA COUCH '96** announced their marriage in a ceremony in Dusseldorf, Germany, (their home away from home). Josh is a captain of a NOAA research ship and Jess is hoping to be a stay at home mom after finishing her post-doc at UF. We hope everyone is doing great.

**ERIC DOMBROWSKI '97** Has recently been engaged to Andrea Franklin and works in Jackson, WY at the Snake River Lodge

**COQUINA HEMBREE HOMER '97** writes:

*I have had a rather unexpectedly eventful few years. Two years ago I travelled to Thailand with my boyfriend, Anthony, where we got engaged. We were married a few months later here in Sarasota. Anthony was born in California, grew up in Hong Kong and was living in Taiwan. So we moved to Taiwan for a little while and I had our first baby, Cole Alexander, in a Taiwanese hospital. I had an amazing time in Taiwan despite the culture and language barriers. Anthony had to interpret for me most of the time (thankfully he is fluent in Cantonese, Mandarin and written Chinese) but I picked up some Mandarin. I now how to order rice at a night market, tell a cabbie we are going the wrong way, say "no thank you, I can't imagine eating... whatever that is" (politely of course), ask for directions to the nearest "Chilis" and instantly back out of any number of embarrassing situations in which a foreigner might inevitably find herself. I also know about a dozen Taiwanese baby songs. I taught at an international school in Taipei and Anthony worked from home for an American company and ran several adventure camps during the summer with his friends. Taiwan is absolutely breathtaking. We spent a lot of time rock-climbing, hiking, river-tracing and waterfall jumping. We've also traveled quite a bit. We spent last spring break kayaking through the Orinoco Delta in Venezuela sleeping in hammocks and eating piranha and crocodile. I think our days of adventure may be on hold for a little while now though what with a four month old to cart around. Hiking with a baby is still easy but bouldering is not. We just moved back to the States and into our house in Sarasota. Feel free to drop me an email at [coquina@gmail.com](mailto:coquina@gmail.com) I have tons of pictures online of the wedding, our baby, our various trips, and our adventures in Taiwan at [anthonyhomer.net/blogger.html](http://anthonyhomer.net/blogger.html)  
<<http://anthonyhomer.net/blogger.html>>*

**ZAR TOOLAN AND LIZ(SCOTT) TOOLAN '97** are living in Virginia. Zar writes: *What's New?: This will be our first official update to the Pine View newsletter, so here are the highlights. Our jobs brought both of us to Virginia after college, and we wound up getting married here in June 2003! We currently live in one of the historic districts of Norfolk (pronounced "Naw-fuk" by the locals), which is located on the Atlantic coast at the*

southeastern corner of the state. Liz works as a Pediatric Dietitian at the Children's Hospital, and Zar works as a Nuclear Engineer for the Department of Defense. We're both in grad school, with Liz working on her Masters in Clinical Nutrition at UMDNJ (Liz loves commuting to beautiful Newark, NJ) and Zar working on his MBA at William & Mary. Zar still enjoys getting in trouble with Michael Charland whenever possible, and Trisha Kiley is another proud future grad of the UMDNJ. We had some good times with Shannon Stout, Brian Grossbard, and Louis Levitt on our last trek back to Sarasota, and we hope to see more of you soon!

**RYAN SIMONSON '98** wrote in August 2006: *Since graduation from West Point I have been around the world twice. Spending some leisure time in Ireland, Germany, and the Dominican Republic. I have also done quite a bit of business travel to the Middle East, most recently spending two years in Iraq. I've had the distinct pleasure of being a platoon leader, a company executive officer, and a battalion battle captain in combat. In January of 2006 I returned from my second year in Iraq, without getting shot! I was promoted to Captain and sent to Fort Knox to attend the Career Course in preparation for my company command time. Julie and I have been blissfully married for four years two months and sixteen days, at the time of this writing. She is going back to school this next spring to get her PhD in forensic psychology. We have the most amazing son. He is 15 months old and running around like a wild man. He loves airplanes, fish, and playing with things that cause massive amounts of damage to mom and dad's house (sounds oddly like me as a child). I would love to catch up with any of the old Pine View crew. Please feel free to*

*email me anytime at [ryan\\_simonson@hotmail.com](mailto:ryan_simonson@hotmail.com)*

P. S. Ryan was also recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal and three Army Commendation Medals for actions taken in Iraq from 2003-2006.

**AMY (DONOVAN) LOWE '98** graduated from Florida State University with a bachelor's degree in criminology. She has married Lt. Harrison Thomas Lowe and has two girls, Anna 2 months and Sabrina 4 years. Her husband is a Surface Warfare Officer in the US Navy so they have moved often. She is in Virginia Beach, her third location since they married in 2001. Soon they will move again to Rhode Island and then maybe California, Italy, or Hawaii. Amy volunteers with local organizations and with the military support groups within the Navy community. All of the Lowe family is active in their church.

**KASHMIR HILL '99** writes that he is living in Washington DC and works for the National Press Foundation, a non-profit organization that does educational programs for journalists.

**BREANNE GREIG '99** was just married on September 24, 2005 to Ed Custodio. She writes: *We met at San Diego State. We were on the school surf team together. I am still surfing everyday. I am also pursuing an art career. Currently I paint surfboards. Check out my stuff at [www.createdbybre.com](http://www.createdbybre.com). Bre got her BS degree from San Diego University.*

**SHIVANI PATEL '99** wrote in Nov, 2005 that on Decemer 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005 he was getting married in India to Paras Mehta, a fellow classmate at the University of Michigan Medical School and a long time friend. He will receive his MD in 2007.

## 2000's

**NICOLE CARNES HAMPTON '2000** writes: I was married on February 25, 2006 to David Hampton of Jacksonville, FL. Emily Gollnick ('00) served as Maid of Honor and our wedding

was officiated by Gary Davis ('00). Other alumni were in attendance. We are currently residing in Gainesville, FL where I am employed as a Behavior Analyst for the State of Florida. My husband is in training to be a Detention Officer. I am currently in the process of opening an event planning company. I will be a bridesmaid in the wedding of Emily Gollnick and Tobias Slabaugh ('00) this July. Nicole and David are living in Gainesville, FL.

**GENEVIEVE LOUIS HADSELL AND JEFFERY LAWRENCE DAHLE** 2002 announced their engagement in March 2006. they were married in May 2006. The bride is attending University of South Florida. The groom graduated from USF in 2005.

**SARA ROSE AMES '02** announced her engagement this summer. The wedding was planned for June 24<sup>th</sup>. She graduated in 2004 from the University of Florida and is currently attending Nova Southeastern University. Her husband, Nicholas Charles Ferguson graduated from Central Michigan University and is president of NC Ferguson Construction Inc.

**LARA RAE NOBLES '02** graduated from the University of Florida in 2006 and is employed by the Army National Guard and the South Tail Church of Christ. We was married in an August 19<sup>th</sup> wedding to Andres Maximiliano Rivera, a first lieutenant in the US Army.

**MEAGHAN SCHATZMAN WILLIAMS '03** writes *I, Meaghan Schatzman, am now Meaghan Williams as of October 15, 2005! I married Richard Williams who is originally from Michigan. We met at work and after 6 months of dating, we were married. Two of my lovely bridesmaids were Christina Bass '03 and Taryn Fink '03. In addition to the wedding, Ricky and I are expecting a little boy, who is due March 17th. We plan on staying in Sarasota while Ricky sells cars at Sarasota Ford and I get to be Mom!*

**KIM BOKYUNG '06** has won her first varsity tennis match against Babson College at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts. Congratulations.

## WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

(Please forgive us if some of this information is seriously outdated. Items are taken from the Sarasota Herald Tribune and we will print the information in spite of the delays.)  
The dates refer to the date printed in the Tribune.

Sept 18, 2005

Anna Pauline Miranda (PV 1994) and 1998 graduate of MIT announces her engagement to Masaya Okoshi of New York. He also graduated from MIT in 1998. An October 8, wedding is planned.

October 20, 2005

Melissa Noelle Altenderfer 1990 announced her engagement to Dr. David Andre. Melissa graduated from Loyola University in New Orleans in 1993. A July 2006 wedding is planned.

December 4, 2005

Julia Michele Colbert (PV 2002) and John David Westerberg announced their engagement. Both are attending Valparaiso University and a June 10, 2006 wedding was planned.

## SEND US YOUR NEWS AND UPDATE YOUR FILE

A reminder. Each newsletter costs us about \$.70 to mail including printing and postage and it costs us about \$.50 to \$.70 if the letter is returned to us because you have moved and not notified us. Email is easier and cheaper, but please put us on the notification list if you change emails. We love doing the newsletter and hope to keep it cost effective.

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## MORE WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

December 25, 2005

Roberta Rothschild (PV 1997) and Nicholas Clifford (PV 1999) announced their engagement. Roberta graduated from the University of Florida in 2001 and Nicholas graduated in 2002 from the University of Florida and is currently attending Georgetown University Law Center and is a candidate for his JD in 2006. A June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006 wedding is planned.

July 3, 2005

Jennifer Heitel was married on May 29<sup>th</sup> 2005 at Selby Botanical Gardens to Maxwell Yakush. The couple will reside in Washington, DC.

July 3, 2005

Aria Levy (1999) announces her engagement to Max Darrah. Aria graduated in 2003 from the University of Central Florida and is in their graduate program. An April 29, 2006 wedding is planned.

January 29, 2006

The engagement of Alan Cecil Shaw (PV 1993) to Melissa Anne Rivenburgh was announced. The bridegroom graduated from the University of Florida in 1997. A Nov 4 wedding is planned.

January 15, 2006

Amy Kirkeeng (2001) announced her engagement to Brandon Parrish. A July 1<sup>st</sup> wedding was planned. Amy graduated in 2005 from Luther College and is now attending the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago.

February 5, 2006

The engagement of Lauren Corinne Stuart (1999) to Chad Andrew Forster was announced. Lauren graduated in 2004 from the University of Florida. A November 4 wedding is planned.

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## Class of '96 Reunion - December 22, 23 and 24, 2006

Friday, December 22nd at 8:00p.m. - Cocktails at the bar at the Ritz (the main hotel)

Saturday, December 23rd - Le Barge

Sunday, December 24th - a Beach Day

More details will come by e-mail or mail. We want to see **all** of the Class of '96! Other alumni and teachers are more than welcome. If you are interested in attending any of the events, please forward your e-mail address to Erika Nikla Quartermaine ([enikla@hotmail.com](mailto:enikla@hotmail.com) or 941-735-2290). ADDITIONAL POSTAGE REQUIRED

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