

CLASS NOTES & FEATURES

(6) and son Emmett (3) moved from the NJ suburbs of NYC to the North Shore suburbs of Chicago where they know NO ONE! Any Holton Alums in Chicago? Carol writes, "The transition has worked out better than we could possibly have expected. The weather here is COLD but the people are warm and welcoming so that has been great. The traffic is even worse than I expected so I won't claim that I can't complain because I do but the job is tremendously exciting and challenging and the family is happy so all in all a good move."

Caryn Cabiniss lives in North Potomac with her three children, David, Charlie, and Natalie. David is off to college this year. Charlie is in tenth grade and doing extremely well; he loves high school and is a member of the Gaming Club. Natalie is in seventh grade and quite the student; she loves school and loves to sing, so look out American Idol! They just adopted a new 8-month-old yellow

lab/corgi mix from the Animal Rescue League an organization that Caryn highly recommends.

Amy DeLouise lives in Kensington, MD. Her boys are now 4 and 9. Career wise, the focus of Amy's consulting practice is helping nonprofits transform through messaging, branding, and board development. On the volunteer side, Amy is in her eighth year on the Holton Board of Trustees. Amy has been involved with launching a girls' financial literacy after school course in the Middle School. Amy also conducts the children's choir at her church, plays violin with the NIH Philharmonia, and has kept up her singing, performing regularly with a women's octet *Venus d Minor*.

2007 was a challenging year for **Leslie George** and her family. Husband Manny accepted a job working at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad and was away for most of the year. He returned in February and Lili and son Roque are just thrilled. One

upside of Manny's job was that they had a wonderful time "meeting in the middle" - visiting with her husband's family in Spain last summer. For Christmas they met in Rome where they were able to attend Midnight Mass at the Vatican and celebrated New Year's Eve in Athens. Lili continues to teach at St. Albans (going on 15 years!).

Barbara Meyers's three boys, Jake (7½), Sam (6), and Ben (3), are all in a Montessori school close to their home in North Carolina. They are constantly on the go with martial arts, basketball, and heading for baseball in the spring. Barbara says that they are all more athletic than she was at that age! Barbara went back to working full time this fall at a group called Lakeside Family Practice. Her family has outgrown their current home and they are in the process of building a new home in Huntersville, NC. Husband Tom is busy with his work as an Oracle Software Consultant. Barbara keeps up with **Carrie**



Caroline Silby, '83, in partnership with American Girl

Holton alumna Caroline Silby, Ph.D., '83, may be the envy of every 8-year-old girl at Holton and nationwide – she gets to work with American Girl. In January, American Girl released the newest Girl of the Year doll, Mia, a 10-year-old character who is a budding athlete. Silby, a sports psychologist and former member of the National Figure Skating Team,



has partnered with the organization to help promote Mia's message of healthy competition through a series of workshops at American Girl Place locations in New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles.

Held in January and February, the workshops, geared toward girls ages 8 and up, focused on the "concept of 'healthy competition,'" Silby explains, "and about pursuing their passion, being persistent and using positive thinking"; skills that Silby herself gained during her years as a Holton student.

"Holton and Headmaster Jim Lewis were extremely supportive of my skating pursuits," Silby recalls. "While [they] understood that skating was my passion, they also encouraged me to pursue excellence academically, socially and as a member of my community. This balance and recognition of the various dimensions of my personality provided me later in life with the confidence to create a career that is both rewarding and satisfying."