



# Dartmouth Club of Northeast Ohio

Fall 2010

<http://www.dartmouth.org/clubs/dcneohio/>

## Letter from the President

Each year Alumni Clubs submit a report to the Alumni Office in Hanover. It's a history of club activities and initiatives for the past year and student enrollment performance for the next academic school year. It lets us evaluate our performance and muse about things which should have been. There have been many positives this year. Our club membership is up; the number of events have increased; we have made concerted efforts to include our members who live outside of Cuyahoga County, who often are geographically disenfranchised, and ask our young alumni/ae their event preferences to make the Dartmouth Club of Northeast Ohio activities appeal to our diverse Dartmouth community. Our monthly newsletter offers a few Dartmouth College insights and outlines our upcoming event calendar. We are just beginning to explore a new communication format which will enhance our presentation. It will be graphically appealing and allow better interaction between the club and alumni/ae.

New student enrollment has been our best achievement. In this newsletter you can read an article by Ray Boniface, our District 443 Enrollment Director, which details our accomplishments. Thanks to Ray, Jay Hole (District 441 Enrollment

Director), and our alumni/ae interviewers every admissions applicant is interviewed. This process is virtually year round. Applications begin pouring into Hanover in the fall. It looks like last year's records will be broken again this year. Early Decision applications are up 10%. We'll interview these candidates and then probably a hundred more Regular Decision students in the upcoming months. We'll have our accepted applicant reception in April after notices go out and just before Dimension of Dartmouth weekend as we endeavor to turn accepted students into the Class of 2015.

Moving forward our focus will be on increasing our membership and participation at club events. In that regard, I'd like to hear from you:

- How can we better serve you?
- What activities or events would interest you?
- Would you like to interview students?
- Would you like to host a club event?
- Do you want to be a Board member?

In addition, I challenge you to become involved in our most recent initiative. Join Bob Gippin, Libby Sobota, Sterg Lazos, Ted Olson, and

Ed Kuss in beginning The DARTMOUTH ALUMNI CLUB BOOK AWARD PROGRAM at your favorite high school. All qualified high school juniors are eligible. A successful nominee must: Rank in the top 10% of their class; demonstrate strong character, have made a positive contribution to the school community; excel in at least one nonacademic area; be a candidate for entrance to a competitive college or university. We contact the appropriate school officials and select an award recipient. We will present a Dartmouth themed book (such as, Webster's collegiate dictionary, a book written by a Dartmouth alumnus/ae or professor) featuring a bookplate inscribed with the recipients name. It's fun. It's necessary as we compete for the best and brightest. In addition, we'd like to reach those wonderful students and school systems unfamiliar with the best undergraduate college in the country.

You know the last part. We can't do any of this without your membership. Please send back the enclosed envelope and help us keep it going green.

And let me hear from you!

- Mark Heller '70  
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### Current Club Officers:

- President: Mark Heller
- Secretary: Bob Gippin
- Treasurer: Elizabeth (Libby) Sobota '83
- Events Chair / Ivy 15 Rep: Lindsay Hirschfeld '03 & Britni Stinson '09
- Scholarship Chair: Kent Mann '73
- Webmaster: Ryan Pulis '93
- Alumni Council Representative: Susan Luria '89
- DED North: Jay Hole '81
- DED South: Ray Boniface '78
- Immediate Past President: Elizabeth (Libby) Sobota '83

### DCNEO is on Facebook!

Join the group today. Notices posted, meet alumni, sign up for events, share news and views.

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=15364995583&ref=ts>





### Dartmouth Class of 2014:

- Jalil Bishop – Twinsburg High School
- Raymond S. Boniface – Cardinal Mooney High School
- Samuel Broer – St. Andrew's School
- Emily Clegg – Western Reserve Academy
- Maria Fernandez – Laurel School
- Thomas Gordon – University School
- Claire Groden – Solon High School
- Anirudh Jayanti – Shaker Heights High School
- Tyler Kuhn – Hudson High School
- Seung Won Lee – Western Reserve Academy
- Patrick Murray – St. Edward High School
- Margaret Scanlon – Hathaway Brown School
- Katelyn Walker – Shaker Heights High School
- Alex Wolf – University School

## Dartmouth Admissions — Class of 2014

The past year brought a record number of applicants for admission to Dartmouth, continuing the trend of recent years, and the DCNEO should be proud of our performance. Our volunteers were able to interview every one of the applicants from our area, contributing to the superior rate of admission from our districts, and to the superb quality of the Class of 2014 from Northeast Ohio.

In total, the College received nearly 19,000 applicants this year. Admission was offered to only 2193 (11.7%). This last number was actually enhanced by the Administration's decision to increase the size of the Class of 2014 by 100, to 1140. (This is expected to be a "one year only" event.) Due to a record "yield" (52%) of accepted student choosing Dartmouth, only 13 students were taken from the Wait List.

The DCNEO covers two Districts for admission. The northern area includes Cleveland and the near suburbs, and is coordinated by Jay Hole as District Enrollment Director. To the south, yours truly covers a wide swath from Youngstown in the East, through Hudson, Akron/Canton, to as far West as Wooster.

Our combined Districts produced 127 applicants

this year. 22 students, or 17%, were admitted, with 13 matriculating (59%). So, a significantly higher than national average percentage of our area applicants were accepted, AND matriculated.

Now, note that the national average for applicants to be interviewed by an alumnus is only around 50%(!), while we have been able to provide an interview for ALL of our local students who apply. Our superb alumni volunteers contributed this superior performance, on two fronts. First, the alumni interviews are receiving increased emphasis from the Admissions Office in the face of the flood of highly qualified applicants. We really do provide an important view of the aspiring Dartmouth student. Secondly, once admission is offered, our relationship with that student helps them make the right decision!

I have had several meetings with officers of the Dartmouth Office of Admissions, on their visits here and in Hanover. I've been very impressed by their ability and enthusiasm for their work, and by how well they know our area in surprising depth.

Going forward, the College expects, and is seeking, even higher numbers of applicants. The administra-

tion feels that there are still desirable candidates who are not applying to Dartmouth. Given that the numbers of applicants from the Midwest lags those from the east and west coasts, this mission relates strongly to our area.

In this context, I have heard directly from Admissions officers at all levels, including Dean Maria Laskaris, that the Admissions Office considers the Alumni Interviews a crucial part of the process. Dean Laskaris feels that, among a flood of students with high scores, excellent grades, and teacher letters that "all sound the same", our assessments truly help them assess the candidates as they build the incoming class.

In closing, to our Alumni interview volunteers: thanks and great work! To the rest of our local alums: please consider participating. You have the chance to help local students, and help Dartmouth, while meeting some terrific kids in the process. Jay or I will be glad to hear from you.

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## Treasurer's Report

### DCNEO Financial Statement, as of 9/30/2010

The assets of the DCNEO at September 30, 2010 consist of a checking account with a balance of \$4,333.

The Income Statement shows the various sources of revenue, including dues, scholarship, and operating fund income all included as part of our annual Dues Request. The fourth quarter of the year, not included here, is when the bulk of the

revenue is generated after the dues solicitations are mailed.

Our administrative expenses include insurance, bank service charges, and PayPal fees. All other expenses relate to our "program" of providing alumni related events, and a transfer to the College of scholarship funds received during the prior year.

Libby Sobota '83

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### Dartmouth Club of Northeast Ohio Balance Sheet As of September 30, 2010

	<u>Sep 30, 10</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Key Bank Checking	4,333.13
Total Checking/Savings	4,333.13
Total Current Assets	4,333.13
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>4,333.13</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Net Assets	5,949.23
Net Income	-1,616.10
Total Equity	4,333.13
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>4,333.13</u></b>

### Dartmouth Club of Northeast Ohio Profit & Loss January through September 2010

	<u>Jan - Sep 10</u>
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
Income	
Accepted Student Reception	195.00
Dues Income	1,065.00
Operating Fund Income	145.00
Scholarship Fund Income	230.00
Total Income	1,635.00
Expense	
Accepted Students Party	324.30
Alumni Newsletter	365.79
Bank Service Charges	17.50
Insurance	140.00
PayPal Fees	3.51
Scholarship Fund Distribution	1,500.00
Special Events	900.00
Total Expense	3,251.10
Net Ordinary Income	-1,616.10
<b>Net Income</b>	<b><u>-1,616.10</u></b>



*Two Club Heads: Mark Heller with Judge Peter Corrigan, Brown*

## Dartmouth vs. Brown football @Champps, 11/14/2010



*Bob Mlakar and Steve Bruns*

## Upcoming Events

**ANNUAL HOLIDAY BRUNCH**  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2010  
(11:30 – 1:30)

Acacia County Club – 26899 Cedar Road in Lyndhurst -- across from Beachwood Place

Welcome home our current students, meet the Early Decision students from the Class of 2015, and greet Dartmouth friends and classmates. Make reservations by emailing Mark Heller, [mheller@fodorco.com](mailto:mheller@fodorco.com).

**CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART  
SCAVENGER HUNT**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 2011  
(6:30 – 7:30+)

Cleveland Museum of Art, University Circle,

A friendly competition between Dartmouth, Harvard, Yale, Duke, Vassar, Smith, Princeton and University of Michigan alums, searching the Art Museum using pictorial clues to discover pieces from the collected works. After the hunt, reconvene at the Euclid Tavern (Euclid at University Circle) to compare notes and share in food and drink. Register your team spirit with Bob Gippin, [rgippin@gmail.com](mailto:rgippin@gmail.com) or Saul Kliorys, [skliorys@gmail.com](mailto:skliorys@gmail.com).

**EAST SIDE LUNCH**

THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH  
(11:45 – 1:00)

Via Van Aken (20155 Van Aken Blvd in Shaker Heights)

Join the gang each month for lunch fare, Dartmouth “FANfare”, and fundamentally fun conversation. Contact Allan Vendeland via [ajvendeland@roadrunner.com](mailto:ajvendeland@roadrunner.com) for details.

# Dartmouth Club Of Northeast Ohio

## 2011 Dues Request

We appreciate your support. Your dues pay for mailings, newsletters, Club events, recruiting activities and support for undergraduates at Dartmouth from our area. Your dues allow you to attend Club events at a discount.

### Dues Schedule

10 years out and less      \$ 5.00  
11 years out and more      \$30.00

**Dues**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Operation Fund (to help defray the normal operating expenses of the Club)**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Scholarship Fund (provides scholarship monies to undergraduates from our area)**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to **Dartmouth Club of Northeast Ohio**. Please mail to:

Elizabeth Sobota, Treasurer  
7244 Chagrin Road  
Chagrin Falls, OH 44023

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