

Along Route '66

COME JOIN US IN HANOVER FOR OUR 60TH REUNION

The Dartmouth Class of 1966 will be celebrating its 60th Reunion in Hanover June 15-18, 2026. Please come and join your Classmates, many with Dartmates, who have already registered. See the list on page 2.

There are no program or meal charges for Classmates, and the discounted charge for Dartmates is \$250. College Reunion officials believe the Class of 1966 is the only class ever to offer no program fees to classmates.

Here is the current Schedule of Events. Reunion planning has emphasized providing blocks of time for renewing friendships and socializing. As details are confirmed, there may be adjustments to the schedule.

Monday June 15:

- **10am-9pm:** Check-in at McLaughlin Dormitory Cluster, Maynard St.
- **1:30-3pm:** Walking and Bus Tours of the campus
- **3:30-4:30pm:** “Back to Class” program about AI
- **6-9pm:** Reception and Dinner—Reiss Hall in Baker Library and Library Lawn
- **9-11pm:** Class socializing at Occom Commons

Tuesday June 16:

- **7:30-8:30am** Breakfast at Class of '53 Commons
- **8:30-10am** Baker-Berry Library Tours: Meet with the Librarian to learn about our Class's *Stefansson Collection Polar Exploration Digitization Project*; Take a docent-led tour of the Orozco Murals; even climb Baker Tower
- **10:30-11:30am** College President presentation
- **12-1:15pm** Lunch at Rockefeller Courtyard
- **2-4pm** Optional tours of the Hop, Hood Museum, or Athletic Facilities, and Baker Tower climb
- **3:30-4:45pm** Class of 1966 “Books and Authors” program—Occom Commons
- **5-6pm** 1769 and Bartlett Tower Societies reception—Hayward Room, Hanover Inn
- **6:30-8pm** Reception and Dinner, Thayer/Tuck West End Circle with remarks from President Beilock and a faculty speaker
- **8:30-11pm** Class Socializing—Occom Commons

Wednesday June 17

- **7:30-8:45am** Breakfast and Affinity Group Gatherings at Class of '53 Commons
- **9:00am** Class Photo in front of Dartmouth Hall



- **9:30-10:30am** Concurrent Class Meeting and Dartmates program
- **10:45-11:45am** Presentation by Athletic Director Mike Harry
- **12:00-1:00pm** Lunch on Blunt Lawn
- **1:15-4:15pm** “Back to Class” with History Professor Matthew Delmont followed by Class Programming including tours and gathering of Friends of Dartmouth Rowing
- **4:30-5:30pm** Memorial Service in Rollins Chapel
- **6-8pm** Reception and Dinner on Baker Lawn

- **8:30-11:00pm** Class Socializing at Occom Commons

Thursday June 18

- **7:30-8:30am** Farewell Breakfast at Class of '53 Commons

Dormitory rooms are available in the McLaughlin Cluster, and there are accommodations in area hotels. Once you register for the Reunion, the College will send you a confirmation email with a link for making dormitory reservations. The cost is \$70 per person per night. There are no ensuite bathrooms. Hall bathrooms are single occupancy. All floors are elevator accessible. Occom Commons, our reunion headquarters, is in the McLaughlin Cluster. There is parking in the Dewey Field Lot a 7-minute walk from the McLaughlin Cluster.

There are several questions included in the registration process for which your responses will assist our planning.

- Choice of ball cap or visor swag
- Meal attendance and dietary restrictions
- Extra assistance needs and mobility issues
- Classmate you would most like to connect with that you have not seen a while
- Your interest in a Moosilauke hike on either Sunday or Thursday, and if so, would you be willing to lead the hike.
- Your interest in a vintage rail car excursion Thursday, including dinner, north along the Connecticut River.

To register go to <https://dartgo.org/1966reunion>

For help or further information, contact Al Keiller (802-230-6238 sienawine@me.com) or Budge Gere (734-646-1827 bgere10@gmail.com).

LIST OF REUNION ATTENDEES

Here's the list of "Who's Coming" as of April 4. Go to <https://dartgo.org/1966reunion> and click on the "Who's Coming" for the latest update.

Richard & Judy Abraham	Jeff & Penny Gilbert	Ken Reiber
Bob & Jan Baldwin	David Godine	Rick Reiss
Dan & Cynthia Barnard	Laurence & Sharon Goss	Don Ries
Timothy Barnard	Steve & Barbara Hayes	John & Anne Rollins
Graeme Bell & Claudia Cooley	Frederick & Betsy Heerde	Alan & Debora Rottenberg
Richard Blacklow	Robert Hermann	Lee Sandler
Mark & Kathy Blanchard	Robert Hill	Stuart & Lucy Schweizer
Tom & Betsy Brady	John Hughes	Richard Sheaff
Jack Brister	Gary Jefferson	Chuck Sherman & Margie Carpenter
Gary & Sharon Broughton	David Johnston	Steve & Jean Smith
Jim & Carmen Cason	Thornton Jordan	Bob & Linda Spence
Peter Cleaves	Todd & Joanne Kalif	David & Peggy Stedman
Ben & Joan Cohen	Al & Jo Keiller	Brad & Mary Stein
Bob Cohn	Paul & Marya Klee	Andy Strauss
Jon & Sue Colby	Walt Knoepfel	James & Bronwen Sutherland
Bob & Martha Cowden	Stephan & Barbara Lanfer	Peter & Marge Titcomb
Rich & Mary Daly	Ed Larner	Bill Todd
Ben Day	Wayne & Kathy LoCurto	Peter Tuxen
William & Barbara Duval	Jim & Elizabeth Lustenader	Tim & Toni Urban
John & Ellie Erkkila	Gregor McGregor	Andrea Vincent
Jim & Cathy Everett	Bruce & Kathryn McKissock	Jim Weiskopf
Jef & Kathy Fellows	Ken Meyercord	Jim & Nadene Yarmon
Noel & Anne Fidel	Gary Miller	Steve Zegel
Richard Friedman	Gail Opaskar	Neal & Sherrie Zimmerman
Jeff & Susie Futter	Peter & Susi Orbanowski	Ken & Ann Zuhr
Larry Geiger	Robert Page	
Budge & Anne Gere	Peter & Ann Prichard	

CREW GATHERING AT 60TH REUNION

Don Ries has arranged with rowing coach Trevor Michelson for a reunion tour and trial of the moving water tanks and then a row on the Connecticut for Wednesday, June 17th, from about 1:30 to 4:00pm. All former oarsmen and coxes are invited—both lights and heavies—and there will be NO weigh in.

All who are interested, please contact Don by email (linda_ries@yahoo.com) or by phone (385-218-7986). He has also invited members of the class of 1971 to join us as their 55th reunion is at the same time as our 60th.

He adds, "As Pogo said, 'Nothing is so much fun as messing about in boats.'"

CALLING ALL CLASS AUTHORS

For our 60th Reunion, **Larry Geiger** is updating the list of class authors and books to be posted on the Dartmouth66 website. Make sure you and your works are included.

Get in touch with Larry by e-mail (lgeiger@aol.com) or telephone (914-860-4945) with information about your published works. The updated list of class authors and books, along with many of the books themselves, will be on display and available for browsing at one of our on-campus events in June.

DARTMOUTH

Remembrances Past & Present

This section of Along Route '66 is a place for us to share our memories of the times we shared during our college years. **Jeff Futter** forwarded the following article from *The Economist* reporting that, as of this Spring, Dartmouth no longer requires students to take a swim test as a requirement for graduation:

A once-proud tradition is becoming awkward for elite universities The slow demise of the swim test

“THIS SPRING Dartmouth College will graduate a class fluent in literature, science, writing and foreign languages—but, for the first time in more than a century, not necessarily able to swim. Since the early 1900s the Ivy League university has required undergraduates to swim 50 yards, equivalent to a lap, before receiving a diploma. But in 2022 the faculty voted to scrap the test, beginning with this year’s seniors. Dartmouth joins a handful of other elite institutions that have abandoned their swimming requirements in recent years, including Williams (2022), Hamilton (2023) and Washington and Lee (2024). The shift says less about the merits of staying afloat than about universities’ preoccupation with racial equity.”

This article stimulated memories of the physical education tests in our college years:

Jeff noted, “I’d like to believe that we all could still flutter 50 yards down a lane (or 2-25 yarders), but I’m not sure that this is the case. At any rate, it’s not a Reunion pre-req. Hope to see many of you there this June (with or without your suits).”

Halsey Bullen responded “I remember the swim test--no big deal for me but a challenge for one or two friends. I also remember the tests required to get out of freshman/sophomore required Phys Ed; I thought I’d never pass the Standing Broad Jump minimum. When I joined the Navy, the swim test was not so easy: swim 50 yards AFTER jumping off the 10-meter platform--in uniform. “

Greg McGregor recalls “This lets me to brag that my highest athletic accomplishment in life was to ‘pro- out’ of gym. My roommate **Howard Weiner** was aware of the test(s) so we practiced ahead of time to the point I could broad jump. He already was a competitive swimmer, and I was a scuba diver.”

Bill Ferris added “I, too, remember the PE test. I flew up the rope with seconds to spare and ditto the agility run. When I got to that 50-yard swim, I almost drowned and was about the last one out of the pool. Fortunately, I had accumulated enough points with the other events to squeak by. Then I discovered that if you played a sport you didn’t have to take gym anyway.”

NOTES FROM 66TH NIGHT 2026

Chuck Sherman organized the Hanover gathering in the Paganucci Lounge of the Class of 1953 Commons (formerly Thayer Hall) for greetings and libations, followed by meals selected from the students’ Food Court also known as “FoCo.” Four undergraduate members of the Dartmouth Comedy Network took turns doing “stand up,” telling jokes, some of which went over our heads, but displaying a new aspect of campus life. Before dinner at FoCo, **Al Keiller** hosted five ‘66s for “pre-game” cocktails at Pine in the Hanover Inn. David Hightower celebrated the annual occasion at Pine only.

Classmates from South Carolina’s Low Country convened at Fleets Landing in Charleston on March 9 for a seafood luncheon, overlooking the Cooper River, which together with the Ashley River west of the city form the Atlantic Ocean.

On March 2, Anne and **Steve Warhover** hosted a cocktail party at their home in Vero Beach FL, followed by a dinner at the John’s Island Beach Club.

Five classmates and two Dartmates from Westchester County and The Bronx got together on Thursday, March 5, 2026, at Sam’s of Gedney Way restaurant in White Plains, NY, for a fun evening of conversation and good cheer.

Larry Goss organized the 66th Night gathering in Lake Geneva Wisconsin on Tuesday, March 3rd. The gathering began at **Barry Machado**’s home and then moved on to lunch at the Tuscan Tavern.

Martin Adler is doing the final edits on a book of eighteen short stories entitled *The Choice and Other Stories—Tales of a Wanderer*—based on his travels and life overseas. It will be available next month on Amazon, published under his pen name M. Eric Adler.



Last year, he and wife Helida went to Brazil to hang out with her family. He adds,, “We all visited several areas of the Amazon around Belem and then flew to the other end of the country to see Iguacu Falls. Finally, the four men in the group checked out the wildlife of the Pantanal wetlands including some large caiman, capybaras and endless big birds. Amazing animals, amazing people, amazing country.”



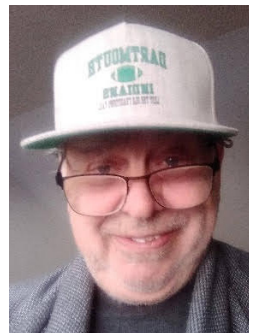
In late July, they visited their daughter, Kathryn, in Montreal. He notes “Lucy and **Stu Schweizer** drove up from Elmira, NY to join us for dinner. Stu was my roommate in the basement of North Mass Dorm during our first two years at Dartmouth- hadn’t seen each other in 50 years. We had a great time remembering those times and catching up.”

As for other activities: “I’ve been wrestling with the endless to-do list of renting, maintaining, and upgrading several properties on Maui. I’ve kept

active in our biweekly writing group, and am on the boards of our Pukalani Community Association, the Maui Masters Swimming Organization and I have just joined the Board of the Associação Brasil America, the binational center that I worked with when I was stationed at the US Consulate in Recife 1988-92. Efforts to maintain health include yoga, swimming and working on life extension with exercise, supplements, and — very soon — hyperbaric therapy. I’m still studying Mandarin and taking improv piano lessons. Helida is taking singing lessons. Occasionally, I’m still called on to interpret Spanish, Portuguese or French for the Hawaii Judiciary and private clients.”

Marty adds. “We’re planning an extensive trip to Asia next year to include Japan, China, and Vietnam. In preparation, I just started reading Breakneck, China’s Quest to Engineer the Future, by Dan Wang. Finally, we’re enjoying mangoes, oranges, bananas, guavas and coconuts from our yard.”

Ken Meyercord writes, “Enjoying the life-stories in the newsletter so much, I feel remiss in not having contributed to the literature, so here goes:



After a brief stint at the Stanford Business School, I departed the country in 1967 a step ahead of my local draft board, and so began an 8-year circumnavigation which took me to 60-odd countries, with extended stays in four (Brazil, Lebanon, Colombia, Algeria). Along the way I acquired an MA in History from the American University of Beirut and a wife, a Palestinian village girl I’d known only a month (Wedding guests wagered on whether the marriage, now in its 53rd year, would last 6 months). Once the endless war was over, I returned to my hometown, Dallas, to face the music and was acquitted by Judge Sarah T. Hughes of LBJ swearing-in fame.

Jobwise, I bounced around a bit before, like many refugees from the liberal arts, landing in the computer field—with no training other than a week

NEWS OF CLASSMATES

of programming in BASIC under Kemeny. After a less-than-illustrious but moderately lucrative career, I retired as soon as I turned 66.

In retirement, I have become something of a media mogul -- producing four public access TV shows which aired in the Washington, DC area. One of the shows gained me a reputation as a Holocaust denier. If you're gasping in horror, at least do me the courtesy of learning my thoughts on the topic by viewing my magnum opus, which can be downloaded from PEGMedia.org (search for "So-called Holocaust Denial"), before going all judgmental. I have had the time, money, and good health (never saw a doctor or took a pill in the 70s; the 80s, not so kind) to engage in my passion for travel (the Baltic States being up for April).

I look forward to hearing more updates from classmates at the reunion, which I will be attending solo as my wife Samira hates to travel (go figure!) and, besides, is justifiably down on Americans these days."



Jeff Futter shares, "Susie, my twin 24-year-old daughters. and I just returned from a really wonderful trip to Turkey where we spent 4 days in Istanbul (which straddles the European and Asian continents on the Bosphorus Straits); and then 3 days in the incredible district of Cappadocia with its ruins of ancient civilizations, incredible rock formations, century-old caves, hiking trails, extinct volcanoes, and, of course, fabulous hot-air balloons.

We had guided private tours in both places; and we did a healthy amount of walking on those tours, some of which was up some fairly steep hills, especially in Cappadocia (which also has a Skiway off the side of the volcano that we did not have time to visit). The highlights of the trip (which we took with my sister-in-law and our 26-year-old nephew) were Topkapi Palace (where the 1964 movie Topkapi was filmed), the incredible Turkish cuisine, and all of Cappadocia but especially the spectacular landscapes and ruins and then the hot-air balloon ride with over 60 other balloons on the early morning that we all went skyward. If anyone is interested in going there, I'm happy to share with you some of the details of our trip—just shoot me an email to: jlfutter@aol.com."

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Charleston, SC L to R - Jim Weiskopf, Greg Eden, Dorothy Eden, Bob Serenbetz, Karen Serenbetz, Pete Richardson



New York City L to R - Paul Chrzanowski's right arm, Rich & Judy Abraham, Rick Reiss and his date, and Bob Cohn

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Hanover L to R - Alexandra Breed, Doug Hill, Al Keiller Jo Keiller, Chuck Sherman, Margie Carpenter, Ben Day, Judi Colla, Stan Colla, John Chapin, Sue Kaufman, and Jennifer Casey (Theresa Carpenter, not pictured)



Hartford, CT L to R - Dave Johnston, Rich Abraham, Judy Abraham, Connie Castner, George Trumbull



Maine (From R front) - Will Wilkoff, Marilyn Wilkoff, Margie Pezzuti, Jan Baldwin, Cindy Buschmann, Gwen Anderson, Andy Anderson, Angus King and Mary Herman, Bob Baldwin, Wally Buschmann, Peter Titcomb, Stephen Lanfer, Roger Pezzuti, Jack Aley.



Rhode Island Front Row: Dave Owen, Gary Leib's friend Sue, Gary Leib, Linda Owen, Cynthia Simeone, Back Row: Gary Jefferson, John Pearson, Jon and Sue Colby. Ed Long and Evelyn Rhodes left early.



Vero Beach, FL L to R - Standing: Steve Warhover, Claudia Bell, Bob Serenbetz, and Jane Higgins (Bill's widow). Seated: Karen Serenbetz, Anne Warhover, and Graeme Bell.



Westchester L to R - Larry Geiger, Andy Seidman, Paul Chrzanowski, Dace Aperans, Gundars Aperans, Sherri Paul and Gerry Paul.



Westport, CT L to R - Myra & Hector Motroni, Wayne & Kathy LoCurto



Lake Geneva, WI L to R - Jack Young, Kathy O'Sullivan, Barry Machado, Larry & Sharon Goss.



Alpha Theta Zoom L to R - Jeff Tew, Betsy & Tom Brady, Ken Reiber, Brad Laycock



Philadelphia L to R - Bob and Karen Serenbetz, Bruce McKissock, David and Peggy Stedman

IN MEMORIAM

Alfred S. Cavaretta, Jr.

Alfred S. Cavaretta, Jr. died unexpectedly on December 24, 2025, in his hometown of Kent, Ohio.

Raised in Lexington, Massachusetts, he graduated from Lexington High School in 1962. After Dartmouth Alfred earned an MA and Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Wisconsin in 1970. He went on to teach at Middlebury College in Vermont, California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, California and settled at Kent State University in Kent, Ohio, where he taught for 39 years and was Emeritus Professor of Mathematics.



Alfred's work was widely published in various math journals throughout his career. He loved teaching and was a wonderful piano player and enjoyed playing for others. He enjoyed swimming, playing golf and tennis.

He was vivacious and outgoing with a natural ability to connect with people and lift their spirits with his humor, kindness and wonderful smile.

Timothy Butterworth

Timothy Butterworth - writer, teacher, carpenter, woodsman and New Hampshire State Representative - died of complications related to Parkinson's disease and congestive heart failure in his hometown of Keene, New Hampshire on January 25, 2026.



A four-year heavyweight crew member and English major at Dartmouth, Tim earned an MA in American literature at the University of North Carolina and taught at Vermont Academy before settling in

at Leland and Gray Union Middle and High School in Townsend, VT, in 1970.

Tim and his first wife Sue Ann Hallock purchased a 60-acre farm in Chesterfield, New Hampshire. While his marriage ended in 1976, the farm, known as Sugarbush Hill, became Tim's lifelong passion. He married Kay Kloppenburg in 1984 and they taught ESL in Granada, Spain, and San Jose, Costa Rica during sabbaticals.

From 1996 to 2002 Tim served as Selectman and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen in Chesterfield. He also served a four-year term as a Democratic member of the NH House of Representatives from 2006 to 2010.

Ronald L. Tracey

Ronald Tracey of Amelia Island, Florida and Excelsior, Minnesota, died on February 19, 2026, in Jacksonville, Florida.



Born in San Francisco, Ron grew up in Colorado and earned all-state honors in football and baseball at Denver South High School. At Dartmouth he majored in Psychology, played baseball and was a member of Beta Theta Pi and Dragon.

Ron married South High classmate Sue Ellen in 1966. They moved to Minneapolis where Ron taught high school science for two years and the couple welcomed two children, Todd '90 and Tana, before celebrating their fifth anniversary.

Ron spent most of his career as a grain merchant, grain broker and ultimately a pig farmer in Iowa. He loved to be outdoors and was a passionate bird hunter and fisherman.

Ron struggled with alcohol in the first third of his life, but he found sobriety through Alcoholics Anonymous where he was a member for 45 years.



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"Spring Arrives in Hanover" — Jim Lustenader '66