Greetings to all Classmates!

Many thanks to Pete Henderson for allowing me take a medical leave of absence to recuperate from a disappointing colonoscopy. As Guest Editor, his two issues of Fables were superb, generated by a plethora of e-mails to classmates not often heard from ... many in great detail! I'm leaving his name on this masthead, as a “thank you” to Pete, and to have his address handy for those who might like to add words of appreciation to him for a job well done! The following cartoon sums up my ordeal in words that are easy to interpret.

SHOE  By MacNelly Productions

In my last issue of Fables, dated November 3, 2009, I included many prices from 1951. Herb Knight remembers that tuition for our last year was $675 (Norine Gray, newsletter editor’s secretary, corrects this to $600) ... and weekly Thayer tickets for meals were $15 ... The perspective has certainly changed in almost 60 years!
NEWS FROM CLASSMATES:

: My good friend, Bob Meyer, adds to our remembrance of 1951 prices. “I’d forgotten about what 1951 prices were like. It wasn’t until May 1954, when St. Regis Paper Co. gave me an opportunity to become a salesman in its paper shipping sack division that my income even hinted at $3515 ... and even then I was short by $120; but ignorance made me a millionaire”

: Peggy Read offers a tongue lashing. “We missed seeing Shirley Sanders’ name on the fall 2009 mini reunion list of attendees.” She eases the pain with (“XX to you both!”).

: Roxanna Michener reports on her husband Bill Michener. “Bill is retired from the Cleveland Clinic where he was Director of Medical Education and practiced Pediatric Gastroenterology. He has had a stroke following aortic valve replacement in 2006. He now travels mostly on a motor scooter. His greatest interest is in the art studio where he takes lessons and paints in oils. His favorite subjects are Indians, horses and puppies. It turns out he is very good! Anybody have any good puppy pictures? ... send them to: 114 Moorings Park Dr., Orchid Terrace 215, Naples, FL 34105.”

: The following pictures are snapshots from the February 22, 2010 Florida mini reunion hosted by Jack Giegerich. Bill Michener is shown in the group picture appearing in Pete Henderson’s May 11, 2010 issue of Fables ... and again below.

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BOB FIERTZ

BILL MICHNER

NANCY ROBERTS

PAUL STALEY

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: The following report is from Al Brout. “I received a Christmas card from Dick Hulbert’s widow, Debbie, informing me that she had remarried on 10/10/09 to an ex-IBM’er named Ed Herman. She met him on Match.com; they now live in her and Dick’s old house in Rye, NY.” The Class may remember that Dick was a direct descendant of Eleazor Wheelock.

: Plaudits go to Don Kope ... “I recently received letters of appreciation and thanks for 18 years of volunteer service with an AARP Tax Program. I have been involved with Taxation Service for 28 years. It was very satisfying to know that the community took note of the little part that I have played in providing this worthwhile service.”

: Bill Blodgett is going to develop sea legs. “My wife Ellen and I will be going on a 12-day cruise on Holland America around the tip of South America. Starting in December (2010), we fly to Buenos Aires and then sail south through Cape Horn, ending in Valparaiso, Chile.”
Another classmate retires, only to take on new duties. “Aldan Markson says he has retired after practicing law in New Jersey for 53 years. I served as municipal Judge for 18 years ... now admitted to bar in Ohio on January 13, 2010 as counsel to the law firm of Statman, Harris & Eyrich @ 441 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.”

Buck Scott conducts his own mini reunion in Philadelphia. “Mary and I had dinner recently (December 2009) with Paul and Joan Staley and Jack and Carole Giegerich. We met at the Staley’s retirement place in Newtown Square (suburban Philadelphia). We frequently see Barry and Elsa Spiegel. Sam Roberts’ death leaves a big hole in our regional ’51 group.”

Marr Mullen writes, philosophically, “Another year fleeting away all too fast. Seems they go by faster as we get older ... But as I entered my 80th decade I had a wonderful motorcycle trip through the back roads of northern California. The scenery was spectacular as we criss-crossed the mountains from inland to coast and back. If any classmates have a chance to take highway 36 from Red Bluff to Crescent City do so, preferably in a sports car, not an RV. The highway has fantastic, sweeping, undulating curves and the surface pavement is excellent. It’s known to most motorcyclists as the ‘Ultimate Ride!’ ... other than that, the family is fine and my health is, fortunately, holding up. Duck hunting, hiking for the fall colors and football (fall of 2009) will make up the fall schedule, followed by skiing in Sun Valley for the winter. Hope to be able to attend the 60th reunion ... my appointment to the Washington State Medical Quality Assurance Commission is up so I’ll have more time to pursue other interests.” Pictures below are Marr and his group. Note the curves on the highway ...

Izzy Marriott, widow of Vince Marriott, writes with pride, “As you know, Vince died in 2001 so I am sorry that he is missing the joy of seeing his grandson, Vincent John Marriott IV, as a freshman this year at Dartmouth. I went up to Homecoming with my son, Vincent John III ’79 ... so much remains the same since I was going there as an undergraduate. It saddens me that Vince cannot be a part of this as he would have been so proud. Vince was a lovely man who put family above all else.”

Jeff O’Connell (The Samuel H. McCoy II Professor of Law) is ever the lawyer ... “Pete Henderson reports your recovery from a ‘routine’ colonoscopy ... (Let me know if you’re a medical malpractice case!).”

A poignant message from Nancy Roberts. “It’s hard to believe that my Sam (Sam Roberts) has been gone a year. He loved his Dartmouth classmates ... We hope to have a windmill installed at our Wetlands Jubilee in his memory. Lots of steps to go through before it actually happens ... below, carrying on Sam’s tradition of the humor (truth) in comic strips.

Pickles

MY TEACHER SAID THAT I'M INTELLIGENT. WELL, SHE'S RIGHT, YOU ARE INTELLIGENT, NELSON.

DID I GET MY INTELLIGENCE FROM YOU? YOU PROBABLY GOT IT FROM YOUR GRANDPA. I STILL HAVE ALL OF MINE.
NEWS FROM CLASSMATES: Cont.

Back in November of 2009, I had a great visit with Dick Terry about his hike on a section of the Appalachian Trail. “Together with friends of mine from Arlington, Mass (Phil Lewis ’53 and his wife Debbie) we set off early Saturday morning (October 10, 2009) to participate in the DOC’s ‘AT in a Day’ event. ‘AT in a Day’ was the DOC’s ambitious attempt to fill the whole 2100-mile Appalachian Trail with Dartmouth folk on the same day in recognition of the DOC’s 100th Anniversary. Only undergraduates could conceive of a challenge like that, yet they almost accomplished it. I think, collectively, we covered about 1900 miles.

As our contribution, Phil and I picked a seven-mile section in southwestern Massachusetts that included climbing Mt. Everett. It is not a particularly high mountain at 2640’; still, it was 1800 vertical feet from where we started, and some of it steep and rocky. After spending the night in nearby Great Barrington, MA, my wife Patience dropped us off at 9 AM. We planned to meet her at 3 PM at a trailhead further down the road, but didn’t arrive until 5 PM, fairly well pooped but happy we’d made it without twisting an ankle or knee ... the day was clear, breezy and sometimes sunny, and the views from the top were great. We could see all the way to the Catskills in New York ... Phil and I were reminded of our DOC days and we threaten to take on another chunk of the AT next year.” Pictured on the left are Phil Lewis ’53 and his wife Debbie, and Bill Terry in the ’51 windbreaker and dark glasses.

Dave Saxton provides some interesting statistics for our Class. “I recently asked the DCF office to check ’51 offspring that attended Dartmouth. They report 87 children (52 boys and 35 girls) ...and 15 grandchildren (4 boys and 11 girls). How ‘bout girls at the Big Green!”

It seems I have a lot of catching up to do with Bill Monahan. In a long letter dated May 2008, Bill comments on the trustee issue going on at that time ... and wonders about the importance of Dartmouth, relative to rest of the world. Bill’s love for his son, Keoni (adopted from a daughter-in-law) is very evident. “We have seven canoe racing regattas this summer. Keoni is steering his age group and doing very well (13-14-year olds). The whole family trains three afternoons a week, arrive home famished, and then lights out! (see picture of Keoni on right). Then in late July, early August Keoni takes a three-week Tall Ship adventure out of Long Beach, California. Pam and I will take the opportunity to fly to San Francisco. During the first five Days we’ll be at the Marine Memorial Hotel, entertaining from our room, the Commandant’s Suite. Hot stuff!”

And then in November 2009, this is Bill’s response to a query from Peirce McKee about Collegiate reminiscences “This is response to your article in the DAM. We were in the middle of our junior year with Christmas vacation looming. I had just finished a grand season with Tuss’s men and had a job at the Green Lantern. Soon I would be working at Lou’s. I had to work because my Dad was broke; no job and drinking a lot. What to do over a lonely holiday 5000 miles from home. To the rescue came Guido Rahr and his very kind family. I went to Manitowoc with Guido before heading further north to the family hideaway estate for the holidays. The bad news was that because Guido had gone to Exeter, he didn’t know a single girl in his hometown. Very frustrating for a hot blooded boy from Hawaii ... My news of life today could go on for pages. Pam and I are raising our 15-year old ADC son, Keoni, who is brilliant at all water sports because we live right on the beach here in Hawaii and at our New Zealand home. I’m in the water every day, still racing in the 50-60 age group. Health is great! Looking forward to seeing what’s left in our Class in 2011 at the reunion.”

Two comments from President Jim Yong Kim from his inaugural address on September 22, 2009

I came to Dartmouth because I’m convinced that those of you gathered here today will achieve far more than I ever could. Helping you do that is now my mission in life

There has always been constancy at its core, a clear sense of purpose that sets this College apart.
John Hoskins. “My life has been a varied one. After commanding a Marine rifle platoon during the Korean War, I got a law degree at Ohio State University and practiced law in Columbus. After John Kennedy’s election, I joined the Agency for International Development and worked in DC ... then in Vietnam, Thailand and Laos, then in Upper Volta (now Burkina Faso) for five years and then Mauritania. Later I joined the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization and headed their offices in Uganda and Rwanda, then in Bangladesh for five years and then was sent to Jamaica and the Bahamas for 2 years.

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“I have also remained an active member of the Democratic Party, serving 2 years as Chairman. Our county is mostly Republican, so it is an exciting challenge to campaign for the good guys. And we do win ... sometimes.

“I have a wife, 4 children, 4 grandchildren and my dog Phoenix to keep me occupied. At age 81, it is a great life!”

The following is another response to Pete’s e-mails ... this one from Joe Spound. “Hi Pete, you’re doing a grand job with Fables!”

Ed comment: Hear the echo! “Funny thing, those green post cards are a relic of a long ago era when I did a brief stint as editor (I should have known better!). Nowadays I hope you’re finding e-mail is easier ... All is well here; I am still working in the business world, or so I claim, and enjoying a ‘second career’ as a study group leader at the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement. I guess by now the whole Class has crossed into the great EIGHTIES, with all the wisdom they are supposed to bring us. As Jack Benny once said, ‘Age is a matter of mind over matter; if you don’t mind, it don’t matter!’ The photo above is from a surprise 80th birthday party last winter in Tucson, with Paula and our family, including the six grandkids wearing white T-shirts reading ‘peachy fun.’ It was!”

Ed comment: Sorry the picture is so dark ... but the T-shirts with “PEACHY FUN” are very clear. Joe is standing way to the right ...
MEWS FROM CLASSMATES: Cont.

Two long letters from Charlie Breed, the first to Pete, the second to me, suggest an interesting idea about a book club ... something Joe Medlicott (editor of the 1950 newsletter) includes frequently ... recommending books to read. His letter to Pete: “I have coffee most mornings with Gene Croisant, who remembers you from his Chicago days at Continental Bank. He just called from Montana to talk about a book we both read, Matterhorn, by Karl Marlantes. It’s about a Marine Platoon in NW Vietnam in 1969. It’s a novel, but reflects the author’s experiences there as a platoon leader. He is a Yale graduate, Rhodes Scholar, and recipient of the Navy Cross, among other honors. It’s a grim and compelling look at what it was like to be there – considered by some to be the best book to ever come out about that war, and even thought to be the best war novel since From to Eternity and War and Peace. This leads me to think that we ought to consider a sort of Book Club for the Class, encouraging classmates to recommend books that they have particularly enjoyed. We have such a club in Arizona, meeting monthly for discussions. We could do it through Fables, or a smaller interested group of classmates by e-mail. I, for one, have a lot more time for reading these days.”

Ed comment: I’ll start off Charlie’s suggestion with two books this household has enjoyed recently: Pat Conroy’s, South of Broad; and The Tenderness of Wolves, by Stef Penney.

“Sarah and I are now ensconced in our little cottage by the sea in North Haven, Maine. (see picture).

“We are literally on the water, as we can drop a penny in the ocean from our deck at high tide. We do a lot of reading, walking, some of which is wasted by me on our neat little golf course, once rated by SI as one of the ten best nine-hole courses in the US (a bit of hyperbole, but none prettier). We have two Dartmouth grads on the island besides me, Joe Whinery ’67 and Jim Bildner ’75. Have a few in Arizona, including several close friends of Jim Bovaird. I was even able to put Jim in touch with his hero, Robin Roberts (Philadelphia Phillies Hall of Famer), whom I met playing golf here on the island.

“As I type this, I look across the Thorofare (that’s how they spell it on the island) at three wind turbines which crank out enough power for the two islands (3000 pop.). Some folks say that they have seen a substantial drop in their monthly electrical bill. They put these gigantic things up in just a few months, even though everything had to come over by barge, including the 400’ crane. All we see here is the blades, as the 400’ towers are hidden by trees. I hope we all can benefit from this experience, particularly in light of the disaster in the Gulf.

“Pete, I hope Arizona can keep the Cubs, even if we might lose the All Star game because of the immigration bill, which has become a real political football ... Cheers, Charlie.”

: Here’s an interesting tidbit for you golfers ...

Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it’s called golf ...
Following is Charlie Breed’s letter to me (and more about a book club) ... “Yes, Pete did a fine job! ... I mentioned Matterhorn in my letter to him, and if you read it, you should then read Sebastian Junger’s book, War, which is about the struggles in Afghanistan. It’s just astounding how little our generals have learned in 40 years – same stuff with more deadly firepower. In case you think I’m a war lover, I just finished the Larsson trilogy, The Girl Who, the only disappointment being that there will be no more of them. Sarah has a group of Wellesley classmates, all of whom lived in the same dorm for all four years and who get together annually. They have a very active book recommendation system. It would be nice if we could make ours interactive, like a real book club ... The Red Sox had a good month and are right there at the All Star break. Too bad about our ‘football’ team (soccer), but our loss wasn’t as bad as England’s. Our travel plans will take us to Hanover to see my daughter, along with Lovey Miller, Henry Nachman and Babs Hall. The ‘familiars’ I see on the streets of Hanover are not quite as numerous these days.”

Following are snapshots of two divergent classmates ... Ray Lindquist from this year’s Florida mini reunion ... and Dave Saxton putting on his Green jacket when he was presented with “A Spirit of ’51” award at last fall’s mini reunion in Hanover. Standing to his right are Lovey Miller and Henry Nachman.

Following is an interesting account of foreign travel by George and Dorian Bikle. “Dorian and I just returned in May (2010) from a trip to Europe, organized by a childhood friend of Dorian’s who is a retired professor of music from SUNY Albany. The trip was to celebrate Chopin’s birthday and hear his music ... the date of his birthday is unknown, except that it is in March, officially listed as March 1, 1810. We visited Warsaw, Poland and the estate where he was born. We saw the location of the Warsaw Ghetto and visited the many beautiful parks in Warsaw. The city itself, including the Ghetto, was 85% destroyed by the Germans in WWII and rebuilt to some extent by the soviet. Large photographs of the recent horrible plane crash that killed a number of Polish officials, including the president and his wife, were mounted on the outer fence of one of the most prominent parks we visited. One could not view these without being deeply moved, especially the photos of the plane wreckage itself, which I do not recall seeing in our US papers. They were still cleaning an inch or so of candle wax off the sidewalks with pressure water guns where ever a scene of mourning took place. Even today, despite all, it is a beautiful city with much culture and many fine hotels. It was worth visiting for the newly opened Chopin Music Museum alone.

“The trip ended in Paris where Chopin died in 1849. Less interesting for Chopin, but as you are aware, a splendid place to end a trip abroad of this kind.”

NOTEWORTHY: Dartmouth College has admitted two undergraduate students from earthquake-ravaged Haiti, Daphnee Charles and Ronel Lefranee, who are both students at University Quisqueya (UniQ) in Port-au-Prince. They will begin spring term classes on March 29, 2010, and will be taking courses primarily in environmental studies and economics.
NEWS FROM CLASSMATES: Cont.

Here’s another response to Pete’s e-mails, from Geeb Goldberg. “Whenever our Class newsletter is faced with a cub reporter, I attempt to help during his break-in period with some current news. It seems as though I recollect the last time being for Woody Klein … check article in Business Section, June 11, 2010 (New York Times): in Louisville, view of bank’s role in the every day … also check square 5 (?) for a photo. Our 93-year old family firm remains a seven digit operation; only now you have to move the decimal point a couple spaces to the left.”

Herb Knight, responding to a query about former students of Professor Rosenstock-Huessy from Robert G. Heath ’45 and Peirce McKee, “Indeed, I was a student of R-H and also Wainwright. When I opted out of a philosophy major to go to Tuck School, R-H thought it was wonderful that someone interested in Philosophy was going into business. I took two courses from him … aced one of them on an essay on my favorite sport at the time, water skiing on a flat lake under a full moon with a good looking blonde on my shoulders. Sounds like BS … {Ed comment: sounds more like revisionist history!} … but it was true. Wish I still had a copy of the essay and could still water ski.

“In any event, R-H’s great small book on The Multiformity of Man is worth a read and rereading. In fact I shall take it off my shelf and reread it.”

Al Brout, in an e-mail to Herb, hoped the blonde on his shoulders was Nancy (for the sake of family harmony) …

Ed Comment: The Class is reminded that Hal Stahmer married R-H’s daughter …

Head Agent Dave Saxton continues his impressive tenure. Following is his annual report. “This year, ending June 30, 2010, the Class of ’51 contributed $163,788 to the Dartmouth College Fund. This exceeded our goal of $151,000. Participation by classmates was 65%, about at our target of 66%. This was one of the highest participation levels of all classes. Success was due largely to our organization of 15 Class Agents, all volunteers responsible for soliciting high potential givers. Plans are now underway for our 60th Reunion giving program in 2011.”

Success is also a triumph of Dave’s very personal touch in his letters to the Class: Examples …

“As I look back over the years, there is one trait that stands out about the Class of ’51 … our Class is resilient during tough times.”

“I must admit that only recently, at an older age, have I thought about the Commencement ritual of breaking the clay pipes on the Old Pine stump. I’m not sure today whether we were saying goodbye to our days at Dartmouth or marking the occasion as a beginning of loyalty to our College.”

“Today’s students get it. Even if they’ve never read that famous convocation quote from President Dickey – ‘You are the stuff of an institution, and what you are, it will be’. They understand their responsibility for getting an education and for sustaining an outstanding College – in the classroom, on the field, in the community, they are good – often great – ‘stuff’.”

“Recently, when I thought back about great Dartmouth moments that were special for me, one stands out that happened even before I set foot on campus. A letter arrived in early spring from the Dartmouth Admissions office. It was a letter that would influence the rest of my life and it was not an easy one to open – a letter of acceptance! The excitement and tension of that moment still ring today..”

NOTEWORTHY: The College urges all Dartmouth Alumni/ae to consider the importance of interviewing prospective students. As the applicant pool has grown over the last decade, the alumni interview has become more important than ever in helping to recruit great students and in helping the Admissions Committee select among very highly qualified candidates. Visit <http://www.dartmouth.edu/interviewers/> Click on “Sign Up/Interviewing”
Al Brout comments on Dave Krivitsky: “His (Dave’s) wrist didn’t respond well to four surgeries, so his tennis career is over. I asked if he could play left-handed but he said he had tried and it didn’t work out. He said he’d already made his payment to the DCF and was looking forward to the mini in October. He’d visited with Dotty Mori and her daughter, Nina in May (2010).”

DARTMOUTH FOOTBALL:

Is there a savior for Dartmouth College football prospects? The following article appeared in the Friday, January 8, 2010 edition of the New York Times, titled A SMALL FISH IN A BIG BOWL.

It sounds like a fairy tale.

Cole Marcoux, an unheralded prospect from the Upper West Side of Manhattan, attended a football Training Camp in Chester, PA in July (2009), planning to use the weekend as a tune-up for summer workouts. At 6 feet 5 inches and 244 pounds, he had the build of a pro-style, drop-back passer, but lacked the corresponding resume.

“He wasn’t just below the radar,” said Tom Martinez, a coach at the camp and a mentor to Patriots quarterback Tom Brady. “He was beneath the dashboard.”

On one side of the field, seven quarterbacks were dressed in red. Each had already been cast in a Reality television series for Fox Sports Net called “The Ride”, which was to follow them for six months and end with one of them earning a spot, based on a panel’s vote, in the U.S. Army All American Bowl in San Antonio. The rest, including Marcoux, wore blue on the field’s other end.

Martinez, a member of the panel, studied Marcoux’s throws. Also taking notice were Larry Kennan, who helped groom Eli Manning (NY Giants quarterback), and Sam Wyche, a former NFL coach. They agreed that Marcoux could hang with the on-field competition.

“Would you like to be in a reality series,” said Rich McGuinness, the president of All-American Games, which runs the bowl game and the reality series. Marcoux said yes and has made his way from Ivy League recruit from the Bronx’s elite Fieldston School to an “American Idol” of prep sports. He has been accepted via early decision at Dartmouth and is expected to enroll. Still, as the winner of “The Ride”, Marcoux may reconsider if his exposure in the series or his play in the game results in a scholarship offer to a college of his liking. Ivy League universities do not offer athletic scholarships.

Ed Comment: Permit me to interrupt this report with the following facts.

Michael Choukas reports, “Delighted to report that he’s (Marcoux) still coming to Dartmouth. In fact, Buddy Teevens was quoted in the Valley News a few weeks ago as saying he is already studying the playbook and will be coming to Hanover this spring to observe spring football – specifically, to stand behind the huddles on the field!” (This has already happened) …

And Loye Miller adds, “A few weeks ago (May 26, 2010), Mike Choukas and Henry Nachman and I came out of the front door of the Hanover Inn and met Coach Buddy Teevens going by. We asked Buddy if we were in danger of a big university with lots of athletic scholarship money wooing Cole Marcoux away before he matriculates at Dartmouth. Buddy’s answer was approximately, ‘I think we’re okay on that score. President Kim called him (Marcoux) and he (Marcoux) was very impressed!’”

Back to the article …

Jay Fiedler ’94, a former Dartmouth quarterback who played in the NFL broadcast one of Marcoux’s Fieldston football games (Marcoux threw that day for 319 yards in a 42-41 win). When introduced to Marcoux, Fiedler punched him on the right arm – “Just to make sure you don’t go up to Dartmouth and break all my records.”

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Later, Marcoux went to Boston for a workout with Tom Brady. For two days, Brady and his backup Brian Hoyer and Marcoux trained together. Martinez said, "You could not tell there was a high schooler on the field." After the workout, Marcoux ate pizza with Brady in a luxury box. "It was surreal," Marcoux said.

Ed Comment: I watched the US Army All-American Bowl on television on Saturday, January 9, 2010 and Marcoux was truly impressive. He played in the third quarter and prompted Parke Sickler to e-mail coach Buddy Teevens to do whatever was necessary to bring Marcoux to Dartmouth! As we now know, Marcoux has enrolled at Dartmouth ... I view his attendance as a magnet to draw other promising recruits to Dartmouth. (see pictures below) ... (Marcoux, his father Rick and brother Luke)

60TH REUNION
HANOVER, NH
JUNE 13-16, 2011

Initial planning for our 60th reunion has begun. Key Committee members have been chosen and all have accepted their responsibilities. Following is a list of these men.

1. Co-Chairmen: David Batchelder and Bob Hopkins
2. Co-Chairmen for Fund Raising: Dave Saxton and Joe Welch
3. Treasurer and Hanover "Point Man": Loye Miller
4. Meals and Drinks and Hanover "Point Man": Henry Nachman
5. Class Memorial Service: Dick Bucey and Bill Leffler
6. Co-Chairmen for Registration: Peirce McKee and Sandy McDonald
7. Co-Chairmen for Golf Tournament: Mike Choukas and Jack Skewes
8. Co-Chairmen for Tennis Tournament: Jack Giegerich and Bill Birkenmeier
9. Class Panel: Peter Martin
10. Representative of Contact Captains: Howie Allen

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IS THERE A GOOD SIDE TO GROWING OLD? SURE IS... TO FIND A QUIET PLACE TO SIT, I USED TO TAKE LONG WALKS...
NOW I JUST TURN OFF MY HEARING AID.
The following poem was sent to me by Parke Sickler and sums up the progression of changes during our reunion years ...

THE CLASS REUNION

Every five years, as summertime nears
An announcement arrives in the mail.
A reunion is planned; it'll be really grand;
Make plans to attend without fail.

I'll never forget the first time we met;
We tried so hard to impress.
We drove fancy cars, smoked big cigars
And wore our most elegant dress.

It was quite an affair; the whole class was there.
It was held on the campus of Dartmouth College.
We wined, and we dined, and we acted refined,
And everyone thought it was swell.

The men all conversed about who had been first
To achieve great fortune and fame.
Meanwhile, their spouses described their fine houses
And how beautiful their children became.

The homecoming queen, who once had been lean,
Now weighed in at one-ninety-six.
The jocks that were there had all lost their hair,
And the cheerleaders could no longer do kicks.

No one had heard about the class nerd
Who'd guided a spacecraft to the moon;
The boy we'd decreed "most apt to succeed"
Was serving ten years in the pen,
While the one voted "least" now was a priest;
Just shows you can be wrong now and then.

They awarded a prize to one of the guys
Who seemed to have aged the least;
Another was given to the grad that had driven
The farthest to attend the feast.

They took a class picture, a curious mixture
Of beehives, crew cuts and wide ties.
Tall, short, or skinny, the style was the mini;
You never saw so many thighs.

At our next get-together, no one cared whether
They impressed their classmates or not.
The mood was informal, a whole lot more normal;
By this time we'd all gone to pot.

It was held out-of-doors, at the Bema;
We ate hamburgers, coleslaw, and beans.
Then most of us lay around in the shade
In our comfortable T-shirts and jeans.

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FIFTY-ONE FABLES

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THE CLASS REUNION: Cont.

By the fiftieth year, it was abundantly clear
We were definitely over the hill.
Those who weren’t dead had to crawl out of bed,
And be home in time for their pill.

And now I can’t wait; they’ve set the date:
Our sixtieth is coming, I’m told.
It should be a ball; they’ve rented a hall
At the Shady Rest Home for the old.

Repairs have been made on my hearing aid;
My pacemaker’s been turned up on high.
My wheelchair is oiled and my teeth have been boiled;
And I’ve bought a new wig and glass eye.

I’m feeling quite hearty, and I’m ready to party;
I’m gonna dance ‘til dawn’s early light.
It’ll be lots of fun; but I just hope there’s one
Other person who can make it that night.

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IN MEMORIAM:

I have no details on the deaths of Roger Dezprez, Howie Bissell and Don Eddy. They will be reported in the next issue of Fables.

Aaron Rausen died on July 7, 2010 of pancreatic cancer. He had been a patient at Calvary Hospital in NYC for 3 ½ months. Aaron had served our Class as a member of the Executive Committee for ten years. He always impressed us by wearing a dark suit and tie to every mini reunion and Committee meeting when he came to Hanover. Aaron is survived by his wife, Emalou; and children, David, Susan and Elizabeth (and her husband Keith). Freshman roommate at 304 Hitchcock was Don Dworken.

Aaron dedicated his professional life to finding the causes of, treating, and curing Cancer, leukemia, AIDS and blood disorders in children. In 1990 he was named the Founding Director of The Stephen D. Hasenfeld Children’s Center for cancer and Blood Disorders at New York University Center. He greatly contributed to the reversal of the 80%-20% death to cure childhood cancer within his lifetime. Among his extensive board memberships, he served as a director of The American Cancer Society, The National Childhood Cancer Foundation, The Children’s Oncology Society of New York, The Ovarian Cancer Research Fund, and The Ronald McDonald House.

He was truly a giant among his Dartmouth 1951 Family! Memorial donations can be made to the Aaron R. Rausen Endowed Chair of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at NYU School of Medicine and its associated research fund. Contact: Colby Collier, VP of Development, NYU Longone Medical Center, 1 Park Avenue, NY, NY 10016.

Aaron had two wishes near the end of his life: He wanted to see Annabelle, his granddaughter, born on March 1, 2010 (successful!)... and he wanted to celebrate his 80th birthday, which he did on June 30th.

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1951
FALL MINI-REUNION
HANOVER, OCTOBER 8-10, 2010

FRIDAY EVENING
Cocktails (open bar) and dinner at Rockefeller Center (North Main Street across from Baker). Cocktails at 6:30 PM will be followed by buffet dinner.

SATURDAY
Tailgate Party at the DOC House beginning at 10:30am. Bring your own sandwiches, picnic, beverages, etc. Parking is available.

Dartmouth vs Yale-- Football game, starting time 12:30pm (purchase your own tickets)

EVENING BANQUET – Catered by the Hanover Inn. Cocktails and 4-course sit-down dinner. Cocktail hour (open bar) starts at 6:30pm. Location will be the DOC House

LODGING
A block of rooms has been reserved at the Baymont Inn in West Lebanon (on the airport road). Rooms are $99.99 plus tax. For reservations call 800-433-3466. State that you want one of the rooms reserved under Dartmouth College Class of 1951 reserved by Henry Nachman

---------------------------Cut off and return as soon as possible---------------------------

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FROM: ____________________________________________

I/we will be attending the following events:

Friday Cocktails/ Dinner  #_______@ $40. /person 80
Saturday Cocktails/ Dinner  #_______@ $50. /person 100

MAKE CHECK TO “1951 MINI REUNION”  TOTAL $180
This index is included as an insert so that you can quickly find mention of yourself ... or your special friends.

Page 1. Pete Henderson, Herb Knight. Cartoon on "happenings".

   Pictures of Bob Fiertz, Bill Michner, Nancy Roberts and Paul Staley.
   Al Brout, Debbie and Dick Hulbert, Don Kope, Ellen and Bill Blodgett.

   Sam Roberts, Marr Mullen, Izzy and Vince Marriott, Jeff O’Connell, Pete Henderson.
   Cartoon from Nancy Roberts.

Page 4. Patience and Dick Terry, Dave Saxton, Pam, Bill and Keoni Monahan, Peirce McKee.
   Guido Rahr, President Jim Yong Kim.


   Spoof on Golfers.

Page 7. Sarah and Charlie Breed, Loye Miller, Henry Nachman, Babs Hall,
   Picture of Ray Lindquist and Dave Saxton.
   George and Dorian Bikle, two Haitian students admitted to Dartmouth.

   Al Brout, Hal Stahmer, Dave Saxton.
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   60th reunion: list of 16 Committee members.
   Cartoon on ageing.


Page 12. The Class Reunion (Cont.)
   IN MEMORIAM: Roger Desprez, Howie Bissell and Don Eddy: To be reported later.
   Aaron Rausen: his freshman roommate at 304 Hitchcock was Don Dworken.

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