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In part to celebrate Dartmouth's 250th anniversary and in part to celebrate the 80th birthday of most of our classmates, an achievement in and of itself, several of our classmates along with their spouses or significant others and a few widows of classmates are planning to be in London, England for a class mini-reunion during May 15-18, 2019. Coordinating this duel event is classmate **Frank Stephens** along with his spouse Dawn, long-term London residents who have done an outstanding job setting up an event agenda and providing for group hotel accommodations. In addition, Frank is actively engaged in trying to reach out to and convince the current Earl of Dartmouth to attend one of our mini-reunion class functions in London. Those classmates who may still desire to attend the London mini should sign up quickly via the enrollment applications located on the class website or email Frank at franklin.stephens@ntlworld.com.

Several classmates, at age 79, are still receiving current accolades for superior services rendered to their profession and/or to the public. John King was recently inducted into the Health Care Hall of Fame for his lifetime involvement and achievement in the medical area of public health administration. Sam Bell was recently awarded the prestigious Class of '56 Award (one of the University's five highest alumni/non-alumni awards) from the USF College of Public Health, which was founded to a large extent as a result of Sam's efforts and supported subsequently through the efforts of both Sam and his spouse, Betty Castor, so that the University's College of Public Health is now ranked #1 in Florida and #16 in the nation. Moe Banks recently received the Connecticut Law Tribune's Lifetime Achievement Award for being at the forefront of mergers and acquisition activities, raising venture capital financings and providing tax advice to his clients, and for a lifetime of service to the West Hartford, CT community including numerous leadership positions in several Hartford area arts organizations.

In closing, I leave you with an appropriate quote from an unknown source: "I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now."

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