September-October 2021

As we eagerly anticipate our first in-person meeting in almost two years in October, there have been several virtual gatherings in the meantime. Recent webinar topics have ranged from baseball history, conducted by **Gerry Bell**, to poetical musicology, conducted by **Peter Wonson**, to the very high-concept, fictional adventures of George Washington, based on **Bill Zarchy**'s new book. Attendees have included **Clark Wadlow**, **Norm Silverman**, **David Peck**, **Steve Schwager**, **Peter Fahey**, **Mark Waterhouse**, **John Engelman**, **Bill Rich**, **Peter Zack**, **Wick Walker**, **Richard Parker**, **Rich du Moulin**, **Jim Lawrie**, **John Isaacson**, **Ron Weiss**, **Charles Karchmer**, **Dan Bort**, **Jamie Newton**, and myself. The Zarchy book, *Finding George Washington*, is also a baseball saga as well as a time-travel thriller. Bill reports strong initial sales. Follow the class website for news of forthcoming seminars.

Dave Dibelius reports that what he calls the seasonal communal activity (a.k.a. ski week reunion) is a go for January 24-28, 2022. Rich Du Moulin, **Dave Gang, Peter Emmel, Tom Enright, Allen Ott**, and Gerry Bell are already signed up. Contact dave@davedibelius.me to join. As they say on late-night TV, "You need send no money now."

Gerry Hills, Dan Tom, and **Peter Diamond** have fleshed out details on the Hawaii trip set to start on March 12. The three-night, Honolulu portion will be based at the Lotus Hotel, just outside Waikiki, followed by four nights on the big island of Hawaii, split between two venues. See specifics about this colorful journey in the forthcoming *Transmission* and at the website.

Next, it's our delayed 75th birthday party at the Greenbrier September 18-21. **Ed Heald**, in addition to keeping us always very informed with first-person reports on Dartmouth and Hanover matters, will provide more details during the summer. Stay tuned.

Rabbi **Arnold E. Resnicoff** had the honor of delivering the prayer at the Memorial Day service at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The service was the first non-virtual ceremony at the memorial since Covid. Rabbi Resnicoff addressed a full complement of in-person attendees and a radio audience.

Speaking of radio, **Larry Barnet** was my other half on the general manager-assistant general manager team at WDCR in 1967-68. He became my employer when he hired me after my military service to help start WQBK-FM in Albany, New York. Larry wrote from Florida to send me an interview with one of our former staffers who recalled our radio work in the 1970s.

Cedric Kam offers photos of his classic MG on his Facebook page. He and the roadster attended MG2021 in Atlantic City, New Jersey, recently.

Woody Lee and **John Pfeiffer** reported on a generous donation to our Class of 1968 Historical Black Alumni Exhibit. Natalie Boll, a distant cousin of Remus Grant Robinson, class of 1897, is an actress, writer, and film producer living in Germany who has graciously pledged \$10,000 to our project.

In conclusion, let us offer our condolences to Virginia Lannen, whose husband, classmate **Richard M. Lannen**, passed away on May 1.

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