

**1968.** Modest news in hand as I write these notes in a balmy late December. **Ed Heald** shared a recap of this past fall's golf outing at Bandon Dunes in Oregon. Lighter turnout this year: besides Ed, classmates **John Blair, Hugh Boss, Warren Connelly, Bill Adler,** and **Bill Kolasky** hit the links, along with two guests. Looking ahead, Ed reports that next November's Bandon Dunes golf trip will be the last large group event (October 31 through November 4, 2016), and that he is looking into an Ireland or Scotland group golf outing in 2017. On the personal side, Ed plans to retire from his financial advisor job, after 45 years, in September 2016, after which his two sons will assume the mantle, as they are for all intents running his practice now. He hopes to become involved in charitable and foundation activities. Sue will continue in her work for a bit longer, at the ski area, running the ski school desk as she has for the past 30 years. Lots of classmate morsels seen on Facebook: **Jim Morrison** noted that "Tomorrow will be my dancing day": he was celebrating doing the final grading for his students, after which he will be fully retired. Great picture from the '50s of a youthful **Bill Adler** with Santa Claus (perhaps we could make him an honorary class member?). **Dave Stanley** bemoaned the quality of coaching of the San Francisco Forty-Niners. And I saw a picture of Martha and **Dick Jones** in front of a World War 2 British Spitfire. Intrigued, I wrote for more detail. Turns out the picture was from a couple years ago, at the Experimental Aircraft Organization in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Martha and their son Matt work for the Avemco Aircraft Insurance company, and both work the biannual Oshkosh event. Joining our growing number of retired classmates, Dick retired last July, after 33 years in Information Technology. Martha had retired a year earlier, so now they are learning how to drive each other crazy at home. She does a lot of work the Daughters of the American Revolution, and Dick volunteers with Catch-A-Lift, an organization that buys gym memberships or equipment for disabled veterans. The Frederick Chorale, their singing group, will be going to Germany in 2017 to sing in a concert to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Luther's 95 theses. FYI: the Dartmouth Magazine will be doing a feature on reasons to love Dartmouth; feel free to send me (or them directly) any thoughts you might have. And I plan to start a series of quick online questionnaires about our class, about who we are, our life experiences etc. I'll share the results with all of you in this column, and in the Class Newsletter...and hopefully gather news to share. The link: <https://surveymonkey.com/r/2N2HH6H>

Sad news: **Bob Haslach** died of prostate cancer last October. Watch for the obituary on the Dartmouth Magazine website. And as always, I welcome any news! [davidbpeck@aol.com](mailto:davidbpeck@aol.com). 16 Overlook Road, Plymouth, MA 02360.