

Along Route '66



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Upcoming Class of 1966 Events

Terry Lowd has started planning a spring weekend in Hanover, focused around an opportunity to help build a "Habitat for Humanity" home for a deserving family in the Upper Valley. Working alongside Dartmouth students, the actual building takes place on Saturday, April 21 and Monday, April 23. A Class Dinner at the Norwich Inn has been arranged for Saturday night; events for the "relax and recover" day on Sunday are currently being planned. Rooms have been blocked at the Norwich Inn for Friday night, April 20 through Monday night, the 23rd. Further details concerning the weekend will be sent via email.

As with all Class-sponsored events, email is the preferred method of communication for its timeliness. IF YOU STILL HAVEN'T REGISTERED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS ON THE CLASS WEBSITE, PLEASE DO SO AT WWW.ALUM.DARTMOUTH.ORG/CLASSES/66.

Tim Urban is again hosting a ski mini-reunion in Winter Park, CO over the long weekend of March 23-26. Space is limited, but contact Tim via email at timurban44@hotmail.com to see if there have been any cancellations.

Fall Mini-Reunion

The annual Fall Mini-Reunion was held in Hanover October 13-14, 2006. The Class gathered for the "Parade of the Classes" behind Memorial Field; as a recipient of one of the year's Distinguished Alumni awards (see page 7), **Hector Motroni** led the parade in an open convertible.

Somewhat differently than in most past years, the Class started off the Saturday activities at the Hanover Inn, for continental breakfast and Class Meeting. Among other items, Gary Broughton discussed potential class projects, **Bob Spence** reviewed the plans for the upcoming College Fund campaign, **Tim Urban** reviewed financial results and future plans for the Class, and **Stan Colla** presented a new Class Constitution. A small committee of Stan, Tim, and **Al Keiller** was formed to finalize the draft for approval by the Class executive Committee.



While the Big Green football team failed to cooperate and lost a close contest with Holy Cross, it did not dampen the enthusiasm at the post-game reception in the Hayward Lounge with the Classes of 1964-67. The usual Cocktail Party and Dinner were again held at the Norwich Inn, with presentations by our two John Sloan Dickey Alumni Fellowship recipients, Chelsea Minkler '07 and Avni Shah '07 (copies of the presentations can be viewed on the Class of 1966 website at www.alum.dartmouth.org/classes/66). Kudos and a round of snaps go to **Terry Lowd** for his first reunion as our newly elected Mini-Reunion Chairman. I'd also like to thank Sharon Broughton for her photographic contributions (which explains the number of photos of Gary)!!

Classmates **David Johnston, Wayne LoCurto, Ted Thompson, Robin Carpenter, John Hughes,** and **Ken Reiber** were among the many attending various segments of the weekend.



(L to R) Jo Keiller, Linda Spence, Gary Broughton, and David Johnston



(L to R) Chuck Sherman, Gary Broughton, John Hughes, Al Keiller

News from Classmates

News has been very slow over the last few months. I started a process of emailing selected sub-groups of our class for remembrances of our four years in Hanover. I started with members of the undefeated 1965 football team and, while several indicated their intentions of sending me some material, to date I only have Ed Long's contribution (see page 5). I will continue this track.

Coming Events

Ski Mini-Reunion	Winter Park, CO	March 23-26, 2007
Habitat Mini-Reunion	Hanover, NH	April 20-23, 2007
Fall Mini-Reunion	Hanover, NH	October 19-20, 2007
65th Birthday Party	(Subject to Class Poll)	TBD, 2009

In addition, I would ask that anyone interested in hearing from a "lost" or "quiet" classmate to send me his name c/o BobSerenbetz@prodigy.net and we'll do our utmost to find him and get some information. We'll also be adding a spot on the Class of 1966 website to put in a name.

Finally, Webmaster **Ben Day** has added a new link on the class website which will ALLOW YOU TO FILL IN A "GREEN CARD" ELECTRONICALLY. With these initiatives, we'll hopefully increase the flow of news not only in the newsletter, but also in **Larry Geiger's** "Class Notes" column in the Alumni Magazine.

And now the news...

John Hargraves has completed a translation of Martin Geck's Bach: Life and Work, now published by Harcourt Brace. The book and translation were very favorably reviewed in the December 3 New York Times Book Review section by William F. Buckley, Jr., who referred to John's translation as "impressive"!

I was in touch with **Doug Scarff** over the Christmas holidays. Doug is now living in Shrewsbury, MA after retiring in January 2006 from his many years at the SEC in New York. He often visits **Tim O'Keeffe** on Cape Cod.

"After retiring from the Foreign Service in 1998 (US Information Agency)," writes **Marty Adler**, "I moved to Maui with my Brazilian wife, Helida. We manage rental property, have a vacation rental business (www.halepukalani.com), and are developing a 4-acre view lot at the 3600 foot level on haleakala. Aside from raising two daughters, ages 11 and 13, life is tranquil." Marty can be reached at adl-erm002@hawaii.rr.com.

"The 1966 Gamma Delta Chi 'Sons of September' met for their second annual retreat at the 'Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania' the weekend of September 23-24. I am happy to report that everyone (**Bill Bryan, Geoff Huck, Mike Schaile**, and I) escaped from the retreat unhurt." So writes Gamma Delt reporter **Ted Temple** of Beaufort, SC (tted@comcast.net).

It's been a couple of newsletters since we've heard from our "defrocked" MD **Peter Dorsen** on his life happenings: "Working as a treatment counselor at a rough and tumble facility just north of Minneapolis (West Metro Recovery Services). Struggling through recovery...seeing a lawyer (Anne) who's editing my articles and book...discovering that everybody at this place is bringing old tapes and plenty of baggage. Kids are fine, but in no danger of over-achieving. That must have been used up by our generation." Peter's current email address is pjdersenproud@gmail.com.

Jo and **Al Keiller** welcomed their second grandson, Charles Keiller Bluestein, to the family on January 12. Daughter Mary Beth '93 TU00 and David Bluestein TU00's first child joins cousin Matthew. Charlie weighed in at 8 pounds.



Rob Page sent along the following letter, among other things announcing the birth of his son Nathaniel, assuming the title of "Oldest Dad in the Class":

After all these years, I finally take pen in hand to share a bit of my journey with my fellow 66ers and more than anything announce the birth of my son, Nathaniel Thompson Page on Valentines Day. He was 9 pounds 11 ounces so we are hopeful in the athletic department. I cannot even calculate what Dartmouth year that will be and much less the tuition by that time. I do assume that I am in the running for the oldest '66 dad. Many may have met my lovely wife, Grace, at our reunion. She was actually a week pregnant at the time. Both she and the baby are well.

As I look back on Dartmouth, I find that the very first class I took with Hugh Morrison, the History of Architecture and some courses with Kalman Silvert on Latin America most formed my life. I followed urbanism through a degree in urban planning at the University of North Carolina (Tim Urban, Hank Sharpe, and Jeff Swain (64) were in my class) and my interest in Latin America throughout my life starting with my work in the Ministry of Housing in Chile as a Peace Corps Volunteer (Chuck Forester was there also). The work in the Ministry of Housing as a planner was great, and I got to play basketball for the Catholic University at the same time.

My return took me to San Francisco where, with my former Peace Corps director, we formed a consulting firm that worked in the field of court modernization during a big push in that area in the 1970's. Dartmouth friends, especially in the early times, included Bob Umbdenstock (67), Dave Tucker and Jim Beardsley. More basketball over the years mostly on teams with Bill Reilly (67). We had one all Dartmouth team in New York that had Bill Madden (65). Along the way, I got into the running craze and have run 10 marathons, including two 50K races.

Professionally I eventually became a court administrator and was the District Executive of the Federal Courts of New York City (Southern District) and the State Court Administrator for the State of California. Almost fifteen years ago, a former Peace Corps colleague and fellow court administrator, and I decided to form a consulting firm that would focus on improving the rule of law in developing and transitioning countries. DPK Consulting now is a world wide firm working in the world's hot spots like West Bank and Gaza, Serbia, lots of Latin American countries, and others, hopefully contributing to creating more just societies in those countries (see dpkconsulting.com). It

is a constant and evolving challenge. Have run into various Dartmouth types along the way including Geoff Keane in Guatemala and Tom Peebles (67) in Bulgaria among others.

Have kept up with my architectural roots through real estate and have remodeled over 25 buildings over the years which has been a lot of fun. We now are currently building two houses in San Miguel del Allende Mexico. They are for rent for anyone interested (smahomes.com).

Have loved living in San Francisco, although have kept the Northern New England roots of my mother and grandparents and go to the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont each summer where we have a cottage rental business and home. Those journeys have kept me close with ex roomie Bill "Chuck" Duval, wife Barb, and their family.

I really enjoyed reconnecting to many of you at the reunion. Anyone willing to change a diaper or two is welcome to visit us in San Francisco. dpkpage@aol.com 809 Shrader St, San Francisco 415 752 8566.



Writes **Noel Fidel**, "The first weekend of November I made it back to Hanover, where I had a chance to see my son Alexander ('09) and his teammates on the Dartmouth Swimming and Diving team in a couple of home meets. During the Saturday meet, **Chuck Sherman** (whom I had seen Friday along with **Gary Broughton** and **John Rollins** at the dedication of the new Kemeny Center) stopped by the pool for a while. No sooner did Chuck arrive than a pair of Dartmouth undergraduates, engaged him in conversation, responding to Chuck's large, colorful moose hand-painted on his sweatshirt." The students, members of the current Student Assembly, are now promoting the moose as the College's permanent mascot.

As noted earlier, I have started contacting various sub-groups of our class to gather news for "Along Route '66. In response to my inquiry as to memories of the great 1965 Football Team, I received the following from **Ed Long**: "Here is essentially what I wrote in March 2000 after I had heard the news of Bob Blackman's death. I arrived at Dartmouth, having never seen the place, in the fall of 1962. One of my ambitions was to play college football. Four years later I could look back and say that I had achieved that goal, and what a wonderful experience it had turned out to be!! The undefeated 1962 year. The come-from-behind 1963 championship, with a one-week delay for JFK's assassination. The 1965 undefeated Ivy and Lambert Trophy year. Not a bad four year record. Boy, were we spoiled!!

Bob Blackman was not the most personable individual, but he surrounded himself with wonderfully capable assistants who were. And he did so without sacrificing an inch to the "winning" effort. I can remember being with him as we made our way toward Princeton in 1965. He was tight as a drum. The rest of his staff and his players were loose, felt well-prepared, were anxious to have at the Tigers, and we did!! My teammates and I, even while we were still playing, came to the conclusion that on occasion we had been out-played on the field, but WE WERE NEVER OUT-COACHED. Nothing we have read or heard since would change our minds on that matter. I don't remember ever hearing that sort of praise for any other coach or staff.

Subsequent to my playing days, one of my proudest moments was to be able to host then recently retired Coach Blackman aboard my ship, USS Macdonough (DDG-39), in Charleston, SC. He embarked and rode with us down the Cooper River and spent a couple of hours before debarking onto one of Pete Nistad's (D'68) tugboats. We had an opportunity to compare the similarities and differences between being a football coach and ship's captain. Priceless."

Thanks, Ed, for your contribution.



The Dartmouth College Fund

The 2007 campaign is off to a great start! Through the middle of February, 192 classmates have already donated \$170K, 24 more donors and \$17K more than last year at the same time, our 40th reunion year. Bob Spence and his team are obviously pushing the right buttons; Bob gives us further rationale to join those who have already given:

Dear Classmate,

As Dartmouth grads, we are well aware that we have hill winds rather than iron centered protein molecules in our veins and we have rocks in our heads; and given the fact that we are used to the stillness of the North I think it's time for a hearing check. Now, what on earth does a hearing check, other than reflecting on our advancing maturity, have to do with the Dartmouth College Fund? Good question, I'm glad you asked!

December 15 my wife and I had the privilege of attending the Dartmouth Club of Fairfield County's seasonal gathering. The primary purpose was to present our classmate, Hector Motroni, with the Dartmouth College Alumni Award. Hector becomes one of about 400 grads recognized for their contribution to the college, community and family. Hector's accomplishments and generosity are indeed impressive. There is nothing wrong with Hector's hearing, to say the least.

President Wright gave a presentation following the award (the awards are presented by previous recipients, I wonder who gave out the first). As you are well aware, it's been an interesting Fall, and President Wright made a very valid point in his speech: that despite differences of opinion no Dartmouth grad disagrees with the fundamental purpose of Dartmouth, and that no one group owns Dartmouth, we all do. We are Dartmouth. President Wright's presentation reinforced what we have been told in hundreds of ways over the years. Have we listened?

OK, we are the generation who wasn't to believe anyone over 30 (make that 75 in today's terms), and there have been questions concerning Dartmouth's administrative policies going back to 1769. So listen to the students (they haven't reached 75 yet). Akiko Day, '07 says Dartmouth allowed her to change, understand the passions which drove her and give her dreams reality. Lilly Bertz '07 will be teaching in the Peace Corps., continuing to build on her Dartmouth experiences mentoring and community development. Three of Rick Reiss' scholarship recipients put it this way. Chris Mah: "The valleys ...make the peaks all the more enjoyable. The people who helped me...will remain dear to my heart the rest of my life." Jennifer Crist, '07: "...a life lesson. I'm trying to play (music) outside myself so to speak, to put my own playing on autopilot and listen." Finally, Ian Dumont, '09: "Meeting people is the exact reason I came to Dartmouth...I have exceeded all expectations".

Have you input for other students, scholarship or otherwise? I'd like to listen to and include them in future letters. The above, as were we, are all beneficiaries of the DCF and the generosity of others. Is Dartmouth worth your generosity? Listen to the winds still blowing over the Hanover plain, listen to the students, listen to Hector and your classmates, and above all, listen to yourself. We are Dartmouth, and Dartmouth deserves our support. The DCF touches all aspects of Dartmouth life and makes the experience possible. Please support Dartmouth, our class and Dartmouth's present and future students. Their future is ours.

Dartmouth Alumni Award

As alluded to earlier, **Hector Motroni** received the Dartmouth Alumni Award at the annual dinner of the Dartmouth Club of Fairfield County in early December. Hector joins **Bill Higgins** and **Fred Rosenblatt** as the three members of the Class of 1966 honored for “long-standing and meritorious service to Dartmouth, with career achievement and community service as additional important dimensions”. The citation noted Hecor’s long career at Xerox, his contributions to various Boards at the Thayer School, and his service on a number of academic and industry BOD’s. The dinner was preceded by a cocktail party for local and visiting ‘66’ers at Myra and Hector’s home. Congratulations, Hector on a tremendous honor.



Alumni News

It seems so long ago, but the last newsletter was published before the results of the vote on the new Alumni Constitution had been tabulated. As it turned out, the Constitution failed to get even a majority of the vote, much less the 2/3 affirmative required for adoption. While it is hard to know exactly why alumni felt so strongly against it, the feeling of many I spoke with was disaffection with the Administration and a belief that the nominating process for petition candidates to the Board of Trustees would be more difficult. The public relations effort on behalf of the new Constitution, including the use of paid student solicitors and a poorly drafted letter by a former trustee, created among some classmates the sense of a “hidden agenda” from the Administration. Sad to say, Alumni Relations, by refusing to poll alumni after the vote, is from my point of view avoiding the research necessary to determine how to modify the draft and “sell” in the future the many benefits, including more direct voting by the Alumni on key Alumni Council positions and at-large members, and greater class representation on the Council.

This spring another vote will be held for Alumni Board of Trustee member. The three candidates nominated by the Alumni Council include Sandy Alderson ‘69, Sherri Oberg ‘82, ‘86TU, and John Wolf ‘70. Stephen Smith ‘88 is running as a Petition candidate. The vote starts April 1 and runs until May 15. Candidate resumes and positions on issues can be researched at www.voxthevote.org/trustees. You can vote by mail, phone, or on-line.

65th Birthday Party

There is still time to provide your input as to where our 65th “birthday” party should be held. The questionnaire is still posted on the Class of 1966 website and on page 10; we will tab results in time for the next Newsletter.

Miscellany

Please don’t forget to...

Send in the name of a classmate that you would like to catch up with...

Vote for Alumni Trustee starting April 1...

Participate in the 65th Birthday Poll....

Attend the Habitat for Humanity Mini-Reunion April 20-23...

Fill out an electronic or snail mail “Green Card” !!!

More Pictures From the Mini-Reunion



Hector Motroni's Alumni Award Photos



Class of 1966 65th Birthday Survey

Assumptions: 3 day event (long weekend), possibly preceded or followed by a week long program

1. My preference would be having the event overseas...

Yes (Go to Q.2)

No (Go to Q.3)

2. My preferred location overseas would be...

London Other

Paris (Location)

Rome

3. My preferred location in the US would be...

Arizona Other

Las Vegas (Location)

Santa Fe

Hawaii

New Orleans

4. I would prefer the Party to be held in 2009 during the...

Spring

Summer

Fall

Winter

5. I would be interested in a week long program either preceding or following the three-day event...

Yes (Go to Q.6)

No (Go to Q.7)

6. The type of program I would be most interested in would be a...

Ocean Cruise Other

River Cruise (Name)

Bus Tour

Biking Trip (Moderate a la Backroads)

Walking Trip (Moderate a la Country Walkers)

7. I would be interested in serving on the organizing committee for the mini

Yes

(Name)

Note: Please complete on-line at www.alum.dartmouth.org/classes/66 or return to Terry Lowd at 38 Fish Point Road, New Harbor, ME 04554