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Michael William Bruce Hayward, Jr.
8/27/74 - 10/16/97

Son of Michael Sr. and Vivienne Hayward

Death is Nothing At All
Canon Henry Scott-Holland
1847-1913

Death is nothing at all,
I have only slipped away into the next room.
I am I and you are you;
Whatever we were to each other that we are still.

Call me by my old familiar name,
speak to me in the easy way which you always used.
Put no difference into your tone;
wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.
Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.

Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.

Let my name be ever the household word it always was.
Let it be spoken without effect,
without the ghost of a shadow on it.

1 Timothy 4:12
“Let no one look down on you because of your youth, but be a continuing example of love, faith, and purity to believers.”

Maine Maritime Academy
1995 - 1997

National Deans List 1995/96
Honor Guard, Drill Team, Fire Brigade 1995-1997
Emergency Squad 1995-1996
Yeoman 1996-1997
Volunteer Ambulance Service 1995-1997
Varsity Sailing 1995-1997
EMT Basic 1996-1997
This edition of the Trick’s End yearbook is proudly dedicated to the newly christened MMA training vessel

State of Maine

Original watercolor by Victoria Sheridan

Captain Laurence Wade

How does the ship impact our teaching? I feel it is the experiential. They can maintain, modify, enhance toward graduation, licensing and jobs. They can feel the ship and be proud to have been a part of it. When and development of the individual in your new how can you help? You learn to adapt and develop a positive “can” attitude. 

Although we have passed from the age of “Belting” on the individual to figure out what to do with it. MMA’s proud traditions are evident everywhere you journey in this world. You never fail to meet a graduate or someone who knows us. We have worked with a graduate, regardless of the remoteness of the location, I was eating lunch one day in a shipyard cafeteria on the Western end of Singapore Island when I was greeted by a young engineer, who immediately told me there was another graduate there also. Three MMA graduates in the same shipyard at the same time on the other side of the world. To make it even stranger, we all lived in the same town within a couple of blocks of each other, and none of us knew the others were even there!

I still remember my “mug” cruise from Casco in early January of 1961. Although I can’t remember the weather, I do remember not feeling well, that feeling seemed to get relieved from an engine room double bottom during the voyage to the shipyard in Baltimore. Since that initial sailing from Casco, I have sailed from ports all over the world for more than thirty years, never with quite the instrumentation of that first sailing! They say that the sea gets in your blood. I like to think that the traditions, experiences, training and discipline I learned while at MMA and on the training ship have served me well all these years. I couldn’t be prouder than to be able to take part in the maritime future and heritage of the men and women who make up the student body of Maine Maritime Academy today.

Chief Engineer Michael Young

The first time I saw the State of Maine, she was one of many ships refuging to the James River Reserve Fleet in Alexandria, Virginia. Amidst the forlorn and rusted warships, her name was conspicuous by her nevness and, again, the State of Maine Maritime Academy to many ship refuging to the James River Reserve Fleet in Alexandria, Virginia. Among the many men and women represent all that is good about our future. As I try to imagine what the years to come will bring for our ship and the Academy, the uncertainty is tempered by the knowledge that as long as there is a ship, there will be midshipmen. Hair gray, yellow and white.

Chief Mate Brendon McAvoey

In March of 1997, I was offered the position of Chief Mate in Norfolk, Virginia. Having enjoyed serving was quick to accept the chance to be part of a new thing that turned out to be! They seemed to be a week’s worth of work just finding players and getting them on the field, who was actively working with the ballast system, and preparing for numerous U.S. Coast Guard and ABS inspections and requirements. Additionally, a maintenance and repair program had to be established for all safety and deck equipment. These tasks became the focus of my training aboard the ship. Luckily, I was not alone, as in early May the first students arrived to assist in the project.

After their acclimation to the vessel, OCIR training started in earnest as we endeavored to meet deadlines. Cautiously steering around seemingly miles of electrical cable and reading through numerous plumbing drawings, the crewship and midshipmen started crossing out items on the “to-do” list. The next thing I knew, we were on our sea trials and headed for home. The 1997 spring cruise was short but compact. A routine of watches, maintenance and training filled the next thirty days of our lives. By the time we returned to Casco, there were two parts of calm behind us, unexpected engine repairs completed, and a paint schedule developed to refit the navy gray. The cruise would not have been possible without the hard work of the midshipmen. They showed professionalism and courage when overcoming each new obstacle. I could not have done my job without their assistance, and for that I am thankful.

MMA on the State of Maine, then well into the conversion to Chief Mate aboard the old training ship Lightship U.S. 1, vessel and training program, and what a training program it is! It is like being part of a shipbuilding ship.”
TO THE CLASS OF 1998

Congratulations to the men and women of the Class of 1998!

This year of graduation marks an important time in your lives. As you leave Castine, you join a legion of more than 5,000 men and women - the alumni of Maine Maritime Academy. Throughout the world, those who have gone before you have established an enviable reputation for skill, professionalism, and integrity. I have no doubt that you will add to that fame.

In coming to Maine Maritime Academy, you took on both challenges and opportunities found at few other colleges. The challenges - in the form of early morning colors, often cold and wet instruction aboard ocean research vessels, and summer co-ops and cadet shipping; the opportunities - visiting foreign ports, an education utilizing state-of-the-art facilities, and industrial experience prior to graduation. These experiences and so much more have been a part of your world for the past few years. Trust me when I tell you that one day you will come to realize how important these years were in shaping your lives.

To you, the graduates of the Class of 1998, my message is simple. As you leave Maine Maritime Academy for destinations on every continent, take your education with you. Your hands-on talent, leadership skills, and strong work ethic will take you far, and the memories and friendships built with fellow students will last a lifetime.

The faculty and staff join me in wishing you health, happiness, and success in all of your endeavors. Come back and visit us often.

President

Leonard H. Tyler

Health Services

Richard Schamle, Counselor

Dr. Richard Reed

Nurse Pat James, Director

Nurse Donna Brephy
Student Services

Jamie Marcus, Chris Murphy, Executive Director Dan Jones, Jim Sheridan

Having trouble with the residents, Jamie?

Linda Harriman

Jim Sheridan—Another day, more paperwork to get through!

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Verge Forbes, Director of Ocean Institute

Finance L to R: Sue Martin, Director Diana Snapp, Debbie Wood (Human Resources), Geoff Bellows, Pam Ashby

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"Goggy" Witham

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Assistant Managers Robert Carter and Lloyd Marks
Way Point staffers Carolyn Webb, Michael Carter and Jamie Hamilton

Athletic Supporting Staff
William Mottola, Director
Marge Ordway, Secretary
Tim Hutchins, Equipment Manager
Audio/Visual

Bill Bartok

Bookstore

Louise Corry

Social Director

Phyllis Tenney

Public Works

Technical Support

Edgar Bowden, Director; Mark Gray, Keith Williams, Greg Peasley, Shawn Heath, Sheridan Davis, Joe Rachinski, Arnie Grindle, Mert Hanscom

Custodial Services

Myron Curtis and Tom Woehr

L-R: Ben Ledien, Annie Ryan, Bellford Redman, Barbara Colson, Doris Archer, Robert Warford, David Beauchemin

Academics
Nautical Science

Professors Sam Teel, Charles Weeks, & Capt. Larry Wade

Engineering

Professor Kaveh Haghkerdar, Chief Engineer Mike Young, Professor David Skaves

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Professor Don Eley

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Charlie Payne
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Professor Don Eley

Professor Dick Babcock

Bill Lyle

Chris Lyle

Power Engineering Technology

Professor Mark Cote

Derek Chapman

Professor Kannor demonstrates new simulator

International Business And Logistics

Clockwise from top left: Professors N. Shashikumar, Wallace Reed, John Hummel & George Schatz

Professor Elaine Pottoker

International Business students

Professor N. Shashikumar, Chair

Melissa Comiciotto, Joseph Valliere
December Commencement

James Shibley, Kenneth Dunn, and Charles Payne

Terry Moore and Brian Gomez

Neil Bolduc and Jerrod Pratt

Tom Sharp and Guest

With diploma in hand, the newest alumni of Maine Maritime Academy congratulate each other

The first ever MMA December Commencement Ceremony

Alumnus Richard D. O'Leary, Keynote Speaker

Damion Riera receiving his diploma

The graduation banquet for the December Class of 1998

Congratulations, Class of 1998!
The Naval Reserve Officers’ Training Corps is the largest source of active duty Naval Officers in the “fleet”. The NROTC Unit at Maine Maritime Academy has been commissioning officers onto active duty since it was formed from the Naval Science Department over twenty years ago. The unit has continued to grow and includes midshipmen from the University of Maine and Husson College of Nursing. MMA graduates are serving around the world today as officers in all warfare specialties and in all types of ships, submarines and aircraft. This year’s graduating class will join them with officers going on active duty in the Surface Warfare, Pilot, Naval Flight Officer, Surface Nuclear Power and Submarine communities, and into the Marine Corps. These young officers will take the training, experience, work ethic, and traditions of this school with them as they enter active duty. They have been an outstanding class of young leaders who have made a difference in the NROTC Midshipmen Battalion while they have been here, and who have the tools to make a difference in the fleet. Their skills, determination, and willingness to perform beyond the minimum requirements of duty make them exceptionally valuable assets to their prospective commands. This class truly could have the future leadership of the sea services among their ranks. It has been a pleasure to be a part of their training and education. Each new officer leaves here with the best wishes of the entire NROTC staff for fair winds and following seas as he begins an exciting voyage into uncharted waters.

Vice Admiral Mies, Josh Parker & Dawn Aldoupolis during the cake ceremony

Cristina Dyke “cuts the rug” with Staff Sergeant Sand
NROTC Unit

United States Marine Corps 8th & I Silent Drill Platoon

NROTC Swim Team celebrates at Villanova University

Back Row L-R: Megan Noonan, Barbara Gillman-UM; Front Row L-R: Steve Fronckowiak, Ben Robertson, Paul Clarke

Midn Briganti leads the drill squad at Villanova University

NROTC Battalion

BCO: Paul Clarke
BXO: John Dos Santos

Alpha Platoon
PLT LDR Chris Giggi

Squad 1:
3/C Perales
1/C Morse-Ellington
1/C Tracey
2/C Parker
3/C Aldoupolis
3/C McNealy
4/C Fitzgerald
4/C Berger

Squad 2:
3/C Wagstaff
1/C Grbble
2/C Robertson
2/C Austin
3/C Fields
4/C Heywood
4/C Hadley

Squad 3:
1/C Briganti
1/C Collamer
2/C Harper
2/C LeCompte
3/C Davis
4/C Ashby
4/C Ford
4/C Clavette

Bravo Platoon
PLT LDR Bill Geary

Squad 1:
3/C Kinlein
1/C Bolden
2/C Parker
2/C Small
4/C Couture
3/C Arendarczyk
4/C Hart
2/C Dunn

Squad 2:
1/C Patterson
1/C Hynd
2/C Katerin
3/C Marshall
3/C Lone
4/C Kimball
4/C Vecchione

Squad 3:
1/C Froncowskiak
1/C Coombs
SCF Pearson
3/C Smith
3/C Cegelski
4/C Goss
4/C Taylor
3/C Every

The Regiment of Midshipmen is a source of pride to the Academy, and to the students themselves. Whether getting up early each morning to muster for “colors”, standing watch on the T.V State of Maine or the quarterdeck of Curtis Hall, or performing for the public at parades, funerals or state functions, the students always handle themselves in a professional and positive manner.

Students in the Regiment are taught the principles of honesty, integrity, professionalism and leadership. Going into the workforce with regimental training behind you is always considered an advantage by the industry. Companies know that students trained at Maine Maritime Academy in the regiment of midshipmen will exemplify all the qualities looked for in an employee...dedication, dependability and trustworthiness.

Kudos to the students who have worked so hard for four years to obtain the distinction of graduating as a midshipman, and to the loyal staff who work so tirelessly to bring out the best in each and every student in the Regiment.
Commandant's Staff

To The Class of 1998:

Congratulations! As Maine Maritime Academy passes in your wake and you set new courses for your various careers, you can do so with confidence that your successes here have been a preamble to your future as MMA Alumni.

You have accomplished much during your years here at MMA, and at the top of this list are your efforts in delivering our new training ship TV State of Maine. The simple truth is that without your hard work and commitment during the shipyard and during our shakedown cruise, TV State of Maine would not now be berthed at the foot of our pier.

CDR Frost, LT Lebel, LT Henderson, Victor Pinkham, Capt. Wade, Chief Young and all of the ship's officers join me in wishing each of you success and happiness as you embark on your new careers. May you have fair winds and following seas!

BRAVO ZULU and OOH RAH !!!

Victor Pinkham, Secretary & Lieutenant John Henderson

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Alpha Company

Students Assigned to Alpha Company (in alphabetical order by class)

SlC

2/C
- Stephen Austin, Brian Belanger, Todd Blodden, Philip Brand, Joshua Brennan, Brett Coe, Kevin Crow, Brian Dans, Benjamin Dinmore, Lasse Dargain, Craig Ferris, Dennis Gann, Nathan Hall, Erick Hart, Michael LeCompte, Craig Ledac, John Love Jr., Brandon Lyons, Brandon McHugh, Wayne Marts, Leon Norton, Michael Fairewood, Robert Panizzi, Zachary Pierce, Benjamin Robertson, Adam Smith, Christopher Trice, Scott Tracey

1/C

3/C
- William Adams, Joshua Arrows, Travis Bacon, Harold Bel, Benjamin Benner, Frank Bowley, Michael Brinkowski, Richard Damon, Scott Dans, Christopher Duracoz, Jason Falone, Kristen Fantasia, Benjamin Foster, Rosa Gordon, James Goss, Michael Hess, James Randall, Adam Kimball, John Martin, Joyce Maynard, Tony McDonald, Brian Mui, Christopher Plaine, Justin Piccirillo, Justin Peurifoy, Gregory Schindler, Nathan Selboff, Jonathan Tarr, Christopher Torney, Andrew Tucker, James Woodbury

Alpha Company Leadership
- L to R: Jamie Leveille, XO; Bill Hutchins, CDR; Jason Falone, Guidon Bearer

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Commandant

Captain Vincent Corry

Commander Gary Frost

Lieutenant Ernest Lebel

Regiment 28 Regiment
Front Row L-R: Mike Brimmer (RC), Chris Ireland, Jeff Haines, Nate McInnis (XO)

1/C Michael Brimmer
Regimental Commander

Training Vessel State of Maine

1/V Michael Brimmer
Regimental Commander

Midshipmen Training Officers

First Line: Harold Wagstaff, Todd Billoudou, Zachary Pierce, Chris Ireland (ROO), Yannick Bernier, Robin Merrill, Arthur Brice, Nathan Hall, Matthew Cegelie, Brian Maca, Joshua Fields, Andrew Kypragoras, Steve Halloran, Benjamin McKenny, John Kinlein
Second Line: Thomas Brown, Nate Fougner, Aimee Stites, Andrew Hochhaus, Seth Danner, Timothy Vaznis, Michael Osborne, Adam Philbrook

Tickets: Rick Poulis, Carrie Beatty

MTO's training the freshmen MUG's

2/C Nate Fougner and Mike Osborne

2/C Yannick Bernier

3/C John Kinlein lines up the MUG's

Charlie Company led by 2/C Steve Lussier
Drill Team

For some of you, the years spent at Maine Maritime Academy have passed too quickly; for others, graduation day has been a long time coming! Whichever category you fall into, the important thing is that you have obtained an education and earned a degree which will serve you well in your chosen career.

We hope you not only with pride in yourself for accomplishing an important goal and for sticking with it through good times or bad, but also with pride in Maine Maritime Academy and the professors and staff who have worked so hard to ensure that you received a well-rounded and quality education.

Don’t forget us, and know that you will be missed. Congratulations on a job well done, and good luck!

Farewell, Seniors

Band


34 Regiment
Congratulations

Class of 1998!
Name: Jason L. Alley  
Hometown: Jonesport, ME  
Major: Marine Engineering Technology  
Minor: Industrial Powerplant Technology  
Rates: Cadet 3 A/E, Regimental Assistant Adjutant  

Thank you, Mom and Dad, for the never-ending support you've given me through my life and my college experience here at the Academy. Thank you, Kevin, for being my little brother whom I will always respect. Katie, thank you for being there when I've needed you most. I love you and I will never forget you. Thanks to all my friends who made my college experience very exciting. Good luck with your future endeavors. Thanks, Joe & Mrs. C. Go Wharf Rats!!

Name: Jason Corey Anderson (Ando)  
Hometown: Westbrook, ME  
Major: Ocean Studies  
Activities: Intramural Softball 1,2,3,4; Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4; Intramural Football 1,2,3,4  

Mom, Dad, & Erin, Thanks for all the love and support you have given me.

Name: Marc Babine  
Hometown: Orrington, ME  
Major: Marine Engineering Technology  
Rates: Cadet Electrician, B. Co. Master at Arms  
Activities: SNAME, Soccer  

Mom & Dad - Finally!! Thanks for all the love, support, encouragement and guidance. Carrie - 2 more Babes!! Keep your chin up and keep going. Love Ya. Josh - Best of Luck

Name: Mark Brian Beatty  
Hometown: Old Lyme, CT  
Major: Marine Engineering Technology  
Rates: Regimental Maintenance Officer, Cadet Electrician  
Activities: Merchant Marine Reserve, Varsity Sailing, Emergency Squad

Fondest Memories: Sherbrook, Sugarloaf, Dennets, The Dome, Homecoming Weekend, The Griswold Inn, Quebec City, Mount Gay Rum Distillery
Name: Nathaniel F. Beaulieu
Hometown: Silver Lake, NH
Major: Ocean Studies
Activities: Snowboarding, Hiking, SCUBA Diving, and Rock Climbing

I would like to thank my mom for always providing me with financial and psychological support; my dad; Em for not killing me; Tott; LeeAnn for all of it (there is a lot of it, trust me); Chris for not killing me; Rob, Noah and Chris W. for being great friends; Steve; Steve; Andy; Donna; Rani for the flowers and the smiles; Chip, Karl, Damon and Jamie for being "the boys". Rudy and Monty for teaching me how to learn; Prof. Boucher and Prof. Ellis; and gramps for letting me fix all the things I broke.

Name: Chris "grizz" Beth
Hometown: Brunswick, ME
Major: Power Engineering Technology

Thanks a lot Mom, Dad, Beth, Steve, Neil, Nanny and Jen. Without your support I would never have made it through. Thanks for the help with the Naval Keg, Dave and Denny. Beaulieu will always be a punk, and good bye to the Battling Bolduc Brothers.

Name: Carl Bolden
Hometown: Portsmouth, NH
Major: Power Engineering Technology
Activities: NROTC, RA, Residential Life Hearings Board, Gamer's Club President, Judicial Review Board, Tutoring, Stuff

Time passes in the wink of an eye,
Our experience a mote in its hourglass.
And though the tides scatter us
in many distant shores
with hardly a ripple to mark our passage,
we have touched each other in invisible ways.
Remember this.
I will.
To “Abu” Hayward- I hope I can take a handful of your dreams and make them come true. I love you and miss you. Thank you, Gail, for making college possible; my parents for keeping me on the straight and narrow; and my girlfriend, Laura, for your unending love, support, and understanding. To Steve, Chris, Joe, Mike, Jeff, Johnny O, Porter, and Chip—thanks for all the good times and the memories.

Name: Jerry Edward Bowers
Hometown: Larkspur, CO
Major: Nautical Science
Rates: Drill Team Commander
Activities: ROTC Drill, Drill Team, Bagaduce Ambulance, Honor Guard, MMR/USNR, Sailing Team

The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do you get that living water?”

“Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?” Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw.”

John 4:11-15

Name: Robert Briganti “Briggs”
Hometown: Middletown, NJ
Major: Nautical Science
Rates: Bravo Company Commander
Activities: Bible Study, NROTC, MTO, Cross Country, Band

“Four years ago who would of thought that I’d be where I am today? Mom and Dad, how could a son ask for any more? Your support was endless! I wish that I had the room to individually thank all my family (to include “Cousin Chris”) and friends (both at the Academy and home) who stayed beside me throughout these last few years of accelerated growth. Now it’s my turn to get out into “the real world” and show what Maine Maritime Academy has done for me. Thank you all for being there, I might not have made it without you!”

The important things in life can still make you laugh.

Name: Steve James Brodet
Hometown: Trabula Canyon, CA
Major: Ocean Studies

To all those (too numerous to count) who helped me along this journey, thank you. To many family who trusted and supported me even though my choices didn’t make sense. To my friends: Jeb, Andy, Kevin & Chris, your support means the world to me. And to my Mom, for always being there for me.
To all my friends and family, may all of our future be that of our dreams.

Name: J. Nicholas Brower (Nick)
Hometown: White Bear Lake, MN
Major: Marine Engineering Technology
Rates: C. Co. Executive Officer, Cadet Steam Rate, Midshipmen Training Officer, E-squad
Activities: Captain-Varsity Sailing Team, Treasurer-Alpha Phi Omega, Class 1998 Secretary

To all my Green Tags, now it's our turn, FSU!

Name: Matthew Byers
Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
Major: Marine Systems Engineering
Rates: Cadet 1 A/E
Activities: Yacht Club, Outing Club, Milligan's Babysitter, Mary Kay, SNAME, ASME

Thank you very much, Mom and Dad, without your love and support I could never have endured my four year sentence here. Over the last four years I have met some very special people that have made my time here bearable—thank you all very much.

Name: Philip F. Chapman III
Hometown: Winthrop, ME
Major: Marine Engineering Technology
Rates: Midshipmen Training Officer
Activities: 1 Bar Superstar!

To all my friends and family, may all of our future be that of our dreams.

Name: Mark Chryss
Hometown: Ramsey, NJ
Major: Power Engineering Technology
Activities: Father, student, homeowner, husband, etc.

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Name: Eric Clark  
Hometown: Portland, OR  
Major: Nautical Science

Name: Paul D. Clarke  
Hometown: Boca Raton, FL & Hove, England  
Major: Nautical Science  
Minor: Naval Science  
Rates: Bravo Company Auditor '97; 3/C & 2/C MTO; Deck Training Rate Cruise of '97  
Activities: NROTC, Swim Club, E-Squad ('97 cruise), RA, APO

Name: Joshua J. Collemar  
Hometown: Averill Park, NY  
Major: Marine Engineering Operations  
Rates: RMAA (Regimental Master-At-Arms)  
Activities: NROTC, Class Vice-President, MTO, Yacht Club, E-Squad  

Name: William H. Coombs  
Hometown: Bailey Island, ME  
Major: Marine Engineering Operations  
Rates: Bravo Chief of Staff  
Activities: NROTC- Operations Officer, Varsity Lacrosse

Thanks to Mom and Dad, and to all the "Green Tags" for all the good times. Always remember those many late nights of studying and standing watch, Freshman Cruise, Barbados, St. Johns N.B., Quebec City, Sherbrooke, Sugar Loaf, "Sailing", The Coast Guard Academy, The MUG Club, Bermuda, the DOME in Halifax, Homecoming Weekend '97, the Griz, and all the other weekends and good times spent with my classmates here at MMA.

The past four years have been full of challenges. Some tough, some easy, but all I have faced with friends and family. Mom, Dad, and Matt, thanks for all your help and guidance; Kaya for being my little pumpkin; and my wife, Carrie, for being beside me all the way. I'll see you all in the wild blue yonder.

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I'd like to thank everyone who has helped and supported me during these four years, but especially Chris for being there for me through all the tough times—good luck, Babe! A big thanks for the support and encouragement given me by my parents and sister—love ya, guys! Finally, a very special thanks to my sweetie Josh, for without his love and support I would have been lost in this whirlwind called MMA. I Love You, Josh!

Love Ya Guys!! Best of Luck to Ya!!

Name: Donna Mae Couture
Hometown: West Gardiner, ME
Major: Ocean Studies
Minor: Mathematics
Activities: Alpha Phi Omega, Blood Drive Coordinator, Ocean Science Club, Dean's List, Snowboarding, Tutoring

Name: Erik Czel
Hometown: Guilford, CT
Major: Marine Engineering Technology
Rates: 3A/E
Activities: Yacht Club, Outing Club

Name: Peter W. Dolley
Hometown: Oakland, ME
Major: Power Engineering Technology
Activities: ASME, Regiment (2 1/2 years), Football

Name: John Dos Santos
Hometown: Mayaguez, Puerto Rico
Major: Nautical Science
Activities: NROTC, Sailing Team, Semper Fi Club, Swimming Club, Midshipman Training Officer

Name: Helen
Hometown: Oakland, ME
Major: Power Engineering Technology
Activities: ASME, Regiment (2 1/2 years), Football

My Boys

My Best Buddy!

My Boys

Helen- Thanks for everything - Always!

Thanks Mom, Dad, & Marcie.
Love, Erik

Josh- I'll love you forever! Thanks for being my shelter through the storm!

Underway on the Blue Nose Ferry

Yeeha!

Ring Dance 1997
Name: Lesli Ann Farr  
Hometown: Monroe, NH  
Major: Ocean Studies  
Minor: Mathematics  
Rates: Squad Leader  
Activities: APO, Student Government, Drama, Dining Service Committee, Newman Club, Yearbook, Fire Brigade, Orientation Leader

Thanks to my family, especially Mom & Dad, I'll love you always, thank you for everything. To my friends — You've made this one of the greatest experiences. Remember the good times, and all the hyperactivity. Bill-Chris-Lars—keep in touch, it's been a crazy couple of years. Life is what we make of it; it changes, evolves, and grows, and us along with it. In due course, we adapt to the role best suited for us in our own individual lives, that we may truly be the best we are capable of being in whatever we strive to do.  
Unknown Author

Thank you for the memories...

Name: Spencer J. Fernbacher  
Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio  
Major: Marine Transportation  
Rates: Bravo Co. Deck Maintenance Officer, Carpenter  
Activities: MMR, watching TV, Bilge Rat, partying, Matt Byers' friend hangin' with Babyface and Gumps, living with the Cork, crashed a nice Ford, gaining weight, and working hard staying out of trouble

It has been a four-year period of digression: socially, intellectually, morally, and ethically. The question is, would I do it again? Maybe. "Hey Man, we're upside down!" —C.G. Lilienthal, Nov. 10, 1995  
"What choice do we have?! Priorities! Priorities!"  
-Capt A.A. Brown

Name: Joseph A. Ferris III  
Hometown: China, ME  
Major: Nautical Science  
Activities: Extra long weekends in Portland, Shamu, FSU ski parties, Moose Hunting, Flashing Light Gray Hairs

Being at MMA for four years, I feel that I got to experience more than most; from indoc, freshman cruise, the golf team, weekend sailing trips, trips to the luff, a venture to the Reef that sometimes led to trips to Lt. Label's office, crossing the Atlantic, the white sand beaches of Bermuda, and graduation. I have many great memories of MMA that will never be forgotten.
Kevin L. Franssen

Hometown: Ivoryton, CT
Major: Nautical Science
Rates: Band Commander
Activities: Band, Yacht Club

Thanks to all my moral and financial supporters who helped me get this far. I couldn't have done it without you. Also, thanks to all the things that helped me get through 4 years in Maine: Cheech and the Boyz, Captain Margan, The tongue noise, Gum Balls, The Green Bus, and Jacks. What wonderful people I have met, and what wonderful times we have had.

Stephen A. Fronckowiak

Hometown: Corfu, NY
Major: Ocean Studies
Rates: Bravo Co. Personnel Officer
Activities: Sailing Team, NROTC, Outing Club, Semper Fi Club

How could anyone forget Quebec?!

Derek Gallant

Hometown: Rumford, ME
Major: Marine Engineering Operations
Rates: Squad Leader
Activities: Hockey, Lacrosse

Sean Patrick Gallivan

Hometown: Yarmouth, ME
Major: Marine Engineering Operations
Rates: Chief of Staff
Activities: Lacrosse
Name: William T. Geary Jr.
Hometown: Rockland, ME
Major: Nautical Science
Rates: Bravo XO, MTO
Activities: NROTC, golf, tennis

Name: Christopher Giggi
Hometown: Holbrook, MA
Major: Ocean Studies
Minor: Mathematics & Naval Science
Activities: Varsity Soccer, NROTC, Alpha Phi Omega, Scuba Diving, Skiing, Snowboarding, Rollerblading, Tanning!

Luv ya Mom, Dad, Bro, & family. Thank you for your unrelenting support and love. Thanks to Nate and Donna, Nate for making my life hell at times, and Donna for being there to hear about it. I won't forget you! To all the lovely Farmington Girls, you made my life so enjoyable... I'll always remember our excursions. Arigato gomennasai to the rest! Remember: 100,000 miles, bed rolls, Bahamas, Navy Cruise, Soccer (1st goal). Go Navy!!

Name: Patrick M. Glavey
Hometown: Shark River Hills, NJ
Major: Marine Engineering Technology
Rates: 3/C Midshipmen Training Officer, 2/C Midshipmen Training Officer, Regimental Auditor, Regimental Public Relations Officer
Activities: NROTC, MEC Team, Varsity Cross Country Team Captain, Midshipmen Training Officer (2/C & 3/C), Commandant's List, Dean's List, Fire Brigade (4/C & 3/C)

A beautiful day in Castine with the family

Well, it's finally here! We have been working and waiting for four years to reach this point, and now we are finally graduating. First, I would like to thank my parents for providing me the opportunity to attend college. I would also like to thank my girlfriend, Holly and sister Elizabeth for their support over these four long years. Now it is time to go out and find a place to put all of our new toys!

To Coach Cote:
Thanks for being there as a coach and friend.

Mom & Norman,
Thank you for believing in me. You can finally bring the truck up... because I'm graduating!

Every morning in Africa, a gazelle wakes up. It knows it must outrun the fastest lion or it will be killed. Every morning in Africa, a lion wakes up. It knows it must run faster than the slowest gazelle or it will starve. It doesn't matter whether you're a lion or gazelle -- when the sun comes up, you'd better be running. Anonymous

To Coach Cote:
Thank you for believing in me. You can finally bring the truck up... because I'm graduating!

Thank you for always being there for me. I love you.

Name: Jason Grabelle
Hometown: Metuchen, NJ
Major: Ocean Studies
Activities: NROTC-MEC Team, Varsity Cross Country Team Captain, Midshipmen Training Officer (2/C & 3/C), Commandant's List, Dean's List, Fire Brigade (4/C & 3/C)
The following is an actual radio conversation released by the US Chief of Naval Operations on 10 October 1995:

NAVY: "Please divert your course 15 degrees to the North to avoid a collision."

CIVILIAN: "Recommend you divert YOUR course 15 degrees to South to avoid a collision."

NAVY: "This is the Captain of a US Navy ship. I say again, divert YOUR course."

CIVILIAN: "No, I say again, you divert your course."

NAVY: "THIS IS THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER ENTERPRISE. WE ARE A LARGE WARSHIP OF THE US NAVY. DIVERT YOUR COURSE NOW!"

CIVILIAN: "This is a lighthouse. Your call."

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Mom, Dad, family and friends,
Thanks for the support, it went by quick, yet it's all just beginning. Love ya!

Mike trying to lend a hand. I'm going to Europe.

I would like to thank my family and friends. I had a blast at school and even learned something. Most of all I'd like to thank my mother and father for being there for me, believing in me, and loving me. I love you both.

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Mom, Dad, Christy, and Craig, thanks for being there for me and thanks for your support. Tara, thanks for putting up with me and helping me make it through these past few years. I love you.

To all my friends, it's been a lot of fun growing and learning with you guys. I couldn't have done it without you. Thanks and good luck!
It was a long road, but I'm just about where I want to be. I couldn't have done it without the help and support of my family. Thank you, Mom and Dad, for all the help. Lori, I know it was tough, but it only gets better from here! See ya, MMA--I'm movin' on!

Mom & Dad, in a few months the time that the both of you have been talking about will finally be here. I'1l leave to go to work, and you'll change all the locks in the house and fill my room full of cement. But just the same, I'd like to thank you for putting up with me for the past 21 years; you both stood behind me no matter what I did and that's why I'd like to say "thanks" and I love the both of you.

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Hey guys, love my behind, I'm just going to sleep for a little while>
Name: Christopher Jordan  
Hometown: Skowhegan, ME  
Major: Marine Engineering Technology  
Rates: Regimental Public Relations Officer  
Activities: Dive Club, Reefer Rate  
“The best laid plans of mice and men oft go astray” Steinbeck

Name: Hunter Johnson  
Hometown: Brunswick, ME  
Major: Power Engineering Technology  
Activities: Bagaduce Ambulance, Graduate Commons Manager

Name: Thomas E. Keef  
Hometown: Westbrook, ME  
Major: Power Engineering Technology  
Activities: 4 years with the Castine Fire Department- 1st Lieutenant/Cadet Chief, Helped design PET Class Ring

Name: Sean King  
Hometown: Wind Gap, PA  
Major: Marine Engineering Technology  
Activities: Outing Club, Yacht Club

Thanks, Mom & Dad, you guys made it all possible  
I love you guys. Thanks for all your support  
Thanks, Bro, for EVERYTHING  
Sandi, without you I never would have made it. I love you.
Thank you Dad, Mom, Sven, Uli & Irene, and Oma for steering me in the right direction. Dad especially...Thank you for your patience, effort, understanding, and financial support.

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Name: Neal Ryan Kolterman
Hometown: Falmouth, ME
Major: Nautical Science

"I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving...We must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it...But we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor."
Oliver Wendell Holmes

Mom and Dad, the last one has finally made it; start to enjoy life for yourselves. Mimi, you are the best grandmother anyone could ever have. Thank you for the wisdom you have shared, the support you gave, and the love you have always shown. Tayen, TK, Tish: miles away or far apart, the four of us will always be sisters close to the heart. E. J., and M, the times we’ve shared, the times to come, a promise of anywhere, anytime, for any reason, I’ll be there. I may not be able to change the way the winds blow, but I can change the direction of my sails. I am captain of my fate; I am master of my soul.

Name: Erin Leathers
Hometown: Gardiner, ME
Major: Ocean Studies

Activities: Varsity Sailing, Ring Dance Committee, RA, Orientation Leader, UAHB

And so it is this restless sign upon visage seen. A paradox of sorts, to dissociate and manifest, oh these demons in my head. The penitent’s edge we avoid “make haste good man and be on your way,” an unspoken comfort and rage manifest, an incorrectness that calls itself correct. Three years amidst shadows only to bloom on the verge of four. I call you comrades, shipmate, friend, row and row, these I didn’t choose to contact regret, so much solitude to my dismay. To all I speak in silent words, fair wind and following seas I pray. Strange it seems departum, gives a taste of bitterness. No greetings of Ohiass, ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ or Za Za before I take my seat. Kizer sharp breaths and “shoe shine” to be if bliplophiy each day, in my convictions to you I’ve spoken, “Lead, Follow or get Out of the Way!” So how do sailors say adieu after tenure, to the rest of our lives we resort. Lord only knows how the sea of life flows, we may meet port to port. To the deckers entangled and the engineering deranged, it has been an honor to sail with thee. Through rain and storms, the Lord’s wrath forewarned, I wish you the best and God speed! Thank you to everyone who has been a part of my life here.
Your shipmate, Linwood

Name: Jamie Leveille
Hometown: West Enfield, ME
Major: Marine Engineering Technology

Alpha Co. Executive Officer

Activities: Varsity Soccer (94-98), TV, Racking, Reefer Rate

Dirty Tony! Being dirty as usual.

It was a hard four years, Mandy, but we made it. I can’t wait to spend the rest of my life with you.

Name: Jeffrey Scott Linton
Hometown: Akron, OH
Major: Nautical Science

New Regimental Honor Board Chairman

Activities: Student Government, Academy Ethics Committee, Newman Club, Biking, Windsurfing, Martial Arts

Mom, Dad and Family, I’m on top of the world!

The four Horsemen
I've certainly had many great experiences and made many great friends - and for that - some of this time must have been well spent. Mom and Dad, thank you for the understanding, support, patience, and love. Don't question authority - just ignore it!

"I assure you, unless you change and become like little children, you will not enter the kingdom of God."

Jesus

Matt 18:3

I never knew this institution was what it is. I never imagined I'd ever meet people like I have. No one will understand what I have gone through during the past four years except those of us who have gone through it together.

To quote Thoreau, "I know not whether it was the dumps or a budding restasy.

I would like to thank my parents and my friends, room with a view, Uphill, yacht club, cutlass, gang wars, marlins brothers, ode, Orono, Alaska, Yeties camp, calico, jack, 21, Michelle, thibs camp, Virginia, ring dance? Ponch, SCUBA, Rafting, Tuna, lobser, Brown Recluse Th1b, yet, pigmy (the milkman), spankginus, and the Dog.

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**Name:** Nathan McInnes  
**Hometown:** Alfred, ME  
**Major:** Marine Engineering Technology  
**Rates:** Regimental Executive Officer, Cadet Machinist  
**Activities:** All intramurals, lifting weights with "Franco" Ireland  

I want to wish all the Class of '98 good luck in their future endeavors. I also want to thank all the boys for the good times. Thanks to Aunt Sam and Uncle Jim for letting me work and hanging out at your place. Finally, I want to thank my mom and dad for always supporting me. I know I don't say it enough…I love you.

Where has the time gone. If the rest of my life enjoys half the cheer of the past four years, I'm set. Peace to all the Brothers. Most of all, thank you Mom and Dad for making everything possible. You too, Susie.

**Name:** Corwin Gay Mendenhall IV  
**Hometown:** Gales Ferry, CT  
**Major:** Nautical Science  
**Rates:** Cadet 2/M, Cadet 3/M  
**Activities:** Outing Club, Yacht Club, MMR, E-Squad, Skiing, Biking  

This explains everything about MAMA

It's amazing how fast four years goes by. You've gotta live life to its fullest. Now it's time to go out and get a job and be responsible. I wonder how we managed to do the crazy things we did and still get a license and a degree. I wonder where the green tags will be in ten years or so. I thank all my friends and family for being there through it all. Love ya!

**Name:** Bruce P. Morse-Ellington  
**Hometown:** Howell, NJ  
**Major:** Nautical Science  
**Rates:** Riggers Mate  
**Activities:** E-Squad, NIROTC, Band, Outing Club, Yacht Club, Skiing, Bicycling, Camping, Hiking  

This picture says enough.
Name: Barry Mottershead  
Hometown: Gorham, ME  
Major: Marine Engineering Operations

Name: Craig Myster  
Hometown: Sullivan, ME  
Major: Marine Engineering Technology  
Rates: Charlie Company Adjutant, Cadet 2nd Assistant Engineer  
Activities: Varsity Cross Country (1,2,3,4); Cross Country Captain (4); MARTP (2,3,4); Drill Team (1,2,3); E-Squad (1)

Walking on Water

Name: Thangarani Loretta Nathaniel  
Hometown: Beltsville, MD  
Major: Ocean Studies  
Activities: Varsity Sailing Team, Women's Soccer, Drama Club, Ocean Science Club

Miss all the people I've loved here. Be full and don't forget to look up at the beautiful sky...Michelle, Eric, Andy, Pam, Epi, Blunt, Dan, Chip, Ando, Jo, Karl, Damon, Kevin, JP, Linda, La, Salamander, Ni, Erin, Lesli, Brain, Dyke, Yoli, Michelle, Mark, my sisters Angela and Christine, the sailing team, the soccer team...to name a few.

"Before the beginning of great brilliance, there must be chaos." - I Ching

Name: Michael Ryan Ohr  
Hometown: Vernon, CT  
Major: Nautical Science  
Rates: Cadet Bosin, Cadet Third Mate  
Activities: E-Squad, Sail Training Club
THANX to my mom & dad and all my aunts, uncles, and cousins for being there for me every step of the way; Chip, Chuck and everybody else for helping make an unbearable place bearable; Colleen for a little touch of happiness and joy. Like a bird on a wire, like a drunk in a midnight choir, I have tried in my way to be free. I don’t condone the use of alcohol, crazy behavior, or schizophrenia to get through MMA, but it’s worked for me.

Name: Jonathan Scott O'Rourke
Hometown: La Plata, MD
Major: Marine Transportation
Rates: Drill Team Commander
Activities: Rugby, Yacht Club, DC Squad, Fire Brigade, Fire Dept., APO

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Name: Charles E. Payne
Hometown: Bridgeport, VT
Major: Marine Engineering Technology

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Name: Karl Picard
Hometown: Bristol, CT
Major: Ocean Studies
Activities: Sailing

To my family, especially Mom: Thank you for all of your love and support through the years. Dad, whenever you are, you’ll always be the best part of me. My friends, old and new, I wish you the best of everything in all you do. “Hey, kind friend, help me forget where I’ve been, help me remember who I am. Hey, kind friend, I don’t know when I’ll see you again.” Indigo Girls

Name: Linda L. Pivarnik
Hometown: Fairfield, CT
Major: Marina Management
Activities: Women’s Varsity Soccer, Women’s Varsity Basketball, Orientation Leader

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Hometown: Fairfield, CT
Major: Marina Management
Activities: Women’s Varsity Soccer, Women’s Varsity Basketball, Orientation Leader
**Name:** Shane Jarrod Pulkkinen  
**Hometown:** Patten, ME  
**Major:** Marine Engineering Operations  
**Raties:** Regimental Adjutant  
**Activities:** Winner of the AVN film of the year, Dean's List, Commandant's List

Mom, Dad, thanks for everything.

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**Name:** Damon N. Rondeau  
**Hometown:** Norwich, CT  
**Major:** Ocean Studies  
**Activities:** Varsity Lacrosse, Varsity Soccer

Thank you to my friends and family for keeping me sane throughout my four years here.

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**Name:** Joanne Savitski  
**Hometown:** Kingston, MA  
**Major:** Ocean Studies  
**Activities:** Orientation Leader, Drama Club

Mom, Dad, and Nick, thank you for your love and support. I could never have made it this far without the courage and strength you have given me.  
To my friends, I love you all. The memories you have all given me will last forever.

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**Name:** Thomas M. Sharp  
**Hometown:** Wilmington, DE  
**Major:** Nautical Science  
**Raties:** Cadet Chief Mate

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**THE RIVER**  
by Victoria Shaw & Garth Brooks

You know a dream is like a river,  
Ever changing as it flows.  
And that the dreamer’s just a vessel  
That follows where it goes.

Trying to learn from what’s behind you,  
And never knowing what’s in store,  
Makes each day a constant battle  
Just to stay between the shore.

Too many times we stand aside  
And let the waters slip away  
’til what we put off ‘til tomorrow  
Has now become today.

So, don’t sit upon the shoreline,  
And say you’re satisfied.  
Choose to chance the rapids  
And dare to dance the tide.

And there’s bound to be rough waters,  
And I know I’ll take some falls.  
But with the Good Lord as my captain,  
I can make it through them all.

Yes, I will sail my vessel ’til the river runs dry.  
Like a bird upon the wind, these waters are my sky.  
I’ll never reach my destination if I never try.  
So, I will sail my vessel ’til the river runs dry.
Name: Jim Steer
Hometown: Castine, ME
Major: Nautical Science
Rates: Regimental Fire Marshall
Activities: Fire Brigade, Bagaduce Ambulance, Castine Fire Dept., Student Trainer, E-Squad, Drill Team

Thanks to my entire family, especially Mom, Dad, and Chris, for being there during the good times and the bad. Also, I want to thank my comrades and shipmates: Jeb, Johnny-O, Steve, Jon, Hawkins, Brian (long live the Blue Tags), BQ, all the great guys at CFD (you were all there on that snowy April night), Tim-Dog, Chris 454, and Katherine. You have all been great friends - I couldn't have done it without you all!!

If you want to feel rich, just count all of the things you have that money can't buy.

Thanks to all my family and friends, for all of their support throughout the past four years. Chris's and Mark's camp, Virginia. Waterskiing. Sled full of snow. 21st. Ring Dance. Hooters.

Name: William O. St. Pierre
Hometown: South Berwick, ME
Major: Marine Engineering Technology
Rates: Cadet Chief Engineer
Activities: Rugby Club President

Always, Timmy, I wish you could know how much you have touched my life. Also, Mom, Dad, Aki, and Netsy--thank you so much for all the support and encouragement you have ever given me. Finally, to all my girls...may the next chapter of our lives be as intense as we dream it to be.

Name: Mark H. Thibodeau
Hometown: Kenduskeag, ME
Major: Marine Systems Engineering
Rates: Cadet Relieving Chief Engineer
Activities: Soccer, Volleyball, Weight Lifting, Golf, Skiing

Thanks to Mom and Dad, Bob, Becky, Chely, Jamiah, Mac, Yeti, Pigmny, Dog, Camp, Brown Recluse, Calico Jack, Soccer Team, Yeti's Camp, Virginia, 21
This page is for four years that could not possibly be summed up. I would like to thank my family for making it possible, and the green tags for the memories. We shared an experience here that is only understood by a few. To everyone who offered me their support during this voyage, I am indebted to you all. Well, there was never a dull moment, from weekends at Joe's camp to the Ring Dance (thanks for visiting, Emily), to Mt. Washington and Katahdin, the many trips to loaf and the yacht club, outing club, etc. Thank you all! GOOD LUCK to the Class of '98!

Name: Redha Wahidi
Hometown: Kuwait City, Kuwait
Major: Marine Systems Engineering
Activities: President of ASME

Name: Matthew Williams
Hometown: Kittery, ME
Major: Engineering Operations
Rates: Alpha Company Auditor, Alpha Company Electrician
Activities: Yacht Club, Mountain Biking

Name: Paul Whitin VII (Tad)
Hometown: Monkton, MD
Major: Nautical Science
Rates: Personnel Officer Alpha Co.
Activities: Outing Club, Yacht Club, E-Squad

Thanks, Mom and Dad, I owe this all to you. You are two very special people and I appreciate all that you have done for me. Thanks to my friends and family for helping, understanding, and being there along the way. It's hard to believe how fast these four years have gone by.
Congratulations, PAT!
Love,
Mom, Dad & Liz

Dear Patrick,
Congratulations on achieving the goals that you set for yourself! I believe in you.
Love,
Holly

Dear Pat,
We know how hard you've worked for this. Best wishes for a bright and happy future.
Love,
John, Sue & Karen Waleski, and Tom & Rose Smith

Eron Gray -
A born leader??!
I'm very proud of you.
Love,
MJ

All that practice for rolling decks has paid off.
Congratulations for a job well done!
Dad

Senior Salutes

Class of 1998
Way to go, Bear - You've made us proud! We wish you the greatest success in whatever you do. Love, Mom, Dad and Karen

Dear Chuck, We're so proud of you and all you've accomplished at MMA. We know you have a bright future. Good luck in submarines! Love, Mom, Susan and Katie

Way to go, Krusty! We're proud of you. Love, Mom, Dad, Brendan, Heather, Chris & MacKenzie

Mark, Congratulations! We are very proud of you. Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations, Jason!! We know you could do it and we are very proud of you. Lots of love, Dad, Mom and And

Way to go, Bear - You've made us proud! We wish you the greatest success in whatever you do. Love, Mom, Dad and Karen

Dear Donna, As you take your next step towards your future, we can't help but remember all the little steps along the way. Your first steps, first day of school, learning to ride your first bike, valedictorian of your high school, and now a college graduate. We have always been very proud of you and we are certain you will continue to make us proud. Be happy! Love, Mom and Dad

We're all so proud of you - well done and congratulations! With love from Mom, Jim, Amy, Grandma and Grandpa Shinn, Aunt Amy, Uncle Dave, Jason and Rebecca. XXXO

Lesli Farr - We love you and are very proud of you. Good Luck! Dad & Mom

Chris Beth - And here you are as good as ever! Congratulations to "most unforgettable" you. Love, Mom, Dad, Justin & Grandma

Stephen, "A first rate mate even at 8" - congratulations! Love and God bless you, Mom, Dad and Maria

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Congratulations, Jeremy! We're so proud of you "Big Guy". Love, Mom and Dad

Michael, You were always meant for the open seas. Congratulations! Dad & Robin
We are so proud of our son and brother. Congratulations to Chip and all the graduates.

The Heils:
Cliff, Carlene, Christy & Craig

Darren, We are as proud of you as you were of your brand new bookbag on your first day of kindergarten. Congratulations!
Love, Mom and Dad

Travis Baston, We are so proud of you. Love, Dad and Mom

Bill, Follow your dreams, and share along the way. We Love You - God Speed. Dad, Mom, Matt

William Henry Coombs

"Build me a son, O'Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak; and brave enough to face himself when he is afraid; one who will be proud and unbending in honest defeat, and humble and gentle in victory."
Gen. Douglas MacArthur"

At 5 yrs. captain of a ship?
At 7 yrs. a Harley driver?
At 23 yrs. CAPTAIN OF YOUR LIFE!

Congratulations, Kevin, on a job well done. The world awaits, go for it! Love, Mom, Ken, Brad, Misty & Elly

From The Mott Dull To The Reel Sharp, From Pinecrest and Selbyville to Castine!

Congratulations!
We are so proud of you!
Mom and Dad

Joanne, May all your future dreams come true. We are so proud!
Love, Dad, Mom, & Nick

CONGRATULATIONS, BRUCE! Be Your Best.
Dad & R.J.
Shawn,
Smooth Sailing! We're Proud.
Mom & Dad

Congratulations, Spencer - we are very proud of you!
Dreams do come true with hard work and determination.
Love, Mom and Dad

Mike, Resubmit your resume now that you reach all the controls. Congratulations on all your accomplishments! Love, Mom, Burke and Michele

To Our #1 Son
Philip F. Chapman, III
It's been a joy watching you grow from a boy to a man. We are so very proud of you and all that you've accomplished. We know you have a bright future - enjoy it.

Love Mom and Dad
Congratulations, Big Bro!
Love Angela

Follow your dreams, but don't forget to listen to your heart. Congratulations!

Love, Alicia and Kathy

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Love, Alicia and Kathy

Chris, Raising you has been the biggest adventure of our lives. You are truly one of a kind & we love you.

May you always have fair winds and following seas.

Love,
Dad, Momsie, Carrie, Gram & Gramp

Mark...
Always ready for adventure!

There are no limits when you believe in yourself.

Congratulations!

Shawn,
Smooth Sailing! We're Proud.
Mom & Dad

Congratulations, Spencer - we are very proud of you!
Dreams do come true with hard work and determination.
Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations, William! After four years of hard work.

Mike, Resubmit your resume now that you reach all the controls. Congratulations on all your accomplishments! Love, Mom, Burke and Michele

To Our #1 Son
Philip F. Chapman, III
It's been a joy watching you grow from a boy to a man. We are so very proud of you and all that you've accomplished. We know you have a bright future - enjoy it.

Love Mom and Dad
Congratulations, Big Bro!
Love Angela

Follow your dreams, but don't forget to listen to your heart. Congratulations!

Love, Alicia and Kathy

Chris (Beeler):
Congratulations after four years of hard work.

ERIK "EZ" RIDER
You made it! We are very proud.

Love,
Dad, Mom & Krit
Charles,

From the day you first “set sail” in your plastic tub, throughout childhood and school days, to this proud milestone; we, your parents & brothers: cheer your game book plays, smile at your antics, mourn your losses and hope for your future successes as you step forth fully launched into adulthood.

Congratulations!

Jonathan O’Rourke!
from

Aunt Maureen - Uncle Jim - Tom - Corleen - Jerry - Jim - Elizabeth - Caitlin - Kristen

Congratuations, Jonathan O’Rourke!

To you and the class of 1998 - we love you!
Dad, Mom and Swen

CONGRATULATIONS, NEAL!

“A typical day in the life of Jonathan.”
Love, Mom & Dad

Congratulations,
Jonathan O’Rourke - I’m proud of you! Love, Aunt Patricia

Congratulations,
Jonathan O’Rourke - I’m proud of you, cousin! I knew you could do it!
Love, Leland

Jonathan, I wish you every type of success possible with the best of health, but remember in your future to laugh - love - read - keep family roots - be sensitive & at all times moral.

Love, Aunt Caroline

from all of us at
Maine Maritime Academy
Amongst the trials and tribulations of the educational part of college there must be a release. Throughout all the hard times were the events that brought us together, traditions from beginning to end. Ring Dance, Cruise, and Homecoming are just a few of the times when we gathered together as not only classmates and shipmates, but as friends. The time in college which we spend with our friends will be forever imbedded in our memories. This section captures the times, the places, and the people who made these the best years of our lives. Lesli Farr, Senior

Halloween Dance

Halloween, a time for ghouls, goblins and terrors of all kinds. When MMA students can unwind, relax and just have a freakishly good time. Costumes and pumpkin carvings bring out the kid in everyone!
The Class of 1998 Ring Dance, a regenarional tradition, was held on March 21, 1998 at the Bangor Airport Marriott. Ring Dance 1997 started out as a couple of class meetings in the fall of 1996. Ideas were gathered, funds were raised, arrangements made and outfits acquired. Correspondence, phone calls, setting up, and decorating brought the senior class together in a combined effort. The Ring Dance is when we realize that our time at the Academy is coming to an end, and it allows us to reflect on the past years.

Once all the final arrangements had been made and decorations put in their proper place, everyone arrived to a grand entrance with an honor guard present. Photographs were taken, and everyone was seated as they awaited the highlights of the evening. Everyone enjoyed the great dinner, the salutation of the ring dipping ceremony, the dancing and the socializing. At the end of the evening decorations were torn down, but the memories remain for a lifetime.

History of the ring... the ring is sectioned into three parts: the top which signifies honor of the Academy part which signifies loyalty, and the career side which signifies devotion to duty. Under the date of graduation is the three-pronged spear of Poseidon, better known as the trident which is the symbol of power. Just beneath the trident is the American Bald Eagle perched on the helm. The king of birds symbolizes freedom through might and courage. The sword, called the most romantic of weapons, is the symbol of war and has been worn as a badge of honor among fighting men since iron and steel were first used as weapons. The lighthouse between the serpents is a representation of Dice’s Head Lighthouse in Castine. It marks on the ring the first home landmark seen by the Training Ship after cruise. And finally, the chevron represents the leadership responsibility we must share.

The tradition of the Ring Dance is to first have the class rings blessed and then individually dipped in the water of the seven seas, after which the student can formally wear the ring. This is a ceremony that is special and unique to the Regiment, and the whole evening is one of the highlights of the student’s time here at MMA.
Oh, the memories we have made...

Mike Brimmer and date
Paul Clarke and John Dos Santos enjoying the evening with their dates!
Bill Lyle and Lesli Farr
Josh Parker and Donna Couture
Josh Hebert and date
Dancing up a storm!

Melissa Parker & Chris Owsianceki
Jon O'Rourke & date
Jeremy Hersom and date
Chris Bolduc and Dave McQuilken enjoy the evening!

“May you wear this emblem of our academy as a sign to all mariners on all the seven seas that you are without peer in the brotherhood of the sea.”
Homecoming is an annual event at Maine Maritime that brings together the current students of the Academy with the alumni. It gives the alumni the opportunity to catch up on present day activities, see changes to the school that have occurred over the years, reminisce with old classmates, and share with today's students what life is really like on the open seas.

It is a time when past experiences combine with new memories in the making. The alumni look back on their college years, while the current students look to their own futures.

Maine Maritime Academy Homecoming is certainly a special time for all.
Family Weekend

Top Left: Jason Riedinger leading the MMA band
Middle Left: Red tags rule!
Bottom Left: Formed up and ready to roll!
Top Right: Kinlein prepping his mugs for the big race
Bottom Right: The Drill Team parading the flag (and the re-dedication of the gun)

Family Weekend is the time when the training of the MTO's and the ROO has its ultimate rewards. The MUG's are finally accepted into the Regiment as true and loyal midshipmen.

Regimental Preparatory Training Honor Company is named at the march-on ceremony, an honor which all the mugs strive for.

Also, family and friends come to see the students in what has become their natural habitat!
Maine Maritime Academy, founded in 1941, has earned a worldwide reputation for the quality of its educational programs in engineering, management, logistics, and the nautical and ocean sciences. This new training vessel continues a tradition of ships voyaging to world ports from as far south as Rio de Janeiro to as far north as St. Petersburg, Russia. Annual training cruises are a requirement for those students studying for a U.S. Coast Guard license as a third mate or third assistant engineer and are a vital part of the Maine Maritime experience. The fourth vessel to bear the name State of Maine, she is a proud symbol of Maine and its heritage of the sea.
As Charles Dickens once wrote, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." The summer cruise of '97 offered a spectrum of experiences that were both challenging and rewarding. Cruise '97 began on June 5th at 1200 hours after various delays in the shipyard, and ten days later the ship was ready to sail. In the predawn hours of Friday the 13th, in the midst of tempestuous rain, lightening and thunder, the new T.V. State of Maine set forth on her maiden voyage bound for the Bermuda Triangle. While sailing to Bermuda, some of the advantages of this ship versus our old training vessel began to surface. The new T.V. State of Maine has far better berthing, lounges for both the under and upper class, and a classroom area capable of holding four independent lectures at any given time. Soon after the ship pulled into Bermuda, there were middens on mopeds as far as the eye could see! Bermuda offered a wide variety of fun in the sun, as well as an attractive night life. Three days later the ship set sail for Halifax, Nova Scotia. Halifax was an interesting city with a great deal of culture. As we were underway to Bar Harbor for a 4th of July celebration, the ship suffered a mechanical casualty early one morning. Because of this, the ship was forced to sail to threebar, drop anchor, and wait for a M.A.K. representative. Fortunately the fireworks were still in sight from Castine, Southport, and Belfast. Over the next few days we had a few cookouts, some musical entertainment by Prof. Haghakdan, and even a fishing tournament! Five days after anchoring, the main engine was repaired. The T.V. State of Maine then sailed on her own power into Castine to end Part I of Cruise '97. Congratulations to all of the midshipmen and faculty who struggled to transform the USNS Tanner into the T.V. State of Maine. In the words of our Commandant and Port Captain, "The midshipmen rose to the occasion and exceeded expectations." We, the midshipmen who sailed on the T.V. State of Maine's (USNS Tanner) inaugural cruise, are now her Plank owners. A Plank owner is a member of a new ship's first crew. It's an honored title to have in conjunction with any vessel, especially with the most technologically advanced training vessel in the Merchant Marine. It was a shakedown cruise full of problems and troubleshooting, but together with the ship's crew and faculty, we overcame. Cruise '97 Part I may not have been an "easy cruise", but the experience and rewards that we gained were invaluable.

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Mike Brimmer
Regimental Commander 1997
Winter Cruise 1997-1998

At last, some time to relax

Ahhh, the Atlantic in December

Brown, Hochhaus, and Geary pose for the camera

Jon O'Rourke, doing his thing

Heads up!!

It was snowing in Maine, but look where we were!

Overlooking the city

The port of Puerto Rico

Four wheeling on the beautiful beaches of Puerto Rico

Overlooking the city

Special Events 105
Clubs and Organizations

Clubs at MMA provide the student body with an outlet from the normal routine. Throughout the year they make themselves known both on and off campus through projects and meetings. The clubs here at MMA are not necessarily bound by the isolation of Castine; traveling as far as Vermont or staying as close as Fort George, they provide the highest level of interaction between students and organizations from other schools. Clubs bring the students together both socially and professionally, keeping life running smoothly on campus. Clubs are yet another way students here at the Academy can get valuable leadership and social skills.
American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers

The student chapters of ASME and SNAME here at MMA actively seek out opportunities for its members to gain practical project experience, make connections with businesses, and enhance their leadership skills which will benefit their careers.

Field trips and presentations both on and off campus increase the members' awareness of the newest technology in industry.

Alpha Phi Omega

Alpha Phi Omega (APO) is the largest co-ed service fraternity in the world, with more than 300 chapters and 5,000 brothers.

The Epsilon chapter here at MMA has more than 50 brothers and participates in more than 1,000 hours of service to the campus and community each year. The service projects include Klondike Derby (Boy Scout weekend), Girl Scout Weekend, the Castine Halloween Party and Haunted House, Penobscot Nursing Home visits, and blood drives.

The Members want to give a special thanks to Mrs. "T" for all the help, support, and inspiration she has given us throughout the years.

Drama Club

Front Row: Allycia Drapeau, Michelle Levesque, Chad Warren, Lesli Farr
Back Row: Keith Sebastian, Lars Lone, Vanessa Pinkham, Heather Robertson

1997 T/V State of Maine Emergency Squad

Front Row: Peter Tetrev, Ryan Linguiti, Ryan Bolduc, Daniel Tyson, Matt Meskun, Tom Brown, Adam Philbrook
Back Row: Logan Johnsen, Andros Kypragoras, Sol Kolhaas, Thomas Sharp, Steven Britton, Andrew Hochhaus, Jay Stewart
**Gamer’s Guild**

The Gamer’s Guild is a new club here at MMA, formed by a group of students who want to compile a variety of games for use by the members of the club and the Academy as a whole.

Pictured: Lesli Farr and Carl Bolden

**Hockey Club**

With the start of the 97/98 season, the hockey club will see a lot of new faces, as well as a lot of older ones. Returning defensive stars from last year are Derrick Gallant, and the dynamic duo Shane Lupardo and Mike Couture. Returning offensive stars are Josh Hebert, Chris Degen, and Rick Pouliot. With this season comes a more organized team with hopes to improve on last years record of 3 wins and 4 losses. As each year comes and goes the club seems to be getting stronger and stronger. With the additions of Dr. Ellis as the club advisor/coach, the team seems to be getting more popular with the student body. Again, the club will be in a tough league, but the players and coaches will pull through to have another successful year.

Pictured: Coach Ellis, Chris Degen, Aaron Coy, Chad Eslin

**Social Planning Board**

The Social Planning Board is made up of the vice presidents of each class and several “Members at Large” from the student body, and is chaired by the vice president of the student government. Whether it be a small band, a movie, or a comedian, there is almost always something to do/see here at MMA. The Social Planning Board worked hard to keep acts booked.

We began the year with our annual “Welcome Back” event featuring Percy Hill. Hypnotist Ronni Romm always seems to be a hit and “Wednesday Night at the Waypoint” series kept the work week broken up.

L to R: Scott Driscoll, Josh Fields, Kevin Cross

**Student Government**

Student Government is the ‘voice’ of the students, with the officers acting as a liaison to the administration. They also work diligently to implement new programs and to address any concerns of the student body. All students are encouraged to attend meetings and provide input.

Back Row: Harold Wagastaff, President; Matthew Cegelske, Treasurer
Front Row: Lesli Farr, Secretary; Kevin Cross, Vice President
Class of 2001 Officers

From L-R: Carrie Ouellette, Secretary; William Adams, Treasurer; Scott Driscoll, Vice President; Nick Schindler, President

Trick's End Yearbook

Row 1: Chris Giggi, Donna Couture, Lesli Farr
Row 2: Steve Kuzirian, Melissa Comiciotto, Joe Valliere

Thank you to the students who donated their time and efforts to make this yearbook a reality, especially Lesli Farr, Melissa Comiciotto and Donna Couture; these three ladies put in a lot of extra time and effort, and it is greatly appreciated.

The 1997-98 year once again proved to be an outstanding one for MMA athletics. The student body was extremely supportive of the athletes here in Castine and elsewhere. The Mariners traveled all over Maine, as well as other New England states and beyond, to compete among other division 3 schools. They represented both themselves and the school in an outstanding fashion. Our student athletes excelled on the playing field in addition to their classes and other various activities, and more successes are to come in the future.

Great Job MMA Athletes!!!
WHAT A FINISH!!!

The Mariners finished the 1997 campaign with four straight wins and set seven school records in the process. Four seniors will leave the team this year and will be hard to replace.

Co-Captain Mike Geyer, a four year starter for the Mariners earned NEFC and ECAC offensive “Rookie of the Year” honors as a freshman quarterback. After a move to defensive back, he continued his reputation as one of the best in the conference, being named to the 1-Conference team as a sophomore & junior and being selected unanimous 1st team All-Conference free safety this season. Mike holds the school record for “Hammer Awards” in a season with five and in a career with eight.

Co-Captain Chris Bolduc was a three year starter at fullback and a four year letterman. This season rushed for 471 yards on 86 carries averaging 5.5 yards per carry. Chris was selected to participate in the CAA’s Youth Education Through Sport clinic held at the Division III national championship game in Salem, VA.

Tackle Matt Hoyt distinguished himself by earning unanimous 1st team All-Conference honors and being selected to receive the Paul Chalmers” Award for the New England Football Conference student-athlete of the year. This marks the second year in a row a Mariner has won this award.

Chris Paquette finished the season as the starting tight end and punter. He scored the Mariners first passing touchdown of the season vs. Bridgewater State and also caught a touchdown pass in the win over Framingham State.

Several underclassmen distinguished themselves this season with All-Conference honors. Record-setting tailback Steve Tardif continued his progress in his sophomore campaign, again earning 1st team All-Conference honors and finishing 6th in the nation in rushing. He set an NEFC record for carries in a season with 342 and tied the school record for most 100-yard games in a season with nine. Junior defensive tackle Rob Cody was also selected unanimously to the All Conference 1st team. Sophomore tackle Rob Hill was listed as second team All-Conference selection, as was freshman guard Brandon Haney.

School records were set for most points in a game by both teams in the 54-28 win over Westfield State. Also in that game, school records for most touchdowns in a game and most passing touchdowns in a game were set. Sophomore quarterback Eric Spaulding set the school record for touchdown passes in a game with five, and freshman receiver Chris Pelletier tied the school record for TD catches in a game with three.
1997 Men's Soccer

The Mariners posted an impressive 13-7-0 record for the 1997 campaign. A very productive offense was the key to the team's success. Maine Maritime led all state colleges by scoring 2.7 goals a game for a high total of 54. Farhan Zbairan led the team and the state in scoring. Zbairan posted 17 goals and 11 assists for 45 points. Angelo Rizzitello had a good season by scoring 8 goals and 5 assists for 21 points. The team tied a school record for most wins in a season with 13. Big wins include a 3-2 victory over Husson College in the first Penobscot Cup, a 3-2 decision over Presque Isle, and a 6-4 triumph over Thomas College. Jamie Leveille, Mark Thibodeau, Marc Babine, Seth Brown, and Derek Cutilin were all selected to play in the Maine Senior All-Star game.

Coach Bill Ashby

1997 Women's Soccer

1997 saw the Maine Maritime Women's Soccer team take the field for the first time in school history. A limited schedule of seven games gave the Mariners an opportunity to try the competitive waters of college soccer; a very pleasing record of 2-5 was posted by the first women's team. The team picked up its first win in its first try by beating the College of the Atlantic 1-0 on an Ashly Tardif goal. The team posted its second win over the University of Maine at Fort Kent with a 3-2 victory. Reida Taha had the "Hat Trick" to secure the win for MMA. The team also tasted post season play in the newly formed North Atlantic Women's Conference.
Men's Varsity Cross Country

This year's record number of runners performed remarkably well at their level of competition. The whole team deserves congratulations for their efforts, especially Jason Grabelle for his win at St. Joseph's College. Special congratulations again to Jason and to Craig Myster for their selection to the 1997 Dirigo Cup All-Star team.

I would like to thank Coach Cote for the dedication and commitment that he has devoted to Cross Country. His leadership and ability as a coach has allowed us to develop as runners and as a team. Thanks also goes to Coach Ellis who tried something new, put up with us, and inspired the team with his attire. I hope you continue to support the sport. Lastly, I should like to thank the Women's team for their support of us when we needed it most. Congratulations on your Conference Championship! Captain, Men's Team

Women's Varsity Cross Country

In our second year as a varsity sport, the Lady Mariners cross country team saw great improvement and substantial victories. While injuries plagued several runners throughout the season, they pushed forward, continuously improving race times as the year went on. With the encouragement of the coaching staff and men's team, the Lady Mariners stood tall as champions of the newly formed North Atlantic Women's Conference.

The women also brought home three individual awards from the NAWC Conference meet, with Rosita Rivera finishing second overall, Vanessa Pinkham taking fourth place honors, and Jody Katrein placing fifth. Pinkham's speed and determination also brought her a fourth place individual award at the St. Joseph's College Invitational. With several runners returning, the team is looking forward to continued improvement and success. Captain Jody Katrein
The 1997-98 Varsity Sailing Team had a large turn out, filling the entire fleet. In addition to the COED Team led by Capt. Nick Brower, this year marked the first full season for the Women's Varsity Sailing Team. Women sailors led by Rani Nathan, during this first campaign included skippers Michelle Lagree, Kelly Poole, and Vicki Jones, with crews Carrie Ouellette, Rebecca Maynard, Laddie Dunn, and Tori Denaissen.

The COED Team won the New England Series 5 at UNH when Adam Seaman, with crew Andros Kypragas, was low point for B Division and overall for the Regatta, and Jay Stewart with crew Sal Zichichi tied for low point in A Division. The Team also placed second in the Wellahan-Casco Bay Cup at USM when John Dos Santos, with crew Mari Beatty, was low point in B Division and Jay Stewart with crew Karl Picard sailed in A Division.

The Summer Sailing Skipper Mike Patterson with crew Jim Pearson, John Love, Dan Tyson, Brian Walls, Frank Welsh, Eric Osinski, Eric Jergensen, Peter Tetreau, and Aimil Greenwood campaigned MADCAP in the Gulf of Maine during the summer. They placed first in the race of the Down East Race Week and placed several seconds and thirds during the season. They placed 6th out of 12 at the PHRF New England Championship in Marblehead. MADCAP also placed fourth in the Monhegan Island Race.

The 1997-98 season was a combination of continued improvement and firsts for the Mariner Men's Basketball. Led by senior co-captains Chris Beeler of Lindenwold, New Jersey and Jack Kelly of Hampden, Maine, the Mariners moved another giant step closer to being regionally and nationally competitive. Beeler completed a stellar four years by putting all of the Academy's career rebounding records well out of reach. And, Kelly became one of the all-time leading scorers by easily surpassing the 1,000 point plateau.

The Mariners' improvement was recognized and confirmed by their selection to compete in the "Maine Event IV", one of a kind tournament showcasing many of the state's top small college teams. Another reward for the team's progress was the inclusion into the Maine Athletic Conference beginning in the 1998-99 season. Membership in the conference guarantees participation in their post season tournament.

The future looks bright, as a talented and committed sophomore class returns next year to provide the foundation for even bigger and better things.
Lady Mariner Basketball


Women's basketball jumped aboard the Maine Maritime Academy athletic ship in 1995 as a club sport and was quickly elevated to varsity for the 1996-97 season. Competing as the first ever varsity women's sport, the Lady Mariners finished the season at 5-17. The Lady Mariners are now members of the newly formed North Atlantic Women's Conference. The member institutions are Bay Path College, Lasell College, Lesley College, Maine Maritime Academy, Mass College of Pharmacy and Wheelock College.

With three returning starters and two talented freshmen in the starting lineup, the 1997-98 season looks to be a promising one. Vanessa LeBlond, a sophomore tri-captain, leads the Lady Mariners in scoring and rebounding, with 15.5 ppg and 12.5 rpg in 1996-97. She also was the State's leading rebounder among all DIII schools. Robin Merrill, a junior tri-captain, ran a close second on the team in scoring and rebounding. Lindsay Smith, a sophomore tri-captain, led the team in assists and steals. Joining the starting lineup will be Monica Ratliff, a quick and smart point guard from Mt. Abram High School, and power forward Stacey Ryan from Lawrence High School. Looking to make an impact off the bench will be a speedy guard, Emily Pratt, from Foxcroft Academy and a shot blocking post, Vicki Jones, from Nokomis High School.

Lacrosse

The 1998 Mariner Lacrosse season appears to be one of great promise. Beginning its sixth varsity season at the NCAA Division III level, the program is focused on one goal: to build a tradition of excellence. Spearheading that effort is a brand new coaching staff composed of head coach Roger Casciani (Gettysburg '64) and assistant coach Darren Johnson (Manhattan '97). Together the coaching staff will work to build a strong foundation from which the program can rise to the elite of New England Lacrosse.

With a strong core of returning players, the team hopes to improve upon its 1997 record of 4-6. Leading the offensive charge will be senior attackman Sean Gallivan. In 1997 Gallivan was the second leading scorer on the squad, totalling 29 points. On offense, the team also returns junior Midfielders Nate Bartlett, James O'Donnell, and Justin Thone. Newcomers on offense that should see some considerable playing time are Scott Driscoll and Adam Grace.

On defense the Mariners return Randall Bish as goalie. Bish last year had over 150 saves in net. Defensemen include senior Derek Gallant and junior Craig Fortin. All together the defense should be quite solid, with the mixture of veterans and the addition of new players such as Scott Colby.

The Mariners will face a tough schedule in 1998 with the likes of Bates, Kings Point, and UMASS-Boston. However, with a seasoned group of returning players and a talented freshman recruiting class, expectations are high for a successful season. The 1998 season proves to be a turn around year for the Maine Maritime Academy Lacrosse program.
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A big thank you to all the companies & organizations who have sponsored this edition of MMA’s Trick’s End yearbook.

Without your support, the students would not have this important piece of history, which they will cherish for all the years to come.

Again, thank you.
A 5-day school strike in Ontario, Canada, affects 2.1 million students. Late in October, 128,000 teachers walk out to protest a controversial bill that would alter educational funding and centralize government control of education.

Governments and businesses worldwide race to remedy the "Year 2000" problem. Unless key computer systems are reprogrammed to recognize dates in the new century the world faces the threat of catastrophic failure in critical areas like banking, air safety, public utilities and defense.

The remains of Ernesto "Che" Guevara, martyred Marxist revolutionary, are laid to rest in Cuba in October, 30 years after his execution in Bolivia, where his bones recently had been found.

In June, shortly before Diana's death, an auction of 79 of her evening gowns raises $3.26 million for AIDS and cancer charities. Top price paid for a single gown: $222,500.

President Jiang Zemin of China meets with President Bill Clinton in October, the first visit in 12 years of a Chinese leader to the U.S. During his stay, demonstrators protest China's treatment of Tibet.

Diana, Princess of Wales, one of the world's most famous and admired women, dies at 36 in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31.

One of the most poignant images of Diana's funeral: her young sons following her coffin into Westminster Abbey.

In May 1997, Tony Blair's Liberal Party leader Tony Blair's landslide election in May 1997 succumbs the Conservative and makes Blair, at 44, Britain's youngest prime minister in 185 years.

Flu, drought and malnourishment in North Korea create a severe famine. As many as a million North Koreans die of starvation.

The death of "the people's princess" generates an emotional outpouring of love and grief, evidenced by floral tributes heaped at Diana's Kensington Palace home.

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Once mighty Apple Computer is close to failure when archrival Bill Gates of Microsoft "rescues" it with a $150 million bailout in August. The event opens a new era of cooperation between formerly fierce competitors.

British nanny Louise Woodward, 19, is convicted in Massachusetts of murdering a child in her care. The judge later reduces the charge to involuntary manslaughter and releases her.

Americans join "Stop the Violence" campaigns nationwide in an attempt to generate awareness of and solutions to the problem of violence in America.

Attorney General Janet Reno refuses to name an independent prosecutor to investigate Clinton administration fundraising, causing friction with FBI Director Louis Freeh.

British singer George Michael is arrested in Los Angeles on drug charges. Michael later pleads no contest to drug possession and is placed on probation.

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On July 19, following a "summer heat wave," Amanda Knox is arrested in Italy in connection with the murder of her roommate. Knox is later released, and the case remains pending.

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Russia's aging Mir space station collides with an unmanned supply vehicle in June and is seriously damaged. This is only one in a series of crises casting doubt on the viability of the station.

Research produces medical breakthroughs, including a genetically engineered "bullet" molecule being tested to fight cancer and new drugs to control or prevent Parkinson's disease, osteoporosis and congestive heart failure.

Viewers worldwide see the first ever high resolution color pictures of Mars when the Pathfinder spacecraft lands July 4. The lander and its rover, Sojourner, collect and transmit extraordinary data for three months.

For $13.6 million, Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History buys "Sue," the most complete Tyrannosaurus rex ever discovered. The sale occurs October 4 at Sotheby's in New York.

In September, off-shore areas of petrified dinosaur eggs found in China reveal a dinosaur embryo.

In December, 159 nations gather in Kyoto, Japan, and negotiate a global treaty to combat global warming by reducing greenhouse gases.

In December, Scottish scientists in February 1997 announce the world's first cloning of an adult mammal. The sheep, named Dolly, fuels controversy over possible misuse of the technology.

Aided by the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers discover the Pistol Star— the brightest star yet observed in the Milky Way. The Pistol Star is 25,000 light years from Earth.

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On October 13, the British jet car Thrust SSC becomes the first vehicle to break the sound barrier on land, traveling 763.045 miles per hour at the Nevada desert.

Flash that converts a fuel's energy directly into electricity is being developed for use in cars, making possible an efficient, low-emission car of the future.

The Food and Drug Administration approves a dental laser for treating cavities. Unlike traditional dental drills, the laser in most cases causes virtually no discomfort.

The popular diet regimen re-phen is pulled off the market in September. The combination of fenfluramine and phentermine is shown to cause heart valve disorders, as is the diet drug Redux, also recalled.

A protestor simultaneously attempts to prevent the October launch of NASA's Cassini spacecraft to Saturn, fearing an accident could shower the Earth with the rocket's radioactive plutonium.

French oceanographer and award-winning filmmaker Jacques Cousteau dies in June at 87. His work gained renown through the popular television series "The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau."
People, a monthly magazine for and about teenagers, premiered in February 1998.

Cosmetics is glowing, sparkling and colorful. Riding this wave, cosmetics giant Christian Dior introduces Mascara Flash, temporary hair color in a variety of outrageous tints.

In October, a cybershion show at the MIT Media Lab Wearable Symposium features clothes with built-in computer designs and electronic hardware. MIT students designed the high-tech leekom.

Princess Diana tribute merchandise abounds, including a double CD set with a new Beatles baby named Princesa, a new papal hair adornment with rose. Profits benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.

Fashion looks to Far East. The shock of hair, a dramatic accent worn in the middle of the forehead, is popularized by Gwen Stefani, lead singer of the band No Doubt.

Popular board games appear on CD-ROM in an ever-growing number, including interactive favorites Monopolv, Scrabble, Sorry, Risk and Boggle.

A new $1 bill featuring a larger, off-center portrait of President Ulysses S. Grant is unveiled in October. Design details make the bill more difficult to forge.

Canada issues a Superman postage stamp series that includes a 65-cent stamp featuring the not-so-secret, comic-book icon of Superman.
The West World, Steven Spielberg's sequel, breaks summer box-office records. It earns $229 million in the U.S.

Gino Mifsud's shooting script for Fox's new animated show "King of the Hill," which focuses on the lives of a propane dealer from Texas and his family, becomes a smash hit.

ABC's gritty police drama "NYPD Blue" remains one of the most popular one-hour dramas on television in 1997, capturing four Emmy Awards.

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Horror films draw teenagers to the box office. "Summer," starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Sarah Michelle Gellar, is one of the year's biggest attractions.

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Religion is a common theme on eight fall season network TV shows inspired by the success of CBS' "Touched by an Angel," starring Roma Downey, Stella Stevens, and John Dye. New programs include ABC's "Nothing Sacred," and "Terror Angels."

"Trains" is a huge critical and box-office success. The movie event of the year, this $80 million picture is the most crowded in history. After 45 days in theaters, "Trains" had earned $188 million.

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Country music superstar Garth Brooks releases Sevens, his first album in two years. The album sells 800,000 copies the first week.

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The album No Roy Aid by Puff Daddy & The Family goes multiplatinum. Puff's single "I'll Be Missing You," an elegy to his friend the Notorious B.I.G., also tops the charts.

Third Eye Blind, after several years in San Francisco's underground music scene, punk-big time in 1997. Their song "Semi-Charmed Life" is listed as the top-selling modern rock single for 1997 in Billboard magazine.

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Quarterback John Elway leads the Denver Broncos to a 31-24 victory over the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII in San Diego, January 25, 1998. It is Elway’s first Super Bowl win in four appearances.

Pittsburgh Penguins’ Mario Lemieux retires in April 1997 after a spectacular comeback from Hodgkin’s disease and injury. Lemieux is elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in September.

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Tiger Woods, 21, becomes the youngest golfer ever to win the Masters Tournament. His 18-under-par score sets a Masters record. Woods wins 3 other tournaments and sets a PGA Tour earnings record of $2.1 million for the season.

Mike Tyson loses off part of his Baddest Fighter’s ear and is disqualified in the WBA Heavyweight title bout in 1997. Tyson is fined nearly $2 million and his boxing license is revoked.

In its debut season, the WNBA exceeds all league expectations for success. The Houston Comets’ championship win over the New York Liberty caps the 1997 season.
Chelsea Clinton begins her freshman year at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. Despite security measures, she reportedly will lead as normal a college life as possible.

American Jody Williams and the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines are awarded the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize in October. The U.S. and China refuse to sign an international treaty that would ban land mines.

Miss Illinois, Katherine Shindle, is crowned Miss America 1998. For the first time in its 77-year history, the pageant allows contestants to wear two-piece swimsuits in competition.

Ted Turner, vice chairman of the Time Warner media empire, pledges $1 billion to United Nations programs. It is the largest single gift in philanthropic history.

For the first time, a computer beats a world chess champion when IBM's Deep Blue beats Russian Garry Kasparov in a six-game match in May.

Beloved actor Jimmy Stewart dies in July at 88. Stewart's enduring nice-guy popularity is exemplified by It's a Wonderful Life, his 1946 movie that is now an American cultural icon.

Roman Catholic nun Mother Teresa of Calcutta dies in September at the age of 87. Revered for a lifetime of helping the poor, her many honors include the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize.

Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, appears in ads as a spokesperson for Weight Watchers International. She is the former wife of England's Prince Andrew.

One of the worst natural disasters to occur in recent history swept over the northeastern states on January 5, 1998. A five-day storm of rain and ice broke branches and toppled entire trees, downing power and telephone lines along with them. Emergency shelters opened to alleviate the plight of residents. Some areas were without power for only a few days but others were not as fortunate. The widespread path of devastation and destruction meant that utility companies had to call for help from companies farther south. Despite the tireless efforts by power crews, many areas were without power for two weeks, parts of eastern Canada were crippled for a month.

It was a time of community—a coming together to help each other endure and even overcome the great Ice Storm of '98.
Maine Declared A National Disaster Area

A Storm Beyond Compare

Five days of freezing rain left everything coated in thick ice. Trees and poles snapped like toothpicks. "It sounded and looked like a war zone," said Lori Hamor, yearbook advisor from Messalonskee High School in Oakland, Maine.

According to Central Maine Power, over 523,000 residents in the state lost power, affecting over 340,000 households. There were twenty-six hundred utility poles replaced and two to three million feet of wire or cable restrung on them. Fifteen of the sixteen counties in Maine were declared disaster areas.

Luckily, many "Mainers" could revert to wood stoves for heat. Generators were in great demand also as people rushed to buy them to make their own power.

The National Guard clears trees in Winslow, ME

Vice-President Al Gore arrives in Maine to survey the storm damage with Governor Angus King. They announced that the federal government would extend at least twenty-eight million dollars in disaster relief to individuals and small businesses in Maine.

One way to get rid of all the ice: cut it.

There was beauty despite the widespread destruction.

A typical view of the ice storm damage. Motorists veer around trees and downed lines on the road. With falling limbs an ever-present threat, many "leaped for their lives." And stories of near misses were prevalent. Special thanks go out to the line crews from CMP who worked tirelessly to restore Power to the region. With the assistance of the out-of-state crews, CMP was able to accelerate the recovery process.

A scene from Oakland, Maine.

Neighbors helping neighbors was a common sight. Healing homes was a massive job.
Scenes from other New England states show that this storm had a widespread effect on hundreds of thousands of people. The broken trees will be a constant reminder of this destructive storm for years to come. Especially hard-hit were the maple syrup farmers who livelihoods depend on these maple trees. With this year’s crop essentially ruined, fears about future production haunt the farmers’ thoughts.
Northern New York Devastated

Upstate New York Held Hostage

The devastation from this storm was unimaginable in upstate New York. For five days the mercury hovered just above the freezing mark and the sleet and rain continued to fall until the ice build-up reached incredible proportions.

Trees brought everything to a halt. Students, on Christmas break, never thought that the break would last until January 20. Folks worked together to help those around them. People arrived from all parts of the country to donate food, blankets, generators and their time.

While it was a near miss for this shed, many other structures suffered severe damage. Millions of dollars in damages resulted from the weight of the ice and falling trees and branches—some of which even crushed items inside.

Roads were impassable due to downed trees and lines.

A remnant of last year’s crop, the apple bough encased in ice on a branch in Adams, New York.

Berries frozen in time in Sackets Harbor, NY.

Sara and Anna Basarova display yellow branches impaled with ice.

While working together using power tools, teachers served as an emergency shelter.

A pole snapped over Rt. 12E. in Ogdensburg, New York.

"Helping hands" to a shelter at the Belleville Henderson School, Sacketsville, New York.
Memories That Will Linger

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We are confident that these pages will serve as mementos of the worst natural disaster to hit New England in recent history for the people who overcome it.