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# *Along Route '66*



The Dartmouth College Class of 1966 Newsletter

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## **November 2011**

### **45th Reunion Draws 232 Participants**

#### **Raises \$10,000 for the Scholarship Fund**

Hurricane Irene couldn't stop the trees from showing their brilliant colors -- or 232 classmates and guests from showing up for a weekend of fraternity and affinity group gatherings, a film screening, an undergrad discussion panel, fund-raising auctions, tours, delicious meals and boundless camaraderie.

It all began on Friday, 10/14, with registration, where attendees received gift bags with luxurious Land's End fleece jackets sporting the class logo. The afternoon activities included a reception at the Hop; presentation of a DCF check for over a half-mil to the highest-ranking College official on campus (see photo); a talk by one of our 2011 Dickey Interns and the program director; a docent-led tour of the new Native American exhibit at the Hood Museum; and a lecture by Prof. Bruce Duthu, chair of the Native American Stud-



Rested and ready, the reunion crowd packed Filene Auditorium on Saturday morning to watch Dr. Howard Weiner's insightful and en-

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**Al Keiller, Bob & Karen Serenbetz, & Jo Keiller**

ies program. That evening, classmates and guests party-hopped among fraternity dinners, a pizza party at Collis Hall and a couple of affinity group gatherings. Al Keiller organized a reception for ROTC/NROTC participants and other vets at the Hanover Inn; about twenty-five classmates dropped by to enjoy cocktails and see vintage photos. And Arne Rovick organized a dinner at the Lyme Inn for about twenty Tuck 3-2s and guests.

tertaining film "What Is Life?" A post-screening electronic poll allowed classmates to address the same cosmic questions posed in the film -- questions such as "Do you believe in a higher power?" and "What is the nature of the soul?" A poll of our own, asking people to rate reunion activities, put the film and ensuing discussion at the top of the list, a measure of popularity supported by the fact that all 60 copies of "What Is Life? The Movie" that Howie generously donated to the class scholarship fund were sold by Sunday night.



**President Chuck Sherman presents head of the College with Class of '66 DCF check for \$535,486.57**

Pulling a pretty large audience of his own, Dean Thad Seymour, our guest of honor for the weekend, joined a current associate dean and three undergrads for a lively panel discussion on student life then and now. While consensus among the students was that President Kim is still learning the cultural nuances that make Dartmouth unique, they felt that he is committed to furthering the College's emphasis on undergraduate teaching. The Dartmouth Plan came under some scrutiny, however: some felt that the benefits of off-campus learning were in many ways offset by the social and academic strains imposed by the four-term system.

Following the discussion, classmates



## **Letter from the President**

Dear Classmates of 1966,

Thank you for the honor of being elected your Class President at the Class meeting during our 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion. I look forward to working with you during the next five years.

As President during the past five years, **Chuck Sherman** led our Class to a new level of activities and accomplishment, including garnering numerous awards and recognition from the College and our fellow alumni. Many activities begun under Chuck's leadership will continue to be our focus going forward.

One of our most immediate goals will be to initiate our "Connections" program with the Class of 2016 next fall. This College-sponsored program partners our Class with them through their graduation and our 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion. **Chuck Sherman** has agreed to be Coordinator for the Connections program.

Another important Class Project is to complete funding of a student Scholarship Fund. Once we reach our goal of \$50,000, a Class of 1966 Scholar can be named. Under the leadership of **Jim Lustenader**, over \$10,000 was contributed at our 45<sup>th</sup> reunion; with our budgeted \$4,000 addition for the current fiscal year, we have nearly \$40,000 raised. Read more about plans to accelerate achieving our goal below.

**Bob Serenbetz** has volunteered to be our Mini Reunion and 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Chair. Bob is also working on annual mini reunions in addition to our traditional Homecoming mini, and he will be leading the planning for a 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration in 2014.

We have had an award-winning Class Newsletter under the editorship of Bob Serenbetz these past 10 years. Two classmates have stepped forward to be Co-editors: **Erv Burkholder and Bob Cohn**. Each brings unique qualifications to the position, as this inaugural Newsletter demonstrates. **Larry Geiger**, continuing as our Class Secretary, will coordinate his column in the Alumni Magazine with Erv and Bob.

**Ben Day** continues as our award-winning Webmaster. A new, improved website at [www.dartmouth66.org](http://www.dartmouth66.org) has recently been designed and launched by Ben. Take a look, and bookmark it on your computer for easy, and frequent, access.

**Bob Spence**, our long time Head Agent, is coming off a fantastic reunion year: \$535,000 and 54% participation. Please keep supporting the Dartmouth College Fund as we build toward our big 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion giving year.

Finally, Chuck and his team have continued to grow our financial foundation. With **Jim Weiskopf** returning as our Class Treasurer, we can be assured the careful stewardship of our resources will continue.

We have a terrific team in place. You will be hearing more about our goals in our next Newsletter. Once again, it is an honor and privilege to serve as your Class President. Please feel free to contact me at 802-484-3940 or at [sienawine@aol.com](mailto:sienawine@aol.com).

***Al Keiller***



chose between an architectural tour of the campus and a visit to the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center organized by Al Keiller. The architecturally-minded hiked from the Hop to the north campus, touching on everything from the redesign of the Hanover Inn (the word "bland" comes to mind) to the stylistic inconsistencies of Baker-Berry.

The rest gathered at the DHMC, where Al, a DHMC Trustee, orientated everyone to the facility using a scale model. The group then enjoyed two presentations. Dr. Jim Weinstein, President of the D-H Clinic, Co-President of D-H and Director of the The Dartmouth Institute (TDI), shared updates on TDI and the challenges facing D-H. Dr. Weinstein has been at the forefront of the establishment of the National High Value Healthcare Collaborative (including D-H, Mayo Clinic, Cleveland Clinic, among others) and is frequently sought out by leaders in Washington on health care reform issues.

Dr. Jack Hoopes, Director of Surgery and Radiation Research Laboratories and Co-Director of the Cancer Nanotechnology Working Group, described the new, one-of-a-kind Advanced Surgical Center being built at DHMC.



**Dean Thaddeus Seymour, Auctioneer**

After a day of walking and talking, the group was ready to party. On Saturday night we gathered at Dowd's Country Inn in Lyme for cocktails and dinner. The highlights of the evening were silent and live auctions offering an eclectic array of items, from a week at a luxurious vacation home in Mexico to a cruise on Narragansett Bay, from Dartmouth memorabilia to a collection of the top 200 songs from the '50's, '60's, and '70's -- all donated by generous classmates to benefit the Class of 1966 Scholarship Fund. And thanks in large part to Thad Seymour's formidable auctioneering skills, we raised over \$10,000.

Sunday began with a memorial service at Rollins Chapel, where Revs. Budge Gere and Brad Laycock helped us honor the seventy-nine classmates who have passed away. The service was followed by a group picture in front of Rauner Library and a Class meeting in 105 Dartmouth.

Outgoing president Chuck Sherman reviewed highlights of his term and was presented with a Dartmouth rocker and carved moose head walking stick to help him ease into retirement. Bob Spence, continuing as Head Agent, reported that the Class gave \$535,487 to the Dart-

mouth College Fund, 46% above goal. Webmaster Ben Day reviewed improvements to our website, and Reunion Chair Bob Serenbetz outlined preliminary plans for our 70th birthday party and 50th reunion. Speaking on behalf of the nominating committee, Jon Colby submitted the slate of potential new Class officers for a voice vote to augment electronic ballots, resulting in the election of Al Keiller as President, Larry Geiger as Secretary, Jim Weiskopf as Treasurer, and Jim Lustenader as Vice President.

Concurrently with the Class meeting, a special program was held for guests, a first for a '66 reunion and a precursor of similar events to



come. Roberta Moore, Director of Alumni Travel, and Prof. Graziella Parati, Chair of Italian Literature, presented plans for the travel program in 2012.

The afternoon concluded with a hike to the Class of 1966 Lodge for a discussion of the building's construction and the opportunity to see the bronze plaque commemorating the donors who made the Lodge possible.

On Sunday night, the Skiway echoed with the



cause it let people rekindle old friendships and make new ones; drew some classmates back to campus for their first reunion ever; provided a look at the College in full session; and prompted trips north for fall color. The critiques will help the new reunion committee make our next one even better -- so plan to be in Hanover in June, 2016, when we lead the graduation procession across the Green in celebration of our 50 years in the wide, wide world!



**Sunday Night Dinner at the Skiway**

Thanks to committee members Chuck Sherman, Ben Day, Bob Ser-

sounds of the Aires and the Legendary Stratford Blues Band, which entertained well into the evening. Martha Beattie, the new VP of Alumni Relations, brought greetings from President Kim, who was in Washington with President Obama and the South Korean trade delegation. Martha also spent a few minutes outlining her vision for Alumni Relations, which includes increasing opportunities for the College to enrich the lives of alums long after graduation.

A sizable crowd gathered on Monday for a farewell brunch and the chance to reflect on the weekend. The consensus -- supported by the many completed questionnaires -- was that the reunion was a resounding success be-

enbtez, Jim Weiskopf, Roger Brett, Al Keiller, John Rollins, Bill Malcolm and Doug Hill for their hard work -- you guys made all the difference,

Jim Lustenader, 45th Reunion Chair



**The Dartmouth Aires entertained on Sunday Evening**



## Moosilauke Ravine Lodge Hosts Early Reunion Crowd

For the more intrepid among us, the 45th reunion weekend “unofficially” kicked off on Thursday, 10/13, with a Moosilauke hike in inclement weather led by Doug Hill. This was followed by drinks and dinner at the Ravine Lodge for hikers and slackers (a.k.a. late comers) alike plus overnight accommodations for those who did not want to miss DOC blueberry pancakes the following morning. The evening’s revelry was highlighted by several rounds of “The Salty Dog Rag”, attempted primarily by the DOC crew. See photos for details.



Wives at Ravine Lodge



Ed Larner



Roger Brett



Paula and Ed Jereb



Don Ries

Pete Tuxen Tom Hooper



Roger and Korki Brett, Jack Stebe, Bill Jevne



Pete Tuxen, Paula Jereb, Tom Hooper, Ed Jereb, and Ed Larner



The Class of '66 just completed a record year in DCF contributions for our 45th of over \$535,000 under the able leadership of Bob Spence. Not missing a beat, Bob sent out a kick-ass letter to launch our 46th DCF campaign which you should have received via snailmail in the last week or two. In case you misplaced this *oeuvre* without fully appreciating the craftsmanship of Bob's appeal, you can revisit Bob's letter on the Class of '66 webpage at [dartmouth66.org](http://dartmouth66.org).



Dear Classmates:

First, I want to thank you for electing me as your new representative to Dartmouth's Alumni Council. I hope to serve you for the next three years as well as Wayne LoCurto has for the last three.

My first meeting with the Alumni Council will be in Hanover from December 1 to 3. Please let me know if you have any specific issue or topic you would like me to explore on your behalf at this meeting. Thanks.

Best regards,  
John Rollins

## IN MEMORIAM

**Tom Wargo** of Granger, Indiana passed away on July 17, 2011. Tom was born on January 17, 1944 in South Bend, Indiana. He entered Dartmouth from St. Joseph's High School, and served in the U.S. Army after graduation. He is survived by his wife Marguerite ("Peggy"), his son Patrick of Dallas, TX, two daughters, Jennifer K. Freitas of Jupiter, FL and Sarah E. Wargo of South Bend, IN, and a stepson, Joseph R. Tuttle of South Bend, IN. His is also survived by his 4 grandchildren, Christopher, Brendan, Henry, and Olivia.



The family would welcome hearing from any classmates who knew Tom and would like to share their memories of him.

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Granger, IN 46530-9442

*Along Route '66* has just recently learned of the death of **Chris Kilgour** more than 10 years ago, when he was in his 50's. Before his death, he was living in Phoenix, AZ. If any classmate knows more about Chris, please share your memories with your classmates in this newsletter.

## Class of 1966 Dues Remittance

I, \_\_\_\_\_, would like to pay ( ) \$66 basic dues, or ( ) \$100 dues and projects.

Enclosed is a check payable to Dartmouth College Class of 1966. Please mail to:  
Jim Weiskopf, Treasurer, 13125 Willow Edge Court, Clifton, VA, 20124-1080



## Help "Fill the Bowl Up" for Our Scholarship Fund Get the Top Sounds of the '60s!

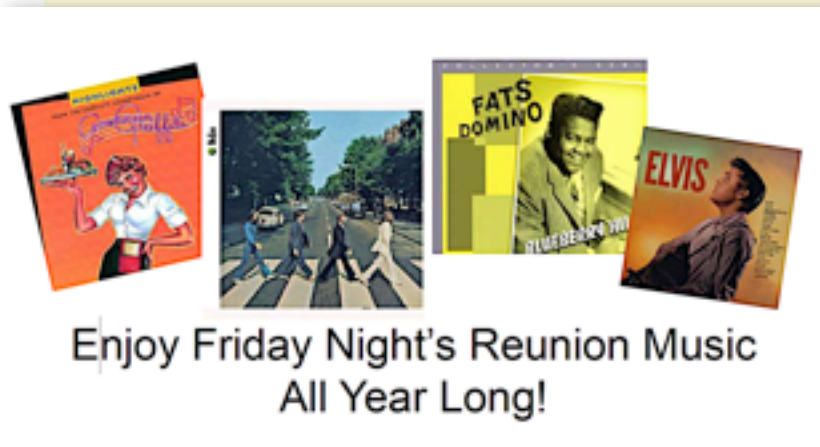
At our recent reunion, we raised over \$10,000 for the Class of 1966 Scholarship Fund through auctions, the sale of DVDs of Howie Weiner's film "What Is Life? The Movie", and outright gifts for which we gave donors a "custom-built" album of the top 100 songs of our era.

However, we are still short of our \$50,000 goal, which we would like to reach in the next few months so we can ask the College to grant the first Class of 1966 Scholarship to a member of of the class of 2016.

Why a '16, you may ask? Because that class will graduate when we celebrate our

50th reunion, and until that time we will be doing a series of projects linking us to them as part of the College's alumni/undergrad Connection's Program.

Bob Serenbetz and John Rollins, the music meisters who compiled that album of tunes, stand ready to send you a CD, DVD or flash drive of same as a "thank you" for any donation of \$100 or more.



You will also receive a letter attesting to the tax deductibility of your gift. Just write a check to the "Dartmouth Class of 1966 Scholarship Fund", complete the form below, and send both to Jim Weiskopf, our Class Treasurer. Your Class and a deserving '16 thank you in advance for your generosity.

**YES! I want to contribute to the Class of 1966 Scholarship Fund** and receive a collection of the TOP 100 SONGS from our era in return for a gift of \$100 or more.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print legibly)

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT!** CIRCLE THE MUSIC FORMAT YOU WANT: CD DVD Flash Drive

Make check payable to Dartmouth Class of 1966 Scholarship Fund and mail this completed form to:

**Jim Weiskopf, Treasurer, 13125 Willow Edge Court, Clifton, VA, 20124-1080**



## Coming Events

Fourth Annual 66th Night	Many Locations	March 6, 2011
Ski Mini-Reunion	Park City, UT	March 30 - April 6, 2012
Homecoming (Harvard)	Hanover, NH,	October 26-27, 2012

## Upcoming Mini-Reunions

The eighth (or so...we've lost count!) annual Ski-mini will be held at Park City, UT from March 30 to April 6, 2012. Steve Coles will be hosting the event...Ed and Paula Jereb, Gary Broughton, Joff Keane, and Jon Colby have already signed-up with coordinator Tim Urban. Anyone interested in attending for all or part of the week should contact Tim at [timurban44@gmail.com](mailto:timurban44@gmail.com).

Building on the success of the Golf-mini in Florida in the spring of 2010, one will be planned in the West (most likely Arizona) in the spring of 2012. More information will be forthcoming in January.

Finally, start planning now for 66th Night activities on or around March 6. Coordinator Roger Brett will have more details in the next newsletter.



## NEWS OF CLASSMATES

In addition to being one of our class's most successful entrepreneurs, **Tom Brady** has been active for many years in teaching and mentoring students at the University of Toledo.

Tom founded Plastic Technologies Inc. (PTI) in 1985, when he was VP and Director of Technology



for Owens-Illinois Inc. The company was started to develop innovative soft drink packaging for Coca-Cola bottlers – and today is recognized as one of the leading technological development companies for the soft drink industry. Tom still serves as CEO and Chairman of PTI, which has nearly 120 employees worldwide, and offices and labs in Ohio and Geneva. For his achievements, he was re-

cently cited in Dartmouth Engineer, the alumni magazine for the Thayer School of Engineering.

In the photo, Tom is participating in the recent University of Toledo Homecoming Parade. Tom is driving a 1966 Ford Mustang 289 convertible that he restored; his passenger is Bill Gerstenmaier, a University of Toledo alumnus who runs the NASA space shuttle program.

Tom is proud of attending every one of our class reunions, and celebrated the 45<sup>th</sup> in Hanover in October. His e-mail address is [t.brady@plastictechnologies.com](mailto:t.brady@plastictechnologies.com).

After 35 years of teaching U.S. history at Washington & Lee University **Barry Machado** retired in June 2005.

“No regrets. W&L had lots of good and memorable students, and it provided an unusual opportunity to combine classroom teaching with launching the women's intercollegiate basketball program. I coached it for two years and then served as the Assistant Men's Basketball Coach for six additional years. The baseball coach wanted nothing to do with me! For sure, there was not much free time during that stretch, but mind and body did achieve equilibrium.”

“I have been married to my wife Anice for 41 years. We met when I was a doctoral student at Northwestern in Evanston in the crazy 60s, and she

remains both the finest person and teacher I have known. She continues to teach 8th grade in a small town in Wisconsin -- while I tackle research and writing projects that I saved for retirement. I've managed to publish more books and articles as an emeritus than I did when I was a professor."

"The usual reminders of mortality have come my way in the last five years: a demonic cardiologist, two stents to open up blocked coronary arteries, and a daily regimen of Plavix and the statin of the month."

"Otherwise, at 67 I enjoy my kids, Ethan and Mandy, who are in their late 30s. Each has been considerate enough to augment their parents' happiness with two terrific grandchildren. Anice and I vacation in Aruba each Easter to punctuate the end of winter, and we entertain a steady stream of visitors at our lakeside home in the summer."

"Hard to believe, I know, but Pete and Mary Barber were the ideal guests a few years back. I eagerly await their return. Swapping stories about Tony Lupien isn't a bad way to pass the time. Indeed, if any classmate finds himself or his family stranded by winter weather while north of Chicago, they have a standing invitation to visit the Machados in Lake Geneva. The ice fishing is without equal."

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**Nelson N. Lichtenstein** is now at UC Santa Barbara still working away, recruiting a new generation of grad students, writing about farmworkers, public employees - and Wal-Mart, Inc., which was the subject of his last book.

"Go here to see what my Center does, to which I devote a lot of time and energy:  
<<http://www.history.ucsb.edu/projects/labor/>>

"My politics are still more or less the same as they were in 1966, or rather 1974 when I finished UC Berkeley: I stand on the left and try to help it flourish, in the academy and without."

"But I have not worked in institutions usually considered liberal: I spent the first decade of my academic life at the Catholic University of America, my second at the University of Virginia, and now my third, in the admittedly Left Coast UC system."

"My spouse, Eileen Boris, is chair of Feminist Studies at UC Santa Barbara. Neither of us plan to retire anytime soon."

"As for sports, I started rock climbing at Dartmouth, and although I am too heavy for that, I still spend as much time as possible in the high mountains, including the Alps and the Sierra."

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**Hector Motroni** writes, "We took our daughter, Melissa, to Hanover last week. She is living there and working at the College during the next two years while her fiance attends Tuck. They'll be married next summer."

"Hope hurricane Irene did not cause too much trouble in your area. We were OK until a tree fell on the front of our house early Sunday morning. We are boarding up, taping the roof, and cleaning up until the construction crews come to do the repair."

"Things have returned to near normal, and the last couple of days, Marcus, our son, Sue, his wife, and our 3 granddaughters came from N.J. to stay with us and swim in the pool. That was more important than a tree on the roof."

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**James William Legler** writes: "Hi, y'all! I've spent my life as a peace and progressive activist. Won some, lost some. Peace and love."

James resides in Berkeley, California, and his email is [vivianstedinger@aol.com](mailto:vivianstedinger@aol.com).



**Michael Busch** is now living in Arroyo Grande, CA. His email address is: [mbusch@gen3.net](mailto:mbusch@gen3.net)

**Rod Thompson** is living in Dover, DE., and can be reached at: [rod.thompson14@gmail.com](mailto:rod.thompson14@gmail.com)



## Friday Night Pizza Party at Collis Hall



## Saturday Evening Dinner at Dowd's Inn



**Elizabeth and Jim Lustenader**



**Sherri and Gerald Paul**



**Chuck Sherman, Polly and Thad Seymour**



**Karen Serenbetz and Anne Warhover**



**Paula & Ed Jereb with Jamie McGregor**



**Bob & Grace Page and Jack Stebe**





**Reunion Registration Team: Elizabeth Lustenader  
Korki Brett, Norine Gray, Jim L., Roger B.**



**The Leys, Gaylord Hitchcock, and the Days**



**The Gang's All Here**



**Ben and Sharon Day**



**Bill Jevne and Arne Rovick**



**Marie Meyer and Dean Spatz**

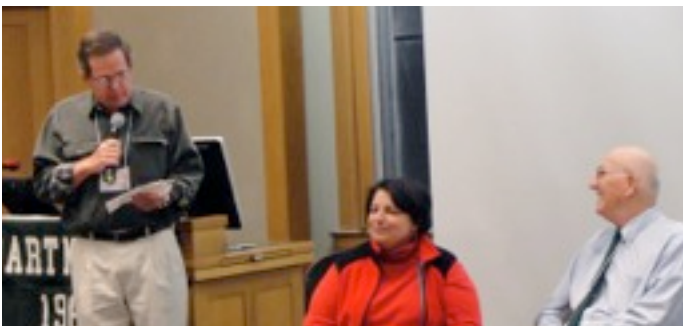




Dean Seymour at Saturday's Student Panel



Friday Afternoon Reception



Jim Lustenader provides the introduction



Chuck Vernon and Roger Brett



John Pearson, Jim Hazard, Thad Seymour



Al Keiller, Elizabeth and Jim Lustenader, Gary Broughton



Jim Hazard, Thad, Tim Barnard



Dr. Jim Weinstein at the DHMC presentation.

# From the Top of the Mountain

