

Prasanth

President-

Prasanth Prasanna (1996) – MSSM has always been a huge part of my life since I graduated, and I'm thrilled to be part of the creation of the Alumni Association so far. As such I wish to continue serving the Association as its first President. I hope to move the Association forward, both to serve you, the members, and our future members currently at school. MSSM is a unique experience that has enriched all our lives and is an important part of Maine's future. I look forward to bringing the Association into its next phase of development.

Vice President-

Erich Hunter- Erich Hunter is a 1996 graduate from the Maine School of Science and Mathematics. After a year of Post Graduate studies, he attended Rutgers University as a Biology Major. A firm believer in asymmetric learning and career paths, he left academia spent the next 5 years serving in the US Army; providing political analysis, training, and security evaluation to assignments in Arizona and California. Leaving the Army, he has since acted as a technical writer for a nationwide federal contractor and spent time in radio marketing and sales. Erich currently manages a statewide annual capital campaign raising half a million dollars for charities worldwide. He enjoys recreational graphic design, running with the Hash House Harriers, and building mammoth forts in the snow with his two children. A vote for Erich is a vote for large obnoxious hats at all Alumni Association meetings.

Treasurer-none

Secretary-Gretchen Perry- After graduating from MSSM in 1997 I spent a year in Arizona studying astronomy, then moved to UMass Amherst where I got bachelors degrees in Astronomy and Archaeology. After 2 years of non-degree graduate work I moved to NH. I'm hopefully starting graduate school in the Boston area next fall after spending 4 years as a manager for Barnes & Noble. I'm excited to be a part of the alumni association and to help keep all of our alumni in contact with each other and the school.

Region 1 Chair-

Angie Whaler

Erich Hunter

Region 1 Council-

Seth Dresser

#### Region 2 Chair-

Ethan Bagley-I'm currently working as a test and quality engineer for iRobot in Bedford, MA, and recently completed my MS in Mechanical Engineering. During my time since MSSM, I have continued to be in close contact with many alumni both in the northeast US, as well as the rest of the nation. I have also worked to provide the school with robotic equipment whenever possible.

I feel that I can bring a positive, social message to the alumni living in the region. By that, I mean I will gladly work towards providing alumni opportunities to get together, network and reminisce. Additionally, I will help provide the school more opportunities however possible through my work, whether it be at this position or any other.

#### Region 2 Council-

Nicole Grohoski-After graduating from the MSSM in 2001, I attended Middlebury College in Vermont, where I received a degree in Environmental Studies and Chemistry in 2005. I have since lived in Maine working at a community-based GIS non-profit and in Vermont teaching geographic analysis at Middlebury College and now studying phosphorus pollution to Lake Champlain using GIS. I feel most at home romping around the woods, mountains, and rivers of New England. As a member of the Region 2 Council, I hope to help alumni connect to each other for academic support, business ventures, or just to have some fun. We're a unique group of folks who can support each other in our pursuits as well as the MSSM as it continues to provide top-notch education to Mainers. I'd love to start by tracking down (stalking) alumni to add to a comprehensive and alumni-accessible database and organizing a few social and visioning gatherings (parties) for Region 2ers. And then, who knows? The future is ours...

Amy Bigelow- Since completing my last two years of high school at MSSM, the past nine years of my life have been a succession of adventures in small startups in out of the way places with really smart, quirky people. These programs have shaped me and defined my adult life: MathPath—the middle school version of Canada/USA Math Camp, Math in Moscow, Svetlana Village – an international organic farm for adults with disabilities in Russia, and now teaching math (and treasure hunting, logic, code breaking, and bread baking) at Franklin Academy – a school in its seventh year with 75 special-ed students. Running into MSSM alums has been an equally invigorating experience and a continual reminder of my fondness for our haven in Limestone. I ended up talking for hours with “Mad Dog” Matt at prospective weekend at UChicago, strolling through a park with Lisa Smith as we both

planned our returns from Louisville back to New England, e-mailing Mr. Farrell at Andover to share a Pi Day music video I had created, and taking a Group Theory class with former physics teacher Chris Ritacco. As the Festivus and Moxie Weekend gatherings have slowed every year, I'm still eager to reunite with the MSSM crew and ensure that it remains such a cherished place for nerds to come. I'm also a dedicated fan of the US Postal Service.

#### Region 3 Chair-

Dana Chin-

1997 - MSSM by way of Mt. Blue High School

1999 - My brother Shawn graduates from MSSM

2001 - BS Computer Engineering Lehigh University

2003 - Goldman Sachs (NYC & London) 2001

2003 - DJ at some really crap bars in NYC

2004 - Start a jewelry design firm with College roommate

2005 - Learn its hard to get other ppl to make your designs

2006 - start our own shop & studio

2006 - launch "BYLU by ken & dana" fine jewelry label

2008 - launch "b-side by ken & dana" fashion jewelry label

NOW - Ken & dana design still around and kicking

I think its safe to say we all credit our MSSM time with significantly contributing to who we are today and we all wish to make sure other kids around Maine continue to get a chance to be a part of the MSSM family. Networking and Alumni are a huge part of why I went to Lehigh and continue to play a large role in my current business.... So lets get this puppy going. [www.kenanddanadesign.com](http://www.kenanddanadesign.com)

Region 3 Council-Melissa Curtis-I spent 5 years at the University of Maine, graduating with a B.S. in Business Administration, concentration in Marketing in 2004. I moved to Erie, PA right after graduation and have been here ever since. I've been working for the same company since I came to the city and am now the Inside Sales Manager at that company, Anixter Fasteners.

#### Region 4 Chair-

Prathima Prasanna -My name is Prathima Prasanna and I graduated in the 3rd class from MSSM (1998). Over the years, my brother, Prasanth and I have watched as various issues of location, diplomacy and curriculum have affected the school. Now that the MSSM has seen over 10 years of graduates, its a wonderful time to develop a strong alumni association. My hope is that with other alumni, we can create a strong foundation for the alumni association. As one of the top schools in the country, it's important to create not only a local, maine-based network, but rather a nationwide network that alumni and students can

rely on. I hope this association can help to create alumni interactions through various networking events as well as keep alumni updated on the current progress of MSSM. Although I'm new to Texas (region 4), I'll work hard to create an association that will be useful for all MSSM's alumni.

James Havu  
Nick Mauro

Region 4 Council-  
Caitlin Cloud

Region 5 Chair-

Angie Dinsmore- I am a 1997 graduate of MSSM. I hold a B.S. in chemical engineering from UMaine. Following graduation I packed up my life in Maine and moved to Ogden, UT (45 minutes north of Salt Lake) to work for Thiokol (ATK Space Systems now). I've been with ATK for seven years holding engineering positions on the space shuttle solid rocket booster liner (the glue holding the propellant to the case), military flares for lighting up battle fields during the day and night, the integration of Ares I-X (NASA's new test rocket motor that successfully launched in October 2009), and currently moving ATK forward to be a leader in the development of new products. I hold an MBA from Weber State (in northern Utah), and have almost completed a System's Engineering certificate at the University of Utah. Since moving to Utah, I've fallen in love with the mountains. I spend my winters snowboarding at Powder Mountain and my summers golfing and hiking throughout the state. I hold leadership positions in my MBA alumni and homeowners association groups.

I am excited that the MSSM alumni are becoming an organized body. I look forward to reconnecting with classmates and meeting new MSSM alumni in both social and networking situations. Ultimately, I believe our alumni will be able to assist current students in establishing mentors and finding exciting J-term opportunities while offering networking and social opportunities to current and future alumni.

Bob Hanby  
Todd Pellitier

Region 5 Council- none