

## NEWS BITES

### Bond Casino Royale

Sony Pictures is planning a re-release of the James Bond classic, *Casino Royale* some time this Spring. Accompanying the film will be a documentary about its making. Scenes from the movie were filmed on a Paradise Island resort, then owned by Huntington Hartford. The filming was arranged by his brother-in-law, Ivor Bryce, husband of Josephine Hartford Bryce. Sony



has requested use of the photograph above of a Hartford family gathering which was held at the Waldorf Astoria in 1947. **HFF**

### Museum of Arts and Design

Huntington Hartford's Gallery of Modern Art (circa 1950) is being transformed into the new Museum of Art and Design. Located on Manhattan's Columbus Circle, the renovated structure is scheduled to open in fall of 2008. We hope to hold a reunion visit there in the future. **HFF**

## H.F.F. SEEKS TRUSTEES

The Hartford Family Foundation Board of Trustees is looking for a few good men and women to fill vacancies on the Board of Trustees. We also need to elect a Treasurer and a Secretary since two officers have resigned.

The current Board consists of: Jeff Wrightson (President), Mia Switz Halman (Vice President), Bud Lewis, Cynthia McGinnes, Hunter McIntosh, Nuala Pell and Geoff Robertson.

If anyone is interested in volunteering for one of these positions, please contact Avis Anderson at [avisanderson@hartfordfamily.org](mailto:avisanderson@hartfordfamily.org) as soon as possible. We need strong leadership for the organization to continue. **HFF**

## The Hartford Family Foundation

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## THE ROBERTSON FAMILY WILL GET THEIR DAY IN COURT

Led by Bill Robertson, the Robertson family including Anne Robertson Meier and Katherine Robertson Ernst, are suing Princeton University for failing to use the fund established by their parents, Marie and Charles, for the purposes in which it was given. Filed in 2002, Robertson vs. Princeton University is perhaps the largest “donor intent” lawsuit in U. S. history and one of the most important legal cases to affect charitable giving in many decades. The outcome of the lawsuit will likely define “donor intent” in the 21st century.

This past October 25, NJ Superior Court Judge Neil H. Shuster cleared the way for Robertson v. Princeton to go to trial in 2008. The Robertsons have asked the court to remove Princeton from any connection to the Robertson Foundation and its approximately \$880 million endowment. They have also asked the court to order Princeton to return to the Robertson Foundation more than \$200 million in Foundation funds the University improperly diverted to its general fund and to departments unconnected to the Robertson Foundation mission.

In addition, the Robertsons are seeking to recapture the investment return the University earned on the wrongfully diverted funds, estimated between \$300 and \$400 million.

<http://www.robertsonvprinceton.org>



**ROBERTSON v PRINCETON**



In denying Princeton’s claim that the University was the “sole beneficiary” of the gift, Judge Shuster made it clear that if the family proves egregious and nefarious conduct on the part of Princeton, the court would be warranted in divesting Princeton of its control of and involvement in the Robertson Foundation. “The family believes the evidence of such wrongdoing is overwhelming and looks forward to introducing this evidence at a trial,” said the Robertson family’s attorney, Ronald Malone. **HFF**

## HARTFORD MEMORABILIA AT MONMOUTH MUSEUM

The Hartford Family Foundation has lent some items to the Monmouth Museum’s new exhibition, *BLAST OFF! A Space Journey*. One area of the exhibition presents how astronauts prepare for space. It encourages visitors to “shop” for items, like food and supplies. Food packaging samples, a classic A&P shopping cart, and A&P newspaper ads get the visitors in the mood to shop. The exhibition will run through the summer of 2009. **HFF**





## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, here we are as promised, delivering you a family newsletter chock full of interesting tidbits about the greater Hartford clan.

I hope you all enjoyed a pleasant holiday season with friends and family. The holidays afford everyone the opportunity to renew old friendships and catch up with family members. We have always looked to HFF Reunions to accomplish the same goals. Our Reunions have been key in H.F.F.'s mission of keeping the different branches of the family in touch. We want very much to hold a reunion this Spring, but without your participation, it will not be successful. I hope I can count on you to come out and represent your branch of the family.

We all share a fascinating family heritage - one that we can be very proud of. I'm sure as we get to know each other better, we have other things in common to celebrate as well.

So send me an email and let me know that you're coming to New York in June and ready to party with your friends and relatives. Also, check out our new and improved, updated website.

Happy New Year!

—Jeffrey G. Wrightson  
clientone@comcast.net

## H.F.F. PLANS SPRING REUNION

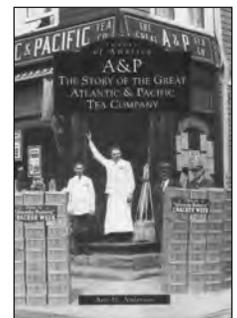
H.F.F. hopes to hold a family reunion celebration this June in New York City. The John A. Hartford Foundation will host the meeting in their Manhattan offices. Activities will include a tour of "Hartford era buildings" and a dinner at a destination yet to be determined.

### MAKE A DATE: JUNE 27-28-29, 2008 - NYC

We are considering the weekend of June 27th, but would like you to email your availability. If that is a good weekend for you to come to New York and meet with us, let us know. We look forward to hearing from you. **HFF**

## A&P HISTORY BOOK STILL AVAILABLE

First released by Arcadia Publishers in October of 2002, *A&P, The Story of The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company* has met with resounding accolades from those who purchased signed copies from H.F.F. The book, written by H.F.F. Executive Director Avis H. Anderson, has received 5 stars from Amazon.com. Autographed copies are still available from H.F.F. for \$25 including postage. **HFF**



## YOLANDA COLLINSON RETIRES

Yolanda Collinson, long-time Treasurer of H.F.F., has resigned as of November 1, 2007. Yolanda graciously volunteered to assume the position of Treasurer after the sudden passing of Heinz Jansen in the early '90s. She has tirelessly maintained the accounts, paid the bills and filed our tax returns for 15 years. She has always attended H.F.F. reunions and participated actively as a Trustee. We look forward to her continuation as a member, and thank her from the bottom of our hearts for her past service. **HFF**



## A MEETING WITH THE JOHN A. HARTFORD FOUNDATION

Avis Anderson and Jeff Wrightson recently had a lunch meeting with Dr. Corinne Reider, Executive Director of the the John A. Hartford Foundation.

As the nation's leading private funder of education and training in aging and health, the John A. Hartford Foundation has committed over \$350 million for geriatric programs during the last 26 years.

Dr. Reider cordially invites you and your families to visit the Foundation offices whenever you are in New York City. **HFF**



HARTFORD FAMILY UPDATE

Congratulation go out to Chee Chee and Charlie McGinnes. Their horse farm, "Thornmar", in Chestertown, MD was named a leading breeder in Maryland for the highest number of winners in 2006. They are ranked in the top fifty breeders in the nation. ■■

Tripler Pell and husband, Tawfik Hammoud are the proud parents of Elias Hartford Hammoud and his little sister Marina.

Tripler is the daughter of Christopher & Janet Pell of Newport, RI. Tripler is a physician finishing her residency training in family medicine.



Tawfik is working for Boston Consulting Group. Elias is learning the alphabet, Marina is learning to crawl, and their puppy is learning not to jump on all of them. ■■

Anne & Walter Meier of Spring Island, SC sent a Christmas card with photos of their children and grandchildren. The Linnartz family of New Canaan, CT are shown at right. Victoria



(Meier) and John are standing with their children, Olivia and Jack.



The Meiers' son Charlie, is shown at left with his wife April and their children, Lily and Deacon. They live in Mt. Pleasant, S.C. ■■

Crystal Duell Munson, daughter of Rachel and John Duell of Cutchogue, NY, and her husband, Michael became the proud parents of Lucy Vail Munson on November 16, 2005. Crystal owns C-Duell Arts Gallery and works as an independent art agent in Boston. Michael is a vice president of Wealth Management with Mellon Bank in Boston. The couple, along with their 13-year-old daughter, Emilie, reside in Duxbury. ■■

Winsome and Michael McIntosh, shown here celebrating with their family, are full of wonderful news of their three sons: Hunter and Amber McIntosh were married on



September 23, 2006. The couple reside in Alexandria, VA and are expecting their first child, a little girl, in March of '08. Mark and Barbara McIntosh welcomed their first child, Ayson Francisco, on April 22 of this year. It is fitting that he was born on Earth Day since his mother is in-house counsel for the League of Conservation Voters and his father is an executive with the National Environmental Trust. Youngest son, Colin, recently graduated with a Masters Degree from the Institute for World Politics in Wash., D.C. ■■

H.F.F. Trustee, Bud Lewis, has moved with his wife Bert to Salado, Texas. They moved from their long-time home in Ridgewood, NJ to be near their son, daughter-in-law and adorable twin granddaughters, pictured at right. Lisa (at left) and Katie are two years old. ■■



Juliet Hartford, youngest daughter of Huntington Hartford, sends regards from Lyford Cay, where she and her father are well and happy, living in the Bahamas. Huntington will celebrate his 97th birthday in April. ■■

Lorri and Bill Gibson have been keeping busy travelling the globe. In July, they celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary by cruising to Scandinavia and Russia aboard the Seabourn Pride. In September, they travelled to England, visiting Devon and Cornwall. On their last night in G.B. they stayed at Oakley Court where the *Rocky Horror Picture Show* was filmed.

Bill has been scuba diving in Palau where he visited the Marine Memorial, built in memory of Lorri's father, Robert W. Besch. It is located on the island of Pelilu where Captain Besch fought with the 1st Marine Division during World War II. A retired special education teacher, Lorri is now involved with the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, DC. When stateside, they are busy decorating their new home in Bernardsville, NJ. ■■

To: Hartford Family Foundation Members  
Re: Membership Renewal

Date: January 2008

Membership for the year 2008 is now due. Please make a copy and fill out this form and return with your check as soon as possible. We cannot continue to provide the services of archive maintenance, newsletter, historical research, and special events like our exhibitions and reunions without family support.

**Please keep us up to date with your address changes and family news.** You can email us photos and news all year long and we can post them on the website's family news page. We would love to hear from you about what is happening in your lives to share with our membership.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Family Membership (parents & children under 21 yrs)      \$ 100 \_\_

(please list members) \_\_\_\_\_

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Individual Membership      \$ 50 \_\_

Student & Senior Citizen      \$ 25 \_\_

Extra Donation (thank you, thank you)      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed:      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Avis H. Anderson, Hartford Family Foundation, P.O. Box 8291, Red Bank, NJ 07701.

Thank you for your continued support.

## HARTFORD FAMILY UPDATE



We were saddened to learn of the death of Bill Vitulli, who died at age 87 in April of 2006. As a 17-year-old bicycle delivery boy for A&P, Bill pedaled around the Bronx delivering groceries. So began a lifelong career that ended in 1997 when Bill retired as Senior Vice President for government and community relations. A former H.F.F. Trustee, Bill and his wife Shirlee, were frequent reunion guests and strong supporters of our activities. Bill was responsible for many donations to our Archives. We will truly miss him. **HFF**

Columbus and Andrea O'Donnell send news of their family from England. Columbus celebrated his 80th birthday by doing the Cresta Run three times. Andrea is running the family estate in Oxton. Eldest daughter, Iona, has just finished her first term at Lake Forest College where she received an art scholarship. Their son James has begun a one year training course in shopping center and commercial property management with the AAC Group in Charlotte, NC. Daughter, Alannah, is now at

Bilton Grange School in Rugby and will attend Oakham, her senior school in September. Over the Christmas holidays, she trained with the Kandahar Race Ski Team in Saas Fee, Switzerland. The family planned to spend Christmas with sister, Nuala and the Pells in Newport, RI. **HFF**

Our thanks go to the following family foundations which keep our Foundation operating: The Banbury Fund, courtesy of Bill Robertson and Anne Robertson Meier; The John A. Hartford Foundation, courtesy of matching grants from Nuala and Toby Pell; The Wrightson-Ramsing Foundation, courtesy of Thor Ramsing; The McIntosh Foundation; and The Wrightson-Besch Foundation, courtesy of Lorri Besch and Jeff Wrightson. We appreciate the help we receive from these foundations and also the support of our many individual members. If you work for a company with a matching grant program, send a form along with your annual membership donation. **HFF**

Thank you all for your continued support! **HFF**

## A&P HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATE

With A&P celebrating it's 150th Birthday in 2009, H.F.F. hopes to join the A&P Historical Society in an exhibition next fall at the Paterson Museum. The Paterson Museum is launching a permanent A&P exhibit. It is also the winter home of the 1928 Ford Model A Produce Truck, shown below. The Historical Society was going to purchase the truck, but Craig Grybowski encouraged A&P management to purchase it for promotional use. "It is not an original A&P vehicle, but we tried to make it as authentic looking as possible with the vintage crates, colors, logos and lettering," says Craig.

The truck was purchased in June and was renovated



just in time for the Ridgewood, NJ Fourth of July Parade. Craig is the truck's designated driver. In addition to the parade, he has taken it to two A&P store Grand-Reopenings and a car show.

On behalf of the A&P Historical Society, Craig invites the members of the Hartford Family Foundation to attend the company's Anniversary Gala in 2009. **HFF**

### H.F.F. WEBSITE IS REVISED

<http://www.hartfordfamily.org>

- Help promote the HFF organization... if you are internet saavy.... copy our banner ad and run it on your site.
- Send us your email to be listed on the hot links page.
- Email your family news to:  
[avisanderson@hartfordfamily.org](mailto:avisanderson@hartfordfamily.org)

We would really appreciate your feedback. We look forward to hearing from you. **HFF**