

FIFTY-ONE FABLES

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Our 65th Reunion

We have received the following letter from Richard Ryerson, Dartmouth's Director of Alumni Activities that conveys the very latest about next year's mega-event for our class members and their widows. This will enable you to get started on laying plans for the occasion:

"November, 2015

Class of 1951 Alumni and Widows:

Please save the dates and plan for a wonderful 65th reunion weekend! The Class of 1951 will gather in Hanover on Friday, September 30 – Sunday, October 2, 2016.

Accommodations, meals and most events will be based at the renovated Hanover Inn. Rooms for two nights and a sumptuous Saturday night banquet will be paid for by a College subsidy. All other meals and activities will be covered by those participating, as part of a weekend registration fee that the class leadership hopes to hold to \$100 per person at most. (Those attending who are not classmates, wives, widows or significant others of classmates will be asked also to pay full-value for their rooms and meals.)

Alumni Relations will work with class leadership to prepare a weekend as special as your class deserves. At present, it promises to include:

- * A bus tour of campus, with attention to past actions of the class and its members
- * A guided tour of the Hood Art Museum

- * Visits by President Philip Hanlon '77, Vice President for Alumni Relations Martha Beattie '76 and members of the students' Hill Winds Society
- * Lecture by a distinguished Dartmouth professor
- * Class meeting, photo and memorial service

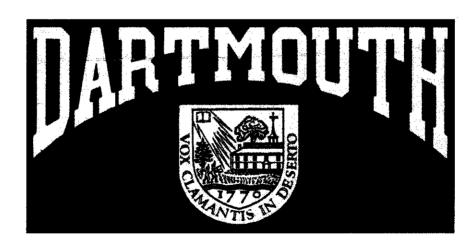
And, of course, the Saturday football game with Penn. We have arranged for both tickets in the 1951 seating section of the stadium and a large screen TV screening in the Inn. (You'll be asked to choose between those options later.)

The official registration packet will be mailed in late July/early August 2016.

If you have questions, please feel free to call Alumni Relations at (603) 646-3200.

The College takes care of Inn reservations for you on the Friday and Saturday reunion nights, so don't call the Inn for them; However, if you need a room for an extra night on either side of the reunion or for an extra guest, please do call the Inn directly at (800) 443-7024 to make and pay for those arrangements."

Richard Ryerson
Director, Dartmouth Class Activities



The Class Website

Classmate Al Brout is doing a great job of maintaining the website for our class. You should find it interesting to visit **dartmouth.org/classes/51** where class happenings are reported way before this newsletter appears. (Example: who attended the 2015 Mini-Reunion and what went on there.) If one of our classmates should be appointed as USA's ambassador to Syria, you would certainly find that on the website. So give it a try!

Class Management

If you have ever wondered why we have class officers and what manner of concern they address, you should consider reading the minutes of their last meeting which was held during the mini-reunion this year:

Class of '51 Executive Committee Meeting

September 26, 2015 Minutes

Members present: Howie Allen, Al Brout, Carl Glassberg, Pete Henderson, Bob Hopkins, Herb Knight, Peirce McKee, Loye Miller, Henry Nachman, Charlie Russell, Jack Weingarten, Joe Welch.

Minutes of the November 1, 2014 Executive Committee meeting were approved.

Secretary Pete Henderson announced that 3 classmates have volunteered to serve as "stringers" (news-gatherers) as a means of generating news from a wider range of '51s for the class's *Alumni Magazine* column. Executive Committee members volunteered to contact "invisible" '51s from a list of classmates who have not been mentioned in the column for at least 14 years. Pete reported that he has written obituaries for 20 classmates who have died in the past 12 months. Birthday cards have been discontinued.

It was noted that Pete has been named Class Secretary of the Year for classes more than 25 years out of college.

Treasurer Carl Glassberg announced that the College will take over the Treasurer's duties after our 65th reunion next year. Class dues collections have increased to 51% of living classmates, one of the best records among alumni classes of our age group. Despite increased dues revenues, Carl urged caution in making future financial commitments pending an actuarial projection of future cash flow. The College financial staff will prepare this projection.

Dartmouth College Fund results for the 2014-15 year exceeded our class goals for both revenue (\$160,246) and participation (51.4%), Head Agent Howie Allen reported.

Webmaster Al Brout reported expanded links on the class website. The number of hits on the website is up slightly.

The Class of '51 leads all classes in the number of Bartlett Tower Society members (planned gift-makers), BTS chair Herb Knight reported. Bequests realized to date total \$5,949,622. Herb was commended for long-time leadership of this successful effort.

Henry Nachman reported that the class Scholarship Fund now supports 3 students, making the class of '51 one of the leaders in this initiative. A \$4,000 contribution to the fund was approved. Continuation of our Memorial Book fund was also approved.

An extended discussion of the "Spirit of '51" award followed. 32 such awards have been made. It was agreed that we should consider additional candidates for the award in the future, with no commitment as to frequency or number of awards. Selection criteria will remain as is: based on service to Dartmouth and the class of 1951, and/or service to the broader community, and/or distinction in one's field.

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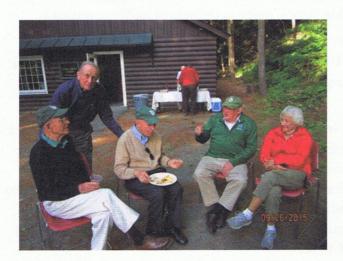
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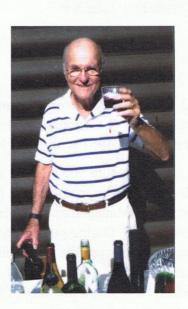
Pete Henderson presenting Dick McFarland the Spirit of '51 Award



Joe Welch



Bob Hopkins, Herb Knight, Pete Henderson, Peter Martin, Lu Martin Loye Miller back by the table



Henry Nachman, Maitre D'

Honorary Citations Bestowed on Class Members

We are pleased to furnish you with the citations **Pete Henderson**, **Dick McFarland** and **John Hoskins** received recently. Achievement is rewarding as it is underway and it is certainly nice to have it recognized by those who care.



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IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE

Dartmouth College Recognizes with Deep Appreciation the Extraordinary Achievements of

KENNETH "PETE" HENDERSON JR. '51

2015 Class Secretary of the Year 26 or More Years Out

Pete, you have been out of Dartmouth for well more than 25 years, but you have never forgotten your college and you have never forgotten your class. In fact, Dartmouth formally describes your affinity to the school as "very positive."

At Dartmouth you were a manager of the baseball team, Green Key Society, Thete Delta Chi and Casque & Gauntlet while still achieving high academic status and Phi Beta Kappa. You graduated in 1951 with an A. B. degree.

After Dartmouth you became a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy for three years, followed by roughly 10-year stints in management positions at Inland Steel Co., Booz Allen & Hamilton, Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University, Chicago United and Jannotta Bray and Henderson. During your career, you were awarded the Winnetka Man of the Year. Along the way, you married Jean and combined families, together raising seven children, one of whom, John '82 became a member of the third generation of your family to attend Dartmouth. Your father, Ken, was a member of the Class of 1916.

As an alumnus, you were awarded the Alumni Council Alumni Award in 1984 and the Spirit of '51 Award in 1986. In addition, you and your active classmates received the Class of 1938 Award, the Roger Wilde 1921 Reunion Award and the Joshua A. Davis 1927 Award, all for outstanding achievement with respect to the Alumni Fund for the year 2001.

You were elected secretary of your class in June 2011. Your class columns in the Class Notes section of the bimonthly Dartmouth Alumni Magazine are well-written, informative and easy to

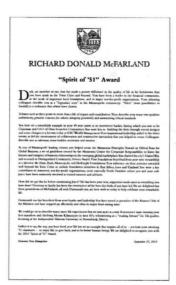
read. You always include the names and news about 10 to 12 classmates in each article, often going into some depth with approximately four to six classmates. In addition, you are diligent about writing the many obits that your class has, unfortunately, been generating. Finally, your class columns are always in on time and require little or no editing.

In summary, you have been classified as an "exceptional secretary" and a "great glue for the class" by none other than Theresa D'Orsi, who has been overseeing the Class Secretaries Association and the Dartmouth Alumni Magazine's Class Notes section for a couple of decades. She should know a winner when she sees one. Congratulations and thank you on behalf of the Class Secretaries Association.

II

RICHARD DONALD McFARLAND "Spirit of '51" Award

Dick, no member of our class has made a greater difference in the quality of life in his hometown than you have made in the Twin Cities and beyond. You have been a leader in the financial community, in the work of important local foundations, and in major not-for-profit organizations. Your admiring colleagues describe you as a "legendary icon" in the Minneapolis community. "Babu" (wise grandfather in Swahili) is a nickname that others have chosen.



Tributes such as these point to more than a life of impact and contribution. They describe your many rare qualities: authenticity, genuine concern for others, integrity, generosity and unwavering ethical standards.

You have set a remarkable example in your 40-year career as an investment banker, during which you rose to be Chairman and CEO of Dain Rauscher Corporation. You were key in building the firm through several mergers and name changes; it is known today as RBC Wealth Management. Your inspirational leadership added to the firm's stature, as did the environment of collaboration and constructive interaction that you helped to create. Colleagues describe you as salesman, team-builder, motivator and mentor.

As one of Minneapolis' leading citizens you helped create the Minnesota Principles: Toward an Ethical Basis for Global Business, a set of guidelines created by the Minnesota Center for Corporate Responsibility to foster the fairness and integrity of business relationships in the emerging global marketplace. You chaired the city's United Way and received its Distinguished Community Service Award. Four foundations benefited from your wise stewardship as a director: the Dain, Bush, Minneapolis and McKnight Foundations. Your influence on their activities extended well beyond the Twin Cities to include foundation initiatives in East Africa,

Laos and Thailand. You were a key contributor to numerous not-for-profit organizations, most especially Youth Frontiers where you and your wife Joyce have been intimately involved as trusted mentors and advisors.

How did we get this far before mentioning Joyce? She has been your wise, supportive truth-sayer in everything you have done! Devotion to family has been the centerpiece of the lives that both of you have led. We are delighted that three generations of McFarlands, all with Dartmouth ties, are here with us today to help celebrate your remarkable life.

Dartmouth too has benefited from your loyalty and leadership. You have served as president of the Alumni Club of the Midwest and have stepped up effectively and often in major fund-raising roles.

We could go on to describe many more life experiences that set you apart as a true Renaissance man: running your first marathon and climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in your 60's; volunteering as a "reading listener" for 5th graders; lecturing at the Independent Siberian University in Novosibirsk, Siberia.

Suffice it to say, the way you have lived your life has set an example that inspires all of us - not least your admiring '51 classmates - to enjoy life, to give back, and to be better human beings. We are delighted to recognize you with the 2015 "Spirit of '51" Award.

Hanover, New Hampshire

September 25, 2015

III

An e-mail dated May 14, 2015 came to us about an honor received by **John Hoskins**:

Central Ohio Hall of Fame

For the past 40 years, central Ohio seniors who show an energy and passion for helping others have been honored for their work at the Central Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. And for the 40th annual event this year, that tradition continues when 13 new members will be inducted for their efforts in bettering their community and enriching the lives of others. This distinguished group of seniors will be recognized by the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging for helping communities stay healthy, inclusive, safe and compassionate, while leading central Ohio toward a brighter future.

Of more than 218,000 seniors living in central Ohio, these selected individuals represent older Ohioans who set an example by leading lives not defined by age. Their Inspiring stories demonstrate lifelong commitments to causes, organizations and their communities. All winners are 60 years of age or older.

From Union County, Inductee John A Hoskins was nominated by Avanelle B. Oberlin. His specific bio for this occasion follows:

John A. Hoskins, Richwood, Ohio

John A. Hoskins has devoted his full life to service for his country and community.

After graduating from the Columbus Academy and Dartmouth College, he commanded a rifle platoon in the U.S. Marine Corps in the Korean Conflict. He obtained his Juris Doctorate degree from The Ohio State University and practiced law in Columbus. Subsequently, he began a career with the U.S. Agency for International Development, working in Washington D.C., Vietnam, Thailand, Laos and other countries.

From there he moved to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization where he headed their offices in Uganda, Rwanda, Bangladesh, Jamaica and the Bahamas. His retirement in 1992 led to the second phase of his public service.

In retirement John returned to his farm near Richwood that has been in his family since 1838. For over 20 years he has applied his well-honed diplomatic skills to helping veterans, Richwood area businesses, older adults and youth, as well as advocating for the preservation of farmland and the history of Union County.

Now a life member, he joined VFW Post 870 and served as Commander for five years. He diligently organized and led the Military Funeral Honor Guard, visited veterans and represented the Post at the district and state levels. Furthermore, John donated land from his farm for construction of the North Union District Veterans' Memorial. Currently, he is a trustee of VFW Post 870 and a member of the Richwood American Legion Post 40.

His support for the North Union Local School District and youth in his community has been tangible. When a new school complex was proposed, John offered a part of that land for the project. He donated an additional amount of land for a baseball diamond. For years he sponsored a North Union Baseball for Boys team. He also organized and involved students in the VFW Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Essay competitions. He volunteered with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program at North Union Elementary School as well.

Additionally, John has been a two-term trustee and president of the Richwood Civic Center (senior housing). He was president of the International Family Center of Union County, a non-profit agency serving the needs of the local community. Always willing to assist seniors, he also volunteered as an AARP income tax preparer.

He served as president of the Richwood Area Business Association, chaired committees for the Union County Chamber of Commerce, and became chair of the Union County Democratic Party.

An avid preservationist, John served on the Union County Task Force on Farmland Preservation, Land Heritage Trust of Union County, and Union County Historical Markers Committee. He is also a member of the Union County and Ohio Historical Societies and the Union County Genealogical Society.

In recognition of his exceptional contributions to the community, the Union County Chamber of Commerce honored John with the 2005 Richwood Leader Award and 2012 Claibourne Township Leader Award, and also named him the 2014 Richwood Holiday Parade Grand Marshal.

John enjoys an active life with his lovely wife, Patria.

Messages from Our Classmates

A year ago in September we received this message from **Andy Timmerman**, who wrote the following (amazingly) on the green message card we have traditionally enclosed with your 'Fifty-One Fables':

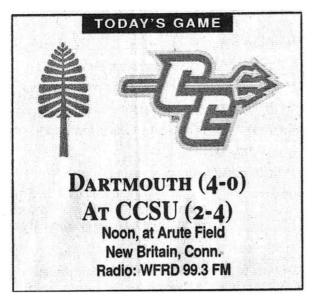
It seems only yesterday Butterfield Hall was a daily adventure for Max, the custodian, and all of us lowly freshmen in 1947/1948. Two upper classmen you and I should remember in our dorm were Bud MacDonald who became a dentist and John Degraff who became a lawyer in Albany, NY against whom I played squash when our Cooperstown team had a home and away against his Ft. Orange team. My life has been pleasant with a good wife, 3 great children living in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, Darien, CT and Wilson Point Norwalk, CT. - and 8 grandchildren. When our oldest started college, I sold our house, bought 40 acres 3 miles out of town, started working 2 jobs in 1978 which I continued until retirement in 2004. Cooperstown hosted a Packard Auto Owners Convention last week which I attended as I had a 1929 Packard. I had been playing tennis and had on a hat that said "Crew" with a big "D". A Packard owner, Tom Robinson, asked me if I knew Mike Choukas who was his professor at Vermont Academy. I assured him Mike was still a great athlete who had defeated me even though I had a great partner, Herman Christensen

The other green card we have in the file came from **Terry Gannon**, **Jack Gannon's** widow last year in October. Jack passed away April 17, 2009, but his inspiration continues to influence his survivors in a truly magical way. Terry writes:

There are currently 2 Gannon grandchildren at Dartmouth this year. Nick Gannon is a senior, and Lela Gannon is a freshman. They are the children of Mary Markland Gannon '86, and John C. Gannon '87. Their oldest son, John (Jack) graduated from the U. S Naval Academy in2013 and was accepted into the nuclear sub program. He will be setting out to sea shortly. Wouldn't Jack be so proud of these children!!!



In The Press



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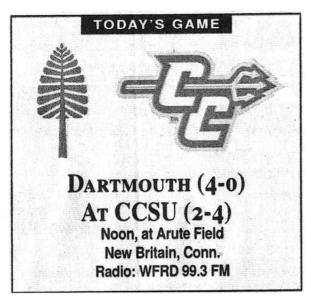
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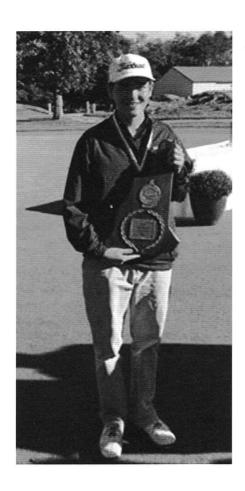
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Mike Choukas' grandson, Phin Choukas.

Mike's son, Mike Choukas '77 writes about this photo of his son Phin: "He is holding the NH Division II 2015 State Championship trophy won by his Hanover High School team by 7 strokes with a team score of 399 (5 lowest scores). For the State Championship 36 hole individual stroke play competition, Phin placed second with a 36 hole total of 151."

Understanding Mike's long standing and still persisting passion for golf, it is rewarding to see the way the chips off the old block fall.

Congratulations are in order for all three generations.

Over the last ten years or so, **Charlie Russell** and **Peggy Read** of Lebanon, NH and **Paul Meyer** and his wife, Susan Drennan, of Middlebury, VT have developed a very agreeable habit of meeting for lunch about once a month. Lately, they have been holding this rendezvous in Killington, VT which lies just about halfway between where they live. The many memories of their days of skiing are stimulated by the Killington scene and of course that entails the Dartmouth scene as they knew it long ago.



Old sign found on Mt. Esther in the Adirondaks

Fifty-one Fables

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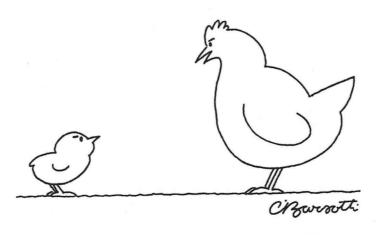
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Do you really think the Jack-o-Lantern dogs would approve of this?