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1. DGALA Board of Directors Election Results

Congratulations to Kamil Walji '03 and Dan Studnicky '85, who have been elected to the DGALA Board of Directors.

Kamil is currently pursuing an M.A. in Strategic Public Relations at USC's Annenberg School for Communication. At Dartmouth, he studied abroad in Paris, was a member of Tabard, produced and directed for the Harlequins and worked at the Collis Center. Upon graduating, Kamil moved to Miami where he worked as Company Manager for Miami City Ballet and as Associate Producer for MusicFestMiami. In addition to his PR coursework, Kamil is learning Arabic and Chinese and volunteering with USC's GLBT Alumni organization, Lambda.

Dan has been a Vice President and Senior Philanthropic Consultant with Wachovia Wealth Management since 2002. He manages a portfolio of private and public foundations and not-for-profit organization endowments and works with the private bank's high-net-wealth clients on their philanthropic endeavors. Previously, Dan served as a national director of major gifts, planned gifts, and capital campaigns for the National Center for Family Philanthropy, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the National Parks Conservation Association, and the Smithsonian's National Zoo. Prior to devoting his career to the philanthropic sector, he performed international policy research for NATO while at the Atlantic Institute for International Affairs in Paris, France, and for the United Nations while at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute in Stockholm, Sweden.

Dan is a board member of the Wachovia Foundation Regional Committee, the Washington AIDS Partnership, the Executive Committee of the Dartmouth Class of 1985, and the Severn School Alumni Council. He is a former member of the board of the Dartmouth Club of Washington, D.C. and the Feature Films Selection Committee of Reel Affirmations Lesbian & Gay Film Festival. Dan is a graduate of the A.B.A.'s National

Trust School and National Graduate Trust School at Northwestern University. He received his accreditation as a certified fund raising executive (C.F.R.E.) by the Association of Fundraising Professionals in 1995. He is a licensed Real Estate agent in the District of Columbia. He and his partner, Dennis, live in Washington, D.C.

Also, DGALA Officers have been elected as follows:

President - Susi Kandel '00

Vice President - Garrett Hornsby '87

Secretary - Pete Williams '76

Treasurer - James von Rittmann '95

## 2. Be a Part of Dartmouth PRIDE

Dartmouth's first ever PRIDE event is scheduled for May 7-11, 2007. The week long program will celebrate LGBTQA history at Dartmouth through various guest speakers, lectures, performances, and a dinner gala. As part of the event, organizers are seeking alumni/ae from all classes to discuss their Dartmouth experiences for a video on LGBTQA history at Dartmouth. If you are interested in participating in this project, please contact Jamal Brown '08 at [jamal.brown@dartmouth.edu](mailto:jamal.brown@dartmouth.edu).

## 3. Dartmouth Seeks Vice President of Institutional Diversity

Forwarded below is a letter from President Wright:

January 16, 2007

Dear Members of the Dartmouth Community,

Last summer, I asked Provost Scherr to undertake a review of our diversity initiatives. Because of openings in two key positions, it made sense to do such a review so that we could be sure that we had the right organization and structure in place to support our diversity efforts, which are so central to our educational mission.

Provost Scherr and his committee have now completed that review and in response to their recommendations, I will make a few adjustments to how we support diversity at Dartmouth.

First, I will appoint a Vice President for Institutional Diversity who will report jointly to me and to the Provost. We will look to work to underline the importance of the position. I have asked Associate Dean for the Humanities Kate Conley to chair the search for this appointment and she and her committee will begin that task immediately.

I am delighted to announce that Stuart Lord has graciously agreed to take on this appointment in the interim while the search is underway. Stuart is the Virginia Rice Kelsey '61S Dean of the Tucker Foundation and Associate Provost and oversees the College's extensive service programs and religious and spiritual life. His deanship has

seen the creation of a series of innovative and imaginative new programs that provide Dartmouth undergraduates and graduate students with opportunities for service and leadership. He has increased the number of students participating in outreach and service opportunities substantially and has cemented Dartmouth's place as a responsible and caring partner in the Upper Valley and around the world. I know that Stuart will bring this same level of imagination and energy to his work as the Vice President for Institutional Diversity.

The Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action, directed by Michelle Meyers, will report to the Vice President. That office will continue to be responsible for creating the institutional plans to meet diversity goals and for handling grievances involving discrimination issues, while the Vice President has more of an institutional role working with faculty, students, and staff on programming and other initiatives to enhance the climate on campus for all members of the community. We are all very grateful to Michelle for all that she and her colleagues have done over the last several months. They have kept us resolute in the important task that we all share. I value her contributions immensely.

In addition, Provost Scherr's committee recommended that the Dean of the College move forward to find a new director for the Office of Pluralism and Leadership and that search is now underway. The committee found a continuing and pressing need for a dedicated position to support undergraduate students. We expect to be able to make an announcement about that position by early in the spring.

James Wright

#### 4. Mike Lowenthal '90 Publishes Third Novel

Mike Lowenthal '90 writes, "The novel is called Charity Girl and it is published by Houghton Mifflin. There are plenty of details about it on my web site, [www.MichaelLowenthal.com](http://www.MichaelLowenthal.com), including my book tour schedule, which will bring me to Boston, NYC, DC, LA, and SF during February. I would be thrilled to see any D-GALA folks there."

-----OTHER EVENTS-----

5. DukeLAN, FFR/Princeton BTGALA, and Cornell University GALA  
Present... Queer Cupid  
New York, NY

WHEN: Thursday, February 8th, 7:00PM to 9:00PM

WHERE: Taj Lounge, 48 W. 21st Street, between 5th & 6th Avenues,

<http://www.tajlounge.com/>

COST: No Cover, Cash Bar

Join Cornellians, Dukies, Princetonians, and other creative, fabulous Ivy Leaguers and Seven Sisters in the New York area for a pre-Valentine's Day mixer. Find love before the big day, or share your couples stories with the wide-eyed. Fun and games for all!

Details can be found at:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/~ffr-gala/Events2007/070208NY.html>

6. The LGBT Alumni Associations of Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Northwestern University, U of Chicago, Notre Dame/St. Mary's, Cornell and Duke With the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund Present... The 'Freedom to Marry' Reception  
Chicago, IL

WHEN: Thursday, February 15, 2007, 6:30 - 9:00 pm

WHERE: The Aragon Ballroom, 1106 W. Lawrence Ave, Chicago IL

COST: Cash bar

RSVP: Eric Rogers, [erogers@reallyboring.net](mailto:erogers@reallyboring.net)

Details can be found at:

<http://www.lambdalegal.org/cgi-bin/iowa/action/calendar.html?record=431>

7. Penn GALA Presents... Drinks with LGBT Ivy and Seven Sisters Alumni  
Phoenix, AZ

WHEN: Wednesday, February 21st, 5:30PM to 7:00PM

WHERE: Amsterdam Bar, Main Bar, 718 N. Central Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85004-2001,  
602-258-6122

COST: No cover, cash bar

Join Ivy League and Seven Sisters LGBT alumni as we gather at the Amsterdam Bar for our first Phoenix event.

Details can be found at:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/~ffr-gala/Events2007/070221AZ.html>

8. Stanford Pride Presents... An Intercollegiate LGBT Mixer  
San Francisco, California

WHEN: Wednesday, February 21, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

WHERE: Metro City Bar, 3600 16th St (at 16th/Noe), (415) 703-9751

COST: No Cover, Cash bar with drink special: Red Cosmo

Details can be found at:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/~ffr-gala/Events2007/070221SF.html>

9. NY's Chapter of Emory GALA (Gay & Lesbian Alumni) Presents...  
"B-Bar Before Beige" - An Intercollegiate LGBTQ Alumni Mixer

New York, New York

WHEN: Tuesday, February 27th from 8-11 PM

WHERE: B-Bar, 40 E. 4th Street, New York, New York, 10003; 212-475-2220;

COST: Free admission and appetizers

Emory GALA invites all fellow GLBT alumna from the Ivies, Seven Sisters, Duke, Georgetown, Vanderbilt, UNC, Stanford, Berkeley and all other friends to our first "B-Bar Before Beige" event. As many folks know, B-Bar has been holding an event known as "Beige" for a number of years. This event generally gets going later in the evening (around 10:30-11:30), so we thought it would be nice to have an event that starts before then so that people can already be at Beige when the crowd starts to roll in.

Details can be found at:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/~ffr-gala/Events2007/070227NY.html>

10. Duke LAN Presents... An Intercollegiate LGBTQ Alumni Social Event  
Philadelphia, PA

WHEN: Thursday, March 1st, 2006, 5:30PM to 7:30PM

WHERE: The Walnut Room (upstairs from Alfa), 1709 Walnut St, 2nd floor (Cross Street: 17th Street)

COST: No Cover, Cash bar

Details can be found at:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/~ffr-gala/Events2007/070301PA.html>

11. FFR/Princeton BTGALA Presents...

An All-Ivy/Seven Sisters Mixer

New York, NY

WHEN: Thursday, March 22, 2007, 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM

WHERE: People, in the Loft upstairs, 163 Allen Street, New York, NY

COST: \$5 Cover, Cash bar

FFR/Princeton BTGALA's Shawn Cows is bringing us back to People for some winter mixing and socializing. Catch up with old friends and make some new ones in this intimate and warm venue.

This is a smaller venue, so we're really focusing on the Ivy and Seven Sisters LGBT alumni groups for this event. We invite gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered men and women alums from the Ivy League and Seven Sisters schools your friends to join in. Look for me and come mix it up with us!

Details can be found at:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/~ffr-gala/Events2007/070322NY.html>