

Along Route '66



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Dear Classmates, Mates, and Friends,

The 25th Reunion tops this edition. Dave Orr of the Alumni Office advises me that a Reunion Response envelope will be included with this Newsletter as a followup on the mailing that you have already received. If you misplaced that one, use this one to make a commitment to be on hand on June 13 - 16 in Hanover for the Big Show!

REUNION SCHEDULE

In reviewing the package of flyers sent out in our Along Route '66 Reunion envelope, I noted a distinct encouragement to run. We can start with a 1966 "mini-marathon" and finish with an "open" 10K. The latter flyer referenced a map on the reverse, that was not on my copy... making me wonder if the "slightly hilly" description might be a tad of an understatement. Never fear, I plan to limit my exercise to that which can be accomplished in the tent. I will leave the runs to tri-athlete types such as **Dave Coughlin** and **John Arnold** (both of whom are on their way to Reunion).

AND AS FOR THE MUSIC

Albie MacDonald has come up with a few new names for bands. I note "Brady Maynard and His Time Machine" and "The Flames." Presumably there will be a touch of nostalgia thrown in with Brady Maynard. The dictates of practical finance and advancing age dictate that the likes of our twentieth show will never be seen on the Hanover Plain again. [Who can forget that concert in Alumni Hall featuring Bobby Lewis (Tossin 'n Turnin), The Dovells (Bristol Stomp), The Tokens (In The Jungle...), The Marvelletes (Don't Mess With Bill), and The Cadillacs (My Friends All Call Me Speedo).] Used to be for \$1,000 three houses could budget three performances of groups like The Five Satins and Little Anthony. Now more like 50 times that might do the job.

A CORRECTION AND MORE

Speaking of The Cadillacs, I got a letter from **Jack Bennett** correcting my reference to "Steevo" instead of the correct "Speedo." He also included a listing of all the Number One Records from the

time of our Matriculation through Graduation. He made a few comments that bear repeating:

September 15, 1962 just as we showed up on the Hanover Plain, "Sheery" by The Four Seasons topped the Charts (unbelievably for five weeks!) and prompted Jack to comment... "A lowpoint... way too much Four Seasons in '62 and '63."

Noting progress in November of the same year, Jack observed "Things are looking up" when commenting on the ascension of The Crystals "He's a Rebel." As I recall, it was about the same time that The Chiffons made an appearance at The Hop... our newly dedicated Center for the Arts.

Number Ones that Jack associated with important dates included:

MLK "I have a dream" speech - Stevie Wonder, "Fingertips #2"

JFK Assassination - Nino Tempo & April Stevens, "Deep Purple"

Gulf of Tonkin Resolution - "A Hard Day's Night"

Watts - Sonny & Cher, "I Got You Babe" May, 1966 - Percy Sledge "When a Man Loves a Woman" (Notes Jack, "A strong finish.")

Graduation - Rolling Stones, "Paint It Black"

Jack, by the way, has sent in his Reunion Yearbook Questionnaire so I can report that he, Babs and son Simon live in Alexandria (1115 Crestwood Drive) where Jack works for the Department of Transportation as a Program Analyst. In his sketch, Jack makes reference to Link Wray... now there is a good trivia answer! He also noted, "I keep in touch with **Chris Meyer**, my roommate sophomore year. I saw him last weekend in Boston and my son Simon and I walked around Nahant with Chris and his family. Chris lived in Nahant when I met him Freshman year and he lives there now."

SPEAKING OF LISTS

In my preparation for the Yearbook, I have pulled together (with the assistance of my research assistant **Matt Wilson**, son of **Bill '66**) a listing of the Top 100 hits from 1962 through 1966. The lists aren't always what we expect... we were really in on some evolutionary times in music. A caption notes in the 1963 listing... "Each year, the

gap between r & b and pop narrows." Indeed, in 1963 The Chiffons had the No. 4 hit on the Pop 100 with "He's So Fine" and the same song was No. 15 on the r & b list. Generally, the songs we remember were on the r & b list and included: Heat Wave, Baby Workout, Just One Look, and You've Really Got a Hold On Me. And one year later we were to witness the arrival of The Beatles. All this after having witnessed the Elvis Presley revolution from 1956 through 1961.

THE REUNION YEARBOOK

Deadlines come and Deadlines go. By the time you get this, the deadline will have come and gone, or I am in deep yogurt! My last deadline that you read about last month did not elicit the response that I felt sufficient to produce a Reunion Yearbook. Consequently, I decided to fight the publisher for delivery while extending my production. At the same time I sent out a final reminder to each of you delinquents. This effort was assisted by my wife Gwen and daughter Aimee who addressed the bulk of the envelopes. I added my personal plea... and we await the results.

THE SEARCH FOR CLASS NOTES MATERIAL

The deadline prompted more than a few calls to confirm that material being sent would arrive in time. **Ted Pittiglio** of nearby Los Altos called, then sent on his material... including a great article from The Smithsonian magazine on Class Notes writing for Yale. Maybe some of you saw it, "Dave Henderson was becoming an embarrassment." The article traces the rebirth, life and "death" in the Class Notes section of a Yale '43 classmate. Turns out that the escapades became more and more outrageous so that eventually the fiction of this regular contributor becomes apparent and his "death" is drafted and printed. I assure you I have done nothing of the sort... yet. What tolled the death knell for this outrageous living, self-promoting Eli was the repeat of one of his postcards in our local San Francisco three dot column by **Herb Caen**, adding an appropriate local angle to the story (which I believe is true).

AM I TOO LATE?

Tom Clarke also called to seek assurance that the photos that he was sending could be returned (they will).

Dan Williams checked the deadline which led to discussion about Dartmouth athletics as Dan's son is a member of the current Dartmouth hockey team. In spite of the dismal record this year (just one victory), Dan found a glimmer of hope in the current batch of freshman (his son is one) and in the competitive games that the team did play against the top teams in the nation (Clarkson, Harvard, etc.). Dan commutes all over the country as a specializing litigation attorney for the NYC firm of Kaye Scholer, while calling Buffalo home.

THE TRANSMITTALS

My daughter Elaine helped out on organizing the material that came in while she was off this term. As part of that process she saved some of the transmittals. See if any of these sound familiar:

"I just realized that this bio had a deadline! First time you've heard that I'm sure. So no time to get any pix to you, sorry."

"If you can still get this in, I'd appreciate it."

"Do you have time for anything else?"

"Sorry about the late reply, I wanted to Fed Ex this but had no telephone number... alas."

And some more extensive, including this note from Bill Todd that I would like to share,

"I realize from reading my latest class notes that the enclosed may arrive too late to be included, if so, I understand, Sorry to have been so tardy.

"I have typed the biographical sketch within the limits you suggest -- double space, pica, 300 words. It reads like the equivalent of a Keystone Cops movie -- speeded up, jerky motions and all.

"Your class notes have been a pleasure to read. My closest Dartmouth friends seem rarely to make the scene (I'm sure all of your readers feel this), but many acquaintances do, and it has been fun to see their lives unfolding.

"Bill and Barb Duvall, Gary and Dorie Jefferson, Bob and Laurie Swett are coming for dinner tomorrow [That would have been March 16.], and my wife is off visiting her family in Norway, so I have to get back to the kitchen. I'm sure that we will have a good evening (perhaps not too boring for the spouses), talking about the

stories and photos that we didn't dare to send, and making plans for the next 25 years that we didn't tempt fate by committing to paper. Also as the tumult of the war dies down, recalling friends such as Bill Smoyer (1967) who live on in our memories.

"Thank you for your patience."

Your letter, Bill, captures the spirit of this whole exercise of notes and yearbooks and newsletters. Your dinner group has all sent in their reflections and typify the best of what you can find from perusing the yearbook. We have shared alot since Dartmouth, and that comes through, even if it has not been in the same community, in the same job or profession, or with the same people. I sure wish I could have sat in for your wife at that dinner.

Bill mentions the lack of appearances from people you would like to hear from. As much as we work at it, the problem is more related to the subjects, not the editor-writers. For an outside authority, I reference a paragraph from the earlier cited Smithsonian article,

"If your class notes are anything like mine [Remember, this article was written by an Eli.], in a class of 850 there are 25 active, extroverted, well-placed members whose names seem to appear in the column - in boldface - in each and every issue. There are also 825 normal folk, drudges and geniuses alike, whose names, since graduating, have appeared once or, more likely, not at all. This isn't elitism on the part of the class notes secretary. Several times a year, every member of the class is encouraged, nay hectorred, to send in news of himself or other classmates. The 825 average Joes (and where applicable, Jills) ignore the request. The active, voluble 25, on the other hand, send in their news. And send, and send, and send."

CLASS OFFICER ELECTIONS - Volunteers Please Identify Yourselves

Hector Motroni wrote, "Steve Lanfer has asked me to head the Nominating Committee for our next slate of Class Officers. I am now in the process of setting up the committee and will be contacting a core group of "hard working" classmates [The extroverted 25?] to inquire if they have any candidates which they may want to put forth as Class Officers.

"Candidates are being solicited for the offices of President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Alumni Council Representative. Also, nominations are requested for 15 members of the Executive Committee. Other officers - Newsletter Editor, Alumni Fund Head Agent, Bequest Chairman, Reunion Chairman, Mini-Reunion Chairman - are appointed by the Executive Committee.

I would add that you should consider your talents and skills as they address the appointed, as well as elected positions. Putting forth your name (or of a well-considered classmate), is the all-important first step, for whatever the position maybe... including this one... Newsletter Editor. Would you believe that I have just learned, late in my life, the important principle that... if you don't ask, you are not likely to receive. If you have any questions about any of the jobs, call the current office-holder on the Masthead of Along Route '66 and talk about it. The amount of work and satisfaction you take from doing the job are entirely up to you... of course the Class benefits most if those measures are large. So... send on your nominations as soon as possible, to Hector Motroni at 11 Sagem Road, Weston, Connecticut 06883; Tel: 203 226-5334.

ON THE MOVE

- Back In The USA

Bill Koelsch writes, "After 20 years in Brazil, back in the USA to recuperate from the disastrous effects of President Fernando Collor's new economic plan. Looking for a job with a good software company as Latin American Marketing/Sales Manager." Anyone with a lead for Bill or with a "Welcome Back" should contact him at 17214 Courtney Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92649; Tel: (714) 840-5602. Be sure to put Hanover on the itinerary, Bill, Reunion is a great place to network while enjoying one of the unanticipated side effects of Collor's efforts.

- Within the Country (Sort of)

Peter Cleaves writes, "After 8 years with First Chicago, I have been appointed Director of the Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas and Professor of Government. I am delighted to reestablish contact with a region that I know well (16 years of residence and four books), and continue a dimension of my career begun at Dartmouth." Peter's new address in Texas is 3805 Flamevine Cove, Austin, Texas

78735; Tel: (H) 512-328-9190 and (B) 512-471-5551.

- And Within That Part of The Country

Steve Smith announces that "Jean and I have just moved from Scottsdale, Arizona to Dallas, Texas. Arizona was easy to leave in the summer, but we'll sure miss it in December! After five years with GTE, I have moved to AT&T as Sales Vice-President Network Systems. We managed a ski weekend last March with **Gary and Suzanne Bryson**, but otherwise have seen few classmates lately. Both Jean and I are looking forward to the 25th Reunion." The Smiths are now at home at 101 Van Buren Court, Colleyville, TX 76034; Tel: (H) 817 577-3384 and (B) 214 401- 4770.

- Way Out West

From our Nordic skiing expert **Jon Weisel**, we learn that he "moved from Jackson Hole, Wyoming to Bozeman, Montana last May. A delightful change to be in (near) a university town. [That would be Montana State University.] Live about 7 miles from Bozeman, an idyllic spot except for the dusty road beside the house. Creek in the backyard, as well as pheasant, moose and black bear (but not all at once!). Professionally, I've been appointed Nordic Committee Chairman of the North American Ski Journalists Association (not alot of competition for the post) and appointed to the Advisory Committee of the Ski Area Operations Program at Colorado Mountain College in Leadville, CO." Jon's new address is 2573 Bear Canyon Road, Bozeman, MT 59715; Tel: 406-587-7661.

- And From North To South

Ted Temple figured out there had to be a better way and advises that, "I've decided to wait out the depression in commercial real estate in New Jersey... and have gone South for the winter. I'll be working with First Southern Trust in Marco Island, Florida and can be reached at 1-800-523-0069. Anyone interested in Real Estate or just in getting together for a drink and/or chat is encouraged to call! Home phone is 813-394-1084. Still hoping to make the Reunion in June."

Ted also sent on a release from *The Atlantic Realtor* naming him the Realtor of the Year which I think I reported on recently. Nevertheless, it illustrates the difficulties encountered by even the

best in Hard Times. Ted and Barbara are normally at home in Strathmere, New Jersey.

- From The Frisky Dogs to The "Fat Cats"

Our food marketing whiz, **Chuck Weil** reports, "I recently accepted a new position as President and COO of Conagra Frozen Foods (\$1.4 Billion), a major unit of Conagra, Inc. which is the #2 food company in the U.S. (\$20 Billion). [Those are 'illions with a B.] I spent 3 - 1/2 years with Carnation in LA running the Friskies PetCare unit. It's good to be back feeding humans again. Classmates should try 'Healthy Choice.' This line of products tastes great, will help them lose weight before Reunion, and will help them live longer (low fat, low sodium, low cholesterol, low calories). Wendy, Will and I will move to Omaha in May!" For contacting Chuck in Omaha, try 5 Conagra Drive, 68102-5005; Tel: (B) 402 595-6795.

Marketing types never stop selling, but with those attributes, I should be putting it on my table. I, personally will miss Chuck at Carnation, since I never quite got around to pushing my line of products on him. From someone who deals alot with all the pet food canners (that's the wet food portion), I can say that Friskies prospered under Chuck's direction, and in spite of the Omaha for LA exchange, this is a tremendous move for Chuck and recognition for a job well done. Good Luck, Chuck and Wendy in Omaha!

ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL

Last fall I wrote of the effort being made to provide a memorial for **Bob Owens '65**, killed in the Pan Am 103 bombing. **Phil Wade** reports that he "attended the Great Bear Dedication on September 22. Daughter Julie '91 was one of four students that built the cabin. A great Dartmouth event in memory of Bob Owens." Great Bear is the cabin that was rebuilt by members of the DOC. I am proud that our class through Julie's efforts had a hand in remembering Bob, a classmate of mine at Tuck and President of the Outing Club while at Dartmouth.

MILITARY UPDATE

First, I am grateful that the War that was upon us at the time of the last edition has been put behind us for the time being. Nevertheless schedules have changed so that even those who had planned to be in Hanover will be "at sea"

literally. I speak of **Bill Hayden** whose ship will be rotating into the gulf early to take up the position of the early arrivals. His plans to attend both his son's wedding and our Reunion were sent asunder. Bill did host a large congregation of Dartmouth alums for a tour of the Abraham Lincoln in February. Among the 66's in attendance were **Walt Knoepfel**, **Roger Brett** and myself.

PETERSON - LOCATED!

"End the all out search!" Captain **John Peterson** exclaims, "*I'm alive and well.*"

"As I write, I'm transiting the Tsusura Straights en route to beautiful downtown Pohang, Korea. I am the Commanding Officer of the USS St. Louis, an amphibious troop ship. We're homeported in Sasebo, Japan and mostly we haul Marines and their equipment around the Western Pacific.

"You'll note that I've included a biographical sketch for the Class Yearbook. I realize it can't possibly be included now [Wrong, John.] - but I only got the Newsletter a week ago. I've been at sea for three months hauling Marines involved in Desert Storm, and the mail service is spotty at best. At any rate - maybe you can pass on a few copies to those classmates - whoever they may be - who have been involved in this 'all out search.'

"I won't be at the Reunion - I'll be at sea somewhere near the Philippines - but I honestly wish I could be. After 25 years of failing to make contact with any classmates (save for one brief talk with Bill Hayden - which landed my name in the Newsletter) I'm now starting to deeply regret my reclusiveness. don't ask me why I've never written - I don't know myself. I've always enjoyed reading about everyone else's exploits. I've just never felt comfortable writing about myself. [The plight of everyone but the extroverted '25'.]

"So - the little sketch pretty much tells all. My life has been pretty much devoted to the Navy. I've loved the flying - got over 5,000 hours on tactical jets and over 1,200 carrier landings. But it has taken a toll. My first marriage collapsed after 13 years. After two years of rather colorful bachelorhood, I married Kristen in 1982. She has been "the best thing to happen to me." We've got two very energetic children, Alex 6 and Meredith 5, and, although most of my hair has departed the

vicinity, I'm starting to feel young again at 46. Alex, by the way, has already decided on Dartmouth Class of '05, and I do believe he'll make it.

"Please pass on to the Class that I'll be in Sasebo until December of this year and have plenty of room. We live in an enormous old Japanese style home that Yamamoto lived in while planning Pearl Harbor. True story! Would love the company. In particular I'd love to hear from **Dick Sheaff, Bob Wilson, Tim Jones, Jack Stebe and Jane Fonda** (see - I did read the entire list). [Road trip, guys?] John's address is P.O. Box 66-387, FPO Seattle, WA 98766-5000; Tel: (Japan) 011-81-956-24-3891.

HEY, HOW ABOUT THE REST OF US!

I look back and notice that most recent press has gone to the Navy in this column (Hayden, Long and Peterson). There are other branches of the Armed Forces as **Jim Weiskopf** served to remind me with the following:

"I'm presently a Colonel and the Public Affairs Officer for the U.S. Army Military District of Washington at Fort McNair in the Nation's Capital. I am also serving as Vice-President of the Dartmouth Club of Washington." Jim must have breathed a huge sigh of relief with the overall execution of Desert Storm. The scenario of victory and success is a whole lot easier to manage from the Public Affairs perspective than the alternatives. Jim lives at 13203 Point Pleasant Drive in Fairfax, VA 22033; Tel: (H) 703 378-5670 and (B) 202 475-0843.

As I addressed all the Reunion Yearbook questionnaires, I literally went over each of your names and addresses. I was impressed with the number of other classmates that appear to still be in the military. Let's hear from you lest I continue to fill this column up with the extroverted 25.

Similarly, **Ken Zuhr** mused, "The 'sought after' list in the last Along Route '66 was a nice touch. Hopefully, it will push a few more 'over the edge,' and up the attendance in June. Looking forward to the Reunion. Question,... how many of the NROTC crew are still serving (Active or Reserve)?" The answer is somewhere, but takes a little research... presumably by someone in the group... volunteers? Ken still is in Gilroy, CA at 7195 Harvard Place.

BAY AREA UPDATE

I got a wordy green card from **Walter Stern**, and fear it may have been a substitute for his Reunion Yearbook update. Nevertheless, I include it here and hope that the Yearbook Questionnaire takes it even further (but note the caution on Physician's efforts in this area mentioned above).

"Professionally, I spent 9 years at the University of Chicago and eventually specialized as a retinal surgeon and moved to the University of California - San Francisco. I spent 15 years on the full-time faculty before going into private practice last December on the San Francisco Peninsula. The practice is going well and extremely busy and rewarding. My wife Betty, whom I met when she traveled to Dartmouth to study poetry, has recently opened her own counseling practice in Burlingame on the Peninsula. We have two sons - Josh, who is a business major at U.C. - Davis and Ben, 17 a junior in high school." Walter and Betty are now at home at 155 Los Robles Drive, Burlingame, CA 94101; Tel: (H) 415 343-7164 and (B) 415 340-0111. Walter, that's a good capsule update, I hope that you had the time to reflect on the past 25 years as well and put all that practice in perspective.

MAPLE SYRUP ANYONE?

Although not Vermont-made I am sure it is first-rate nonetheless, as **Tim Butterworth** reports from Chesterfield, New Hampshire, "Life goes on. I'm still teaching, making maple syrup, and gardening. New additions to my life - an instant teen-age son, Lateef Jackson, a used John Deere tractor and a MacIntosh computer. Kay and Lateef and I are planning to live in some other country (Costa Rica, Australia, Brazil?) next year, to teach English, study a different culture, and to escape mid-life crisis." Tim and family get their mail at HCR 10, Box 22, Chesterfield, NH 03443; Tel: (H) 603 363-8076 and (B) 802 365-7355. Whoops... from that area code, Tim works in Vermont; maybe that is Vermont maple syrup, and isn't Tim's just the name for a maple syrup! Tim, if you are having a true mid-life crisis, it sounds like you have it under control. Share your approach in June with the throngs who would envy your position.

FURTHER NEW ENGLAND LIFE STYLES

"It has been an outstanding summer here on the Maine Coast. With Dartmouth Geography majors like **Bill Roberts** and **Larry Goss** helping me navigate my sailboat who needs Loran even in "thick 'o fog." My Camden YMCA volleyball team picked up a new player, **Lance Tapley**, Camden's new publisher. Our family excitement was being briefly on NBC Evening News in August with our exchange visitor from Camden, New Jersey. My CPA practice is expanding and I am looking for a tax professional -- any takers? See you at Reunion!" So reports **Bob Baldwin** from RFD 1 Box 99B, Rockport, ME 04856; Tel: (H) 207 236-6763 and (B) 207 236-9687. I wonder if the position is filled yet? I wonder what it would take to reactivate my CPA certificate?

SOME BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE CLASS AND THE NATION

From Washington, D. C. and **Steve Posniak**... "have you heard from **Mark Zebrowski** or **Grant Brown**? [No.] See you in June."

From Hopewell, New Jersey, **Bruce Berger** offers a series of shorts... "Daughter **Liz** will be a '94; son **Scott** a junior at URI; saw **Rick Firtel** at UCSD in La Jolla; spoke with **Rod Prior**, practicing Internal Medicine in Maine; spoke with **Lou Novak** in practice or Radiation Oncology in Cleveland and raising Arabians; and I am in my 16th year of practice of Dermatological Surgery in Princeton."

From Albany, New York, **Bill Jacoby** updates, "Currently Counsel to the City of Albany Department of Housing and Community Development. My wife **Liva** is a Research Sociologist and Associate Professor at Albany Medical College, specializing in Gerontology. We have two boys, 10 and 12, and have lived in Albany since 1981."

From Colorado Springs, Colorado, **Ric Waples** continues, "Still Headmaster at Fountain Valley School. I'm taking my son **Jake**, a senior, college visiting this fall and I'm looking forward to seeing Dartmouth for the first time in 14 years. **Mike Bromley** and I had a Dartmouth Club dinner at Fountain Valley last spring."

From Richmond, Virginia, **Rick Worland**, advises, "Judy, I, and our 8 year old will be at Reunion and we look forward to it. I think of you

whenever I hear news of San Francisco." [Rick, **Mac Whitaker** and I spent a glorious summer batching it in San Francisco after graduation.]

From Alexandria, Virginia, **Stephen Hayes** announces, "I just left the airline industry and returned to Federal service as Director of External Affairs at the Agency for International Development."

UNTIL NEXT TIME

If I can possibly manage it, I will put out another edition of Along Route '66 just prior to Reunion. I don't want to come out of Reunion with a huge backlog of News. For now, I feel I am caught up on the Green Cards, so if something has been missed, send it on again. In the interim, wish me luck on the Yearbook.

Happy trails... keep smiling until then,


Allan