

# Along Route '66



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## Get Ready for our 60th Reunion!

Our 60th Reunion is just a year away! It's hard to believe it will be 60 years since our graduation in 1966. Your Reunion Committee is organized, and planning is well underway.

First the basics:

- The Reunion will be held from Monday, June 15 to Thursday, June 18, 2026, in Hanover. Commencement is Sunday, June 14, so the graduates, their families and 50th reunion crowds will be departing before we arrive. We and the Class of '71 (55th reunion class) will have the campus to ourselves.

- The reunion headquarters will be the McLaughlin Cluster of dorms north of Baker Library, the same location as our 50th Reunion. Dorm rooms will be available within McLaughlin for those who wish to relive the dorm experience.

- Programming will include campus tours of the renovated Hopkins Center and the spectacular new buildings at the West End of campus, faculty and classmate presentations, professional school breakfasts, a memorial service, and plenty of time to spend with classmates and Dartmates for reacquainting and reminiscing.

- Preliminary plans are to have catered lunches and dinners from Monday evening

through Wednesday evening, with breakfast available at the Class of '53 Commons (Thayer Hall in our memory) Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

- With graduation complete and the large crowds departing Monday morning, there will be ample availability of hotel rooms in Hanover, Lebanon and White River Junction.

We are considering pre-reunion activities. Stay tuned!

As with our 50th Reunion, our Class Treasury has sufficient funds to pay for the cost of the reunion (excluding housing and transportation) for all classmates who attend. There will be a significant discount (approximately 50%) for Dartmates as well.

We are looking for creative ideas for programming. We are a talented and interesting group. If you have a suggestion for programming, or would like to put together a presentation, exhibit, performance or panel, please let us know. We will find a time slot and venue to accommodate you.

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Budge Gere ([bgere10@gmail.com](mailto:bgere10@gmail.com))

Co-Chairs

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER



I hope you're looking forward to our 60th Reunion in Hanover as much as I am. You don't have to be a math major to know that it will be next year—in 2026. It's scheduled to begin with dinner on June 15th, the day after the Class of '26 graduates. And because we have so much seniority, we'll

be staying in the McLaughlin cluster just north of Baker Library. Of course, if you don't relish the dorm experience, you may contact the Inn or one of the other nearby hotels. Our reunion will wrap up on Thursday, June 18th, after breakfast in the former Thayer Hall.

Gathering in the spring in Hanover every five years is a wonderful class tradition which I hope continues much longer. The good news is that all the expenses of this reunion -- except for housing -- will be covered for members of the class, and Dartmates will receive a discount of about 50%.

The Co-Chairs for our 60th are Al Keiller and Budge Gere. They are working hard right now on the reunion programming. If you are interested in organizing a panel discussion or other type of presentation, please contact either of them soon by email at [sienawine@me.com](mailto:sienawine@me.com) or [bgere10@gmail.com](mailto:bgere10@gmail.com), respectively, and they will try to accommodate you.

Mark your calendar now to save the dates of June 15 to June 18, 2026 for our big 60th Reunion!

—John Rollins

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Class of 1966 Endowments

The Class recently received reports on the status of our four endowments for the period ending June 30, 2024:

Endow. Name	Book Value (\$)	Market Value (\$)	
		2023	2024
1966 Lodge	85,875	159,321	162,584
66 Bunkhouse	115,691	156,654	159,863
66 Scholarship	68,100	125,426	133,494
66 Seymour/Dickey Center	252,145	315,885	322,354
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>521,811</b>	<b>757,286</b>	<b>778,295</b>

During the year, the Class added \$5,500 to the Scholarship Endowment. Distributions from all four endowments totaled \$40,992, or 5.3% of market value. However, for the first time (to my knowledge), the College earmarked \$3,964 for “infrastructure renewal” and \$4,438 for “associated program costs”, i.e. overhead. In other words, \$8,402 of distributions from our endowment did not go to our beneficiaries, but to the College's capital spending, maintenance, and/or overhead accounts.



In addition, the total College Endowment of \$8.3 billion returned only 7.5% after expenses. This compares to growth in the S&P 500 Index of 22.7% over the same time frame. A 60/40 allocation of the S&P 500 and the Barclay Aggregate Bond Index grew 14.7%. It would suggest that the College has a significant amount of its investment in non-liquid private equity holdings.

A review of the latest tax filing (Form 990) by the College in May of 2024 shows the CEO of the College's Investment Office had annual compensation of \$4,905,670 and that the three next highest paid officers in the Investment Office totaled \$4,586,399.

—Bob Serenbetz

## DARTMOUTH COLLEGE FUND

Recently there have been a number of interesting emails from classmates related to college tuition, admissions and focus issues. The cost at Dartmouth for an incoming student (tuition, room and board, fees) is forecast at close to \$91,000. According to my sources at the Development Office, the cost to the college is about \$175,000 per student. Our freshman year costs were about \$2500, the equivalent of \$23,000 today.



However, saying that, such does not reflect the improvements made by Dartmouth to foster higher education and enable student development throughout the past 64 years. Another thought, when I got out of the service in 1971 my starting salary was \$10,500 per year, the equivalent of \$83,000 today, which would make me eligible for a full ride at Dartmouth today. Times have changed, a fact of which we are all aware.

Dartmouth is offering \$52.6 million in scholarships to need-based students this year. 40% of that number comes from the Dartmouth College Fund, which you make possible. 45% comes from the endowment.

Our class is asking you to once again provide your support to those in need. Dartmouth's focus has certainly modified but not changed since its inception back in 1769. Go back to the charter, granted by King George III, "for the encouragement of Learning and animating the Student of said College to diligence & industry and a laudable progress in Literature". We are certainly facing uncertain times today, but with our continued support Dartmouth will continue to offer the opportunities that we have helped create for future generations.

Balanced discourse, entrepreneurship, a sense of place...let's stand up Class of 66 and be recognized! Please go to [Dartgo.org](http://Dartgo.org) and help us achieve our class goal of \$215K this fiscal year.

—Bob Spence, Head Class Agent

## ALUMNI COUNCIL

This spring's off-campus meeting of Dartmouth's Alumni Council was held by Zoom on May 8 and 9. Much of the meeting was a discussion of Dartmouth's responses to recent changes in Federal policies affecting the College. Also, the Alumni Council meeting included conversations with undergraduate students on a number of subjects, including "life on campus", housing issues and balancing classes and extracurricular activities.



Several of President Beilock's senior staff participated in the discussions about Dartmouth's actual and potential responses to current changes in Federal policies. Of course, this is a major issue for Dartmouth, and for all in higher education.

Over the past few months, the Alumni Council has held several one-hour Zoom sessions on how to more effectively advise Dartmouth's Administration and Board of Trustees on critical issues affecting the College. A few initiatives considered by the Council include:

1. Offering input from alumni surveys on specific issues (versus a general "How do you think things are going at Dartmouth?");
2. Holding listening and discussion sessions that create group opinions through dialogue (versus individual opinions that may be less influential); and
3. Calling more attention to aspects of Dartmouth's history and culture that need to be part of the College's future (versus changes needed for Dartmouth to be a leader in our changing society).

Other initiatives are under review by the Alumni Council, too, but only in the early stages.

We'll have more to offer on this in future Class Newsletters.

—Albie Macdonald, Class Representative

**Bob Morgan** wrote “I skated pretty seriously with the Dartmouth Skating Club in the old Davis rink for my four years in Hanover. My coach was Lois McGean, Mike’s wife, and I loved competing. Skip about 55 years without being on the ice: career, family, etc. I laced up my skates the year before Covid, then skipped a year when all the rinks closed. I was back at it 6 days out of 7 soon after and am still rabid about it. I have a world champion figures coach for two sessions a week, passed my adult bronze figures test last year, and am now working on figures for the silver test. I am in better health both physically and mentally than I was ten years ago. Skating has replaced the theater mania that kept me going through what now seems to have been a perfect career, now passed. I am blessed.”

He added: “Please, for God’s sake, don’t harbor any misperceptions about my skating. My main goal on the ice is not to fall down, and that’s a way away from imparting grace and beauty. Once a year I participate in what we laughingly call an ‘exhibition’ with a group of oldsters who still harbor dreams of skating with *Holiday on Ice*. It’s more like a grade school dance recital: family dutifully show up, huddle in the stands, and clap on cue. It’s better than *Waiting for Guffman* or *Best in Show*. On the razor’s edge between excruciatingly funny and winsomely pathetic.”

**Tom Steinmetz** recalls “Some of my best memories of Dartmouth were on the ski slopes. It’s where I learned to love skiing. I’m still skiing over 60 years later. I’ve been on the slopes 25 days this year, and I skied with my grandsons yesterday.” He



adds, “In better weather, I play golf. It took me 80 years to get my first hole-in-one. I do a lot of art, mostly welded sculpture. Also, oil painting and fused glass. Here in Park City UT, I’ve volunteered for 8 years on the board of our local Habitat for Humanity. I’m looking around for a new gig right now. Volunteer work is very gratifying”

“It has been a year of recovery” **Steve Lanfer** notes, as his ankle was fused last June, adding “I recovered enough to celebrate my 80th in October with all 7 kids and spouses and 14 of 16 grandchildren plus 2 nieces and their 5 children (my older sister died in 2003). Beginning in December I was able to play a little tennis and ski a bit until March when I had my shoulder replaced.... I hope to resume tennis and golf by August.” On the charitable side, his ice cream company—House of Flavors in Luddington, MI—is doing well and this year was able to donate \$1.5 million to Christian ministries through the Protein Foundation which Steve chairs.

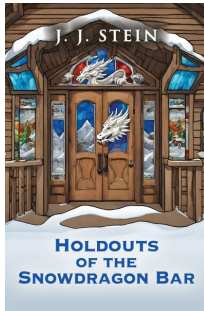
In January, Linda and **Bob Spence** took a National Geographic trip to Costa Rica and the Panama Canal. Bob notes that “Costa Rica is a natural wonder, and the canal is most impressive. A large container ship, now able to use the canal due to a parallel expansion about 2019, pays about \$1 million for a single passage. I highly recommend McCullough’s book, ‘The Path Between the Seas’, on the history of the canal’s construction”



**Jeff Brown** has been asked to become the President of the Triton Museum, a contemporary art museum in Santa Clara, CA currently celebrating its 60th Anniversary. He recently met up with **Howard Weiner** who was in San Francisco for the JP Morgan Health Summit.

Barb and **Bruce Berger** took their four grandchildren on a Kenya safari last summer.

**Jeffrey Stein** just published his latest novel, entitled “Holdouts of the Snowdragon Bar.” He provided a short description: “It was a time of rebellion and rejection; a time of striking out for independence until time itself, as always, rebels. For a number of the dropouts who have escaped to this ski town playground, confronting the magical realism of midlife change becomes confounding. Come uncap the disconcerting spirits of transformation with them and their cohorts amidst the beguiling environs of the Snowdragon Bar.”



Bruce shares that, “Matty, 21, is a 3rd term student at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, NY. His sister Katie is a Freshman Distinguished Scholar at the University of Delaware. They are the grandchildren of **Dick Friedman** ‘66 and the children of Liz and Jordan Friedman D’94. Lindsey Berger, 21 is a BSN Senior at the University of Delaware and her brother Justin is a Sophomore at the University of Rhode Island. The safari was an incredible experience and a wonderful opportunity for us and the 4 cousins to bond for a prolonged period of time. The elephant is one of the few giant tuskers left in the wild.”



To get a full taste, check it out on his website: <https://www.jeffryjohnstein.com>. A recent review by Julia Fesmire of Vanderbilt University said “‘Holdouts of the Snowdragon Bar’ is full of wonder. The characters are always engaging, developed without any off-key notes to disturb their journeys. The structure weaves the past and future together with the conflict between freedom and commitment so captivatingly that you can’t put the book down.”

**Peter Dorsen** competed and went to the podium at three long ski races in Minnesota this winter—the City of Lakes Vasaloppet Classic, the Vasaloppet USA Half Classic, and the North American Slumberland Birkebeiner. He commented “I especially like being an inspiration to younger skiers, hoping others will start, continue, or excel in their sport of choice—even enter master’s competition as I do.”



**Rich Abraham** writes that he is “Still sailing along at 80 and with my 16-year-old grandson this past summer. Judy and I continue to run our mini summer camp for the grandkids. We’ve added driving lessons to the camp activity list.”

**Al Keiller** provided a report on his recent activities:

“For the past 20 years, Jo and I have lived in beautiful Brownsville, Vermont, population 1,300, about 30 minutes south of Hanover. We continue to be active with golfing, gardening, traveling, volunteering, and family visits. I am a Trustee at the Montshire Museum of Science in Norwich VT and at two local hospitals, as well as Chair of our town’s Planning Commission.



In September we visited with '66 Classmate and Tuck roommate **John Arnold** and his wife Alex in Clayton MO, including enjoying a lovely dinner at Bellerive Country Club where the Arnolds have been members for many years.



Then in November, Jo and I met '66 Classmate **Allan Anderson** and his wife Gwen for dinner at the Pine Restaurant at the Hanover Inn. Allan was the third Tuck roommate in our triple just off Stell Hall. Allan and I braved the cold, wet weather to watch Dartmouth’s Big Green football team trounce Brown to take a share of the Ivy title.”

In April, **Gregor McGregor** retired after 50 years on the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions (MACC). He notes “Actually, over the decades I served in every MACC position they talked me into filling, but I guess it’s noteworthy that in all that time I missed only one Board meeting.”

Greg added: “Incidentally, I plan no other retirement. The busy practice of environmental law continues apace. Our law firm is 50 years old! But a door has closed part way on my volunteer work in wetlands and open space advocacy. I joined the MACC Board in 1975. Although a fledgling, it already was recognized as the world’s first and largest organization of municipal conservation officials in the world. It is now the backbone of Massachusetts education and advocacy on wetlands, water, wildlife, and open space.... I had the good fortune to get some good statutes on the books, implement them with good rules, create local environmental law, fund state and local land and water acquisitions, and reorganize state government around the environment, energy, and now climate.”

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Sharon and **Larry Goss** write: “We did take a trip to England in September 2024 where we spent some time with Hilary and **Steve Hladky** in Cambridge. Also visited sites in York, London and Exeter. In November we flew east from Madison WI to spend a weekend with Jan and **Bob Baldwin** in Portland Maine. More recently we did the Class of '66 lunch with **Jack Young** and Kathy O’Sullivan in Brookfield WI. We are just back from a trip to the Williamsburg VA area where we visited a number of historic sites. We are finally able to travel again after a couple of years dealing with medical issues. In March, Larry volunteered to canvass for the Wisconsin Supreme Court race.... We are looking forward to the class reunion in June 2026.”

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**Don Reis** noted “One of the best things I do is volunteering 11 hours per week at the local VA hospital with the Recreation Therapy Department here in Tucson. I ride my bike 38 miles round trip

twice a week, all on bike paths, to the hospital. This only happens due to my wife Lin's support and the healthy diet she has provided for the past 58 years. At the VA I help vets with traumatic brain injuries, amputations, strokes, diabetes, spinal cord injuries, sight problems, the list goes on. My job is to help fit them to an appropriate adaptive bike and teach them to ride it. Both leg and hand cycles help them improve their cardiovascular health, muscle tone, balance, self-worth and general outlook on life. Just one example: a veteran started biking with us and was able to ride just 2 kilometers on an essentially flat course. A year later he was riding 35 km. His increased fitness helped him survive throat cancer with few side effects from radiation and chemotherapy. Maintaining 16 adaptive cycles is also part of the job. The attitude and camaraderie of so many vets with serious physical and mental difficulties is an inspiration to everyone, including myself. After a day with them my complaints are not worth voicing.... I urge all our people, veterans like myself and non-veterans, to rise and demand the government keep its promise to care for those who defend our country. Due to the hundreds of volunteers at every VA hospital and the relatively low pay for the professional medical staff I would wager the VA hospitals are one of the most efficient such facilities in the country."

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**Jeff Futter** shared his thoughts on his recent trip to Vietnam and his other retirement activities: "Susie and I had a really great 12-day trip to Vietnam in March. Yes, the flights were long (about 16 hours from NY with a stop in Hong Kong) but Cathay Pacific is a terrific airline whose meals were over-the-top excellent. We went there to see Susie's nephew who was teaching English in Hanoi. Hanoi is a bustling city where just about everyone gets around on a motorbike. There are hardly any overweight Vietnamese due to their healthy diet (lots of vegetables and fruits) and hard work (most work 6-7 days per week). Our family group had a first-rate private tour guide who probably should have been running the country's State Department (and even took us out to meet

his parents in the suburbs of Hanoi). We did two side-trips there -- one to Ha Long Bay (where there are 1,000 islands and numerous caves, picture below) and one to Sapa (5 hours outside Hanoi) where we stayed at a wonderful eco-lodge high in the mountains for three nights. For the last 3 days, we took a plane down to Ho Chi Minh City (old Saigon) and with a new tour guide took in the sites there, including the War Remnants Museum and the Reunification Palace.



The Vietnamese people were thoroughly friendly to us throughout the trip, and their hotels top-notch and not really expensive by our standards. They really prize education for their children to the point where the one mistake that I believe they're making is in not allocating nearly enough (if any) time to sports and recreation for them. If any of you want to receive our Vietnam itinerary, I'm happy to share it with you (jlfutter@aol.com), including providing you with the name/phone of our outstanding Hanoi tour guide.

I continue to do alumni interviewing for the College (10 basically outstanding kids this year, 1 withdrew and 3 were wait-listed); and am leading the Dartmouth Club of Long Island. On April 24th, we're hosting a combined Spring Cocktail Party and lecture from noted Dartmouth author Eric Dezenhall '84 on his new book, "Wiseguys and the White House: Gangsters, Presidents and the Deals They Made."

Finally, I'm maintaining my active tennis schedule by playing about 3 times each week as the summer tennis season approaches here on Long Island. "

**Ted Amaral** urges classmates to read Katherine Stewart’s “Money, Lies and God.” He adds “Don’t read her book for me; not even for yourselves. Read it for the people you love—children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and generations beyond.”

Ted notes that “Ms. Stewart describes in excruciating detail our current political situation and how we reached this juncture. Confronting this reality is depressing, but we are supposed to have the ‘granite of New Hampshire in our muscles and our brains’. Being on the glide path of life, as we all are, is no excuse to disengage from our civic responsibilities.... The last chapter is a morale booster and prescription for positive change.”

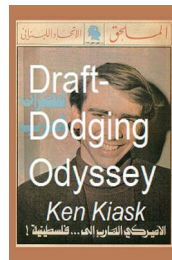
In March, Marya and **Paul Klee** got back from a cross-country trip on Amtrak. “For all our traveling over the years, we have never done an American trip via train.” he noted. “It was great!”



**Mike Bromley** writes: “Rebecca and I are enjoying our retirement years! We have a small place in Palm Desert CA where we have spent winters for the past ten years enjoying the warm weather. Rebecca plays pickleball, I hike with the goal of locating and photographing some of the endangered Desert Bighorn Sheep that live in the mountains for a local conservation organization. We spend spring and fall in Boise ID and summers with our son and his family in Sun Valley ID. With all of that we also took a cruise from St. Augustine, Florida, where we visited some friends, then up

the coast to Charleston with stops along the way which enabled us to see a part of the country we had not visited before. Interestingly it was with the same company that Brad Stein arranged this year’s class trip from Portland, Oregon up the Columbia River to its confluence with the Snake to Clarkston on the Washington-Idaho border. We had enjoyed the first trip so much we signed up and are looking forward to seeing the area from the perspective of the rivers as well as catching up with a number of classmates.”

**Ken Meyercord** recalls “In 1969 I met my wife-to-be at the American University of Beirut where we were both students. We dated for a month, then she went home for the summer and I resumed my vagabondish circumnavigation of the globe. When I got back to Beirut a year later, she had graduated and gone back to her village in Palestine. For reasons I won’t go into here, I was unable to go see her and her family was adamant that she would have nothing further to do with me. This stalemate went on for two years, until her brother, concerned that his spinster sister was not getting any younger and there were no more cousins for her to reject, brought her to Beirut and we got married the next day. The odds at the wedding reception were 10-to-1 that the marriage



wouldn’t last six months. Samira and I celebrated our 50th last March. You can read the full story (and others) in my memoir of those zany Vietnam-era years, “Draft-Dodging Odyssey” (under the penname Ken Kiask).

In January, **John Hargraves** travelled to Vienna for the Philharmonic Ball. For a week, he saw old friends and enjoyed music and opera. He and Nancy spent part of February at the Hillsboro Club in Florida along with Anne and **John Rollins** and also, along with some students from the Mannes College of Music, gave a concert at the German Consulate in New York honoring the German writer E.T.A. Hoffmann.

**Bill Hayden** writes “I retired from the Navy as an admiral almost 30 years ago (can you believe it?). I was a fighter pilot, aircraft carrier captain and the head of the Navy’s pilot training program. Like many in our class, I started a second career after retiring. I shifted to the nonprofit world and founded an elementary school STEM program in 2002. We provide hands-on projects for all 4th, 5th and 6th grade students in the public school system in Portsmouth, Virginia ([www.starbasevictory.org](http://www.starbasevictory.org)). I was the volunteer Executive Director for over 20 years. We graduated over 20,000 students during my tenure. I’m still on board, but a little less engaged. I received ‘Point of Light’ award from President George Bush for my work at STARBASE. On a side note, going back to my Navy career, I graduated from Top Gun when Tom Cruise was in the fifth grade!”

In October, **Bill Wilson** and his close friend Joanne Qualmann celebrated the release of his 27th book “The Illustrated Book of Japanese Haiku.”

Bill noted, “I have been lucky enough to continue life as a sort of bush league translator and writer on things Japanese. Years ago, I was reading through Mencius and came upon a Chinese character I hadn’t seen before. Looking it up, I found that it is a small worm living its life happily eating through fruit every day. I thought ‘This is me, reading through the fruit of Japanese and Chinese literature,’ and immediately asked a Japanese friend of mine to order a business card with the character as a logo. It is indeed a very satisfactory life, working from home and only having to deal with eagle-eye editors. Certainly, I’ve had to take jobs as a dishwasher or high school teacher from time to time to make ends meet, but I’m always happy to get back to the desk and go on with another project. Stay tuned.”

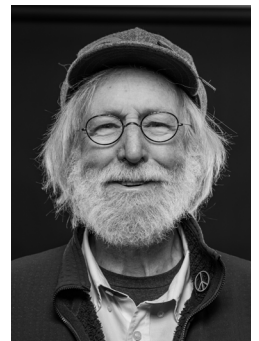
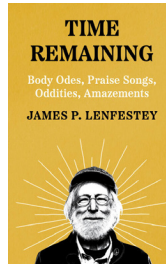


**Steve Hayes** reports “I have had a very exciting past year. Got a knee replacement, got hearing aids and moved into a one level condo.”

**Jim Lenfestey** commented “I have been slovenly, or busy, or both since our fun and interesting 80th birthday celebration in DC (Museum of the American Indian my favorite) where I was unfairly paired as speaker with class and classy US Senator **Angus King**, and much of my poetry in the dining room venue drifted onto (literally) deaf ears! (Afterward, one classmate chastised me as not loud enough, his hearing aid turned off! Of course, everyone in the room was 80!)”

Jim provided information about his latest poetry collection, “Time Remaining: Body Odes, Praise Songs, Oddities, Amazements,” which was launched in November in Minnesota to a standing-room-only crowd of 120. In March, he was honored at the Ventura County Poetry Festival in Camarillo, CA. He plans a tour around the East Coast to promote the book in the Fall.

This summer, as usual, he will be on Mackinac Island, MI where he lectures weekly for Road Scholar. He invites any classmates coming through Mackinac Island between June and September to join him sitting on his front porch overlooking Lake Huron. He adds “a Gin & Tonic in hand is optional but highly recommended.”



## GOLF MINI-REUNION

We are planning a golf mini reunion to be held in Williamsburg, Virginia this Fall, from September 29th to October 4th. There are some great golf courses, hotels, and interesting historic sites in the area. Bill Hayden, who lives in nearby Virginia Beach, is leading the planning. As a retired Admiral and Naval Aviator, Bill is hoping to include a tour of an aircraft carrier among our activities. More details to come.

—Al Keiller

## SKI MINI REUNION IN COLORADO

This year—as it has been since 1968—the Class of 66 Ski Mini Reunion was held at The Shire, Toni and **Tim Urban**'s home in Fraser, Colorado, from March 9th -15th.

big deluxe fraternity house again ...in pajamas... cooking in groups and solving a jigsaw puzzle in solitude ... discussing over dessert how the symbol of the Stars and Stripes has been usurped by the political right and how best to respond... but I admit the skiing was great despite the fact that we had more total joint replacements than skiers. Tim and Toni are kind and generous hosts, and we are all so grateful.”



Attendees included Sharon and **Gary Broughton**, **Steve Coles**, Anne and **Budge Gere**, **Joff Keane**, **Mead Over**, Tinker McBee and **Peter Tuxen**. Budge Gere commented that “Ski conditions were the best anyone can remember as classmates hit the slopes, enjoyed each other’s company and celebrated ‘66 Night at the Urban’s wonderful home.

## 2025 66<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

**Alpha Theta Zoom:** Happily, all of us are still actively working, either in business or education or for our communities, because we all learned how to be “doers” from our fellow Dartmouth classmates!



Top - Steve Tosi, Tom Brady, Betsy Brady  
 Middle - Ken Reiber, Mike Millemann  
 Bottom - Bryce Harbaugh, Jeff Tew

Tim Urban provided more background, noting “It’s our 2nd home in Fraser, Colorado (Winter Park Resort area). We have hosted a mini ski reunion for Classmates since 1968, first in a house we built and dubbed the ‘Shire’ (home of the hobbits), and replaced it with a newer, larger home nearby 7 years ago--the new Shire--both with caretaker apts. We have made an open invitation in the newsletters for any and all classmates to join us (the new house sleeps 16) including spouses and partners and those in the picture have been regulars the last 10-15 years; **Jon Colby** couldn’t join us this year since he was recovering from surgery. Attrition is slowly catching up on us and Steve Coles, who travels from Hawaii, may no longer be skiing--legs giving out. Mead Over is a new guest this year. I am cataloguing the names and years of visits by Classmates from guest books we have kept for posterity.”

**Boca Raton:** John & Anne Rollins and Brad & Mary Stein after a dinner together at Josephine’s in Boca Raton, Florida. All four were enjoying Florida’s warm sunny weather during vacations from the northeast.



Peter Tuxen added “But let me amplify that this reunion is about so much more than skiing for a bunch of 80-year-olds. We are settled in a

## 2025 66<sup>TH</sup> NIGHT

**Hanover:** A successful '66 Night held last evening, March 7, at the Class of '53 Commons (formerly Thayer Hall), in Paganucci Lounge (the room just off the entrance with the engraved leather artwork of native American scenes). The entertainment was by the singing group Dartmouth Sings. They are one of eight singing groups on campus, and were terrific. We had the opportunity to enjoy the high quality, and varied, food options the students now enjoy, all for just \$19.50 (BYOB for beer and wine). A few students from the singing group joined us for dinner—they were amazed that in “our day” we had one or two choices for dinner, and it was not “all you can eat” as it is today. Fantastic desserts to top off our meals.



L to R: Rosie Greenstein, Alexandra Hill, Lewis Greenstein, Doug Hill, Margo and Paul Doscher, Heather and David Hightower, Jo and Al Keiller, Chuck Sherman, Margie Carpenter, John Chapin ('66a), Teresa Carpenter (Robin's widow), Mark Blanchard, Sue Kaufman (Dennis' widow), Ben Day.

**Topsham Maine:** As Will said, “each year it seems to mean more.” I think we all agree! Special thanks to our interior decorator, Wally Buschmann, and to our director of the 66th Night A Cappella Choir, George Emlen. His rendition of *Charlie Brown He's a Clown* was so fun. And most importantly, thanks to everyone for making the evening so special. Angus King wrote to me yesterday indicating that the last vote of the day in the Senate meant he couldn't make it to our party. He asked me to give his best to the crew.



Front row: Gwen Anderson, Andy Anderson, Roger Pezzuti, and Margie Pezzuti.  
Back row: Peter Titcomb, Peter Griffin, George Emlen, Jan Baldwin, Bob Baldwin, Will Wilkoff, Marilyn Wilkoff, Cindy Buschmann, and Wally Buschmann.

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**Vero Beach:** On March 6, a 66th Night celebration was held in Vero Beach, Florida, with cocktails hosted by Steve and Anne Warhover, followed by dinner at the John's Island Club.



L to R: Bob Serenbetz, Graeme Bell, Claudia Bell, Jane Higgins, Karen Serenbetz, Anne Warhover, Steve Warhover, and Jane's sister Liza. Bill Higgins was sorely missed.

**Rhode Island:** Six of us and our ladies enjoyed another memorable gathering today. Nice place in Jamestown overlooking East Bay and across to Newport. Special thanks to Tom for keeping this excellent tradition going!



L to R: Front Row: Evelyn Rhodes and Ed Long, Sue Colby [holding Buddy, named after our late football coach], Gary Leib and Susan, Cynthia Pearson, Dave and Linda Owen.  
Back Row: Gary Jefferson, Jon Colby, John Pearson, Andrea Oseas.

**West Hartford:** Dave Johnston, Hera Johnston, Rich Abraham, Connie Castner (friend of George), George Trumbull and Judy Abraham at Bricco in West Hartford on 3/17/25.



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**Philadelphia:** We were blessed with a beautiful evening in Center City at the rooftop Trumbauer Restaurant at the Union League of Philadelphia. Most of the gang had just returned from the South, so we picked March 12 and it was a good choice!



L to R; Peggy Stedman, Harry Santangelo, David Stedman, Bruce McKissock, Gerry LaMontagne, Bob & Karen Serenbetz

**Brookfield, WI:** Larry and Sharon Goss, Kathy O'Sullivan and Jack Young met at Mitchell's Fish House on Friday March 7th for another delightful Class of 66th Night!



**Palm Beach, FL:** On March 6, the Steins and Serenbetzs celebrated a 66th "afternoon" lunch at Seasons 52 in North Palm Beach Florida, overlooking the Intercoastal Waterway. Both couples were snowbirding out of New York and Pennsylvania respectively.



L to R: Bob Serenbetz, Karen Serenbetz, Mary Stein, and Brad Stein.

**Miami, FL:** On March 6, Jeff Tew, Lee Sandler and Jim Cason enjoyed an evening revisiting Dartmouth memories and puzzling over the dramatically different events of this new year.



**New York City:** We truly enjoyed Bob Cohn's hospitality at The Players for '66th Night. We felt warmly surrounded by (paintings, drawings and photos of) pretty much every famous person in American cultural history. It was delightful.



Rich Abraham, Bob Cohn, Rick Reiss, Judy Abraham

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**White Plains, NY:** Five classmates and two spouses gathered at Sam's Restaurant on March 5th for a lively, convivial and fun evening.

(L to R), Back row: host Larry Geiger, Gundars Aperans, Andy Seidman, Dr. Paul Chrzanowski, and Gerry Paul.

Up front: Dace Aperans and Sherri Paul.

**Beaufort, SC:** Celebrating on March 7 are: (L to R) Karen Serenbetz, Ted Temple, Bob Serenbetz, and Jim Weiskopf.



**Sanibel Island, FL:** A good time was had by all!

Seated Left to Right; Rick Offenbach '66, Carol Offenbach, Estelle King (widow of Rick '66), Joan Gruver, Judy Barbieri (widow of John '66), Betsy Haas, Larry Haas '66

Standing Left to Right; Bill Ferris '66, Tina Gilbert (widow of Bob '66), Bill Gruver '66

## REMEMBRANCES PAST & PRESENT

This section of Along Route '66 is a place for us to share our memories both of classmates who have passed away and of the times we shared during our college years.

**Tim Urban** recalled many fond memories of **John Barbieri**: “John was one of the most engaging members of the Rugby Club. As a song leader, John had an amazing repertoire, taught us the lyrics and, with his 6’-9” height, was easily visible in a crowded clubhouse. I still remember and can sing a few of those songs— ‘Old King Cole...The Wild West Show...and How’s Your Mother.’ Sadly, the tradition of singing songs with players of both teams over a couple of beers after a game is a lost tradition.”

Tim adds that John emigrated to England to become a Barrister and a fixture in a local Rugby Club for the rest of his life.

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**Tom Lips** noted the passing of **Randy Wolfe**: “Randy and I were very close and loyal friends. We roomed together as graduate students in Cambridge and did a lot of adventurous travel together over the years, including a memorable trip around the world.

Randy was a longstanding client of the Long River Wealth Management group that I founded and managed at UBS and was respected by all for his acumen and generosity. One of the most able and accomplished individuals I have been blessed to know.”

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**Jeff Brown** shared two mental images that come to his mind from our time in Hanover:

“First, I vividly remember seeing John Sloan Dickey wearing his slouch hat and his setter by his side walking through the early morning fog. The second image is Brown Hall’s Winter Carnival statue one year—a VW Bug with its trunk wide open and a Mick Jagger-like tongue sticking out, entitled ‘Volks Clamantis in Deserto.’”

In February, Jeff attended President Beilock’s welcome tour speech in San Francisco. He notes that “During her talk she mentioned ‘Lest the old traditions fail,’ so I walked up to her wearing my

’66 beanie and said ‘Even you can’t get the beanies back.’ She laughed and said ‘I love the beanies too, but I will pick my own battles.’”

### **Professor Thomas Kurtz (con’t)**

Thomas E. Kurtz, a mathematician and inventor of the simplified computer programming language known as BASIC, which allowed students to operate early computers and eventually propelled generations into the world of personal computing, died in November in Lebanon, N.H. He was 96.

Many classmates wrote in to share their thoughts and memories of Professor Kurtz:

**Albie Macdonald**: “Tom Kurtz’s wife, Agnes Bixler Kurtz, known as ‘Aggie’, was a graduate of Winchester High School. Aggie was an amazing athlete and leader, a member of the United States women’s lacrosse and field hockey teams, and, from the early days of co-ed Dartmouth, the College’s first women’s lacrosse coach, first women’s squash coach, first women’s field hockey coach, and first Director of Women’s Athletics. When Aggie retired, Dartmouth donated the Agnes Bixler Kurtz Trophy to the Ivy League, which is given annually to the Ivy League champions in women’s lacrosse. My spouse and high school classmate, Jane, like Aggie, was captain of Winchester High’s women’s field hockey team, playing on that team with Aggie’s sister, Betty. Through the Bixlers, we felt a kinship to Tom Kurtz and would often remark on Tom’s and Aggie’s success how ‘all roads lead through Dartmouth and Winchester’.”

**Greg McGregor**: “My Kurtz story runs through Jaffrey, NH. The Bixlers were best friends with my retired in-laws there. Daughter Aggie wiped me at tennis, spoke little of squash (see her record at Smith, top 10 US ranking, international play, and coaching the US team), and told me when she got hired by Dartmouth [in 1972] to coach ‘racquet sports’ with a ‘budget’ of \$3000 and the women buying their own ‘uniforms’.” He adds “Aggie Kurtz

coached at Dartmouth from 1973 to 1986, while continually building the entire women’s athletics program.”

**Don Glazer (con’t)**

**Dave Cross** forwarded the remembrances of the life of Don Glazer from Julie H. Jones, the Chair of Ropes & Gray, from which Don retired in 1992. Dave added: “He made his life successful, and, I’m sure, kept his hands from shame.”

Don lived an incredibly rich life. He was a graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard Law School, where he served as an editor of the Harvard Law Review. He went on to earn an L.L.M. at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Don joined Ropes & Gray in 1970, became a partner in 1978 and served as the inaugural chair of our emerging companies group. Colleagues remember Don as a consummate corporate and securities lawyer... and as someone who exemplified our commitment to mentoring. He was a natural teacher who taught securities law to incoming associates and also lectured at Harvard Law School.

...He was a partner from 1978 until he left the firm in 1992 to pursue a career in business. He later resumed his legal career, which included working with Ropes & Gray colleagues on his writing...

Our condolences go out to Don’s family and to all whose lives he touched.

Julie H. Jones  
Chair  
ROPES & GRAY LLP

**Jim Cason** shared a picture he had saved of our freshman year tug of war.




**Jim Lustenader** notes: “When traveling Liz and I keep an eye out for ‘66 photo ops. Here’s one from the Pigalle neighborhood of Paris, snapped in March during our two week stay.”



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**William M. Higgins**

Bill Higgins of Cincinnati, Ohio passed away on January 28 after a long battle with lung disease. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Jane Thiele Higgins, along with his children, Molly Aube '91 (Rich) and Mark Higgins (Margaux), and six grandchildren: Haley, Claire '23, Mac '25, and Andy Aube, and Wyatt and Kendall Higgins. He was predeceased by his son, John Andrew Higgins '96.



Bill was born in Dayton, Ohio and graduated from Oakwood High School in Dayton. He started dating Jane in the seventh grade. While at Dartmouth, Bill played Freshman Tennis and Squash, was a member of Dragon, and served SAE as Rush Chairman. Following graduation from Amos Tuck in 1968, Bill went to Cincinnati to work for Scudder, Stevens & Clark, a fund management firm. He then went on to work at Bank Ohio in Columbus, Ohio and Sena, Weller, Rohs, Williams, a financial advisory firm in Cincinnati, from which he retired.

Throughout his life Bill was active in many community and civic organizations, serving as a board member of The Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Cincinnati, The United Home Care/Visiting Nurse Association of Cincinnati, and The Madeira/Indian Hill Joint Fire Board, where he served for thirty years. He was also very active in the Indian Hill Church, where he served on the Vestry Rector Search Committee.

While busy in his professional role, Bill remained an active member of our Class. He served the College as an alumni interviewer and the Class as a DCF Agent and Leadership Agent. Elected Class Treasurer in 1991, Bill served ten years in that capacity. Elected Class Co-President in 2001 with former roommate Steve Warhover, he was awarded the Alumni Award in 2006, one of only three classmates so honored, which recognizes those who have demonstrated extraordinary service to Dartmouth and civic organizations in addition to career accomplishment. He joined the

Class' Investment Committee and served on that committee until his death.

One of Bill's greatest loves was the game of duplicate bridge, traveling the country to play in tournaments with his partner, Eugene. He accumulated over 13,000 Master points, becoming a Grand Life Master of the game. At one point he was ranked in the Top 50 nationwide. Becoming proficient at the game while at SAE, he often joked about the number of skipped classes dedicated to bridge.

What is unique about our class are the many friends one forms after graduation. While we knew each other on campus, we became close friends serving together from 1991-2001 as Class President and Treasurer. We were on the phone frequently from that time until Bill's passing, long calls given Bill's habit of saying "but then again...". After Bill and Jane lost their son John, we rented a condo together for Homecoming. A sad and poignant time, it contributed to the difficult healing the Higgins experienced. We shared, with our wives, a love for travel, and completed three trips abroad, including cruises in Australia and New Zealand, the Western Mediterranean, and a river cruise down the Volga from St. Petersburg to Moscow. By the last trip, Bill was starting to struggle with COPD. We got together every year at the Higgins' winter home in Vero Beach for 66th Night celebrations.

A memorial service was held in Bill's honor on February 8th at the Indian Hill Church in Cincinnati. There was not one empty seat.

—Bob Serenbetz

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The Class has been notified of the passing of the following classmates:

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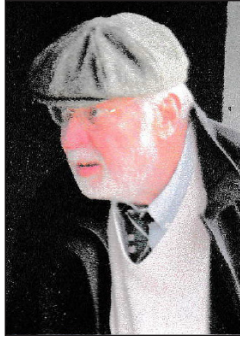
H. Bruce Johns (11/27/2024)

Complete obituaries and remembrances by classmates appear on the Class website:

[www.dartmouth66.org/memoriam.html](http://www.dartmouth66.org/memoriam.html)

**John D. Barbieri**

John was born in Erie, Pennsylvania to Alfred and Elizabeth Barbieri. The family moved to Miami, Florida in 1946. In 1962, John graduated as an Honour Student from Hialeah High School. Having seen Winter Carnival he went to Dartmouth College. As well as being a member of Bones Gate (DTD), John discovered his life long passion for rugby. After graduation in 1966 John moved to London and worked at Doves Motor Cars, but more importantly got to play even more rugby. After overstaying his welcome, John returned to the States to attend the Darden School, University of Virginia. He received a MBA, met and married Judy and got his first real job at Bankers Trust in New York.



On January 1, 1971, John returned to London with his young family. This posting abroad was only meant to last for one year, but it ended up being permanent! He worked in several financial institutions in the City of London where he was at the forefront of the emerging currency options and futures markets in London and worldwide. After 25 years, John left the City to finish his LLB in Law. He spent the next ten years working for a local law firm in Wimbledon.

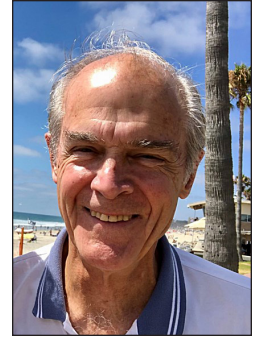
Outside his family, John had two great passions in his life: playing rugby with his beloved London Irish Bs and classic Lancias. He bought a Lancia Aurelia which he had restored and used daily when he worked in Wimbledon.

Upon retirement, John and Judy spent six months in Twickenham and six months in Sanibel, Florida. In Sanibel, John was a volunteer with the Historical Outdoor Museum. Since 2020, John fought a good fight with myeloma and Parkinson's Disease. The fight quietly ended on the 3rd of December, 2024.

John, the 'Gentle Giant,' is greatly missed by Judy, Gillian, Christian, Oliver, Lars, Sophie, the deClement relatives and his many friends around the world.

**David P. Barton**

David P. Barton passed away in Arlington, VA on December 11, 2024. David dedicated his life to the pursuit of world peace and understanding and will be remembered for his steadfast achievements, quick wit, nimble ability to play on words, and warm support of others.



Born July 11, 1944 to Bernard and Tatiana Barton in Washington D.C., David spent much of his youth playing tennis with his father and brother. Graduating from Montgomery Blair High School, he earned his B.A. and played tennis at Dartmouth College. After teaching French at Phillips Andover he earned a Master's degree from the John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

David's commitment to humanity was evident. In Vietnam he co-directed the American Friends (Quaker) Service Quang Ngai Rehabilitation Center from 1970-73, providing prostheses to civilians injured during the war. Afterwards, Amnesty International sponsored David to speak at public venues across the US and Europe. At the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute he conducted research on global disarmament and peace.

Upon returning to Washington, he worked with the U.S. House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee playing a key role in advancing the Chemical Weapons Treaty, and for the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and State Department. From 2006-07, he directed a National Academy of Public Administration project for Congress and the FBI.

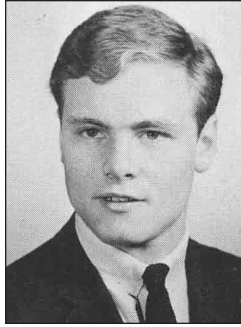
After retiring, David embraced teaching and mentoring and taught classes on national security, foreign, and intelligence policy.

David is survived by his wife and children, his grandson, and his brother Peter Barton.

A service was held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Arlington, VA on January 11, 2025.

**David A. Smith**

David Alan Smith, 80, Surfside Beach, South Carolina, left this earth on April 8, 2025, after having thrived for 25 good years with both congestive heart failure and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).



Dave was born on December 1, 1944, in Schenectady, New York, the son of H. David and Dorothy (Smith) Smith. He was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy in Schenectady and received a B.A. degree in 1966 from Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire. He continued his studies at Columbia University, New York, New York, receiving a Master’s Degree in Business Administration in 1970.

For the majority of his 30+-year career, Dave was a mortgage lender in New York City, most recently at M&T Bank. Dave retired in February 2000 after a near fatal heart attack.

In 1968 Dave married Darilyn Keith, in Scarsdale, New York. Dave and Darilyn welcomed their son, Courtney Russell, in December 1972. Dave and Darilyn’s marriage ended in divorce in 1982. In 2000, Dave married Christine (Tina) Renard, originally from Green Bay, in Forest Hills, Queens, NY. Dave and Tina lived in Forest Hills until they bought a house in Surfside Beach in 2005 and moved down to South Carolina to enjoy golf and other outdoor activities at the beach. Besides golf, Dave enjoyed spending summers on the Bay in Green Bay, Wisconsin with Tina’s extended family, playing contract bridge, reading, cooking, and—happily for Tina—finding the best bargains at the local supermarkets and wine shops.

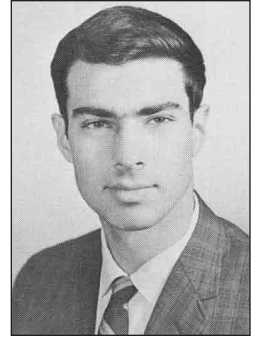
Dave is survived by his wife Tina of Surfside Beach, and his son Russell.

A memorial service and celebration of life will be held at a later date.

— Legacy.com

**D. Randall Wolfe**

Douglas Randall Wolfe, passed away peacefully in his home on December 29, 2024. He had celebrated his 80th birthday in November with his daughter Jes, son Nick, and grandson Asher.



Randy grew up in Hillsborough, CA. At an early age, he became interested in science, literature, and everything mechanical. His alma maters included Dartmouth, Harvard, M.I.T., Stanford, and University of California San Francisco, with advanced degrees in Physics, Electrical Engineering, and Medicine. While attending medical school at Stanford University, he also studied Cardiology in Scotland, Obstetrics in Ireland, and Surgery in Tanzania. During this phase, he developed a keen interest in world travel. After his medical residency in Ophthalmology, he completed Fellowships in Neuro-Ophthalmology and Retinal Surgery while working at Moorfields and Queens Square hospitals in London, England.

Randy and his wife Gill moved to Corvallis, OR in 1980. He worked as an Ophthalmologist for 35 years, providing exceptional surgical and medical ophthalmic care to his patients. The couple purchased a working farm, named it “River Oaks Farm” and raised their two children, Jessica and Nicholas, as well as Hereford cows, hay, Christmas trees, fruit orchards, vegetables, dogs, and chickens.

Once retired, Randy spent considerable time traveling, and exploring many countries over all 7 continents. Always with a camera in hand, he took thousands of pictures of all things great and small. He had a great love for food and cooking - the spicier the better! At 69 years old, he climbed Mount Fuji, reflecting his adventurous spirit. A lifetime enthusiastic outdoorsman, Randy rowed crew and swam competitively at Dartmouth, continued to swim almost every day, and found joy in hiking, camping, skiing, and scuba diving.

Randy is survived by Jessica, Nicholas, and grandson Asher Wolfe.



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