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Editor's Note

It's been awhile since our last newsletter went out in the late spring of 2011. For many reasons, both work related and personal, I wasn't able to get one out, and I apologize. Since we have some catching up to do, I've managed hopefully to get all your submissions into this one, which might best be described as the year in review. While some of the class activity news may not be quite up to date when you receive this, please check the class website for the most recent information. The most interesting postings by far consist of your personal experiences, news, and reflections, and I think this newsletter is rich in this regard. The photos are wonderful and greatly enhance your entries, so please keep them coming! We have a 45th reunion coming up next spring which will revert to the weekend format; hopefully more of us poor souls who are still in the work force will be able to make it back to Hanover this time. The preliminary schedule looks fabulous so make your plans now and reserve your rooms for June of 2013.

It's been quite a year for Dartmouth. We followed the Aires to their exciting second place finish in the "Sing-Off" last fall and discovered that these guys are really very talented and entertaining. They performed again at Smith College in February at the Silver Chord Bowl on Super Sunday, where our local Pioneer Valley Dartmouth Club hosted "Brunch with the Aires" before the performance. Our President Jim Kim is about to take on the Presidency of the World Bank and the med school has been named the Audrey and Theodor Giesel School of Medicine after our local Springfield native Dr. Seuss. The admissions office received over 23,000 applications reducing the odds of admission to 9.4%, the most competitive ever. For those of us who still interview as I do, it is frustrating to see so many great kids rejected. However, the opportunity to get to meet these talented applicants with the satisfaction of an occasional admit, keeps me coming back. As I have said before in this column, when I hear of the many great accomplishments of our class of 1968 across multiple academic disciplines and professions, there is no doubt in my mind that we would still be selected today.

I cannot finish without a word about the weather. After our fierce record snowfall winter of 2011, a June tornado, an early fall hurricane and flood, the October blizzard followed by eight days without power, and the East coast earthquake which rippled up here as well, Ron and I thankfully have nothing additional to report. This past winter was uneventful, and in point of fact, we didn't really have one. The ponds didn't freeze, the snows didn't come, the furnace got a rest, and I personally had only one ski day. We Springfield folks are actually quite relieved to have experienced such boring weather for a change. Have a great summer.

Dave Gang

Message from our Class President

I hope this finds you well and enjoying the start of summer. As you will see from this newsletter, planning has begun in earnest for our 45th reunion next June. We will be sharing our reunion weekend with the '69s under the College's new initiative to cluster post-25th reunions. There will be a good number of reunion classes on campus at the same time, so the College is planning some interesting programs and activities. John Engelman has been working to help us get good dorm assignments and to reserve blocks of rooms at local motels, so please watch your email for word from John as to when you should make your room reservations.

We are also at the end of the DCF fiscal year, and if this reaches you before the end of June, and if you haven't yet made your DCF gift, please consider doing so now. Joe Nathan Wright, David Walden and Peter Wonson have been hard at work helping us to meet our participation and dollar goals for this year. The College generally will not accept gifts for this fiscal year after June 30th.

Our 50th reunion endowment fund (to endow the first year trip) has been growing slowly but steadily, both by gifts directly to the College and through additional amounts included with class dues. Bill Rich has led an effort to contact interested classmates and to work with John Everett, our mini-reunion chairman, to set up mini-reunions in metropolitan areas around the country where classmates can get together over dinner and spend a few minutes learning more about what the first year tip is like these days and the reasoning behind funding the endowment.

Our next class mini-reunion in Hanover is on Saturday, October 13. I hope to see you there.

Best,

Ron Weiss



News from the College

Graduation took place on Sunday, June 10th, with Teach for America (TFA) founder Wendy Kopp delivering the commencement address. In preliminary published remarks she had expressed that Conan O'Brien would be a tough act to follow. Undergraduate degrees were awarded to 1,093 students, and there were 4 valedictorians with 4.0 averages for their entire college careers and 4 salutatorians just behind! (I did not see any premeds in either group). Of note, 120 Dartmouth graduates have taken part in TFA since 2005, an organization founded in 1989 that places teachers in under-resourced schools around the country. The graduating class is quite diverse representing 48 states, D.C., Puerto Rico, and 48 other countries. Most popular majors were: economics, government, and psychological and brain sciences.

It was a great honor for President Jim Kim and Dartmouth when he was selected to become President of the World Bank in late March, 2012. In late May, a Presidential Search Committee composed of members of the Dartmouth Community was announced to be led by Bill Helman '80 with vice chair Trustee Diana Taylor '77. Bill brings extensive experience in recruiting leadership for both for-profit and nonprofit organizations. The committee has been modeled after previous Presidential search committees with members chosen to represent Dartmouth's key constituencies. The College has appointed Provost Carol L. Folt, the chief academic officer and second-highest ranking College officer, as interim President of Dartmouth, effective July 1st, 2012. Folt, Provost since 2009, has been driving Dartmouth's first institution-wide, faculty-led academic strategic planning process. She has announced that she will not be a candidate for the Dartmouth presidency beyond the interim period.



Save the Date to Attend Our 45th Reunion

Update from John Engelman

I will be the Reunion Chair for our 45th year reunion. We have enlisted Dave Walden to serve as reunion treasurer, and both John Everett and Ed Heald will be assisting me. If anyone else would like to help, please let me know. The College is moving all pre-50th year reunions to the weekend following commencement, beginning in 2012. Therefore our reunion dates will be June 13-16, 2013. By holding the reunion on a weekend, we hope that many more classmates will be able to join us in Hanover. Another change that may help attract more classmates is the fact that the Class of 1969 will be holding their reunion at the same time. They'll be joining us for at least a couple of events, including dinner on Friday, June 14th, that will be followed by a band put together by Peter Wonson featuring many other '68s and '69s. They will be playing music from the '50s and '60s, so it should bring back some great memories and be a terrific time. The band is named *Flagrant Neglect*. Again, memories come flooding back.

Other plans are in the works. We have talked with the Reunion Office about venues for our tent, housing, meals, etc. While nothing is finalized, we have put in our "bid" for various locations, and will have a better idea where things will take place by the early summer of 2012. We do know the following: Our reunion will open on Thursday, June 13th with an informal BBQ at our tent that evening, and conclude with a farewell brunch at the tent

on Sunday, June 16th. During the reunion there will be a Saturday evening Class Dinner with a performance by The Aires and a special guest speaker, a Memorial Service (hopefully at Rollins Chapel), and panel discussion featuring Class of '68 and '69 doctors discussing medical issues that we can expect to face in the years ahead. Other activities are in the works.

Because all the pre-50th reunion classes will be on campus at the same time, the College will be sponsoring many more reunion related programs, including lectures and panel discussions, tours of new facilities, a major entertainment event (probably on the Green), and a fireworks show. The large number of people returning for reunions at that time may make it impossible for the College to guarantee campus housing for everyone, though they will certainly try.

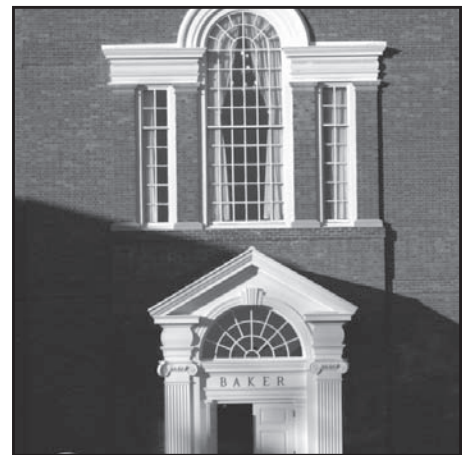
I am trying to reserve a block of rooms at the Courtyard by Marriott (a 10 minute drive from campus), and I should have more information about that in the near future. I've also been in touch with a new downtown Hanover hotel, Six South Street Hotel, and while they will not reserve a block of rooms for us, individuals can make reservations by calling 603-643-0600. If you are planning on attending the 45th, I urge you to make room reservations as soon as possible.

I'd also like to reach out to our classmates and ask for ideas and suggestions for reunion activities. What would they like to

do? What would they like to see? Who would they like to hear? I'm tempted to say that no suggestion is too outrageous, but knowing our class, someone will come up with an idea that defies logic and our ability to pull it off. So please keep your suggestions within reason.

I will be updating the class through the class newsletter and e-mails from time to time. If you would like to be included on the e-mails and the College does not have an e-mail address for you, please contact the Alumni Records Office and give them your e-mail address. Also, if any classmates would like to volunteer to help out at the reunion, please contact me at john.engelman@dartmouth.edu

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Head Agent Joe Nathan Wright Is Looking for Volunteers

Who are David Walden, Peter Wonson and Joe Nathan Wright, and why are they out to get you?

We are using this opportunity to invite you to join a dedicated group of your classmates who are working to increase '68 participation in the Dartmouth College Fund (DCF). Participation means the number of class members who make annual contributions to the DCF. In this respect, size is not important. The significant fact is that someone makes a gift.

During the DCF fiscal year ending last June 30, we '68s contributed \$436,839 from 348 classmates, a 56.7% participation rate. This year our donor base (the

number of our classmates who count toward our participation rate) has gone up from 614 to 716. (Don't ask me how the College does that. It's way above my job description.) So just to keep our participation rate to at least 50%, we will need 358 classmates to contribute \$450,000 to the DCF by June 30, 2012.

Because you have been a consistent donor to the DCF or at least have enough interest in your class activities to read this newsletter, we thought, hoped and prayed that you might sign up (if you have not done so already) to help your 38 friends who now serve as DCF Solicitors to dramatically increase our

DCF participation results this year and beyond. Gear '68!

We appreciate your loyalty. Thanks to classmates like you, Dartmouth continues to be a great school, one we are all very proud to be sons of. Because of your obvious interest in our College, we believe you could be an effective participation agent, even if you have not volunteered previously, or not even thought about it, or not even known someone who knew someone who volunteered to be a participation agent.

The job of a participation agent is to connect with about 10 classmates by phone



Group Photo from Aspen Ski Trip – Mini-Reunion March 9, 2012

Dartmouth '68 Mini-Reunion Dinner at John & Chris Blair's "Caddyshack" in Carbondale, CO, on 3/9/2012. (CW from Left: Peter Emmel, Chris & John Blair, Cindy & Dave Stanley, Hap & Susan Ridgeway, Julia & Larry Griffith, Dave Dibelius, Steve & Linsley Manaras, Scott Reeves, Jim Noyes, John Manaras, Peter Fahey, Rick Pabst, Laurie Solomon, Terry & Buddy Noel, Paul Fitzgerald, Max Milton & Joan Bird. Insets: Rich DuMoulin, Steve Schwager)

or e-mail to encourage them to give to the Dartmouth College Fund. We also need more leadership agents to contact classmates who may be able to make DCF gifts of \$2500 or more. New volunteers will receive the names of their assigned classmates and their contact information by return e-mail. For a small investment of time and effort, you will make a big impact on our class, the DCF and Dartmouth College.

We also know that it is a whole lot of fun re-connecting with classmates and friends and sharing experiences we've had since last reunion—or in some cases, since graduation. We look forward to hearing from you. Please respond to Joe Nathan Wright at jnw315@aol.com. Thanks again for your friendship.

Remember, just because you are paranoid does not mean that we are not out to get you.

Newsletter Submission by Co-Participation Chairs (Walden, Wonson) and Head Agent (Wright), '68 DCF

(Editors's Note: This piece (submitted 2/6/12) was intended to go out in the Winter Newsletter, which didn't happen this year. However, the message is timeless and so I hope you will all take it to heart for next season.)

Update on Bandon Dunes

from Ed Heald (6/4/12)

I am sending this e-mail to all classmates to announce that we have three openings available for our class golf trip to Bandon Dunes in Oregon, October 29-November 3, 2012.

Classmates who are attending include Warren Connolly, John Blair, Jim Noyes, Joe Grasso, Mike Lenehan, Dick Olson, Bill Adler, Fred Palmer, Frank Hugg, Nick Smaby, Hugh Boss and Clark Wadlow. Gerry Rinehart and his wife were planning to join us, but unfortunately Peggy has had something come up that prevents their doing so. Also, Mike Lenehan originally planned on bringing a golf buddy, but that will not be happening. So, we have 21 of the 24 spaces filled with the above, along with a collection of spouses and friends, and are looking first to classmates to see if there is anyone out there who now may want to join us. We have one single room and one double room still available.

Details are to arrive at the Bandon Dunes Golf Resort on Monday, October 29, play a different 18-hole course at the resort each morning Tuesday through Friday with an additional 13-hole par 3 round in the afternoons of Tuesday and Thursday, departing either after golf on Friday or on Saturday morning. I will be glad to provide even more details to anyone out there who wants to join us, or give serious consideration of doing so. Please let me know of any interest for this year ASAP, as we will be filling these spaces elsewhere if we do not hear otherwise. These three spaces will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. (See below for more detailed description of the trip).

My e-mail is esheald@aol.com. My telephone numbers are home 978-369-3544, office 781-416-1404 or cell 978-430-3165.

Original Invitation to Annual Bandon Dunes Golf Trip (2/21/12)

You may not be aware that we are entering our fourth year of putting together a class-based golf trip to Bandon Dunes in Oregon, a true golf mecca. The trip involves four rounds of golf spread over four days, with caddies, on golf courses that rival any of those in Scotland or Ireland. We schedule this trip for the first week of November, or thereabouts. We have a total of 24 participant openings each year.

We open this trip initially to classmates on a first-come, first-serve basis, with others brought in as space and the need to fill open spots call for. Over the past three trips, we have compiled a list of participants from the class, but wanted to be sure we were not overlooking any out there who may not have been aware of this trip and would like to be on the contact list each year. We have already contacted those classmates who have participated in the past, and have their indications of interest on record now. We are sending this to see who else might have such an interest.

Look forward to hearing from the golfers amongst us. Please let me know by e-mail to esheald@aol.com if you want to be on the e-mail list and maybe part of the next Bandon Dunes trip.

Alumni Council Meeting Report, December 2011

by **Gerry Bell (1/11/12)**

Gentlemen: The December 2011 Alumni Council meeting has come and gone, and herewith is my report. Full disclosure: I wasn't able to attend because of a scheduling conflict (we were conducting sacrifices to the snow gods at Sunday River, to no good effect ...), so this is gleaned from the session minutes and from some conversations with a few people who did attend.

You can read the full details and see the original sources of my blatant plagiarism (although I prefer to call what I've done "ruthless editing") if you go to the Dartmouth web site and click on "alumni council" and then "minutes of past sessions."

The highlight of the meeting was the Council Nominating Committee's recommendation and introduction of Nate Fick '99, Rick Kimball '78, and Ben Wilson '73 to run for the three open alumni-nominated positions on the College Board of Trustees. All three men addressed the full Council, participated in a question-and-answer session, and were unanimously endorsed by the councilors present to run for the trustee vacancies.

I have read their resumes (both achievement in the wide, wide world and service to Dartmouth) and believe all three gentlemen to be outstanding candidates who would bring a broad spectrum of talents to the Board of Trustees. So far, most everyone seems to agree: at this writing, no petition candidates in opposition have been put forth. Nevertheless, I encourage all of you to participate in the trustee voting this spring; it is important that we as

alums value the opportunity to nominate trustees, and that we take the responsibility seriously.

In other sessions (and you can read about all these in the detailed minutes on the Dartmouth web site), the Council heard:

- A panel entitled "Diversity at Dartmouth," which described the work of the Office of Institutional Diversity and Equity and elaborated on its mission to promote access, respect, and community for all.
- Cecilia Gaposchkin, assistant dean of the faculty, discussed the pre-major advising program, which aims to facilitate a productive advising relationship between faculty and first and second-year students who have not yet declared a major. (Good idea— could have used this; I'll bet a number of us could have!)
- President Jim Yong Kim provided an update on the Learning Collaborative on High-Risk Drinking, a 32 college/university (last time I counted) consortium that Dartmouth was instrumental in founding and is now a/the lead player.
- Al Mulley '70, director of the Dartmouth Center for Health Care Delivery Science, provided a summary of the center's first year. The fundamental issue being addressed is that high-cost health care doesn't necessarily lead to better care. To that end, Dartmouth is the convener and coordinating center for the High Value Health Care Collaborative, which includes Cleveland Clinic, Mayo Clinic, Intermountain Health, and Denver Health, and which is expanding to 15 top U.S. hospital systems covering 50

million people. In the spirit of "better to light one candle than curse the darkness", that's a lot of candles. More power and success to them.

- Martha Beattie '76 presented an update called "Alumni Relations: The Year Ahead." Lots of material here, but the linchpin is that she gets it: if the College wants alums to engage meaningfully with the College, the College needs to provide something meaningful in return. Martha stressed that there needs to be even more alumni engaged with the College, and that Alumni Relations is taking a hard look at what needs to be done to invigorate outreach to all alumni. (Guys, I welcome your ideas on this subject, and will be very happy to pass them along.)
- Harry Sheehy, Director of Athletics and one of my personal favorites at Dartmouth, summarized the new Peak Performance initiative: "Fostering Physical, Intellectual, and Personal Growth in the Dartmouth Student-Athlete." Some great ideas; be sure to read why chocolate milk is good for you.

That's it fellas. Thanks for reading. As always, I await your comments and ideas on all things Dartmouth, particularly in the areas where I have some level of influence: the Honorary Degrees Committee and the Academic Affairs Committee.

(Editor's note: Gerry will be sending us an update from the May 2012 Alumni Council meeting in early summer; it will appear in the next edition of the newsletter).

The Big 65th Birthday Celebration: Williamsburg, September 2011

by Ed Heald

Our 65th birthday celebration gathering is now history, how appropriate for the location we visited, loaded with history of its own-Colonial Williamsburg in Virginia. From the conversations I had with our classmates who attended, it was truly a success across the board as well. Attendees were:

Thursday arrivals

Ed Heald, Dan and Adele Hedges from Texas, Kevin and Brigid O'Donnell from Massachusetts, David and Roberta Gang, also from Massachusetts, Ron and Janet Weiss, also from Massachusetts, Joe Nathan and Lola Wright from Texas and Dave Walden from Georgia;

Friday arrivals

Cedric and Betsy Kam from Massachusetts, **Jon and Heidi Snellenberg** from NYC, **Warren and Cathy Cooke** from New Jersey, **Dennis and Adrienne Drapkin** from Texas, **Dave Peck** from Massachusetts, and **Bill and Marsha Adler** from California.

We had arranged for the group to receive length-of-stay passes to all of the Colonial Williamsburg properties. In addition, we had a guided tour on Friday morning led by a wonderfully knowledgeable Susan Mullin, visiting most of the major buildings on the

campus. To say she knew her stuff is an understatement. The guided tour lasted about 2 ½ hours, and ended at Merchants Square, where we were able to choose what we did next for lunch and afternoon activities on our own. We had excellent weather for this walking tour-an early autumn day in the middle Atlantic coast-which added to the enjoyment of the tour.

For Thursday evening, we had a social hour and dinner at the Conference Center at the Williamsburg Lodge, a property that is part of Colonial Williamsburg. This was a casual affair, with a delightful buffet dinner, a nice and relaxing way to begin the weekend. At the dinner table this evening, I posed two questions for each of the two tables to share their comments-the first being, as we look out over the next five years, for each of us, working or not, what do we see ourselves doing-transitioning away from work, developing those interests outside of the work environment that will keep us both mentally and physically active and involved. The second question was to look forward 10 years, as we are sitting around the same table discussing the past 10 years, and asking what would we be most disappointed in not having accomplished during that 10 year period-a 10-year lookback assessment. I found the comments, thoughts and observations varied and fascinating, as we each deal with our own views of what matters to each of us.

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Back Row, from left to right: Dave Peck, Jon Snellenberg, Dennis Drapkin, David Gang, Cedric Kam, Ron Weiss, Dan Hedges, Warren Cooke, Kevin O'Donnell, Joe Nathan Wright, Dave Walden,

Front row, from left to right: Heidi Snellenberg, Adrienne Drapkin, Roberta Hillenberg-Gang, Betsy Kam, Janet Weiss, Cathy Cooke, Brigid O'Donnell, Lola Wright, Adele Hedges



Friday evening we had a special treat. We began with a social hour at the Lodge, outside in a courtyard. At the appointed hour, a fife-and-drum escort arrived to lead us from the Lodge to our dining location of the night at the Shield's Tavern located on the main street of Duke of Gloucester Street. Thus, we were paraded through the center of Colonial Williamsburg to our destination. Along the way, our walking troupe grew from the 23 of us to over 100, as many along the route seemed to enjoy following along regardless of where we were headed. We had our colonial-themed dinner at Shield's Tavern. During dinner we were treated to a musical accompaniment from a fiddler and guitarist—what a delight they were. Once again, we were blessed with good weather for both the walk to and from the Tavern. Dinner led to wonderful conversations among all of us over the two group tables we occupied—great intercourse, to say the least.

Saturday dawned rainy, and remained showery all day. Today each of us pursued various activities with personal interest with like-minded classmates, as some attended an organ concert on the campus of the College of William & Mary, some enjoyed the Spa and Fitness Center, others hit the museums and the Bruton parish, while the more adventuresome visited the nearby historical locations of Jamestown and Yorktown.

Dinner Saturday was our gala birthday banquet back at the Lodge, a five-course dinner with each course paired with the appropriate wine as accompaniment—this was truly the gourmet highlight of our gathering. *(See class web site for additional photos and comments by attendees).*

News from our classmates

Gerry Hills invites us to join him next year in the islands (2/20/12)

Greetings from St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands!

Here's an adventure for you—and another absolute must-do accomplishment for your Bucket List. I live in the best locale for charter sailing in the world—the U.S. and British Virgin Islands. Warm, shallow, clear turquoise water, gentle breezes, easy sailing and plenty of welcoming overnight anchorages with colorful beach bars/restaurants that love sailboats and sailors.

Yes, a Class of 1968 Virgin Islands Regatta!

From experience, the best dates are in May—the weather is excellent, the water is warm, and the boats are all on special spring rates. We don't have enough time to get it all put together for 2012, so this is an advance prospectus for May, 2013.

I live here, and charter sailboats whenever possible—a qualified Captain, and a past Commodore of the St. John Yacht Club. I was recently in contact with classmate Norm Silverman, who is also a past Commodore—Grosse Point Yacht Club—and has chartered here and loves it as much as I do. So we decided to see if anyone wants to join us. We know there are some excellent sailors in the class, but more important, there are people who would enjoy being on a sailboat in the Caribbean as passenger/crew. You don't need any special experience to be on a boat here—you just need to like adventure.

I can get anywhere from 1 to 5 boats, depending on how many people are

interested. 51 foot Benetaus with dual steering wheels and excellent performance. Each will hold 3 couples with loads of space. And 44-46 foot catamarans which will hold 4 couples. Norman will captain one of the boats, I will captain one of them, and we will find other captains. All we need are people to enjoy the sail. The charter company I use has a special in May—9 nights for the price of one week. So the trip would be 9 nights in May, 2013. You fly to Beef Island, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, and overnight at a small hotel next to the charter company. The next morning we get checked out and go sailing. After 9 nights exploring we spend another night at the hotel and then take flights home. Well, most people do—I take a ferry across the channel from BVI to USVI.

You have breakfast on the boats, lunch either on board or at a small beach restaurant, and usually dinner at a beach restaurant, which all have moderate prices. Usually sail twice per day - once in the morning and once in the afternoon - before getting a mooring for the night. Snorkel, of course, it is very simple to do and lots of fun and you get very tanned. The boats will go wherever the consensus is during the day, either together or separately, and will meet up at night for drinks and dinner. A first pass costs about \$1,750/couple for the Benetaus—boat, insurance, fuel, miscellaneous fees and about \$2,000/couple for the catamarans. Just buy your food for 9 nights and you are all set. You have to eat anyway, and you might as well eat in the Caribbean for a week.

So that's the initial idea. We're testing the waters, so to speak. You don't have to commit at this point, but we want to see if there are any possible adventurers out there. Send an e-mail to either of us if you have any interest, and we'll take it from there. Friends and neighbors and adult children or other Dartmouth

classes are welcome, of course, but D 68 is the preference.

The charter company website is www.conchcharters.com.

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Dave Loring elaborates on the Dartmouth Hockey Celebration this past January (4/15/12)

Several former '68 hockey players were back in Hanover January 27-29 for an "Eddie Jeremiah Era Celebration", with about 50 others who played for the legendary coach. As "Jerry's" last year coaching was 1967 (after starting in 1933), we were the youngsters at this gathering, which thanks to the fine planning by the College along with organizers Mike Choukas '51 and Seaver Peters '54, included breakfasts, talks by the coach and Director of Athletics among others, tours of the athletic facilities, two great hockey games (vs Yale and Brown), and post game receptions in Smoyer Lounge, named in memory of our outstanding teammate, Bill Smoyer '67. Players attending from '68 were Jim "Shank" Cruickshank, Tom Long, Bob Tharinger, Greg "Iggy" Olchowski, and Dave Loring; Gary Goodenough and Geoff "Rip" Maclay represented '69. Two other superb goaltenders of our era were there as well, our team Captain Warren Cook '67 and Budge Gere '66, along with two top players from '65 we used to clean the ice for, Jim Cooper and Chip Hayes. We were very pleased to run into other members of '68 who attended the game(s) to cheer on the "Big Green," Bill Rich, Wells Chandler and John Engelman. A very memorable moment came when, after the second period, led by the Dartmouth hockey legend and long time coach of West Point, Jack Riley '44, we marched

(carefully and proudly) out onto the ice, in sequence of graduating Class, were introduced individually and honored by the enthusiastic fans. Dartmouth President Kim even took time to greet us in the stands. It was a weekend I'll never forgetso special to see former teammates, to rub shoulders and swap tales with some of the great players from past years, and of course to be back in Hanover.



Left to right: Dave Loring, Tom Long, and Jim Cruickshank (photo by Geoff "Rip" Maclay, '69)

Peter Wonson invites us to see some great music this summer up in White River and Stowe (4/28/12) HEY, MUSIC LOVERS!!!

On Friday, August 3rd, the rock bands Better Days & Co., Davis Brothers Garage, and Tracks (*featuring Pete as lead vocalist—see below*) will play a show at Tupelo Music Hall in White River Junction, VT. Tickets go on sale on the Tupelo Music Hall website on Tuesday, May 1, at 8:00 a.m. EDT. Go to: www.tupelohallvermont.com, click on the "Calendar & Tickets" tab, and scroll down until you find the show listing. Click on the "Buy Now" tab on the right hand side of the page, and proceed to order your tickets.

Tickets are \$25 for the three hour show, in which each band will play a 45 minute (or longer!) set. Capacity for this event at Tupelo is 225, and I think tickets will sell out quickly. Last year for my book

launch party at Tupelo, we had a private sale for three days, and sold out before tickets could ever go public. With three bands promoting this show there is no doubt in my mind that tickets will go very fast, so please don't delay in ordering if you want to attend the show. Once the 225 tickets are gone, that is it. None will be held back, and Tupelo doesn't do waiting lists.

On Saturday, August 4, the same three bands will perform at the Rusty Nail in Stowe, VT. Tickets for that show (also \$25) will go on sale on the Nail's website around the middle of May. Capacity at the Rusty Nail is almost 500, so tickets will be a little easier to come by, although the management of the Nail also expects a sellout. I will send out another e-mail as a reminder a couple of days prior to the start of those ticket sales. Come join us at one of the shows—or both—and enjoy the great music and memories from the golden age of live music in northern New England!

Peter adds some Dartmouth '68 ancient music history: Steve Calvert '68 and I were both founding members of Tracks in Hanover in September of 1968. Steve was in the band as a guitarist/keyboardist/vocalist for only a month, at which point Naval OCS called. I had failed my draft physical in August of '68

and was the band's lead singer/front man from 1968-1971, at which time I started in on a 38 year teaching career. Tracks continued to play until summer of 1974. Tracks released a triple album in 1974, and a CD compilation from that album in 1991. Other Dartmouth alums who were in Tracks at one time or another include: Russ Pinkston, guitar, '70; Jeff Wilkes, bass, '70; Peter Logan, drums, '70; Dom Puccio, bass, '71; Ned Berndt, drums, '72. I will be singing lead with Tracks at Tupelo in White River on Friday, August 3rd, and the Rusty Nail in Stowe on Saturday, August 4th. Up until a week or so ago, Steve was also planning on being onstage at both shows, but a family wedding now conflicts and he will have to miss them both.



Photo of Peter Wonson singing in White River, August 2011

Peter adds some Dartmouth '68 more recent music history: On Saturday, August 27, 2011, a sold out house at Tupelo Music Hall in White River Junction, VT, celebrated the release of Peter Wonson's book, "Old Times, Good Times: A rock and roll story." The book tells the story of rock bands in the

Upper Valley area of New Hampshire and Vermont from the mid-1960s to the mid-1970s, with plenty of Dartmouth references. The event featured four hours of music by a number of bands from the early 1970s, with musicians returning to White River from 22 states, while thumbing their collective nose at Irene.

A sizeable crowd of 1968s was on hand for the festivities, perhaps enough to qualify as a "musical mini reunion." Classmates included Gerry Bell and wife Jackie, Steve Calvert, who also performed on stage with Tracks, Peter Fahey and wife Helen, Greg Marshall, John Maxfield, who also performed onstage with Gunnison Brook, Kirby Nickels and wife Kathy, David Walden, Joe Nathan Wright and wife Lola, and the author and his wife, Lee. Also joining us was Janet Rosa, our Dartmouth College Fund Class of 1968 liaison in the Development Office.

"Old Times, Good Times" is available from Infinity Publishing, on Amazon.com, or by contacting Peter at pwonson@cox.net or at 540-989-3841.

Dave Peck has officially retired (2/20/12):

I officially retired in January but am working 2 to 3 days a week as a per diem, through June, to assist in transition of my successor at Children's Hospital. Officially signed up for Social Security and Medicare, so am therefore officially an old guy (but don't feel like one). July will see a leisurely trip to and from Wisconsin, and we plan an Alaska cruise around Labor Day. We are starting to behave like real retired folk. Family is all doing fine. Diane retired last year after a career in nursing and midwifery. We are in the process (we ardently hope) of downsizing houses, from a large 3000 square foot antique to a smaller investment condo we own in Plymouth. Lots of

showings, no offers so far (an antique is not for everyone, I guess)...we might be in this house for longer than we thought.

Eben lives in DC, and recently joined ASTA, the American Society of Travel Agents as VP for Government Affairs. He had been with Corporation for Public Broadcasting for the past 7 or so years. He and wife Colette recently had their first child, Lucy, who will be one in May. Matthew lives in Dorchester, and works for a financial services firm. He and wife Diana have two children, Nathaniel aged 2 3/4 and Adelaide, who just turned one. Youngest son Sam '10 graduates this June from Thayer with a Masters of Engineering Management (MEM) and heads out to Milwaukee in late June to work with Eaton Engineering. We plan to visit during our Wisconsin trip.

Two notes from classmates responding to Ed's invitation to join the class golf outing (2/21/12):

From Rusty Martin:

Thanks for the update and all the work you're doing on this. We just found out that my wife is going to have knee replacement surgery early next fall, which will eliminate me from considering going to Brandon Dunes (If I want to stay married, which I do). So I must take my name off the list for this year, but please keep me in the loop for future events.

Rusty Martin
MWH Americas, Inc.
tel: 801-617-3320
cell: 801-209-8035

From Rick Dolsky:

Keep me on the mailing list. I retired at the end of last year; however I have had less time than more. My son and daughter-in-law had twin boys born 3 months premature. One came home after 100 days in the hospital and the second is still in the hospital. We have spent more than half our time in Columbus OH helping them out. We had been planning an African safari for early October, but it has morphed into Vietnam/Cambodia for Oct/Nov. My retirement plan of discovering the real golfer hidden in me is on hold. I will try to put the 2013 Bandon date in my calendar. Thanks again for all your efforts.

Regards, Rick Dolsky

Eric Hatch reports that he found some snow at Mad River this winter (2/8/12):

Sam Swisher, old roomie, gave me a call and said “Mad River Glen is having a “roll back” day—lift tickets for \$3.50.” So I travelled east to ski with Sam and other roomie Dennis Donahue. In a year that was disastrous, Sam and I found good snow and a great time. Dennis couldn’t make it; something about a missing dog-sitter.

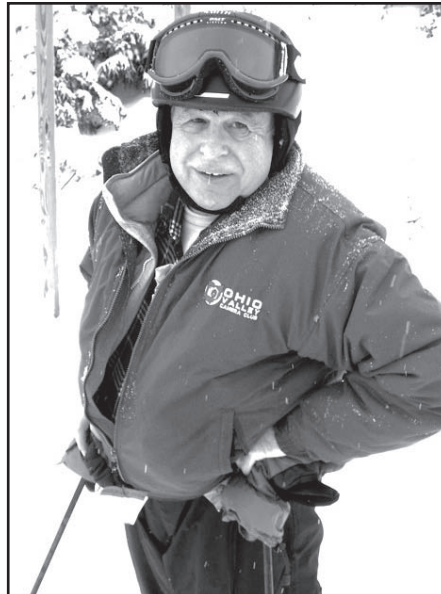
We hit the only day in weeks with some actual fresh snow at Mad River. Wow! Sam is a cautious, safe skier and I - well imagine a walrus on a skateboard, and that’s me. While not skiing, we rambled through VT where my camera enjoyed itself. The pix of Sam and me were taken atop Mad River via—ugh—cell phone

On another note, I have just completed a book for advanced amateur photographers called “Explorations in Photography.” It’s not about pushing buttons, but about why you should push them (or not). I need help finding a

publisher; if any classmate would like to get involved in this project, I urge him to get in touch.

Also, celebrated my 65th in Homer, Alaska. Several stories hang thereby. More about that, too.

Eric



Eric Hatch at Mad River Winter 2012



Sam Swisher at Mad River Glen Winter 2012

John Remsen updates on his active retirement (1/25/12)

After working in and around banking for over 43 years, including a couple of stints as CEO of community banks, I am pleased with a new consulting role with Financial Marketing Solutions. This is a chance to stay active in “retirement” and keep abreast of the changes banks need to make. Also, traveling a bit more now is in our plans as shown in the recent photo from Thailand, where we made a new friend, Jumbo, or at least Garland did.



John and Garland Remsen in Thailand with new friend Jumbo

Peter Thompson and Dave Gang discuss hiking at the roof of Texas this winter (1/24/12)

Peter: Greetings to the Class of 68. This month Thelma and I reached the roof of Texas, Guadalupe Peak, in our quest to visit most of the state highpoints—the spirit holds out better than the knees! A nice change of pace from teaching—a few more years to go before retirement.

Dave: Never knew there were mountains in Texas! How tall is Guadalupe?

Peter: 8749 feet, but with many more switchbacks than any trail in New England! Check out my web site at: <http://www.unh.edu/esci/geology-highpoints/index.html>

Dave: I'm shocked, that's much higher than Mt. Washington. I am quite amazed. I will check out your web site.

Peter: Many hikes in the West are far easier than the Whites, because you start so much higher to begin with—Denver is a mile high, for example. I remember Westerners in DOC being amazed at how our trails in New England just go straight up! (We hiked the Twins for the first time last summer—stayed at Galehead Hut, the first time we'd ever stayed in a hut. How nice! But that trail up onto South Twin is a killer.) Not sure I'll ever be able to do peaks over 10,000 feet because of a mild heart condition. My cardiologist just tells me, take it one step at a time. Do you still do any hiking? (*Editor's note: I do. My middle son Jon is based in Durango and we're joining him this June to hike around Silverton.*)

Cheers, Pete

Arnie Resnicoff updates us on life and family (1/24/12)

Happy to share a little info on my life and family! My daughter Malka Resnicoff Zeefe is working as an attorney for White & Case in Munich, where her husband Justin is working as a civilian attorney for the U.S. Army. I just returned from a visit to Munich—and then (with Malka) a visit to Jerusalem. In March, I'll be the keynote speaker at the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA) National Prayer Luncheon, and here in DC I'll be the speaker on February 3 for Four Chaplains Day—the day established by Congress to remember the four

Army Chaplains (two ministers, a priest, and a rabbi) who each saved others by giving away their own lifejackets after the Army troopship USAT Dorchester was torpedoed, and then ministered together to the wounded and the dying until the ship went down.

I have already begun a campaign to convince the White House that next year's February 3, 2013 anniversary of this event would be an opportunity to hold a reception in honor of chaplains who work in interfaith settings throughout America: not only military chaplains, but also those in hospitals and prisons, on campuses, and with the police and firefighters. Many of these chaplains were essential in terms of lending support and comfort to both first responders, victims, and families on and after 9/11 (including many college and university chaplains who worked to create and conduct memorial services to honor and remember both the heroes and the victims of that attack). My feeling is that we live at a time when religious tension and hostility is too easy to see, and so we need to celebrate the stories of religious respect, cooperation, and even "spiritual heroism" represented by chaplains of so many faiths: chaplains who work not only with those of religions different from their own, but also with men and women who do not embrace any religion.

If any of our fellow 68s have contacts that could help with this effort, please contact me (resnicoff@aol.com). By the way, I am aware that Feb 3, 2013 will fall a short time after the Presidential inauguration, but my hope is that whatever the outcome of the election, our President at that

time will back such an effort to thank and salute our chaplains—and the interfaith cooperation that is part of our American heritage.

Best wishes, 68 to 68,

Arnie

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Doug Young celebrated his 65th in grand style (1/24/12)

I celebrated my 65th birthday hiking on the north slopes of Mt Hood, Oregon, with my wife Laura, and a buddy from Cub Scouts, his wife and daughter. Bear grass flourished in an area that had recently burned. Ah, renewal. Although I formally retired 18 months ago, I continue to teach one economics class each semester and assist in keeping Montana State University's self-insured health plan in the black. My book club of 7 guys includes Tom Stonecipher ('68) and Jim Cole ('73). We planned to meet in a different bar each month, but after 17 years we've pretty much exhausted Bozeman, MT's possibilities. Fortunately, bars also renew themselves.

Doug



Bear Grass on Mt. Hood

A note and photo from John Isaacson (1/24/12)

I continue to do what I have done and I worked hard to ignore my 65th. Consuelo and I did, finally, buying a house at the beach, so maybe the rhythm will change eventually. Both kids are out there, making their way in the “real” world. I’ve attached a picture.

John



John Isaacson January 2012

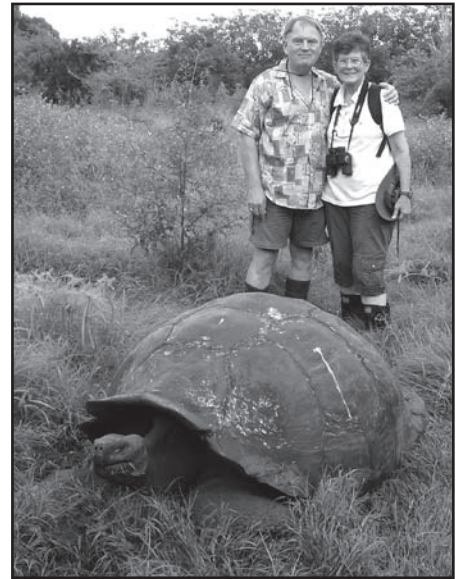
Russ Chapman has retired again! (8/9/2011)

In the Fall of 2010, I retired from Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO) at University of California San Diego (UCSD) where I served at the Executive Director of the Center for Marine Biodiversity and Conservation (CMBC). I had started there on August 1st shortly(!) after retiring from Louisiana State University (LSU) on July 29th. A

little more than five years in paradise (that is, La Jolla, California) was wonderful, and I enjoyed SIO and UCSD very much partly because it was a post-retirement position that I took “for fun” and partly because the caliber of the students, faculty, and overall research enterprise was so impressively high there. Despite our love of boogie-boarding, Melanie and I decided that we couldn’t afford to retire in La Jolla and we really needed to return to our country home in Saint Gabriel, Louisiana (which we maintained while living in La Jolla and visited for holidays (and for post-hurricane repairs). So we moved back to our home on Bayou Paul. It has been unbelievably busy for various reasons including: I am consulting for an algae biofuels startup company, am back in the Sunrise Rotary and on the Boards of the Baton Rouge Symphony Orchestra and the Patrons of LSU Opera; we were given a magnificent Arabian horse; we traveled to the Galapagos Islands, Guayaquil, Quito, and Otavalo in Ecuador; we bought a fantastic new Pembroke Welsh Corgi puppy (“Ace”); we are having some renovations done on our house; and we are getting ready to leave for Rhodes, Greece (science meeting) and Turkey (pure vacation). After the trip to Greece and Turkey, we plan to stay home, enjoy the renovated house, and try to save some money so we might take another nice trip or two in the future. Our younger son, Timothy, and his wife, Camille, live one mile up the street from

us; and that is another reason we came home to Louisiana!

Russ



Melanie & Russ Chapman, with Galapagos tortoise on Santa Cruz Island June 2011

Old News from Green Cards: Green Card from Rick Pabst, 9/21/11

The ski trip to Big Mountain was Great! Knees held up better than last year – until noon usually. I found that after lunch, cruising became a lot more mellow for me. Powder snow did provide a welcome chance to get back into the groove.

I returned from Barkley Sound – West Coast of Vancouver Island last Saturday. All in all, it was 3 trips totaling 25 days spent in the most spectacular place I’ve ever experienced. Fishing, crabbing, and shrimping added to the enjoyment. Perhaps some lost classmate would like to spend 10 days next summer inn the Tofino area on a 30’ 1977 Mercator Sloop.

Call me at: 253-862-9076 or write to me a 26719 120tg Street East, Buckley, WA, 98321.

Rick

**Green Card from Tom Peterson,
9/19/11**

'68 Classmates:

Many enjoyable class notes share news of things already done, but this note is about what lies in the future, in hopes that you WILL enjoy it when it happens. It's about my book, many years in writing but now nearly complete (rejoice with me!)

It's dedication reads: "This book is dedicated to restoring the original design of the American Constitution."

It first retells a lost history of how much the Framers loathed political parties, how hard they worked in writing the "C" to prevent parties from taking over, and why that effort failed. It recounts their essential dilemma: How can you have true political liberty and, at the same time, stop parties (which spring from human nature and have destroyed nearly all past republics) from taking over and ruining this one?

The book identifies the one great weak point in their magnificent design, and applies their approach (examine history to find out what has worked, what has not, and why) to the 200 years since in order to identify the Constitutional solution to their dilemma. All within the context of Liberty, which was the contest they labored in and bequeathed to us.

Coming soon. Heads up!

Tom

**Green Card from Frank Molloy,
7/17/11**

A couple of years back I ran across an original Eleazar Wheelock letter and purchased it at auction. Pleased to say that the College Special Collection Dept has authenticated it, and allowed me to donate it to the College.

Kind of cool.

Frank

Obituaries:

The college notified us on May 3, 2012, that **Gerald (Gerry) Dana Parkinson** passed away on April 21, 2012 in Winnipeg, MB, Canada. He was married to Deborah Charlene-Parkinson and had 4 children, Andrew, Rebecca, Kara, and Chelsea. At Dartmouth he was a member of Psi Upsilon. We welcome any thoughts or reminiscences about Gerry from our classmates which will be presented in the next newsletter.

The college sent us a notice on November 3, 2011, that **Lew Carey Sayers, Jr.** died on 10/4/11 of a heart attack in Dallas, Texas. He was married to Janis Gayle Sayers, Ph.D and lived at 7051 Chantilly Lane, Dallas, TX 75214. At Dartmouth he was a member of Bones Gate and contributed to the Jack-O-Lantern. Any thoughts or memories of Lew would be appreciated and will be added to the next newsletter.

Eric Alan Jones died on December 4, 2011 (obituary appeared in Valley News, 1/23/12).

Eric Alan Jones died on Sunday, December 4, 2011, at Life House in San Diego following a lengthy terminal illness. He was born on July 1st, 1946, in Wayland, MA, and graduated from high school there. He then came to Dartmouth College, graduating with the Class of 1968. He had a great love for theatre even then; he was a member of the Dartmouth Undergraduate Council, and also directed several musicals at Hanover High School while at Dartmouth. Eric remained in Hanover after graduation, continued working with

Hanover High School, and worked for Dartmouth Travel Bureau, until his move to Boston and later, to California.

Eric had come to recognize a clear need in the Upper Valley for more opportunities in community theatre and met with Lois Wood of Lebanon in the spring of 1973. Together they found other local theatre enthusiasts to join them, and so began planting the seeds for a summer theatre program. The fledgling company's first summer production in the Opera House was "Music Man." Eric and Lois had great fun orchestrating the show from scouring the community for volunteers to hand-numbering the tickets. Eric directed with his customary skill, vigor, and enthusiasm, and the show was a huge success. Thus, the dawning of today's North Country Community Theatre (NCCT).

In 1976, Eric moved to Boston to work for a travel agency prior to establishing his own company, First In Travel. Each summer he would return to attend NCCT's summer festival. Then in 1997, Eric and his longtime companion Michael Trueblood, migrated westward to San Diego where he opened another travel agency.

A hard and dedicated worker all his life, Eric will be sorely missed by his many friends in the Upper Valley and around the country. NCCT's 2012 summer musical "Sweeney Todd" will be dedicated to his memory. Donations can be made in Eric's name to NCCT, P.O. Box 462, Lebanon, NH, 03766.

John Engelman notified us that several books have been purchased for Baker-Berry Library in memory of our recently deceased classmates:

In memory of James J. Lewis '68, *A Picture History of Cornwall: Contemporary Artists and the Inspirational Landscape*, by Ray Balkwill

In memory of Gary Blaich '68, *Tony Duquette, Hutton Wilkinson: Jewelry*, by Hutton Wilkinson

In memory of Frank Couper '68, *Peoples on Parade: Exhibitions, Empire and Anthropology in Nineteenth Century Britain*, by Sadiah Qureshi

In memory of John Weigel '68, *Earth Meets Spirit: A Photographic Journey Through The Sacred Landscape*, by Doug's Beasley

Thought you all would like to know about this.

John

In memory of John Robert Peacock who died on 10/12/1970

Fellow 68s,

Many of you knew our classmate Rob Peacock. I posted the following on Facebook this morning...PW

“On October 12, 1970, John Robert Peacock, Dartmouth College Class of 1968 and USMC pilot, disappeared over the jungles of Quang Binh Province, North Viet Nam, on his very first mission, his fate still unknown 41 years later. Captain Peacock and his bombardier-navigator, First Lieutenant William M. Price, were initially listed as MIA. A presumptive finding of ‘Died while Missing’ eventually was issued for both men. Their remains have not been repatriated.

Semper Fi, Rob, gone so long but never forgotten.”

Peter Wonson (10/12/11)





Make Plans Now to Attend Our Fall Mini-Reunion in Hanover

As we have in the past, the Class of '68 will be holding our Fall 2012 Mini-Reunion on Saturday, October 13th, 2012. There is a home football game that day against Sacred Heart University, which is scheduled to start at 1:30 P.M. Although this weekend is not the Columbus Holiday three-day weekend, which is the previous weekend when Dartmouth plays away at Yale, the foliage should be as near to peak around Hanover as it will be on any weekend. The football game will be preceded by a Class Meeting at 10:00 A.M., location still to be determined, and by an elegant tailgate on the front lawn of Alpha Delta fraternity, thanks again to John Engelman, which will be catered by Ed Heald, John Engelman, and maybe some other local classmates.

The football game will be followed by home soccer matches, Men at 4:30 P.M. vs. Penn, Women at 7:00 P.M. vs. Penn, at the Whitey Burnham Field. Then that evening we will celebrate a Class of 1968 dinner together. The plan is to hold the dinner at the Quechee Club in Quechee, VT, where we have had a number of wonderful dinners in the past; time to be determined, but usually it's a little on the late side to accommodate the Men's soccer enthusiasts.

For the early travelers to the Upper Valley, a group of classmates of any size can get together at a local restaurant on Friday evening for dinner. And those same usual suspects might come together for breakfast/brunch in the Upper Valley on Sunday morning.

Even though the Class of '68 will celebrate its Mini-Reunion on the weekend of October 13th and 14th 2012, the College will be celebrating Homecoming/Dartmouth Night on the weekend of October 26th and 27th, 2012. On Friday evening, the 26th, the Dartmouth Night Parade of the Classes will begin on Lebanon Street in front of Memorial Field, proceed to and up Main Street, and then around the Green to the front steps of Dartmouth Hall. Come march under the banner of the Class of 1968 and join the two of us who marched last fall. Then the Dartmouth Night ceremonies will take place on the front steps of Dartmouth Hall, to be followed by the Class of 2016 Bonfire. Run round and round the bonfire, tucker yourself out, and then we can repair somewhere for some cooling libation. The Saturday football game is scheduled to begin at 5:00 P.M., so we're on our own on Saturday morning. Early Saturday afternoon, there are soccer games, Women at 1:00 P.M. vs. Harvard, Men at 3:00 P.M. vs. Harvard. Class plans for a simpler tailgate may accommodate the soccer matches by time and location. We'll keep everyone posted on the details as they are confirmed. Post-game, we will have to create our own celebrations for the victory over Harvard.

Ta Bear