



Class of '87 Newsletter

Final Mini-Reunion Recap: DC Mini Reunion Has A Ball!

Well, lots of balls, really. As our DC based President, **H. Randall Morgan** reports:

Nineteen of us gathered April 17th for the first-ever 87s' Family-Style DC mini-reunion. We had a super time doing something completely different from the sedentary cocktails and/or dinners we have shared for the past 4 years. WE WENT BOWLING! Thanks to Marine Lt. Col. **Tayrn Gude**, our sponsor for the event, we were able to have access to the Naval Bowling Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Tayrn's son posted the best score, but, to be fair, runners-up Jocelyn Johnson and Jim Warren had not been permitted to use the bumper rails.

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In the photo, from left to right, Mia Kimboko (age 11), **Karen Epps**, **Rachel Kimboko**, Natalie Morgan (age 11), **Jocelyn Johnson**, who is standing behind daughters (her and Jim's) Becca (age 12) and Zoe (age 7), **LtCol. Tayrn Gude**, **'H' Randy Morgan** with his paws on son Daniel (9) and daughter Kate (5), **Jim Warren**, Lynn Weidberg Morgan, and Tayrn's awesome entourage, including her children Antoinette (9) and Anthony (11), their friends Vanessa, Jordan, and Timothy, and Tayrn's husband Tony Bradley.

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Last-minute plea for Dartmouth College Fund:

Just in case all y'all haven't opened up your hearts and wallets to the College Fund... we have a few days. This year's drive closes on June 30, and Dartmouth is of course making it really easy for you to give. For example, some nice raffle prizes await for those who give online during the month of June.

Just use this URL: dartmouth.edu/~alfund/

Please remember, even if you donate only a nominal amount, it helps the College, which has undergone extreme budget cuts this past year. It also helps demonstrate our continued commitment as a class - we are striving for 50% participation among classmates and 100% participation among our class officers.

Class News



The '87s in the greater DC area are a fun and impressive bunch. **Tayrn Gude**, for example, (shown at left, with daughter Antoinette) continues her legislative work in the military sector. She is now assigned to the Department of Defense Detainee Task Force (Office of Detainee Policy), which is charged with the responsibility of implementing the closure of Guantanamo Bay. Not surprisingly, Tayrn's family is equally impressive. Her daughter, Antoinette (9), will be running in the second qualifier for the Junior Olympics in the 800-meter dash in June. Last year, at age 8, Antoinette ran with the 9-10 year age group in the 1500-meter race and still was nationally ranked. Son Anthony (11) is a wrestler and perennial honor roll student, and he is in the talented and gifted program at school. Husband Tony spent 23 years with the sheriff's office in Arlington County and now volunteers his time with the school system.

Jocelyn Johnson and **Dr. Jim Warren** are living in Rockville, MD. Jim has been at NIST for 18 years as a researcher and manager and still says he is "psyched about the job". Meanwhile, Jocelyn is enjoying her work in marketing at WealthEngine, a company which provides prospect research services to nonprofit organizations. Their older daughter Becca just finished 6th grade, and their younger daughter

Zoe just finished 1st. The whole family practices Tae Kwon Do together. Jim, Jocelyn and Becca have reached the red belt level, and Zoe is a blue belt. This summer, they are looking forward to a Family vacation to Las Vegas over the 4th of July weekend.

Karen Epps spent more than twenty years teaching language ESL, French, Portuguese, and Spanish, but recently she made a career move to a post as Assistant Director of International Student Services at Howard U. Outside of work, she keeps Brazilian culture alive in the D.C. area by dancing samba with the Zezeh Brazil Dance Group. Most recently, Karen performed at the Gaylord National Hotel in National Harbor, MD. Karen said, "Our audience was composed of plastic surgeons from around the world. No pressure to look good there!"

Rachel Kimboko has been living in the DC area for about four years now. With a Masters in Education from Loyola, she has been teaching at a DC-based Montessori school and also providing consulting. Rachel's daughter Mia (11) was very sweet to my 5-year old (Kate) and helped keep her from having a meltdown in Lane 9.

As for me (**H Randy Morgan**), I am pleased to report that our new firm, Morgan Language Services Corporation, which I started after outliving my non-compete agreement, has survived its start-up phase and is successfully providing professional translation and interpreting in over 100 languages to organizations ranging from Siemens to Sesame Street. On the home front, Lynn and I are soon taking our 2 older kids to upstate New York to drop them off at overnight camp, where they will be staying for 7 weeks! It seemed like a good idea at the time... Now, I'm feeling buyer's remorse, and I am going to miss the heck out of them.

Sidebar

The week before our bowling event, I happened to bump into **Devon Davis** late one evening on the metro coming home from DC. As exhausted as we both were, especially as the train sat motionless for over 30 minutes due to DC's increasingly frequent metro delays, we found our 2nd wind talking about school days and trading stories about the experiences we have had since then. It turns out that Devon is an amazing ER doctor at Walter Reed Hospital, where she sees soldiers who are coming back from Iraq and Afghanistan. Devon described it as both challenging and rewarding. She lives in Rockville, Maryland, and keeps in touch with **Austin Wiehe**, who lives in Arlington, **Holly Taylor**, who lives in Hanover (lucky her!), and **Elise Niiler**, who's in Lexington, MA.

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Bona Fide green cards:

From **Deb Rowe Marchiony**:

“I don’t have much to report...when I see classmates, it is either totally random or entirely predictable, and I enjoy both, of course. Random sightings include **Chris Thompson** and his family skiing at Waterville Valley in NH and the predictable events are the school events where I’ve seen **Dennis Goldstein, Bill Kelsey, Jeff Mead, Magda Fleckner, and Jay Haines**. All are doing well and have wonderful/talented children.

From **Andrea Hayes (Jordan)**:

“I was just promoted to Director of Pediatric Surgical Oncology at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX. I am married to a SuperBowl player (49ers, 1995) and have a 14-year-old daughter and 13-year-old son. **Demetria Jackson (Tria)** is enjoying a 1-year-old baby. **Crystal Crawford** is CEO of the Black Women’s Health Project.”

Semi Green cards (as in, classmate submitted):

Frank Doyle gets a profile in the Observer.com that **Christen O’Connor** shared:

<http://www.observer.com/2010/commercial-observer/recovering-bostonian>

Moira Teevens Nobili

Sometimes even if you know someone is impressive, seeing it all laid out in print still has an impact. Our own **Moira Teevens Nobili** was honored by her high school’s sports hall of fame, and here’s the summary they wrote:

“She was truly one of the most dedicated, successful female athletes that Silver Lake Regional High School has produced. Her accolades must be listed in groups not just as individual statistics. She was a gifted runner who worked at academics as hard as her athletic endeavors. She was the senior class president while participating in three sport seasons as an elite athlete.

After graduating in 1983, she pursued her education at Dartmouth College and began running as a freshman in 1983. During the next four years, through 1987, she was selected to the All Ivy Cross Country team in 1984, 1985 and 1986. She set school records in the 1984-85 season in the 1,500 meter, 3,000 meter, indoor 5,000 meter and the distance medley relay.

She finished her running career at Dartmouth with her graduation in 1987, accumulating eight varsity letters. She currently lives on Cape Cod with her husband, Nick, and four children, twins Colin and Madaket, as well as Isabelle and Bailey.

She continues to run competitively and for enjoyment when she is not chasing her children!”

Presenter: Steve Duggan, Silver Lake coach and teacher, Hall of Fame committee member

Ricki Stern’s latest film: “Joan Rivers: A Piece of Work”

Note from editor Amy: Just the other day my (I-wish-she-was-my-sister-in-law-but-I-am-keeping-my-mouth-shut-and-fingers-crossed) friend said she had just gone to see “the Joan Rivers Documentary”. This friend is a TV News editor with several Emmy’s under her belt and had high praise for the film (which I haven’t seen yet). I know it is unseemly to boast, but we’re family right? I can boast to you all. That’s Ricki’s film she’s talking about! It debuted at the Sundance Film Festival this winter and received the Editing Award in the U.S. Documentary category. It is now out in theaters and receiving very favorable reviews.

Here’s a great clip of Ricki and co-director Annie Sundberg discussing their project at Sundance earlier this year:

http://sundance.bsides.com/2010/films/joanriversapieceofwork_sundance2010

Class News

Save the Date: Homecoming weekend this fall (Oct 29-30).

Actually, this is not just a homecoming, it's a mini-reunion with the '84s, '85s, and '86s! We are doing a big pre-game lunch event at the Hanover Inn on Saturday and have invited the classes of 84, 85, and 86 to participate with us. The game will be vs. Harvard. Look for details in upcoming newsletters and on the class website. We are hoping for great '87 attendance, as this event launches our countdown to our 25th reunion.

Speaking of our 25th Reunion...Save that Date too!

We want everyone to start thinking ahead to our 25th, which will be **Thursday - Sunday, June 14-17, 2012.**

Musings of an old fogie who just ordered bi-focals

Have you ever thought about what advice you'd give someone just starting at Dartmouth next year? Actually, some number of us has had to choose just those words as their children head off to college.

Once, when I was a graduate student at Tuck, I overheard some undergrads talking about their course load and interview schedule as I was changing in the gym after a swim. They must have been seniors, and they were so angst ridden, so focused on the metrics of their world, and so convinced that there was a Right Answer and that they had to know it that I had to hide my smile.

I was smiling in sympathy but also in amusement. I wanted to say "It's okay- you don't have to know the answer of what you will do with this education, or who you will be. In fact, the more certain you are now the more likely you are to change your mind." I guess if I had their ear, from the perspective of almost 25 years out, I would say- don't try to know what career that looks like, do try to know when you are happiest and most engaged and motivated and thirsty for more. Those are the skills you'll want to find an outlet for, and exactly how that plays out will be hard to predict. I'm sure a handful of us chose their career in high school and have been on that same path since, but it is surely the minority.

Philosophical rant: What's Going on Up in Hanover?

It's my personal opinion that a class newsletter should be about classmates, and cover the business of the class. I think Dartmouth finds about a zillion ways to keep us in touch with their own goings on, including an ever-hopeful news feed they send us newsletter editors. Once when Kevin Donovan and I were writing this newsletter, we were short on classmate news and he threatened to write an entire newsletter out of the snippets that the College sends. You've heard of Death by PowerPoint? This would be Anesthesia by College Bulletins.

But recently, something caught my attention, and it was corroborated the other day when I met a really put together, with-it young woman here in San Francisco who is heading off to Dartmouth Med School this fall. She said she had more than one offer but President Jim Yong Kim was surely a motivator. (Closely followed by the setting of Hanover, and of course the medical center itself which is lovely and light filled).

But the tipping point was the Center for Health Care Delivery Science that Dr. Kim has just established, involving the med school, the business school, the engineering school and Dartmouth's own provost. Not that this med student assumes she will have a whole lot of time to be volunteering at the Center, but it was a huge draw that Dr. Kim was the kind of leader who would cross traditional functional and professional boundaries and exhort Dartmouth students of all brands to solve the world's problems. At the risk of raving about President Kim two newsletters in a row, I can see her point ☺

Final words: Have a great summer! And then send us news and photos.

All the best,
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