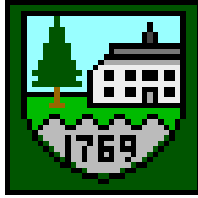


The Wah, Who? Whisper!

# The Great Class of 1956 Newsletter

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**French-Fry?** Alert reader Bob **FRENCH** (rwfrench@mail.cybermesa.com) sent in this recent photo, with this comment: "One of the many reasons to live in Santa Fe is that, eventually, everyone comes here. The latest visitors were DU brother Sam **FRY** and wife Louise. I had not previously had the pleasure of meeting Louise, and I had not seen Sam since - well, since 1956. But what's 48 years? It seemed only a few years since we had last been together, and we took up where we had left off. Time compresses after a certain age. Here we are, no doubt older, but still on our feet."

## Trivia and Teasers:

Mini-reunions this year include: a Midwest summer offering at the Grand Hotel on Mackinaw Island, Michigan July 7-9 under the direction of Bob **SLATER** and Doug **KEARE**, and a 70th Birthday Party for Classmates in Santa Fe, New Mexico, September 27-30 to be hosted generously by Jack **CROWLEY**, Tag **CHAPMAN** and Ed **ROSS**. Contact any of them for details, page 7.

Russell **COOPER-MEAD** (russ@coopmead.com) "Now that your short-term memory is disappearing, think back and send [me] your reminiscences [for the **Great 1956 50th Reunion Book**].", page 5

Elliott **WEINSTEIN**: Report on the progress of our "**1956 Reunion Book Fund**." To date I have received responses from 170 Classmates some of whom have sent more than the \$50 requested. Thank all of you. Unfortunately the number of pieces of mail currently being dropped into my mailbox has dwindled down alarmingly. At last count our Class numbers 614 members. I would think and hope that there are a lot more of you out there who would want to support our efforts to produce this Book to commemorate our 50th Reunion. If I am correct, can I ask you please to take a moment to make out a check to the "1956 Reunion Book Fund" and send it off to me. Elliott Weinstein, **EWeinz@aol.com**, 10 Old Jackson Avenue, #38. Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706. Thanks again. - Elliott

The GREAT CLASS of 1956 Web Page: To see the latest Class newsletter several weeks ahead of this printed rag, point your browser to: <http://www.dartmouth.org/classes/56/>

**ADOPTED CITY: The City of Fifty-Six**, Arkansas, 72533; 85 miles from Little Rock (as the crow flies) Internet address: <http://www.pe.net/~rksnow/arcountyfifty-six.htm>. Home of Cody's Restaurant: - "Fresh Catfish Dinner - 3 deep fried fillets...\$6.25"

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[**DEADLINE** for next issue (July 2004): June 1]

**GREEN CARD NEWS**

**1956**

John **KRAMER** (8 Brook Terrace, Brockport, NY 14420; 585-637-4932) The second (and greatly expanded) edition of my The American College Novel was published in January of 2004. The book was originally published in 1981. This is my second book following retirement as Professor of Sociology at SUNY-Brockport in 1997. Joan and I are still living in Brockport, but this winter has provided much motivation for moving to Florida. I look forward to the 50th in 2006.

Joel **ASH** ([joel@poeticlimericks.com](mailto:joel@poeticlimericks.com); PO Box 1733, Grantham, NH 03753; 603-863-3360) Marsha and I were recently on a Caribbean cruise aboard the Dawn Princess when we ran into Skip **LENKER** in the port of Barbados. He was sailing the Sun Princess, sister ship of the Dawn. It's a small world.

Alert Reader Doug **KEARE** (81 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108) sent in the following photo taken during the recent Class fieldtrip to Indochine. Shown tasting some unidentified Vietnamese food

are Abby **ROSENWALD**, Tom **ROSENWALD** (with the tongue), and Ginger **KEARE**. Hal **GORDON** reportedly left Joan at home on this trip because he "does not like Vietnamese food."

David E. **HAIGHT**, Jr. (115 Dewitt Avenue, Belleville, NJ 07109-2500) I was just getting ready to send you the enclosed obituary on Chuck **CRANE**, when the March newsletter arrived with the announcement of his death. He came down with cancer the end of September and died December 21st. The memorial service was held on January 24, 2004, in Easton, Maryland.

Hope we have a large turnout for our 50th Reunion.  
- Dave

**From the Easton, MD paper:**

"EASTON [MD] - Charles Henry **CRANE**, of Easton, formerly of Madison, N.J. died at The Memorial Hospital at Easton on Sunday, Dec. 21, 2003. He was 70. After graduating from Belleville High School in 1952, he attended **Dartmouth College** and Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio where he received his bachelor of arts degree in history in 1957.

"During his business career, he was a sales representative for Traveler's Insurance in Newark, N.J for 15 years, then was a pension consultant for Northeast Administrators in Westfield, N.J. and retired in 1995 as the East Coast software sales representative for Software for Pentabs Corporation of Santa Barbara, Calif.

"Mr. Crane is survived by his wife, the former Patricia Harrison Childs; a daughter, Charlotte ; a son, Stuart D. Crane; a sister, Sara E. Crane, and four grandchildren."

Doug **KEARE** (dhkeare56@earthlink.net) The PUSH is now on to secure a large turnout for the first and only **Mini-Reunion** lead-up to the 50th to be held in the **Midwest**, Thursday (PM) July 8th thru Sunday (Brunch) July 11 at the storied Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island off Michigan's Upper Peninsula. The Hotel is owned by Dan Musser '55; and Dan has set aside a block of rooms and arranged a first-rate "program" for us.

If more information is required, or questions need answering, I suggest the Classmate concerned go directly to "The Source" -- which, in this case, is Mary Beth Daniels, VP Convention Services at the Grand, who is in charge of this event: tel (906) 847-3331; fax (906) 847-3259; email: mdaniels@grandhotel.com

If said Classmate is 'on the fence' -- a not untypical position for 56ers -- he may want to ask her for a hotel brochure. That should clinch it.

Signed up so far are (prexy) Glen and Carolyn



**OBSERVED**

On CBS TV's "60 Minutes", February 22, 2004: Phil **COYLE** discussing with Ed Bradley the failures of Raytheon's Patriot missile system and the Pentagon's subsequent cover up.

**HAT TRICK CELEBRATION**

Fritz and Becky **SIMMS** (simms5456@aol.com; 1007 Sleepy Hollow Rd, Clarks Summit, PA 18411-2709; 570-587-2574) Here's a picture taken at the "Hat Trick Celebration", which you were unable to attend. Left to right are Wally **PUGH**, US Congressman Don Sherwood '57, Fritz **SIMMS**, and Clem **MALIN**. We had about 60 locals plus the Pughs and Malins at the affair.

As you can see, [Fritz] just finished the Atkins Diet - only gained 8 pounds! C'mon to Lake Michigan this summer. - Regards - Fritz and Becky



French; Bob and Lyn Slater: Bill and Lorna Howenstein; Fritz and Becky Simms: Boodge and Libby Erwin: and Ginger and myself. Howie and Debbie Clinch may be able to work things out; and Rick and Gretchen Foster and Al and Margaret Booth regret that they had unbreakable conflicts. Most of these worthies and wives will be helping me recruit a larger turnout -- mainly from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Penn. - Doug

Donald G. **PURPLE**, Jr. (judgepurp@yahoo.com; 843-545-0211; 77 Pheasant Loop, 313 Belle Isle Villa, Georgetown, SC 29440) The rumors of my passing are greatly exaggerated. Shirley and I are enjoying retirement in South Carolina since 1998 when I retired from the Bench in New York. Lots of golf and the Beach. Wishing all good health. - Purp

Doug **STEVENSON** (ddstevenson@feltd.com; 651-322-1004; Feltd & Co., 225 South 6th St, #4200, Minneapolis, MN 55402) New business association for the last year with Feltd & Co.

John **PALMER** (dpalmer.enteract@RCN.com; 773-

472-3969; 423A W. Briar Pl., Chicago, IL 60657) Bob and Lyn **SLATER** knocked themselves out at the "56 Day" meeting in Milwaukee. Bob acted as chauffeur and guide for Dawn and me at the Milwaukee Art Museum. I assume he will send more details but he deserves a big "Thank You" from the Class.

William **GRIGSBY** (wgrigsby@comcast.net) Just a brief note to let Bill **BALLIETTE** (one of my stalwart classmates who survived Herr Professor Scott in German 1 our freshman year) and other classmates know that Alumni Hall is in the Hopkins Center. I can imagine the 1956 Classmates might need to know this information sometime during our 50th reunion -- or before. - Bill

Bob **LONG** (bobalong63@aol.com, 505-897-7906) My life in retirement continues busy with some consulting work, volunteer activities, playing bridge, and enjoying the beautiful New Mexico outdoors. My wife, Mimi, and I are going on the Alumni Continuing Education trip to Scotland in July. Charlie Reed, Class of '55, and his wife are going too. Are any other '56ers going? - Bob



Alert Reader Bert **WHITEMORE** was kind enough to photograph this jolly group of Classmates at Newton, Massachusetts, attending a luncheon at the invitation of Bob **DUMONT** (center) to celebrate their collective 70th birthdays (and the 56th day of the year). Bert reports, "We were inspired with a talk by Linc **SPAULDING** (left) about recruiting more brethren for our magnificent 50th in June of 2006. I particularly enjoyed chatting with old Classmates whom I've not seen for many years. Not a bad bunch, alive and full of good cheer, Wah Who Wah!!!" [Left to right are **SPAULDING**, Jon **STRONG**, Bob **BURNHAM** (mostly obscured), Stew **SANDERS**, Al **VOULGARIS**, Jack **HUBBARD**, **DUMONT**, Merritt **CLARK** (of all people!), Chuck **SOULE**, Bob **FAULKNER** (the Other), and Tom **GIDLEY**.

Alert Reader Tom **ROSENWALD** (Ray & Berndtson, Chrysler Bldg, 405 Lexington Ave, 26th Floor, New York, NY 10174) forwarded these photos of the Poon and the Rose seen blowing out [slightly short of] 70 birthday candles in Burlington, NC, February 2004. Event was attended by Ginger and Doug **KEARE**, Tom and Abby **ROSENWALD**, Leo and Chris **McKENNA**, and Poon (aka Tom) and Sandy **HARPER**, all pictured below.

The Chairmen of Reunions Past reportedly continue to stand ready to step into any leadership breach as June 2006 approaches. They also are concerned that their Karma has been underexposed and they are asking for a special WWW containing about 100 photos of them. What thinkst you all?



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## 50th Reunion Book

Russ **COOPER-MEAD** reminds all that May 15 is the deadline for art, poetry and photographs for The Book. So far Clark, Frable, Hall, Krampf, McNabb, Mendelsohn, Morse, Nelson, Wheatley, Wlaschin, and Zich have submitted. The 6-page color section looks like a winner. Send your pieces to Russ either as .doc, .jpg or .tiff attachments to russ@coopmead.com or by snailmail to 16444 Clymer St., Granada Hills, CA 91344. All art will be scanned into his computer and promptly returned to you. Russ is also looking for short anecdotes of campus life - dorms, fraternities, sports, weekend trips, classes, etc. - and for quotes from profs and coaches. So far Rosenstock-Huessey, Frost, Shaw, Dunham, Brown, Jensen and Montsie quotes have been submitted, but he knows there must be lots more. Now that your short-term memory is disappearing, think back and send him your reminiscences. You can also call him at 818-360-1136.

Will SOGG

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(wss@mccarthylebit.com) and his lovely wife Nancy were in India recently looking for tigers, staying well above ground level in the search.

Nancy is on the left, Will is in the middle, and he says the fellow on the right is the Mahout, or elephant driver, who appears to have attended Harvard. The nice man's name was not recorded for posterity. Will says he never heard of the City of 56, and would not likely have made it past the pledge committee. The elephant is different from the one in the Janet Pilgrim days.



Fred **ABRAHAM** (1396 Gregg Hill Road, Waterbury Center, VT 05677 USA; 802-244-8104 (land line); 802-244-1508 (fax); 802-249-0806 (cell); www.blueberry-brain.org) I just (mid-March) got back from a small Winter Chaos Conference in Stony Point, CT sponsored by the Blueberry Brain Institute. It focused on philosophy, theory, and applications of dynamical systems theory in science and the humanities. A couple of weeks ago (late February), I was part of a similar small conference at University College Cork (Ireland) planning for globalization using principles of nonlinear dynamics and complexity (oriented toward the European Union funding). The basic idea is to get citizens and governance practices more flexible and dialectic.



My wife, Priscilla, performed some Philippine folk songs and tales that fit this theme, and I delivered a lecture as part of our public presentations, which were scattered throughout our week of planning and deliberations. Photos from the conference in Cork. -Fred

### Get Ready for the Santa Fe Class 70th Birthday Party:

Grab your calendar and block out 9/27/04 to 9/30/04 for the big "70th Birthday Party-mini reunion" for our western classmates in Santa Fe, NM.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the "Santa Fe Style" Inn of the Governors (double room \$135.00/night).

Monday night will feature an informal cocktail reception in a suite "staffed" by Ed & Trish **ROSS** (Dinner on your own).

Tuesday, during the day, is open for "decompression" and exploring Santa Fe's many attractions. A cocktail party on Tag **CHAPMAN**'s train (about \$25 each plus cash bar) will be followed by an authentic New Mexican dinner (about \$22 each) including 2 drinks).

On Wednesday, a bus trip to Taos will feature the

"high road" to Taos, the Taos Pueblo, lunch and the Taos Plaza (about \$45 per person). After a "rest" period of about 2 hours, a Western BarBQ dinner will be at the "Cowgirl Hall of Fame" (about \$39 each including 2 drinks).

Thursday is open for more exploring (maybe golf for those interested) and a farewell cocktail party at the Ross' home. As added incentives, the excellent Santa Fe Wine and Chile Fiesta is the weekend before, and the world famous Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta is the weekend after.

Tentative reservations to Ed Ross by June 15th will guarantee space. Final reservations will be due no later than August 1st.

Contact Ed at 2806 Plaza Verde, Santa Fe, NM 87507; 505-474-0521, edtrish@webtv.net for info and/or reservations.

### Gettin' Down at the Baci:



Enjoying yet another fabulous 1956 dinner on March 11, 2004, at the now-famous Cafe Baci in Sarasota, are clockwise from the right: MC Tony **BRUSCINO**; Cliff and Julie **PHALEN**; Bill **CRATE**; Martha **BRIDGE**; and two well-known doctors: Crile **DOSCHER** and Bud **ROSENTHAL**. Photos thanks to alert reader Mike **ZISSU**.



**Is this hard to believe? There are  
only 25 months remaining  
until the Greatest 50th Reunion!**

June 8 - 14, 2006

**June 8, Thursday -- early check-ins**

**June 9, Friday -- official check-in**

**June 10, Saturday**

**June 11, Sunday -- check out of Hanover and  
into the Stowe/Trapp Lodge or environs.**

**June 12, Monday**

**June 13, Tuesday**

**June 14, Wednesday -- Checkout: homeward bound**

(Return address & address label)