KYRA TIRANA BARRY ’87CC is a member of the first co-ed class to graduate from Columbia College. An active and engaged volunteer, she has served the University as vice president of the Columbia College Alumni Association, as a member of the College Fund Development Council, and as a class agent. Engaged as a volunteer for her 15th and 20th reunions, she worked tirelessly as chair of reunion programming and gift chair for her 20th. Ms. Barry collaborates with the alumni affairs office to develop outreach programs for those who have graduated in the last 10 to 25 years. Ms. Barry holds a degree in urban studies and spent 10 years working in public transportation policy at the federal, state, and local levels. She and her husband, fellow Columbian David Barry ’87CC, have been very supportive of student-athletes by hosting alumni events, offering internships to students, and providing invaluable networking opportunities to alumni. Mother to Olivia, Jake, and Charley, Ms. Barry is a former trustee of her children’s elementary schools who has directed fundraising efforts for those institutions.

ROGER R. BAUMANN ’84 IF, ’85 SIPA began his alumni involvement as a member of SIPA’s advisory board. He later served as chair of SIPA's 60th Anniversary Celebration Committee, as co-chair of the school's annual Global Leadership Awards Dinner, and as the inaugural chair of the Alumni Council. As a member of the International Fellows Program task force and a student mentor, he retains strong ties to his own days as a student at SIPA, where he was selected as an International Fellow and as editor-in-chief of the school’s Journal of International Affairs. A managing director in the private equity group at J.P. Morgan Asset Management, Mr. Baumann holds a BA from Dartmouth College and an MBA from Harvard Business School. Prior to his current role, he held senior-level positions at James D. Wolfensohn Incorporated, Bankers Trust, Deutsche Bank, and Bear Stearns. He has successfully completed five New York City marathons as a member of Fred’s Team, a runners group that raises funds to support pediatric cancer patients at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. Mr. Baumann lives with his wife and their three sons in New York City.

BRENDA JOHNSON GALLAGHER ’97SW is a community volunteer and president of the Frank and Brenda Gallagher Family Foundation. Beyond serving on the boards of many nonprofits, she has brought her leadership and philanthropic expertise to Columbia and the University of Houston. Ms. Gallagher served as a member of the Dean’s Advisory Council at Columbia’s School of Social Work for seven years (2000-2008) and currently serves on a similar body at the Graduate College of Social Work at the University of Houston. Ms. Gallagher served first on the School of Social Work’s alumni association board (2000-2003), and then on its development committee for four more years (2003-2007). With her husband, she established the Brenda and Frank Gallagher Student Activity Center in the new Social Work Building on Amsterdam Avenue. Ms. Gallagher has further represented CUSSW as a member of Columbia’s Alumni Trustee Nominating Committee (2004-2008) and, most recently, as a founding member of the newly formed CUSSW Bergen County Alumni Group. Following graduation, she relocated with her husband to Houston, Texas, for six years, returning to her home in Bergen County, N.J., in 2004.
Barbara Silver Horowitz '55BC, '74 TC has worked as an elementary school guidance counselor in the New York City public school system. Her involvement with the University began with her service to Barnard upon graduation. She served as class president from 1975 to 1980 and again from 2000 to 2005. Deeply involved with both her 25th and 50th reunions, her efforts resulted in record-breaking attendance for their 50th reunion celebration. Under her leadership the Class of 1955 has sustained a high level of engagement. As a member of the nominating committee of the Barnard Alumnae Association, she recruited new volunteers to guide the next generation of alumnae leadership. She strengthened the Barnard community on Long Island by hosting events in her home and increasing outreach to alumnae in the area. Currently, she is involved with plans for her 55th reunion. Ms. Horowitz endowed the chair of the Barnard College director of education and established its Centennial Scholars program. An active member of the community, she is a board member of the Jewish Museum and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. She is married to fellow Alumni Medalist recipient Gedale B. Horowitz '53CC, '55LAW and is the mother of Ruth E. Horowitz '83BC and Seth R. Horowitz '89LAW.

Gedale B. Horowitz '53CC, '55LAW is a senior managing director of Citigroup Capital Markets. He has been with Citigroup and its predecessor firm Salomon Brothers for 54 years. An active member of both the Columbia and Barnard communities, he was recognized with Columbia College's John Jay Award in 1991, and served as a trustee of Barnard College from 1976 to 2009, with terms as both vice chairman of the board and chairman of the budget and finance committee. Elected a trustee emeritus of Barnard College in 2009, he also serves on the steering committee of the Board of Visitors of Columbia Law School and is a member of the Columbia University Faculty Athletic Committee. Mr. Horowitz is chairman emeritus and a member of the executive committee of the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System. Beyond his philanthropic interests, he was deeply involved in the financial rescue of New York City and New York State from 1974 to 1977 and led the Salomon Brothers group that advised Orange County, Calif., from 1994 to 1996, allowing the county to emerge from bankruptcy and return to the capital markets. He and his wife, Barbara Silver Horowitz '55BC, are parents of Ruth E. Horowitz '83BC and Seth R. Horowitz '89LAW.

Hajime Kosai '96BUS has served Columbia as a liaison among the Columbia University Alumni Association of Japan, the Graduate School of Business, and the Columbia Alumni Association. As an organizer of events ranging from lecture series to popular receptions, he has re-energized the alumni network, making it accessible to all generations and increasingly global. Mr. Kosai has also served the University as an ambassador for the Business School. For more than 13 years he has interviewed prospective applicants to his alma mater, creating and organizing admission receptions hosted by alumni for more than 200 applicants each year. His passion, commitment, and enthusiasm have motivated alumni to volunteer in a broad range of alumni initiatives, increasing the club membership and involvement substantially. Most recently, he was named director of Supply Chain Management for McDonald’s Company (Japan) Ltd. He formerly served as a division manager for business development at Starbucks Coffee Japan Ltd. Mr. Kosai lives in Tokyo with his family. He and his wife, Chiaki, are the proud parents of two-year-old twins.
LARRY J. LAWRENCE ’69GS, ’71BUS is a dedicated alumni leader at both of his Columbia alma maters and at the University as a whole. He serves on the Dean’s Advisory Council for the School of General Studies, and is co-chair of both the Columbia Business School Entrepreneurship Program Advisory Committee and the Undergraduate Campaign Council, an alumni volunteer group focused on the $865 million undergraduate portion of Columbia’s current $4 billion capital campaign. After completing his MBA in 1971, Mr. Lawrence joined Citicorp Venture Capital, where he was president and chief investment officer until 1980. He left to start the first in a series of venture capital funds which provided start-up and expansion capital for more than a hundred growth companies over the next three decades. He is father to Jesse Lawrence ’03BUS, Peter Lawrence ’11BUS, Benjamin Lawrence, and Christina Lawrence. Benjamin and Christina both attend Washington and Lee University, where Mr. Lawrence’s wife, Sally Lawrence, is a trustee.

SIMON K.C. LI ’70 JRN has served on the School of Journalism’s board of visitors since 2007, following a newspaper career spanning 42 years. Throughout his career he served as an exemplary ambassador for the School to the media community and beyond, promoting its core mission and major initiatives, and hiring and mentoring numerous Columbia graduates along the way. Mr. Li was twice a Pulitzer juror, on the second occasion chairing the panel for international reporting. The Hong Kong native was a teaching assistant in Journalism upon graduation, and later a member of the advisory board for the school’s program to improve coverage of race. Mr. Li took the lead in support of the ongoing development and implementation of the academic curriculum associated with the Tow Center, the academic center dedicated to the research and teaching of professional journalism on the Internet and emerging new media in journalism. He was an editor at the Philadelphia Inquirer, and later at the Los Angeles Times, where he rose to be foreign editor, then an assistant managing editor. Mr. Li is a vice chairman of the International Press Institute, the Vienna-based press freedom group; a member of the Asian American Journalists Association; and a graduate of Oxford University, where he is a Fleming Fellow of Lincoln College and serves on its rector’s council. He and his wife, June Li, an historian of Chinese art, reside in Pasadena, Calif.

MARIA E. SHIAO-DI FRANCESCO ’86SEAS is a longstanding member of the Undergraduate Alumni Representative Committee and a past chair for France and Belgium. Currently a steering committee member of the Columbia University Club of London, she was the founding president of the Columbia University Alumni Club of France. A native of Spain, Maria holds a BS (Honors with Distinction) in electrical engineering from The Fu Foundation School of Engineering and Applied Science, as well as a master’s degree in electronics from Telecom ParisTech and an MBA from ESSEC Business School (Paris). Ms. Shiao-Di Francesco is a client executive at IBM UK, managing key accounts in the telecoms sector, and has worked in the telco industry her entire career. After stints in Madrid, New York, Paris, and Brussels, Maria has now settled in London with husband, Renaud, and their three children: daughter Beatrice DiFrancesco ’14CC and sons Hugo and Arthur.

SARA “SALLY” SHIPLEY STONE ’69NRS is a member of the Columbia University School of Nursing Board of Visitors. She is a founding member of the School of Nursing Alumni Association and has served as its regional vice president and on its board of directors. She is a member of the School of Nursing’s Capital Campaign Steering Committee and served on the University Alumni Trustee Nominating Committee from 2002 to 2008. Most recently, Ms. Stone co-chaired the gala benefit honoring Mary O’Neill Mundinger as dean of the School of Nursing. She served as the alumni representative on the University’s search committee for the School of Nursing’s new dean. Ms. Stone is the executive director of the Hastings Foundation, Inc., and is active in philanthropic activities in Connecticut. She is married to Charles L. Stone, Jr. ’71P&S and has two adult children.