

Gatherings and travel fill our class news. The Class Connections program, connecting us to the incoming class of 2018, had two parts. At the College Grant, during the freshmen trips, Lynn and **Bill Clark, Chris Mayer, Bear Everett, Jack Noon, Peter Fahey** and **John Pfeiffer** served food and good cheer as the traveling freshmen passed through. And at the Class of 1953 Dining Commons (in our experience, Thayer Hall), Mary and Chris Mayer, Martha and **Gerry Hills, Dave Walden, Dan Bort, Bill Rich** and friend Sylvia Griffiths, Bear Everett, Peter Fahey, **John Engelman** and **David Peck** handed out Dartmouth '18 pins. Gerry has also donated his two '68 sweaters to the class of 2018, both for Connections and because they don't fit anymore. The '68 turns '68 New York City theater weekend drew a crowd of classmates and guests, including **Warren Connelly** and Carolyn Rand, Michele and **David Cooperberg**, the ubiquitous Peter Fahey, Roberta and **Dave Gang, Ed Heald, Steve Schwager**, Sandy and **Larry Smith**, Leslie Cosgrove and **Mark Waterhouse**, Janet and **Ron Weiss**, Sarah and **Jim Snyder, Michel Zaleski** and John Engelman. Pencil in '68 turns 70 for a return to Napa Valley, California, in 2016. The annual Bandon Dunes, Oregon, golf trip happened in early November. Future class trips and mini-reunions include a second annual big east ski trip at Okemo Ski Area in Vermont this coming January; the now legendary March ski trip in the West in Sun Valley, Idaho, in March; and a late April-early May trip to Key West, Florida, "in the footsteps of Truman and Hemingway." And of course the becoming legendary green flotilla in the Virgin Islands in later May. Watch for full info on the class website, in email or in future newsletters. From Facebook we learn of classmates traveling to exotic locations: Sally and **Peter Emmel** toured France on canal boats and spent time in Paris. Bill Rich and Sylvia Griffiths traveled to Budapest. Kathryn and **Paul Fitzgerald** went to East Africa. Marsha and **Bill Adler** toured Japan. And Diane and David Peck spent two weeks in Turkey, getting as close as (and glad to be no closer than) six miles to Syria. **Bill Jaeger** wrote, noting that he and Charlotte are enjoying retirement and dividing time between Hilton Head, South Carolina, and Wintergreen, Virginia. **Bart Palmer**, a professor at Clemson University, has been named editor of the *South Atlantic Review*, the official journal of the South Atlantic Modern Language Association. Since 1995 Bart has been at Clemson, where he has also served two terms chairing the English department. He is both a medievalist and a film scholar and has served as author, editor or general editor of close to 50 books. And finally, our class has donated to the Alumni Memorial Book Fund, which supports library acquisitions in memory

of recently departed classmates. During 2014 we remembered **Jonathan Doll, Lew Sayers Jr, Jannik VonRosenvinge, Gerald Parkinson** and **Sherman Fredrickson**.

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