

DARTMOUTH '55

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November 2013

'55 Class Awards Go to Root, Barr

Allen Root and Dick Barr were recognized at our Homecoming mini-reunion for extraordinary achievements and community contributions. See the centerfold.



Words from Woody:
turn the page.



Gale Parker

Here's how: spreading your 60th reunion gift over 3 tax years

Our indefatigable fund-raising inspiration Woody Goss says:

Be an Early Bird! so '55 can beat, pummel, and triumph over the '52s, '53s and '54s at our 60th. This is our rarest of opportunities (“last chance”?) to show again, in yet another way, why we were/are 2013 Class of The Year--and, basically, The Best.

As always, ALL gifts are important. And this year, for those able and willing to make an additional gift of \$1,000 or more, payable to the “Dartmouth College Fund Early Bird Fund '55-60th” during the tax years before our Reunion, it offers a grand chance.

For example, make an *additional* FY '14 gift of at least \$1,000 before December 31, 2013 and/or again by June 30, 2014. Then really stretch your priorities in favor of a generous gift during our Reunion Year ending June 15, 2015. [Reunion dates are June 15-18, Monday-Thursday, with the class of '60. Be there.]

Let's face it--we are The Best. Let's show 'em.

Questions? wnpogoss@aol.com.

*And while you're
at it, do justice to
your own memory:
write your obituary*

Obit writer Dick Hastings reminded classmates at our Homecoming class meeting that we're not getting any younger, so today (or at the very latest, tomorrow) would be an excellent time to tell your own life



story in your own way. Modesty is not required. Send your obit to Dick at jill.a.hastings@gmail.com.

John French: FDR curried favor wth Stalin by not taking Berlin on our own in 1945



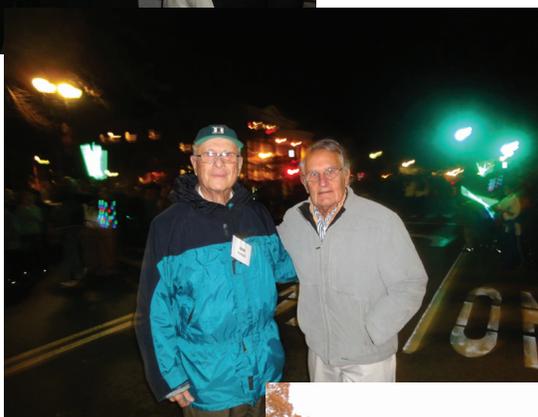
John, a consummate devotee of history, told the class seminar on Friday afternoon that Roosevelt wanted the Soviet Union to declare war on Japan after the defeat of Germany, so he delayed U.S. troops at the Oder River until the Soviets were close enough to advance at the same time.

On Campus: Homecoming 2013



Ken Lundstrom

With Jerry Daniell leading interference (above), Leon Martel held the '55 banner high in the Alumni Parade on Dartmouth Night, as (at right) Ralph Sautter, Jennifer Whelpton and John Ballard, and (next) Bob Fanger and Larry Pilchman lent quiet moral support.



Jim Perkins and Pete Buhler.



Pediatrician Extraordinaire

Presentations by Ken Lundstrom, Awards Committee chairman:

Allen prepared at Friends Select School prior to Dartmouth where he was a pre-med, active in the D.C.U, an editor of the Daily D, and a member of Tau Epsilon Phi. He showed his academic abilities early as Phi Beta Kappa in 1954 and Summa Cum Laude at graduation. After Dartmouth Medical School, he received his M.D. from Harvard in 1958.

He interned at Strong Memorial in Rochester, and then it was on to Philadelphia in 1960 where he began his studies in pediatric endocrinology. He held teaching positions at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and later at Temple University Medical School as Professor of Pediatrics. Also, while in Philadelphia, he was Chairman, Division of Pediatrics, Albert Einstein Medical Center. In 1973 Allen moved to the University of South Florida College of Medicine as Professor of Pediatrics. He had been recruited to establish a pediatric endocrinology program at All Children's Hospital and lead the University Teaching Service. He retired in 2012 and joined the physicians group at All Children's Hospital/Johns Hopkins where he is a member of their pediatric endocrinology faculty.

During his time at USF, Allen held several high positions – Chief, Section of Pediatric Endocrinology for example. Similarly, he led a number of university, state, and national committees plus professional affiliations such as President the Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society. He has been on the editorial board of several journals and still serves on the board of Endocrinology and Metabolism. Somehow he has found time to contribute to two major text books and author over 250 papers. He has been an invited lecturer at Johns Hopkins and University of Pittsburgh Schools of Medicine, and the Philadelphia Pediatric Society.

We should note that his first laboratory was in the hospital's basement and was affectionately dubbed, "The Root Cellar."

He has received several honors from USF and All Children's for his service and teaching. Most significantly perhaps, Allen helped establish in 1979 and then served for 30 years as a member

of the Florida Infant/Newborn Screening Advisory Committee. He served as chairman twelve of those years. Under his leadership the screening grew to over 40 programs. He established the screening for congenital hypothyroidism which has prevented mental retardation in thousands of Florida's children. In recognition of this and his other contributions, Allen was recently honored with two distinguished service awards from USF and All



Gale Parker

Janet and Allen with Ken Lundstrom.

Children's: The Lifetime Achievement Award and the 2012 Belcher Award. The Belcher was for his leadership, commitment, and passionate advocacy in his specialty of pediatric endocrinology.

He has also found time for Dartmouth and the community. He served as District Enrollment Director (10 years), Club President, and on the Alumni Council from 1988-91. He is a member of the University of South Florida Institute for Research in Art Committee.

Allen and Janet Greenberg were married in June, 1958. They have three children, Jonathan, Jennifer, and Michael, who, incidentally, are all M.D.'s. (And six grandchildren.)

Allen and his family have a strong interest in the arts. To honor Allen's 70th birthday, they gathered here in Hanover and presented him as his gift the endowed Dr. Allen W. Root Contemporary Art Lectureship at the Hood Museum.

In our 25th reunion book, Allen wrote, "The Dartmouth experience provided me not only with the basic tools of my profession, but with a perspective for the service to the community of man."

Allen, we are honored to recognize your service to the community of man with the Class of 1955 Award.

Bagpiper, Art Lover, Sentimentalist

Our honoree would be more properly introduced by the pipes playing Scotland the Brave for it is sure now that it is by the pipes that ye know our loyal classmate from reunions – that and his ever present memory book – Dick Barr.

Dick has been here for us with Amazing Grace at the memorial services and an incredibly fascinating art history presentation at the 40th.

Dick was from Larchmont, New York. He came to us from the Hun School and majored in art history. Dick is from a strong Scottish family and prior to Hun School, Dick attended St. Andrews College in Aurora, Ontario which is where he learned to play the pipes.

During his time at Dartmouth, Dick's keen interest in art and art history was mentored by Professor Jerry Lathrop. They developed a close friendship which continued all the years until Professor Lathrop passed away. Jerry's advice, "Don't let anyone change you." Dick's passion to teach was not to be at that time. He entered the family business in New York of importing and distributing high end Scottish woolens including Harris tweeds. Dick's father



Gale Parker

Dick's daughter Capucine Barr and granddaughter Paisley, Dick and Ken.

passed away in 1957 and now he was on his own to run the business. Dick immersed himself, traveled to the small mills in Scotland, and developed a strong following that included designers Bill Blass and Geoffrey Beene.

In 1982 Dick sold his successful business and moved to his farm in Londonderry, Vermont, where

he still lives. It was there in the late '80s, as reported in our class newsletter, Dick had an epiphany of sorts. As he looked in the mirror, he asked himself what he really wanted to do the rest of his life – "Teach" was the answer. And he set about to do it. He re-visited Baker and Carpenter and sought counsel from our late classmate Jim Alexander, professor of medieval history at the University of Georgia, and at the time, perhaps the country's premier medievalist. Dick enrolled in Harvard summer school and completed two advanced art courses there. He also supplied a puzzlement to the Harvard archeologists then conducting a dig in the Yard as to how in the world a Dartmouth football pin was found in the debris of early 1700s Cambridge!

Back in Vermont, he set about his life's work. He had his texts, he had his collection of thousands of slides he had taken in museums and on sites, he designed his own curriculum, he taught in the secondary schools, he lectured – taught - in the retirement homes, he taught a series of courses for credit in the Community College of Vermont. He lectured at the Southern Vermont Art Center in Manchester – "Seeing What the Masters Saw." His efforts proved immensely popular. For example, as many as 40 teenagers attended voluntary courses on Baroque art and more than 150 attended individual seminars. And he shared his slides with us at the 40th.

As Dick has said, "I wanted to get on the other side of the lectern, to get in the trenches, to touch people." As evidence of his long-standing interest in art history education, Dick donated his collections to Saint Andrews where it now resides as the R.H. Barr Art History Library.

Currently, he has turned to digital photography, and he showed some of his work at our 55th reunion. His sense of composition and subject has already produced some stunning results – and without a computer!

Richard Harris Barr: business man, enhancer of your community, loyal son of Dartmouth, wearer of the tartan – you have lived your dream.

At the Class Dinner



Larry, Kathy and Kelsey Pilchman.



John Dinan tried to snake somebody's date.



Paul and Karen Mannes

Leon Martel, daughter-in-law Anne, grandson Cameron and son Christopher.



Tom Byrne seized the occasion to recruit for the new Dartmouth Uniformed Service Alumni, demanding a membership pledge of \$40 to get in this picture with him. From left, putative members Dick Barr, Joe Mathewson, Tom (DUSA quartermaster), Pete Buhler, Dave Conlan, Dick Hastings, Woody Goss and Stan Bergman.



Jennifer Whelpton

Athletes, Past and Present

Dick Wilson, Ray Woolson, Dick Roberts and Dave Conlan constituted the oldest class delegation at the October 1 celebration in Hanover of 100 years of Dartmouth soccer.

Dick Roberts reports: “Sam Hopkins, assistant AD, was the master of ceremonies and in his introduction, he recognized two classes, first was the team from 1988 that was the first to win the Ivy league, and second was 1955. The four of us stood to a great round of cheers, etc. That followed with Sam saying that we still were the only undefeated team in the 100-year history of soccer at Dartmouth--that was followed with another round of cheers. But the highlight was that after the conclusion of the event, most of this year’s team come back to our table to shake hands, pay homage and most of all just to say hello and give us best wishes. You know they just wanted to meet us (after 60 years I guess they could not believe it!).”



Ali Savage '15 (back row, far right), whose recruiting trip to Hanover our class sponsored three years ago, brought most of her field hockey team (plus one) to our class meeting on Saturday morning. Ali, from New South Wales, Australia, is burning up the Ivy League this fall--already named twice the Ivy Player of the Week. As of October 19 she had scored three hat tricks and a total of 12 goals (2d in the league) and contributed 6 assists, for 30 total points (3d in the league). The team was 4-8. The plus-one here, next to Ali, is Molly Kornfeind '17, whose trip we sponsored this spring. A six-footer from Pacific Palisades, California, Molly already is a mainstay of the volleyball team, and was named Ivy League Rookie of the Week in October.





Theilen Photography

Duly equipped with an ordination obtained over the Internet, John Ballard officiated August 18 at South Lake Tahoe at the wedding of his granddaughter, Monica Martin de Bustamante '08 Th '09, and Michelle Dunn '09. Monica runs her own biopharmaceutical consulting firm, which she founded just two years out of Thayer. Most of the guests had a Dartmouth connection. John and Sue say it went very well, and he's available for further service. Incidentally, Thayer School announced at Homecoming that John and Sue have endowed an engineering chair. John is a long-time member, and former chairman, of Thayer's Board of Overseers.



Theilen Photography



John French visited with the new president of the freshman class, John French, his grandson. John's father is John French '79.



Tiffany Wang '16, holder of a '55 scholarship, visited the class meeting to express her gratitude to the class.



Ken Lundstrom