

Class Notes—Jan/Feb 2007 issue of *DAM*

1962 *Return to the Green: 45th reunion, June 11-14, 2007.* As the song goes, “Deep in December it’s nice to remember, although you know the snow will follow,” that your 45th Reunion Committee is working feverishly to bring you a *fantastic* June in Hanover, “bustin’ out all over” with everything green: the eternal return of spring, the renewal of old friendships, the birth of new ideas, the campus Green itself in all its splendor. So stay tuned. Mark your calendar. Check the Class website for program updates. Above all, plan to be there. Remember, this reunion was 45 years in the making!

Susan Ackerman ’80 writes of her own chance reunion with **Eric Meyers** “at the August 2006 European Association of Biblical Studies meeting in Piloscaba, Hungary.” She reports, “Both Eric and I, after our undergraduate degrees at Dartmouth, ended up doing Ph.D.’s in Bible at Harvard (Eric finishing in 1969, me in 1987) and now both of us professors of religion specializing in the biblical studies field: me at Dartmouth, Eric at Duke. Pretty good coincidence!” It is indeed a small world.

Along similar lines, I reconnected with **Erwin “Dusty” Miller** also quite by chance. Dusty emailed my journalist son Tom ’90 regarding an article he wrote on China for *The Boston Globe*. Tom responded, made the Dartmouth connection, discovered Dusty and I had lived in Bissell together, emailed me, I emailed Dusty, and...welcome to Thomas L. Friedman’s “flat world!” Turns out Dusty and wife Margi made two trips to exotic regions of China in the past year—“in March to Yunnan and in August to Xinjiang, where [they] traversed the Silk Road from Lanzhou to Kashgar via Dunhuang, Turpan & Urumqi,” ending in the Gobi Desert of Mongolia. Dusty reports the “best part of our trip was bonding with our guides. We ate our meals together, had fascinating and far-ranging conversations” and witnessed the rapid changes “progress” is bringing to that part of the world. On the home front, Dusty, a senior partner at Bowditch and Dewey, says his latest adventure has involved spearheading a successful urban redevelopment project, the construction of a new state-of-the-art facility for the Boys and Girls Club of Worcester, Massachusetts.

Welcome news also arrives from **Virginia and Gordon Williamson**. They have lived in Hanover and vicinity since 1992 and recently built a new house and barn in Etna, New Hampshire, where they live happily with their two horses, Willow and Domino. Eager to supplement rural living with intellectual stimulation, Gordy “became reinstated in the Massachusetts bar, then passed the New Hampshire bar, the bar ethics exam and the federal patent bar” and, since June 2005, has worked on contract management for Concepts NREC in Wilder, Vermont. Virginia, meanwhile, prefers the good life at home, spending her time “taking care of the two mares and eating Milanos while staring at the mares” and *not* riding them. Neither Gordy nor Virginia ride. By way of explanation, Gordy has made a sign for the barn: “Ride is a Four Letter Word.” Whoa!

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