for the designation of Bears Ears, he adds, are “ready to sue as soon as the president does something like that that is beyond his authority.”

During his tenure, Hedden has established new and stronger relationships with tribal communities and developed a program that fosters inter-tribal collaboration and sustainable economic development. He has also doubled GCT’s budget to $4 million, (mostly from major donors and foundations, but helped by dues from 3,500 members) and has bolstered an already powerful board of trustees. That includes Native American Rights Fund executive director John E. Echohawk and University of Arizona law school professor Rebecca Tsosie, an expert on indigenous peoples’ law, along with Hansjörg Wyss, M.B.A. ’65, a funder of bioengineering at Harvard, and Texas billionaire David Bonderman, LL.B. ’66, founding partner of TPG Capital. Hedden also recruited his College roommate, Washington, D.C., attorney Ty Cobb ’72, who as a young lawyer took on, pro bono, and won a challenge on behalf of GCT and others to the harmful fluctuating water flows of the Glen Canyon Dam. (In July Cobb resigned from the GCT board, which he’d chaired for four years, to join the Trump administration.)

The organization operates within a web of richly vested interests vying for land and resources, Hedden notes, even as the “industrial-strength tourist industry” and climate change are irrevocably altering the landscape.

The Moab area is overridden with car traffic and people, including local residents, he says, who “tear up and down the high desert hills and canyons in off-road vehicles, or mountain bike all over, zoom around on the river in motorboats and jet skis.” Surrounding towns don’t want to become another Moab, he says, yet when he asks, “Is there one activity you are willing to forbid, so that won’t happen?” they look at me blankly. They don’t even comprehend what I’m asking them. They’re like, ‘Hey, this is a free country, people can do what they want.’ And I say, ‘Yes, that’s what’s happening in Moab.’”

Even the animals can’t find refuge. “Hunters are going into the back country with four-wheelers and shooting” deer, he says. “There’s

**Hiram S. Hunn Awards for Alumni**

**In October,** seven alumni received Hiram S. Hunn Memorial Schools and Scholarships Awards from the College’s Office of Admissions and Financial Aid for their volunteer efforts to recruit and interview prospective undergraduates.

**Peter J. Bernbaum ’71,** of Rye Brook, New York, has been interviewing candidates since 1975, mainly with the Harvard-Radcliffe Club of Westchester’s schools and scholarships committee.

**Lindsay Brew ’66,** of Tucson, has been an alumni interviewer for more than three decades, including as president of the Harvard Club of Southern Arizona (from 1993 to 2000), and has chaired the club’s schools and scholarships committee since 1994.

**John Daley ’61,** of Needham, Massachusetts, and his wife, Marion, devoted more than 30 years to the Harvard College Host Family Freshman Program, and he has interviewed applicants for more than 20 years.

**Joel Z. Eigerman ’63,** of Cambridge, recently retired after more than 20 years.

**Diane Feldman ’80,** of Highland Park, New Jersey, has interviewed students from her home state since 1981.

**Tom J. Karr ’84,** of Washington, D.C., co-chaired the District’s College admissions interviewing group from 2003 to 2007, and then became co-chair of the Harvard Club of Washington D.C.’s metropolitan-area school and scholarships committee until 2013.

**Hannah J. Zackson ’76,** moved to Los Angeles in 1991 and joined the Harvard Club of Southern California and its schools and scholarships committee; ultimately she became chair of the group that covers the western section of Los Angeles.