

# Along Route '66



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Dear '66:

It seems as though a large amount of space has been devoted, in recent issues of this Newsletter, to the subject of reunions. First I was beating the drum for our Fifth Reunion. The last issue contained a report on the events of that weekend. Well...this issue is going to contain some more reunion business.

Class President Al Ryan reports that he has received word that the Alumni Council has voted to do away with the three-class system at the 5th reunion and to have it at the 10th reunion instead, with the 9th, 10th and 11th year classes meeting together. Under this new plan, our next reunion is scheduled for June, 1975. It thus appears that, notwithstanding our 5th reunion having taken place just a few months ago, our 10th is but two and a half years away. This may be good or bad, depending on whether you were able to make this last reunion or not and whether you're happy or unhappy about your attending or not attending. In any event, Al would appreciate your taking a few minutes to fill out the enclosed questionnaire, so that our class officers can gain some view of how our class feels about reunions. Please send completed questionnaires to Al at 2410 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009.

Class Dues: If you have not already done so, please use the enclosed envelope to send your class dues (9 bucks) to Gerry Paul. If you have already done so, please feel free to use the enclosed envelope in any way you wish.

Class News:

Stephen Hayes is working for the Navy's Human Resource Development Project Office as a civilian employee. He writes that he is living with his wife Barbara "right behind the Supreme Court" (building, I assume, rather than the actual Justices themselves).

Working as a Research Associate in Pittsburgh is Bill Jacoby. Bill is with the Health & Welfare Association, and is involved in planning better delivery of health and social services to the elderly. Bill's wife Liva is getting a Master's in social work at the University of Pittsburgh.

Park Smith reports that he saw Joe Barker in Tennessee in October. Joe was just beginning the private practice of law after getting out of the Marine Corps. Park was in Nashville interviewing law students for his law firm in Baltimore, Semmes, Bowen & Semmes.

Jim Weiskopf, who's working on his Master's in Public Relations at American University, has apparently not neglected his private relations: Jim's wife gave birth to twin daughters, Jennifer and Jill, last May 15th.

Walt Knoepfel is living and working in San Francisco. Apparently, living is good but working is bad (don't we all know it). Walt says: "Public Accounting - BLAH!!!" Walt was recently married on the same day as his freshman-year roommate John Rollins. In fact, they married the same girl.

Fred Rosenblatt is with the Minneapolis law firm of Leonard, Street and Deinard, and was married two years ago to Cynthia, who's a 1969 University of Minnesota graduate and who received an M.A. in psychology from that school in '71. Fred was recently elected a director of the Tyrone Guthrie Theater in Minneapolis. The Rosenblatts spent some time in England last summer with Jim Wanless and his wife.

Chuck Faerber got out of the Navy last December after 4½ years as a pilot. While in the Navy he made two Western Pacific cruises on the carrier Hancock. Chuck is now an editor-reporter with the Coronado Journal in California, flying in the Naval Reserve and doing some free-lance writing with local magazines.

A recent issue of the "Daily D" carried a long front-page article concerning one of our classmates: John Hughes. John returned to Hanover in June for our reunion after 5 years in Hawaii (3 in the Navy and 2 sailing through the South Pacific on a '36 sloop). He decided to build his own house in South Strafford, Vermont, and took a job as Fraternity Business Manager at the College in October. John is presently assisting the remaining 21 houses in all financial matter, but is primarily responsible for arranging bulk contracts for such items as fuel oil. He invites all '66s passing through Hanover to stop by his office at 1 College Hall and say hello.

We have more than one set of twins in the '66 family. Rich Abraham, wife Judy, and their twin sons Joseph and Jonathan (with Jill and Jennifer Weiskopf that's a mouthful) have recently begun what Rich describes as "an extremely pleasant 2 year interruption of surgical training." They're in Munich, Germany, where Rich is serving as an Army doctor. Although they're often away skiing and touring, once again all '66s are invited to stop over during European travels. Phone # is 632-823 (Rich doesn't mention the area code).

I recently received the following communication from Steve Shipps:

The professional ability of Boston Lawyer Jack Brister was well demonstrated in the defense of Josh Grindley '66 in thwarting the State's accusation that Josh was riding an improperly marked motorcycle without a proper license on the wrong street. A minor charge of \$10.00 seemed to make Justice satisfied. Another landmark case in the Boston courts was made by lawyer Paul Buffum in retrieving his \$25.00 from an operator who towed his illegally parked car illegally. The legal system of the U.S. is in for some monumental times. Donald Graves has heeded Mr. Robinson's advice and gone into plastics, specializing in a returnable frisbee which enables one person to play with himself; home base is N.Y.; and home in New Jersey. Would-be-doctor Pete Richardson is in Charleston, S.C. at the University of S.C. Medical School, but is reportedly considering a year's leave of absence to work on psychological testing of rats in Perth Amboy, N.J. with classmate Dr. Steve Abram. Robert Cleary has retired from the business world to devote his time to his family, butterfly collection and the spreading of the gospel. I continue to teach classical painting technique at Emerson College and enjoy the company of wife Cindy, who teaches physical education at Garland Junior College.

From the still-in-the-womb group, Dick Birnie writes that he's writing his doctoral thesis in geology at Harvard. Most of last summer was spent at the Universities of Heidelberg and Bern doing research for the thesis.

From the back-to-the-womb group: Dave Johnston writes: "Having found the rigors of the 9-5 work life not to my liking, I have returned to the secure walls of academia for an M.B.A. at Columbia and will prolong my stay as long as my wife will support me. As a starter, I had to wade into Kemeny's and Kurtz's BASIC computer language and relearn 'Math 3'."

Bill Ramos was promoted, just a few days ago, to Major USAF Medical Corps, and writes that this "will surely make me the highest ranking person in our class, except for those of you who have been promoted to civilian." Bill is "still slugging through my same old residency."

Some more '66 doctors are Jim Byers, who will continue his residency in laboratory medicine at John Hopkins; Jamie McGregor, who's a second year resident in Ob-Gyn at U.C.L.A. Medical Center; Michael Danzig, who is now living in Hiroshima, Japan as a U.S. Public Health Service Office assigned to the Environmental Protection Agency and the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission; Dick Kaiser, who completed 2 Polaris deterrent patrols and is presently stationed in Norfolk, Va. as Chief Medical Officer to the Submarine Force, Atlantic

Fleet; and Steve Kroll, who's a general surgery resident at Harbor General Hospital in the L.A. area. When not in the hospital, Steve spends his time "sailing around the LA area in my 30 foot sloop and dreaming about trips to Mexico."

Steve Warhover is a Product Manager with General Mills; he and his wife Anne have two children, Julie, 4, and Jeff, 1½.

Peter Cleaves, having completed his Ph.D. dissertation on political conflict in Chilean bureaucracy for UC-Berkeley, is now social science advisor for the Ford Foundation in Peru. Peter reports that he has looked up Joff Keane who is now working in the U.S. Embassy in Lima.

More class news will follow in the next issue.

You may have noticed that almost every issue of this Newsletter carries some items concerning current happenings at the College. Most of these are gleaned from The Dartmouth "The Oldest College Newspaper, etc." As Newsletter Editor, I receive a free subscription and have a little bit of mail from Dartmouth in my mailbox every day (as opposed to the rest of you poor slobs, who only have a little bit of mail from Dartmouth in your mailbox every other day). Seriously, reading the D for a few minutes each day seems to give one a reasonably good understanding of what's going on in Hanover. You might want to consider subscribing, although I don't think you can do quite as well as I on the subscription rate.

Some recent items reported in the "Dartmouth:" Under a proposal recently approved by the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, students at the College will have the option of extending their Dartmouth academic careers to five years. They will be permitted to elect 11-term Dartmouth Plan calendars spanning up to five years (19 terms) without withdrawing from the College. Under the most extreme example, it would be possible for a student to take a two year vacation sandwiched in between six and five term sequences .... The College has agreed to grant a long-term, low interest mortgage to the Norwich Day Care Center.... Something called the "Alumni Trust" has appeared on the scene. While this newly-created organization appears to be in some competition with the Dartmouth Alumni Fund, the Trust's backers say they are simply offering dissatisfied alumni, who have ceased contributing, an alternative way of supporting the College. I'll have more to report on this in the next issue, but I must say that my initial reaction is quite negative. The notion of different Alumni groups forming to see how they can use their bucks to influence decisions on problems facing the College is disturbing. I'd be interested in hearing from other '66s on this subject.... Clifford Jordan, Alumni Fund Director, finds that "there has been no evidence to show significant dissatisfaction with the College about coeducation.".... The new Dartmouth Course Guide, entitled "Kemeny's Krispies," has recently gone on sale in Hanover.... A critical evaluation of the tenure system at the College is presently underway.... Dow Surges to Pass 1000 (yes, that item actually appeared in The Dartmouth).... In an attempt to familiarize Dartmouth's undergraduates with the workings of the College, the Administrative Intern Program, now in its second year, this year placed fifteen juniors and seniors in the principal academic offices of the College.

We were all proud that Dartmouth defeated Penn on the last day of the football season to win the Ivy League crown once again, but for those few of us who sat in the stands at the Yale Bowl in the rain on that disastrous day in early November, the victory and the championship were particularly sweet.

Please don't forget to send your dues to Gerry Paul.

Best wishes for the Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

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