

Dartmouth 1955

Read All About it!

August 2007



When Amanda Fairley, Dick's granddaughter, graduated in June, her proud mom, Ricki Fairley-Brown '78 was there, and Lois and Dick Blodgett applauded, too. We have a new scholarship in Dick Fairley's memory: see page 2.

Homecoming Oct. 19-21: Hear Tom Byrne

Our new Friday afternoon '55 talk show will feature Tom Byrne, who for many years was a College employee and then became president of the Hanover Improvement Association. He'll recount his experience as a Hanover mover and shaker. The town

has gone through some challenging years, and Tom has been on the front lines. Also, keep up with the latest class doings at the executive committee meeting on Saturday, watch the Big Green trounce Columbia, and savor the class dinner! Reservation form inside. See you there!

We will miss Nancy Goss

Nancy Goss, known widely in our class through her participation in many class events and other gatherings over the years, died on July 10 from complications of a bone marrow blood deficiency. A memorial service attended by a number of '55s took place in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, on July 23. While enthusiastically supporting Woody's endless efforts for the class and the College, Nancy ardently pursued her own lifelong passion for historic preservation. Among numerous undertakings and offices she was the national chairman of museum properties for the National Society of Colonial Dames in America, and during her final illness put the finishing touches on the July 2007 issue of Antiques magazine, which described the organization's 62 museum properties in 44 states. Nancy conceived the idea for the magazine and wrote a major article for it. She arranged the '55 mini-reunion tour of Winterthur, the former DuPont estate in Delaware. In an extensive obituary the Boston Globe noted that Nancy worked for the CIA in Washington in the 1950s and held degrees from Sweet Briar College and Clark University.

Do our DCAC gifts help? Oh, yes!

Amanda Trunzo of Andover, Mass., an outstanding hockey player whose recruiting trip to campus was financed by our class, will matriculate this fall. Ken Lundstrom, our class gifts chair, reports that Bob Ceplikas of the DCAC "says our generous support is indispensable to our coaches and to the program--but we knew that!"

The Richard L. Fairley Scholarship Fund

Ricki Fairley-Brown '78 reports that the Fairley family has established a scholarship fund in honor of Dick. Contributions may be sent to the College, 6066 Development Office, Hanover, NH 03755, attention Nancy Bates. Thanks!

Our Class of '55 Dickey Scholarships have

assisted Amanda Fairley and now Monica De Bustamante '08. Monica played on the fine varsity soccer team, participated in cancer research in her off term, but suffered a torn ACL and meniscus in spring soccer, so... "The spring was a big rehab term for me, but it also opened my eyes to the great community by which I am surrounded at Dartmouth. People I barely knew or had only spoken to a few times often offered to help carry my food or bring something to my room as I struggled on my crutches. Even the Dartmouth workers were incredible in helping me get food and asking how things were going. They genuinely cared, like many others on campus. I am extremely lucky to be part of the Dartmouth community and I cannot thank you enough for allowing me to spend my college career creating my own Dartmouth experience and loving every aspect of it."



Gathered at Mary and Jon Anderson's Statesville, N.C., home were Paul Merriken, Jon himself, Ken Lundstrom, Dave Conlan, Ed Barry, and (in front) Tom McGreevey and Dave Miller. Some of the North Carolinians also turned out to salute the undergraduates driving the Big Green Bus (pictured below in Hanover), powered solely by vegetable oil, around the country this summer.

Ever-ardent No. Carolina '55s Keep the Faith, Greet Veggie-driven Big Green Bus On Nationwide Summer Tour



Another superb College Fund showing by '55, with 68% participating!

The Woody Goss-Eliot Smith-Paul Merriken cabal led us to another excellent achievement for the Dartmouth College Fund with total contributions of \$377,850, handily surpassing our goal of \$301,955. Nearly 68 percent of the class proudly put shoulders to the wheel, maintaining our historically strong participation record among the leading classes.

Well done, guys!

Overall contributions to the College in the year ended June 30, including gifts to the capital campaign, were \$159 million, off a bit from the prior year, but the Dartmouth College Fund jumped 27% to a record \$39 million, with a steady 51% of alums contributing.

Ed Willi and DCARE are looking for a few good men

The DCARE program fostered by Ed Willi is seeking to enlist physicians and other alumni who have dealt with addiction, either personally or on behalf of friends or family, to help guide the program and perhaps individual undergraduates. Howdy Russell '54, a retired Air Force officer who chairs DCARE's alumni committee, says a secure bulletin board has been created to discuss addiction dangers at the College, and sign-up information is at www.dartmouth.edu/~dcare/about/help.html. Howdy emphasizes: "We're about addiction, not just campus drinking."

More Homecoming Good Stuff

Saturday

9 a.m. Coach Buddy Teevens' football update, refreshments, Hopkins Center

10 a.m. Professor John Rassias, "Love in 18th Century France as Seen Through Literary Masterpieces," 105 Dartmouth

5:30-6:30 p.m. Reception before the Dartmouth-York hockey scrimmage, men's coach Bob Gaudet '81 and women's coach Mark Hudak '05AS, Leverone Field House

All weekend

Hood Museum of Art: American Art at Dartmouth, highlights from the Hood collection

Dartmouth info, both ways

Send your thoughts on the size, composition and selection methods of the College's board of trustees to

www.dartmouth.edu/~news/releases/2007/06/08-comments.html

Questions about Dartmouth?

<http://ask.dartmouth.edu>

More details on Homecoming and Dartmouth Night, as well as more information and news about the College generally, but especially for interested alums (a greatly expanded and revamped Web site):

www.alumni.dartmouth.edu

Homecoming & '55 Mini

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

4 p.m. "50 years on the Hanover Plain, a different perspective," with Tom Byrne, Wilson Hall

5:30 p.m. Informal '55 dinner, Daniel Webster Room, Hanover Inn

7 p.m. Alumni parade up Main Street to the Green, Dartmouth Night (a change: no '55 nightcap in Blunt Alumni Center)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

8 a.m. '55 breakfast, Wheelock Room, Hanover Inn

8:45 a.m. '55 executive committee meeting, open to all, Wheelock Room, Hanover Inn

12 noon Rout Columbia

6:30 p.m. '55 cash bar and banquet, Fireside Inn, West Lebanon

What are you up to?

In an idle moment send news of a bad golf score, prostate vexation or other emotional event to Joe Mathewson (for this newsletter) or to Bob Perkins (for the class notes in the Alumni Magazine). It should be explained that several months ago Bob stepped aside as class secretary to deal with a health problem and was replaced by Dave Oberlander, who unfortunately now is undergoing protracted treatment for a long-standing but newly-diagnosed leukemia that's seriously preoccupying him, so Bob, fortunately for us, is substituting temporarily for Dave. Got it?

Bob Perkins
24390 Oakwood Park Road
Saint Michael's, MD 21663-2542
phone: 410 745 2819
e-mail: kbobperk@dmv.com

Joe Mathewson
345 N. LaSalle #2303
Chicago, IL 60610
phone: 312 720 6710
e-mail: joemathewson@aol.com

See you in Hanover!

October 19-21, 2007

Make room reservations directly with Fireside Inn & Suites, 25 Airport Rd., West Lebanon, NH 03784, 877 258 5900 or 603 298 5906. Mention Dartmouth '55; our rate is \$99.95/night plus 8% tax (Friday and Saturday). Deadline: October 1.

I/We will attend the following class events, as checked:

Friday, October 19

_____ 4 p.m., Wilson Hall, "50 Years on the Hanover Plain, a Different Perspective," by Tom Byrne; no charge

_____ 5:30 p.m. dinner, Hanover Inn Daniel Webster Room, \$37 each (cash bar)

_____ braciola of beef with red cabbage and apples

_____ brook trout stuffed with crab and mushrooms

_____ breast of chicken

\$ _____

Saturday, October 20

_____ 8 a.m., buffet breakfast and Executive Committee meeting (8:45), Wheelock Room, Hanover Inn, open to all '55s and guests, \$12 each; (order breakfast now, but pay at door) no charge to attend and jabber

_____ 6:30 p.m., cash bar and dinner, Fireside Inn, West Lebanon, dinner \$38 each: _____ prime rib, _____ baked stuffed sole _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Make your check payable to **Class of 1955** and send it with this form by October 1 to:
R. K. Blodgett, P. O. Box 261, Enfield, NH 03748.

Name(s) _____

Address _____
