

'79 Newsletter – WINTER 2019

Class Of The Year: 1997, 2001, 2004, 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2017

79: THE NEXT GENERATION



HAPPY 250th BIRTHDAY, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE!

The tag line for Dartmouth's 250th anniversary celebration is "Honoring Our Past, Inspiring Our Future." And so it is with our Class of 1979 Newsletter in our 40th year since graduation: we honor four decades of friendship and community while we are inspired to maintain and strengthen the bonds that tie us to each other, to the College, and to future generations of Dartmouth students. The theme for this issue is **The Next Generation**. Many of us have launched our progeny into college and adulthood to pursue new careers and aspirations to shape the world. We've served as mentors to young people in our communities and at work. We asked classmates to contribute stories about how they have helped to shape the next generation. I hope you enjoy the results.

David Van Wie, Newsletter Editor dvanwie.79@dartmouth.edu



MARATHON MOM From Carol Frost

My daughter, Elle Nye, is a Dartmouth '14 who was introduced to history by Professor Garthwaite (himself a graduate of St. Olaf College where my husband and son got their degrees, but that's another story). She's now at Yale doing a PhD in economic history on trade between Europe and the Ottoman empire. This means learning Ottoman, which is taught only in Turkish—so she first needed to spend a Fulbright year in Istanbul learning Turkish. That's where she ran her first marathon, starting in Asia and ending in Europe.

For my 60th birthday she agreed to run the Vermont City marathon with me, even though it meant slowing her pace considerably to match mine. What a sweetheart! This explains why in the photo she looks so fresh after we finished. And for the record, I have no intention of ever doing such a thing again! - Carol Frost, Laramie, WY

CLASS OF 1979

FUN-DRAISING REPORT

FROM BILL MITCHELL



DCF Progress - FY2019

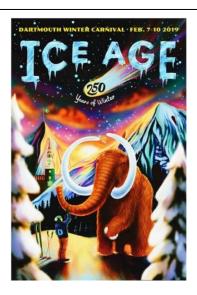
Many thanks to the 201 classmates who have made a contribution to the DCF for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. This is roughly 30% of the year-end total from last year, much further ahead at the half way point than we were last year and well ahead of my typical pace of completing reading assignments for classes my freshman year.

Special thanks to the 24 classmates who signed up for a recurring annual gift during the past few months. These classmates get to select a "Friends" program that will receive a gift of two times their recurring gift, up to \$100, thanks to the generous sponsor of this initiative. As a result, Dartmouth Friends programs will receive an additional \$3,000!

We especially appreciate the 60 classmates who are helping out as Class Agents. Do you have a little time to reach out to just five or fewer classmates, most of whom are regular contributors, this spring? We'd love to have a few more classmates help us by contributing some time and talent to keep the PartycipatoryTM Class of 1979 the leader in total gifts for the 22nd straight year (reunion/non-reunion category as applicable).

Please <u>make your gift now</u> – there's a handy link on our class website or the College webpage – to keep us ahead of the pace for last year. **Happy 2.5.0!**





YOU CAN BE A CLASS OF '79 VOLUNTEER VOYAGER

Join Your Classmates On A Community Service Trip To Haiti in October

The Invitation:

You are invited to participate in a 5-day trip to Haiti in October to volunteer with the non-profit organization **Tabasamu**. As we learned from Otho Kerr and Burr Gray's article in our Spring 2018 newsletter, **Tabasamu** provides free dental education and training to underserved communities in developing countries. As volunteers, we'll lead one-hour educational programs for school children and a one-day seminar for teachers.

The Haiti trip offers a unique "around-the-girdled-earth" opportunity for us to gather with classmates in honor of **Dartmouth's 250**th **anniversary** on the same weekend that others will be travelling to Hanover to enjoy the Homecoming festivities. If the Haiti service trip intrigues you, *please let us know soon*, as there are just 12 spaces available to members of the Class of 1979, family members, and friends.

The Itinerary:

- Pre-Trip (date TBD): Attend one training session in-person (in NYC or Philadelphia) or via Skype and read the book <u>Where There is No Dentist</u>.
- Wednesday 10/9/19: fly to Port-au-Prince, Haiti.
- Thursday 10/10 & Friday 10/11: team teach 3-4 classes of children each day.
- Saturday 10/12: Help lead an all-day "Teach the Teachers" seminar.
- Sunday 10/13: Fly home or stay to help present a dental-care information session to a local church congregation.
- Trip Extension Options:
 - Stay in Haiti as long as you choose and tour independently.
 - Take part in a 2-3 day extension planned by your trip organizers, Otho Kerr & Jennifer Hughes. Possible activities include: sightseeing, visits to artists' studios/galleries, a visit to Partners in Health operations, culinary explorations, and/or beach time.

Basic Costs:

- Flights: Most participants will take the same flights to & from Haiti via JFK (estimated cost \$500/person).
- Daily Expenses: Housing (dorm-style), basic meals and transportation to all locations in Haiti will be provided to our group by Tabasamu (estimated cost \$80/day/person).
- Travel Insurance: \$75/person.
- Inoculations (if needed): \$150-\$200/person.
- Grant Program: each year, Trinity Episcopal Church in PA (Tabasamu's sponsor) may award up to three grants of up to \$800/person to Tabasamu volunteers. Applications for grants are generally due in September (date TBD).

Interested in going on the Haiti trip? Have ideas for locations/organizations for future **Class of '79 Volunteer Voyages**? Want a copy of the Latest FAQ from Tabasamu?

Email Jennifer Hughes: tojhughes@gmail.com

WHAT DID WE DO RIGHT? FROM DAVID KLINGES

Dana (Burroughs) '82 and I followed the well-trodden path of our generation: college, grad school, professional careers in finance and law. Today, the question we are most asked is "how did your children turn out so different from you?" Somehow, we raised two kids who want to save the planet.



Grace (Haverford '15) was a geology major who received on ORISE fellowship at the EPA and is now in her 3rd year of a PhD program in Microbiology at Oregon State. She is studying the bacteria

that associate with corals with an eye towards controlling the spread and severity of coral diseases, which are exacerbated by climate change. She identified a previously unknown genus of coral and sponge parasites (which she aptly named *Marinoinvertebrata*) and has published several scientific papers (so she can't change her name!). She has spent months on the French research vessel Tara, conducting fieldwork on SCUBA in the Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, Taiwan, Hawaii, and Mo'orea.

MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!

Your 40th Reunion

June 18-21, 2020

David ("Nature Dave" '17) graduated with high honors in Biology and within a week of graduation

had gone with his own boys to the Grant and then to his first job as Resident Naturalist at the Alliance for a Sustainable Amazon's Fincas las Piedras research station in southeastern Peru. After six months in the rain forest, he



moved to the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute, measuring forest loss using geospatial data, and is now a data manager at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center working on a team that is synthesizing data on the amount of carbon stored in coastal wetlands across the world.

In his spare time he is a journalist for <u>Mongabay</u> and produces videos for Wildlands Studies and the Smithsonian. He is applying to PhD programs in biology and a Masters program in journalism. You should check out his

blog: https://natureinparadise.com/



Anne V. McCune celebrated Dartmouth's 250 years at the greenlighting of Niagara Falls on January 12.

Give a Rouse For:

DR. GERRY COX US DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Gerry Cox '79 has been appointed Deputy Under Secretary for Health in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Gerry is responsible for leading the VA's national policies and programs for health care quality improvement, patient safety, credentialing and privileging, risk management, medicolegal affairs, regulatory compliance, ethics, audit, and investigation, and related areas. The Veterans health system is the largest in the U.S., comprising over 160 medical centers and more than 800 outpatient facilities. Board certified in emergency medicine, preventive medicine, and health care administration, Gerry joined the Veterans Health Administration's leadership team in January 2014 after serving more than 30 years on active duty in the U.S. Navy as a physician and health care executive.

At Dartmouth, Gerry majored in Biology and was a familiar voice on WDCR. He and his wife Catherine live in Arlington, Virginia. His son Alex (Harvard '16) lives and works in Boston for the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, where he manages the Transit Grant Program that distributes funds throughout the Commonwealth that provide public transportation for senior citizens and people with disabilities. Daughter Caroline is a sophomore at the College of William and Mary, where she's double majoring in Neuroscience and German Studies.

MY DPCS EXPERIENCE: LUCIA CABALLERO FROM BEN RILEY

My name is Lucía Caballero and I am a '19, a current senior at Dartmouth and a double major in Government and Geography. I spent the summer of 2018 working as a research intern for *Accountability Counsel*, a human rights non-profit in San Francisco that focuses on giving a voice to marginalized communities around the world. *Accountability Counsel* provides legal and investigative support to communities through the process of filing complaints using non-judicial grievance mechanisms against development financial institutions (DFIs) that have wronged them. My role involved providing support to these cases as a researcher by analyzing data and building reports to help build the arguments for the case. I really enjoyed living in the Bay Area and learning from the highly-passionate, highly-intelligent lawyers and researchers at *Accountability Counsel*.

This past month, I traveled to Cúcuta, Colombia to conduct fieldwork for my senior honors thesis in Geography. I am studying migration trends there and the cultural and demographic shifts that have happened as a result of the recent influx of Venezuelan refugees into Colombia.

After Dartmouth, I plan on working as a legal assistant for a couple of years before attending law school. I am eternally grateful for the support given to the DCSI interns program, that gave me the ability to engage in these incredible opportunities.

COMMUNITY SERVICE & LEADERSHIP IN CHINA FROM CINDY CALDER





My son, Tim Calder, Dartmouth '10, lives in Beijing where he moved without a job after he had spent 18 months as a Princeton In Asia (PIA) fellow. Looking for a way to combine his wonderful experience on the Dartmouth squash team and to focus on a family priority, he founded an urban squash program in Beijing. This program called Yue Club is dedicated to helping local Chinese children enrich their lives through extracurricular activities and character skill development. Most of the students who join his program have never learned what volunteering is, let alone engage in service. So, in a Community Service and Leadership class that Tim has developed, he introduces these concepts and provides examples of what effective community service looks like, bringing speakers from local organizations to encourage students to join their activities. I'm so proud of his accomplishments- way on the other side of the girdled earth.

ICELAND AND PRAGUE, WITH PROGENY FROM JOHN GILBERTSON AND KATHRYN HARPER

In December 2018, while Kathryn was visiting Prague in the Czech Republic, our daughter Carter and I traveled to Iceland. Our many adventures included kayaking in Siglufjordur along the north coast, about a 6-hour drive from Reykjavik, and a stop at the Blue Lagoon, a geothermal hot spring located near Keflavik Airport. Iceland is an idyllic island country with amazing history, culture and geology, worth visiting during any season. Kathryn reports that Prague is also wonderful.



MEANINGFUL MENTORING FROM GINA BARRECA

Rather than choosing one from among hundreds of young people she has mentored during her career, Gina Barreca offers her general perspective on mentoring The Next Generation:

Mentoring advice? What can we do to help young people? After 31 years of teaching at UConn and speaking at colleges and universities around the country, here's what I know: Students perform better if they do something else in addition to being a student.

Want to help a child in your life succeed in high school, college and beyond? Make sure that kid has a job. Not an unpaid internship. Not a volunteer position. Not a 3-week trip to an exotic but depressed locale where he or she will be inoculated against the pervasive geopolitical and historical debasement of third-world nations and believe that if only "they" had organic farms and dental floss everything would be cool. No, insist that kid gets a paying job.

You might have one of those yourself, but resist the impulse, however slight, to find him or her work at the same establishment. Sure, it'll save on gas, but think how much more you'll be spending on therapy later.

Make it clear that your child needs to earn actual U.S. currency by getting a paycheck based on an honest wage after passing through the rigorous process of finding employment—preferably not secured through a friend or family member--and proving themselves worthy of keeping that position. They will learn about taxes and social security. They can open a checking account in their own name and have a certain amount of autonomy over spending what they earn. They will learn what things cost by purchasing them with their own dough.

How will these practices make them better? They'll wake up at a scheduled time and get their acts together in order to show up for work before their shift begins while wearing neither clothes nor an expression that looks as if it's just emerged from a laundry mangle. They'll learn

that they're not the only important people in the room and that the world isn't intrigued by their drama. They'll learn cooperation, teamwork, time-management and what it's like to fall asleep as soon as your head hits the pillow at the end of a long day.

They'll learn new tasks and skills and, if they don't learn them quickly or efficiently enough, they'll either fail or they'll try harder. It isn't necessary to pay a university \$63,000 in tuition for the lesson of humility. Pizza Hut will teach it to them for free.

Why are students who have experience working outside academic settings often more impressive than those who've been insulated, cosseted and pampered? They've learned how to focus their time and efforts on a variety of tasks. They're adept at self-discipline and self-reliance. They take responsibility for their own actions and they're not as self-indulgent, self-obsessed and self-satisfied. Young people who have held jobs are better students because they know they can't do everything at the last minute, all at once, or erratically. They wouldn't expect to get paid for showing up every day without doing anything of value and yet some of their more spoiled counterparts, shockingly enough, actually believe the should get a "pass" in a course simply because they showed up for every class.

Their academic lives will improve from having a job even as they have to study. Their characters will benefit. They'll whine less, make fewer excuses and not expect something for nothing—like, for example, expecting an acceptable grade for unacceptable work, a contract for the first draft of their first screenplay, or a first-class seat on the fame plane.

Give your children a gift: Encourage them to get a job--and keep working.

THE MENTOR GETS MENTORED FROM MARK TOMALONIS

For the past ten years, my wife (Kathy) and I have run a small, business-to-business, "SaaS" ("Software as a Service") company. We have no employees. We are under-resourced and starved for an outside perspective on our business challenges, mostly relating to business development and marketing. (Neither of us has a marketing background.)

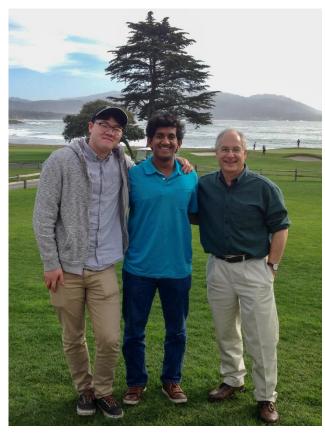
Seeking short-term help, I decided to take advantage of the "Dartmouth Externship Program", sponsored by the Center for Professional Development (https://sites.dartmouth.edu/cpd/) and the Office of Alumni Relations. Through this program, a business can host an undergraduate during the month of December (between the fall and winter terms) in one of three ways: "job shadow," "career day," or "paid project." I opted for "paid project." Actually about ten projects, assigned to two undergraduates: Derek Bai '21 and Suraj Srivats '22.

As of this writing (late December), Derek and Suraj have nearly completed their assigned projects, including content translation (from English to Spanish and French), target marketing contact expansion, direct-mail printing services research, and analysis and interpretation of a recent client survey.

The unique aspect of my hosting two undergraduates is that, until this week, I had never met either of them. Derek lives about two hours north of me by car and Suraj lives about six hours south of me. Both of them have been working from their homes, and all communication among us has been via phone, email and web conferences. Yes, the opportunity to mentor remotely is limited. Still, their questions about their assignments gave me plenty of chances to provide insight into running a small business.

I'm old school. To me, there is not a better method of communication than a face-to-face meeting. Thus, I arranged to meet with Derek and Suraj over lunch, where I live.

During our lunch get-together, we discussed the typical subjects of career paths, how I got to be



Derek Bai, Suraj Srivats & Mark Tomalonis (I-r)

where I am today, and the art of negotiation. Ample opportunities to share my hard-earned wisdom. Just like a mentor should.

Then the conversation turned to the marketing projects that they were working on. That's when I got mentored by two social-media savvy undergrads. It just so happens that my customer base is increasingly millennials and younger. And every previous marketing effort that I had executed had fallen flat with that audience. Over lunch, I learned why. "Too many words." "No social media effort." I won't get into the details here, but Derek's and Suraj's feedback opened my eyes. I have now hired a digital marketing consultant, and I'm in the process of paring down my marketing content.

Hosting Derek and Suraj this month has been a wonderful experience for my small business and for me personally. I recommend participating in the "Dartmouth Externship Program." I surely will next year. I need more mentoring.

Touring Religious Sites In India From Ben Riley

In November, Janet and I spent an amazing three weeks traveling to nine different places in India -- an incredible land! Highlights include seeing Mother Teresa's tomb and mission in Kolkata (and meeting her successor), riding and seeing lots of elephants, the raj palaces of Jaipur, Gandhi sites in Delhi, and the beautiful southern waterways of Kerala. The trip was organized and led by a Salesian priest friend. He's Indian, from Kerala, but now serves in the Bay Area. He also has a Ph.D. in comparative religion from Berkeley, so he had an amazing perspective and along with the local guides kept everything fun and educational!

Our different stops were organized around important Indian religious sites, including the first place where Buddha preached, the incredibly beautiful mausoleum and Muslim temple at the Taj Majal, both old and very new Sikh and Hindu temples in Delhi, and the spread of Catholicism in Kerala by Saint Thomas in the 2nd century. Highlights included breathtaking experiences in the ancient Hindu city of Varanasi on the Ganges seeing the incredible ceremonies and cremations, and a spectacular weekend in Kerala touring Don Bosco schools and convents and meeting and having dinners with our host's extended family. Then we spent two inspiring days in Bangalore at a mission for homeless kids run by Salesian priests. I sang songs for the kids, priests and families in many locations, adapting the words to This Land Is Your Land and He's Got The Whole World In His Hands for India and our trip. Such fun! I was so inspired by one student assembly of 1200 screaming students that I wrote a school song for them. They're planning on singing it at a school day in February, and if so I'll post it on Facebook.

Such a fantastic trip, particularly given the mixture between interesting cultural and religious sites, family time with Father George, and beautiful relaxing time in the tropical inland waterways. I'd highly recommend a trip to India and would be happy to talk to anyone contemplating a visit.





Around The Girdled Earth... BEIRUT & DUBAI FROM CHARLES LAUBACH





On January 25, 2016, I attended the inauguration of Dr. Fadlo Khuri as the President of the American University in Beirut on behalf of Dartmouth. This worked out beautifully, since my wife is an AUB grad who still has family in Beirut. Dr. Khuri is also a family friend of my Lebanese in-laws. So, the trip was a kind of family reunion. The first is the inauguration ceremony, while the other is me and my wife presenting a certificate on behalf of President Hanlon. When attending these events, you wear the colors of the university that awarded the highest degree that you hold. For me, that is a J.D. from U Penn. So, I represented Dartmouth while wearing my academic regalia from Penn!

The third photograph is me in front of the Burj Al-Arab in Dubai, with the instrument that I used to play in the Barbary Coast. I sent this photo to Don Glasgo when he retired in April last year!



FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE DARTMOUTH 250 CELEBRATION, INCLUDING EVENTS NEAR YOU

GO TO: https://250.dartmouth.edu/

79TH DAY SESTER(&BRETHER)CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

AND... 79th Day MICRO Reunions, like so...

Between March 15 and 17, hold up a green 79 something, say GREEN and get someone to snap away. Send pics and a few words to Adam Samuels <u>ahsamuels@sbcglobal.net</u>. Before you'll know it...a virtual reunion.

MiniRs	Event:	Venue:	R (to this person) SVP:
Hanover	Thu, 3/28, 6:00, Informal; BYO\$	Pine Restaurant, Hanover Inn	David Van Wie, dvanwie.79@att.net 207-272-2482
Boston	Fri, 4/12, 6:00, Cocktails and heavy hors d's	Ed Kania's (cool) house; 175 Brattle Street, Cambridge	Libby Roberts libbyinboston@gmail.com or Ames Abbot AmesAbbot@comcast.net
NYC	Sun, 3/17, 12:00, Brunch, BYOB (take a train; parking stinks)	126 State Street (between Henry and Clinton), Brooklyn Heights	Cindy Calder cindyfcalder@gmail.com
North NJ	Fri, 3/15 6:00, Drinks and apps	Stirling Tavern, Morristown	Gail Frawley ggranowitz@aol.com
Philly	Thu, 3/14, 6:00, Drinks/Dinner	PJ Clarke's, 600 Walnut St in the Curtis Building. Parking under the building.	Louisa Guthrie louisaguthrie@gmail.com
Wash, DC	Thu, 3/28, 6:30, Drinks/Dinner	Pi Pizzeria, Penn Qtr, 910 F St, NW	Burr Gray, burrgray@aol.com
Atlanta	Thu, 3/21, 6:30, Cocktails and Dinner (with 78-82s)	Seasons 52, 90 Perimeter Ctr West	SteveD Stephen.dorvee@agg.com 404-873-8680
Cleveland	Thu, 3/21, 6:00, Cocktails	Sara's Place, Gates Mills	Laurie Laidlaw, LaurieLDeacon@eaton.com
Chicago	Sun, 3/17, 4:00-7:00, Chicagoland celebration	Dave Springer's, 1083 Old Colony Rd in Lake Forest	Peter Greulich (petergreulich@comcast.net) or Nancy Wilder (wildfraz@sbcglobal.net)
Colorado	Sun, 4/7, 3-6 w/ 78s & '80s. Pls bring finger food or beverage	Home of Diana "Bug" Lawrence; 15100 Foothill Rd, Golden	Bug: dianalawrence@msn.com or Anna Burack Wilson: annabwilson@gmail.com
Utah	Sat, 3/16, 3-6:00, Ski Deer Valley; apres ski w/ the Mitchells	1249 W Hailstone Dr, Heber City	Billy B Mitchell, whmitchell79@gmail.com 603-996-1420
Santa Fe	Wed, 3/20, 6:00, Drinks	Bourbon Grill, 104 Old Las Vegas Hwy	Stacy Quinn, ssquinn1072@gmail.com
Seattle	Fri, 4/5, 5:00, Grog and grub, feat. drink: The Dude, F'ing A	The Octopus Bar, 2109 N 45 th 98103!	Margot Barker <u>margotbarker 98@yahoo.com</u> or Carol Shaw <u>shawcanderson@gmail.com</u> (hipsters, both)
NorCal	Thu, 3/21 6:00, Bowling and Bar/Grill Fun on the Peninsula	Bel Mateo Bowl (San Mateo) and McGraw's Bar & Grill (Belmont)	Paul Krupka <u>pkrupka56@me.com</u> Laura Robertson <u>laura_robertson@sbcglobal.net</u>
SoCal	Wed, 3/13, 6:00, Beer and food truck grub	Santa Monica Brew Works at 1920 Colorado Ave	Rich Pugh rpugh82857@aol.com, Ted Winterer tedwinterer@gmail.com

RSVP...ASAP!!! For more details and updates, go to http://www.dartmouth.org/classes/79 "Mini Reunions"

To Submit Material For The Spring Newsletter

Our Spring 2019 newsletter theme will be **79s In The Arts**. We have some great talent out there in theater, writing, painting, sculpture and more. Please share a bit about your own work (send a review), about a classmate whose work you admire (write a review), or about your work supporting an arts organization.

Text & photos due April 1, 2019. Send your content to dvanwie.79@dartmouth.edu.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE CASE REDUX AT THE US SUPREME



Classmates gathered at the re-arguing of the Dartmouth College Case before the US Supreme Court in WDC in celebration of the Dartmouth's 250th .

Pictured, 1-r: D'Aga Hill Bowman, Nancy Schwartzman Malmquist, Bill Conway, Ben Riley, Dave Daniels, Provost Joe Helble, Neil Katyal '91, T. Weymouth, Barbara Murphy, Peggy Epstein Tanner.

There will be another re-enactment of the case at the Dartmouth College Case Symposium in Hanover on March 1-2, 2019

79s Supporting The Winter Carnival Snow Sculpture



Buddy Teevens and Guy Van Wie helped with the snow sculpture on the Green on a pleasantly cold Saturday before Carnival.



But record warm weather later in the week has put the project at risk, despite extraordinary efforts by the student crew to maintain progress. At press time, the weather was still uncooperative, with cold weather expected to return on the Saturday of Carnival weekend.

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