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What ants are to an anteater, mountains to a mountain climber, flag poles to a flag pole sitter, news is to a newsletter editor. And, thanks to you, do we have news.

Response to the Alumni Data Sheet included in our December issue has been most impressive -- about 180 replies, 20% of the class. To those who have written, many thanks for your information, best wishes and tidbits of good gossip. For those who've been saving up, a second chance has been provided. Just fill out the enclosed data sheet (it's harmless and quick) place in the enclosed envelope, and communicate with us (and us is the whole class).

We'll do our best at this end to pass the news along, in a somewhat abbreviated form in the "Alumni Magazine," and in a more spacious, informal manner right here, in the Newsletter. We'll also apply our abacus to the responses and generate some of those uselessly interesting statistics about the class (jobs, wives, kids, etc.) in addition to an address list to be distributed at reunion.

And while we're on the subject of Reunion be advised and possibly a bit surprised that Reunion is less than three months away. Don Graves and Steve Lanfer are keeping us abreast of the latest plans, I have it on the best of authority that it will be a sunny June 13-15 weekend (the WDCR weather girl!) and there's no question that we should all be there.

Now, there is a persistent rumor that everybody (or almost everybody) in our class is either a doctor or a lawyer. The purpose of this newsletter is to dispel that rumor. We'll fill this issue with real news about real classmates, and not a one claims an MD or LLB. Wait a second. Before you healers and attorneys toss me out, be warned that next issue you'll get your turn, and it will sure seem that everybody in our class is one of you.

We'll lead with our international punch. Peter Cleaves -- wife Dorothy, son Geoffrey, 4, daughter Rachel, 8 months, Assistant Representative, Social Science Program, The Ford Foundation, Lima, Peru (home is at Los Livertadores 616, San Isidro) -- writes: "Since graduating from Dartmouth, I have lived six years in Latin America, and we expect to stay at least one more. The University of California has recently published my 'Bureaucratic Politics and Administration in Chile' which won't be a best seller but was a satisfying experience for us -- both researching and writing. Besides my duties for the Foundation, I am working on a manuscript on Peru. Peter Reichard was a colleague in the Foundation before returning to the United States. Touring classmates are encouraged to call when they come to Peru."

Harris and Jeannine Jones, along with nine month Marc-Edwin, are enjoying life at the University of Geneva where the family rows, hikes, bikes and skis when Harris is not actively pursuing his Ph.D. in Physics. . . . Farther north, Richard Wright leaves Marianne and year-old Patrick at Trosterudveien #5, Slemdal, Oslo, Norway, and goes over to the Norwegian Institute for Water Resources where he studies the quality of lake water, applying Chemistry degrees from Yale and Cal Tech and a Ph.D. in Ecology from the University of Minnesota. . . . In Amsterdam, Michael Smith is Vice Pres., Operations, for soft drink maker

Raak Nederland, a subsidiary of W. R. Grace. Mike, Kathy and their two children, Alexandra, 2, and Justin, 3 months, live at Van Boshuizenstraat #227 . . . Following a May '74 Washington wedding, Gill and Buck Shinkman honeymooned in Barbados, had receptions in Washington and London, and moved into 61 Dawes Road, London, from whence Buck sets forth each day to assume his duties as Publisher, Directorics Division, Benn Brothers, Ltd.

Back in the States, we've got classmates making plans, big plans. Bob Watson (1645 Scotland Ave., Charlotte, NC 28207) is a planner for the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission . . . Tim Urban is a free-lance planning consultant and City Councilman in Des Moines, Iowa. Tim, Toni and kids Andrew and Heather have recently moved into a large, old home at 214 Foster Drive, and, naturally, they're planning how best to use the garden . . . Henry Sharpe is a Planner V for the Puget Sound Governmental Conference, Seattle, who is renovating a Victorian farmhouse on Bainbridge Island, Washington (Rt. 6, Box 6520, 98110) . . . and nearby John Galt is Section Head, Administration, for the Snohomish County Planning Department. He, Sally and one year old Evan live at 927 Grand Ave., Everett, 98201.

Now I've got three of the most unique professional activities we've ever reported. And remember, still no doctors or lawyers.

- 1) Bob Hill (he's married to Gerarda, has two boys, Robert and Alexander, 3 and 1) recently returned from two years in Kabul, Afghanistan, where he advised the local government on just how to conduct their first national census. Now Bob's back in Buffalo, N.Y. as a Consulting Demographic Advisor on the Afghan Demographic Studies project at SUNY Buffalo analyzing all the data he helped collect. Bob prepped for this with multi-disciplinary M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Princeton in Neareastern Studies, Sociology and Demography, and plans either more consulting abroad or teaching in the U.S.
- 2) Now Josh Grindlay is an Astrophysicist with the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, whose search for cosmic sources of very high energy gamma rays has taken him and Sandra to Australia in each of the past three years, and now to Amsterdam to evaluate data on cosmic x-ray sources generated by a Dutch satellite.
- 3) Ed Crew is back from 16 months spent with a Soviet Expedition in Antarctica as a U.S. exchange scientist collecting samples and field data on the Precambrian basement of east Antarctica. Address all questions on the subject direct to Ed, who's figuring it all out now as a Project Associate at the University of Wisconsin, in Madison.

Other 66er's engaged in projects related to the environment include Steve Coles, a Marine Biologist with the Hawaiian Electric Co. studying the ecological impact of marine thermal outfalls. Steve, Renuka and Sean (1), live at 47-320 Ahaolelo Road, Kaneohe, 96744 . . . Robin Foster, Asst. Prof. of Biology at the University of Chicago, continuing his field research into the ecology of tropical forests in Panama and the upper Amazon Basin. . . . Rob Cleary, a Landscape Architect with Montana Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation, on assignment in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico evaluating energy conversion facilities. . . . and Larry Forcier, Asst. Prof. in the University of Montana School of Forestry and Coordinator of Graduate Studies.

Plants and trees are not the only concern of our classmates. People get attention as well. Bill Jacoby is Research Associate at the Health and Welfare Planning Association in Pittsburgh. (5824 Bartlett St., 15217) . . . Chuck Benson is Financial Officer of the non-profit Drug Abuse Foundation of Pioneer Valley, headquartered in Springfield, Mass. Chuck married Rosa Elena from Maraxaibo, Venezuela in 1970, and the couple, along with 19 month Maria Graciela, are expecting "numeros dos" this summer . . . Steve Zegel, Maureen, Eric, 6, and Emily, 4, are doing something to help things around their home, at 3100 Lawton Pl., and their town, St. Louis. Steve's Director of Social Services of the Montgomery-Hyde Park Neighborhood Assoc., has a private practice as an educational consultant to learning for disabled children and is campaigning on many levels to improve the St. Louis school system. Steve sees Dave and Delores Potthoff, St. Louis neighbors, on occasion. Dave's an insurance executive with Lawton, Byrne and Bruner.

See, still not a sawbones or barrister in the group, and do we have businessmen, operating at all levels. Here's a sampling of the entrepreneurs. Dibby Boyer owns and operates two laundromats in Boyertown, Pa. 19512. It's P. O. Box 77 to reach Ute, Skip, 3, or Kim, 1 . . . David R. Godine is president of his own publishing firm, one that has received acclaim for quality of production. The latest work from 306 Dartmouth Street, Boston, is "Robert Frost - 100" published in conjunction with Ed Lathem, Librarian at the College . . . Dave Goldstein is president of the Ethan Allen Furniture outlet in Dover, N.H. Wonder where DeeDee bought the bed for little Billy's room when they moved into Long Hill Road? . . . Rick Lee is V.P. Sales of Arthur H. Lee & Jofa, Inc., a wholesaler and importer of decorative textiles in Manhattan, a director of three other textile and furniture concerns, partner in a Bahamian shipbuilding company, and an officer in the Special Police Division in Greenwich, Conn., where Rick, Margot, and two year old Caren reside (66 Tomac Ave. 06870) when not out tending to business . . . Also in Greenwich is Peter

and Susi Orbanowski and daughter Andrea, 1, (31 Harding Road 06870). Peter is Vice President of Orban Export, Inc., an import/export firm he founded which deals in metals, machine tools and tires, based in Wayne, N.J. . . . Aztech Corporation in Washington, D.C. provides membership data processing services to more national associations than any other firm, and John Rollins is the President. He and Anne live at 3315 Fessenden St., N.W. 20008 . . . Dean and Carol Spatz have built Osmonics, Inc., a manufacturer of water treatment and recycling equipment, up to the million dollar per year sales level in 1974, with 35 employees and sales representatives worldwide. The Spatz family, including Mark, 5, and Sharon, 1, live at 28235 Boulder Circle, Excelsior, Minn. 55331, near Hopkins where Osmonics is located . . . Pieter van den Steenhoven wears two hats in Santa Monica, Cal. One is floral, as owner of the West Coast Bulb Co., a wholesale flowerbush importer; the other is political, as a Santa Monica City Councilman (a tulip in every pot!).

And if you've got a gripe about any major company, there's probably a classmate you can call to set things straight. At Crown Zellerbach, Jim Beardsley is Marketing Director, Consumer Products. If he's got a disposable diaper line it may come in handy - again. Peggy has informed Jim that Craig, 7, and Stacy, 4, will be getting a new brother or sister very soon. Good luck and let us know . . . At Bell & Howell our man is V.P. Product Planning for Consumer Group, Gary Bryson, who undoubtedly has taken many a photo of wife Suzanne and daughter Kelly, 19 months in their Evanston, Ill. home (2223 Noyes) . . . At General Foods, coffee Product Manager Bob Gilbert (15 Mountain Trail, Croton, N.Y. 10520) can probably help . . . At GE get hold of Paul Murphy, Manager - Cost Analysis for the Installation & Service Engineering Business Operation, Rotterdam, N.Y. (129 Gordon Road, 12306). The Murphys are expecting a second child any day. First son Thaddeus is 6 . . . For soap, contact Bob Serenbetz, Group Product Manager for new personal care products at Colgate-Palmolive, New York. Bob and Karen have three children, Todd, 6, Gregg, 3, and Katy, 1, in their 55 Riverside Ave., Riverside, Conn. home . . . For Lavoris, find Wayne LoCurto, Product Director, new products, at Vick Chemical Company, Wilton, Conn. Once you get to 31 Gorham Ave., Westport, Wayne's easy to spot. He's the only guy at home, what with Kathy and four, yes 4, daughters, Jeanne (7), Anne (6), Carolyn (3) and Susan (1). . . And for a car call Edgar Holley, Director of Operations Analysis, Hertz. Careful. Four year old Edgar, Jr. may answer the phone at 97-05 Horace Harding Exp., Apt. 8E, Lefrak City, NY 11368 . . . For copies, in Spanish, telex Hector Motroni (24 Hackberry Hill Road, Weston, Conn. 06880) Area Manager - Andean Affiliates at the Xerox Latin America Group, headquartered in Stamford, Conn. Myra and Hector have one son, Marcus.

Tuition at Dartmouth next year will be \$5657. Our senior year it was \$2715. So the world of finance and investments seems like a good place to dwell, and many classmates are currently toiling in a variety of enterprises to balance the budget, cut inflation, sell some stocks or buy some bonds. Bill Wagner (218 East 81st, NYC 10028) manages commercial paper trading at Merrill Lynch Government Securities . . . Bob Wilson (150 SE 25th Road, Miami 33129) administers trusts and estates at Miami's Security Trust Company . . . Bruce Thorsen (Barbara and Bruce are expecting their first any day at Old Bedford Road, Greenwich 06830, and have a Golden Retriever that is the brother of the one President Ford owns) distributes venture capital as a Second Vice President for Chase Manhattan Capital Corporation . . . Jamie Stewart (Deborah and two children, Jay and Rachel, both 6 - twins? - live at 12 Reservoir St., Winchester, Mass. 01890) makes commercial loans as Loan Officer at the First National Bank of Boston . . . Chris Stenger speculates in commodities at Heindol Commodities, Chicago. The family, Maureen, Scott, 5, and Christy, 3, live in Northbrook, 2765 Greenwood Road, 60062 . . . Bob Spence has two children, Brian 2 and Kevin 3 months, a house at 17 Lyons Road, Scarsdale, NY 10583, and an Asst. Vice President title at First National City Bank where he is an account officer for multinational mining companies . . . Chris Meyer (181 Willow Road, Nahant, Mass. 01908) is Director of Banking Operations at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Five plugs before closing:

- 1) Alumni Ski Weekend -- February 28 - March 2nd, \$80 single, \$130 double, stay at Hanover Inn, ski at Skiway. Contact Alumni Ski Weekend, 201 Crosby, Hanover 03755
- 2) Green Key Society Tours -- Behind the scenes look at campus available. Give one week notice to Alumnus in Hanover Office 603-646-2454.
- 3) Alumni College -- August 10-21st, Subject -- "The Twentieth Century." Outstanding faculty and mental stimulation. Watch "Alumni Magazine" for all the details.
- 4) REUNION -- Tell 'em you're coming. And plan to come.
- 5) Alumni Fund -- Help Dartmouth where it needs it most. Smack in the budget. We've got a \$40,000 class target in this Reunion year and the only way to make it happen is for all of us to participate to the extent we're able. Answer the first call.

Thanks for your time and attention. Please send in the Alumni Data Sheet and anything else you think might be of interest. In this job it's publish or perish, so all correspondence is welcome. Be healthy and content.

