

Dartmouth 1979

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Class Newsletter

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BIG GREEN GRATITUDE

to all the DCF DONORS in 2023!

by Ellen Oppenheim and Michio Soga, Head Class Agents

We are so happy to announce that the Class of '79 has again received the Raymond J. Rasenberger 1949 Award for the Highest Number of donors in a non-Reunion class! And, as if that's not good enough, the Class of '79 had **the highest participation of any class—reunion or not—from the '62's on, with an impressive 55.6%!!!**

With your help, our class raised \$786,579, exceeding our goal of \$725,000; with 515 donors!!! So... HUGE GREEN GRATITUDE to all who made their gifts before the June 30 deadline. We are grateful for your participation and dedication to the College on the Hill. With your help, we are collectively making a difference in the lives of today's students.

Special thanks to all our class agents who helped us achieve this goal. Shout-outs go to our dedicated DCF lieutenants: **Andy Heller, Dave Wolff, Billy Mitchell, Laurie Deacon, Peggy Tanner, Jim Feuille, Jim Wasz**, and all the others who smiled and dialed right through the month of June. We cannot do this alone and with your teamwork, we got the job done.

Thank you one and all. You will hear from us again this fall, so in the meantime, Happy Labor Day, be well, and we hope to see you/hear from you soon!

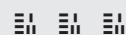
With gratitude,

Ellen & Mich



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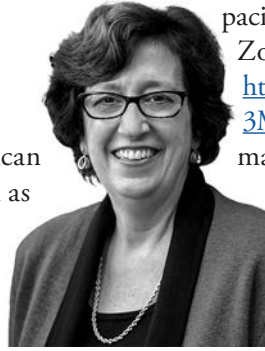


*Editor's Note: For the newsletter titling font, I selected **Orpheus Pro** (released 2011 by Canada Type) with its rich OpenType functionality of ligature, alternate, swash and fusion characters (1,000+ glyphs). For the paired text font, I chose the elegant **Adobe Garamond Pro** (1989) that also has the full OpenType's advanced typographic InDesign capability. For the end marks, **Ascetica** (2022) font's ornaments provided a fresh geometric addition, a font designed by Fabio Ares, Typography Chair at La Plata National University, Argentina. The cover design was developed with help of **Filter Forge** photographic filters. ©*

UPCOMING CLASS EVENTS FOR 1979

CONVERSATIONS. CONVIVIAL. CONNECTIONS. CONTAGIOUS.

September 27, 2023 SAVE THE DATE!
NEXT SITTING ON THE '79 FENCE/COR SESSION: We will hold a joint Sitting on the '79 Fence and Committee on Race Session, featuring our own **Martha Pollack '79!** Martha is an American computer scientist who since April 2017 has served as the President of Cornell University. Previously, she served as the Provost for academic affairs of the University of Michigan. More details will follow by class email but the session will start at 5 pm



pacific, 8 pm eastern and will be by Zoom. Here's the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82067499886?pwd=WGo3Mm9tUmRJUkZSd0VOaDdQbDQ3dz09> Please

mark you calendar and plan to join us for this very timely and interesting Sitting on the '79 Fence/COR conversation with President Pollack!

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Gail Frawley Patterson, granowitz@aol.com

FALL MINI-REUNION SCHEDULE 1979

It's late September and I really should be back at school! Well we have just the days for you to consider. While we are still ironing out the away game mini-reunion schedule, we can announce the likely home field min-reunion solution. We will again be partnering with the Sponsors Recruiting Program and Friends of Dartmouth Football to host pre and post-game receptions for 79s visiting Hanover to take in all but the Homecoming game against Columbia on October 21st.

The Home game schedule is:

- **September 23rd Lehigh**
- **October 3rd Yale**
- **October 21st Columbia (Homecoming)**
- **November 4th Princeton**
- **November 11th Cornell**

The first two and last two games will have receptions hosted in the Tent on the northwest side of Memorial Field, generally starting two hours before game time. Game is customarily 1:30^{pm} but TV slots push this around some, in fact, one of these games may be moved to Friday night so stay informed. When attending these receptions please bring \$10 per classmate, plus \$10 for as many guests as you bring to the Tent entrance. Leave your name on the check-in sheet, grab a name tag and enjoy the food and beverages. The Class will add \$20 for every classmate attending these receptions to aid the programs. We will confirm this via email and likely a postcard in mid September.

The Columbia game (October 21) will involve a full Homecoming Weekend schedule (starting Friday, the 20th) and a tailgate in the traditional 79 spot between Sphinx and AD. That schedule will be announced separately later this month.

As a new feature this year, we have purchased 5 season tickets for classmates to use as Dartmouth has set a new record in season ticket sales. Our 5 tickets honor our #5 **Buddy**

Teevens. If you would like to use one (or possibly two) of the tickets for one of the games please email **Adam Samuels** (ahsamuels@gmail.com). He will decide on the Wednesday before what classmates will get to use the tickets by a first come first served/no duplicates approach.

The Harvard game on the last weekend in October will also likely have a tailgate. Keep your eyes open for the Mini-reunion postcard delivered to you later in September for the full schedule of Minis. We will also post updates to the schedule on the class Facebook page (including the recipients of the game tickets) so you can keep an eye out for them.

March 19, 2024 • Tuesday 79th Day of 2024 & Vernal Equinox

June 19-22, 2025 • Our 45th Reunion in Hanover, NH.

June 8-12, 2029 • Our 50th Reunion!! Future members of Dartmouth 2029, who'll graduate during our 50th Reunion, are 16 years and rising HS juniors!! They'll graduate from Dartmouth in just SIX (6) years! **OMG!!!** Will you be interviewing a future member of Dartmouth's Class of 2029?



Ted "Scotty" Wills together with William Shatner (Captain James Tiberius Kirk) at an event earlier this year in Houston, Texas. While a shield of plexiglass separated these two, we suspect it was actually [transparent aluminum](#). 🛡️

June 12-15, 2034 •
Our 55th Reunion.

Sept., 2054 • Our 75th and Last 1979 Class Reunion. Classmates attending will be 97! Plan to be there! ☺

OUR CLASSMATE STEWARDSHIP

Connecting 1979 with Handwritten Care “Just Because”

by Mark Winkler, Newsletter Editor

Acting on her idea in 2004, **Peggy Epstein Tanner** helped create our innovative Class Steward position. We had always asked classmates to support Dartmouth financially. “However,” Peggy writes, “why were we only reaching out to make an ‘ask?’” Class Stewards are another way to connect with classmates as family. I asked our current Stewards, **Margo Squire** and **Gail Frawley Patterson**, to tell about what they do.

Where are you right now?

Gail: New Jersey and the Eastern Shore of Maryland. **Margo:** On the St. Croix River outside Minneapolis.

What does a Class Steward do?

M: Gail and I send notes to classmates—sending congratulations when something good happens to them or condolences when they hit challenges. From time to time, we also send messages to classmates “just because” to let them know we are thinking of them.

G: We write (hand-written) notes to classmates for all sorts of reasons: condolence, congratulations, support, empathy and just “because.” We express—on behalf of the Class of ’79—our ongoing relationship with classmates.

How did you get involved?

G: I think we talked to the former Class Stewards, and then Margo

and I thought it would be great to do together!

M: I think **Adam Samuels** reached out to ask if I would be interested in being a Class Steward, and it sounded like a good way to help the class, reconnect with classmates, and meet new ones. And how could I say “no” to Adam and my co-Steward, Gail Frawley Patterson???

What has been the most fun or satisfying part about your job?

M: Letters of congratulations are always fun to write. A couple stand out: a message to a classmate who won an honorary college degree and to another classmate who was awarded for outstanding service to their city. A particularly fun note was to two classmates who had met at Dartmouth and have been married to each other for 40 years!

G: I wrote to a classmate “just because” and we started a dialogue; this person had not been involved with the Class for years, but that personal touch allowed us to reconnect and find common ground!

M: And it is the greatest joy to receive messages back. In one case I reconnected with a classmate I haven’t seen in over 30 years, and we followed up with a long phone call to catch up.

What has been the hardest part about your job?

M: For me, the hardest messages to write are to family members and loved ones of classmates that have died. If it is someone I didn’t know, I will wait until **Ben Riley** has written the class eulogy so that I have a better feeling for our deceased classmate. His memorial messages are so beautiful that I inevitably wish that I HAD known this person and feel sad that I missed an opportunity.

G: It’s always hard to write to a classmate (or family) when there is a death. There are no perfect words or “just right” things to say to ease suffering, but sometimes just being present is enough. When **Penny Breed** died, I wrote to her mom and just decided to tell a story of one day Penny and I spent together up in Lyme. The memory was sweet and I’ve kept it all these years, so I just shared that with her Mom, knowing that it would not take away the pain of losing a daughter, but might bring some joy to know that someone else held a dear memory of Penny.

How have you shared the workload?

M: Gail and I divide the notes. The



Margo Squire

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—Gail Frawley Patterson

"Inevitably wish that I HAD known this person and feel sad that I missed an opportunity."

—Margo Squire

one of us that knows the recipient best will generally write that note.

G: Margo and I are actually the same person...no just kidding. Seriously, we just divide up the notes and get to it.

When you're not doing the Class Steward job, what's your day work?

M: I am retired and actively volunteer in my community. I research, develop, and lead art history tours at two Minneapolis Art Museums and do a fair amount of public speaking on foreign affairs topics (like Russia's awful war in Ukraine).

G: I am an MD (Anesthesiologist) still practicing, although I am going to retire from Clinical Medicine next year. I have already re-established an art gallery (Spiralis Gallery) that I started in 2011 but could not continue with due to a demanding clinical practice. We represent Afro Caribbean artists, and are



Gail Frawley Patterson

working to establish a platform to amplify the voices of some artists that haven't been as included in the lexicon of the art world.

M: I walk every day and engage in various outdoor activities—currently kayaking, swimming and playing golf, and skiing in the winter.

What did you do at Dartmouth?

G: So many wonderful/challenging/growth-inducing/sometimes painful experiences....! And it seems soooo long ago...I can't possibly choose!! I would say, though, that Prof. Rassias classes and my experience with the French department and LSA were some of my happiest times.

M: I was a Russian major, studied in Leningrad, and was a Russian drill instructor under the Rassias language program for a number of terms. I also took a lot of art history courses, was a member of the marching band, a tutor, and was a big sister to a Hanover child.

G: Honestly, the friends I made at Dartmouth (the Gal Pals) have carried me through my entire life, and I am deeply and most grateful for that.

M: I will forever be grateful to Dartmouth for the friends I made for life, starting my first day in Hanover on my freshman trip and my first roommates.

Retiring at our 45th Class Reunion, what advice do you have for classmates who might want become Class Stewards in 2025?

M: I recommend being a steward as an excellent way to become

involved in the class and meet other classmates. Plus, as a member of the class officers, you will learn about issues that affect our college.

G: There is so much that can be done with this job, I would encourage anyone interested to just think of ways to connect our Class. Margo and I have tried to use this office to just reach out to people we didn't know and offer a simple Hello, and a link to our Class.

Do you have any final wisdoms?

G: Being on the cusp of retiring allows me to reflect on all that's happened in my career, and how I might sustain the feeling of being fulfilled and proud of my work once I retire. It's an opportunity to craft a new path, with new goals and dreams. I have come to believe that we really are all the same humans—with the same hopes/dreams/fears. My life-long passion for art has allowed me to see how it can connect us through all kinds of barriers and obstacles, and how art can start a human conversation, which is how all change in the world starts.

M: I ask everyone to please contact Gail gail@spiralisgallery.com or me margosquire@usa.net when you think a classmate would like a message from the class. ☺

DARTMOUTH CLASS OF 1979 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND GOALS

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2022-2023



Gail Patterson



Margo Squire



Pat Pannell



Janie Hamner



Mark Winkler



Maurice Simmons



Phil Odence



Bill Mitchell

Co-Class-Stewards sent 18 notes this year: 2 of congratulations and 16 condolences, which can be broken down into 5 deaths of classmates, 6 health-related, and 5 illness or deaths of classmates' relatives.

Outreach: • ZOOM LSA reunion (Oct.) • Supported football tailgates attendance by contacting local classmates. • Roundup dinner with 16 women attending 50 Years of Coeducation weekend (Nov.) • ZOOM holiday party (Dec.) • Handwritten notes sent to 400+ classmates we've not been able to reach otherwise. • Supported 79th day in-person & online activities. • Engaged classmates on Instagram (now 122 members). • Created YouTube slide shows of classmate photos.

Class Secretary: Six articles submitted to the Class Notes section of the Dartmouth Alumni Magazine.

Class Newsletter: Published 4 newsletters with 80 content pages. Each issue had a special design theme: Sept=Medieval parchment manuscript; Dec=2001: A Space Odyssey; Feb=Swiss International; May=King's Coronation & London Tube.

Mini-Reunions: • Eight fall mini-reunions, including a multi-event Homecoming weekend. • Eleven in-person and one ZOOM 79th day mini-reunions, with almost 100 attendees • 48 79th day micro-selfies.

Webmaster: • Updated Class History pages to reflect activities from 1980-90 • Completed manuals to document the process of sending all-class emails and newsletters,

GOALS 2023-2024

Our goal is to reach more classmates by better publicizing our service to all classmates. The upcoming article in this class newsletter should be a good start.

- Confirming and updating classmate contact information.
- Preparing to reach each and every classmate in anticipation of our 45th reunion in 2025.
- Building a team to support classmate outreach

Write six articles and submit to the Class Notes section of the Dartmouth Alumni Magazine.

Publish 4 newsletters (Sept, Dec, Feb, May). Recruit contributing editors for one time or ongoing feature articles. Publish a 5th special, full-color issue featuring **A History of the Dartmouth Class of 1979 in 79 Objects**.

- Look for upcoming email detailing Fall mini-reunion events and goals. • 12 Spring mini-reunion events with 100 total attendees (in-person and online). • 79 participants in 79th Day micro-reunion activities.
- Solicit email addresses from 200 classmates missing records via a postal mailing
- Update Class History pages to include activities from 1990-95
- Complete manuals to document the process of posting obituaries and YouTube videos
- Take responsibility for SmugMug image management and posting.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2022-2023



Adam Samuels

President: • Wrote and responded to hundreds of emails among classmates & Dartmouth staff • Conducted 12 monthly executive committee meetings • Supported committee member efforts in producing gatherings, newsletters and online communications • Compiled, prepared and submitted annual Class Activity Report.



Ben Riley

Class Historian: Obituaries posted (email, website, Alumni Mag.) for **Doug Canning, Karen Brownsberger Gordon, Penny Breed, Bob Foster, Kellen Haak**, Coordinated memorial book donations with Baker Library

Sitting on the '79 Fence: Hosted two events:

- **Katy VanDusen** – 31 live & 37 YouTube attendees
- **Lee Jones** – 35 live & 123 YouTube attendees

Committee on Race: ZOOM event on Understanding Gender Identity with 18 attendees • Multi-event weekend in Boston exploring Black History in the city with 27 attendees.



Bruce Jackman III



Curtis Rooks



Stan Weil

Class Project: • Since 2001, 77 classmates have mentored 113 student interns. • Six classmates served as mentors (including one first-timer) this year. • Three classmates sat on DPCS Advisory Board. • Two classmates served as officers on DPCS Executive Committee. • Class contributed \$21,000, reflecting donations of \$15,905 from more than 400 classmates, • Letter of recognition from Scott Brown, Dean of the College, for our leadership gift of \$21,000 to the Division of Student Affairs.

Class Treasurer: • 413 classmates paid dues this year. • Our goal was 495, or 47%.



Tom Ewing

Dartmouth College Fund: • 515 donor (55.6% of classmates) donated to DCF • \$786,579 raised (exceeding goal of \$725,000)



Ellen Oppenheim



Michio Soga

DCF Gift Planning: 44 Bartlett Tower Society members as of June '23.

- This is an increase of 0 over the prior year.
- Our goal was to add 7 new members.



Laurie Deacon



Nancy Malmquist

GOALS 2023-2024

• Identify and appoint co-chairs for 45th reunion • Support and empower committee members in expanding our outreach and contact with classmates • Expand the number of classmates volunteering to support a record-breaking reunion in June 2025.

• Provide obituaries and related activities as needed. Update Class History page to reflect FY22-23.

Host three Sitting on the '79 Fence events.

• Joint event with Sitting on the '79 Fence
• In person gathering – cities of interest: Los Angeles, CA and Montgomery, AL

• Bring more first-time mentors into DPCS using a more innovative and personalized communications approach. Recruit past '79 mentors to reach out to small, targeted lists of friends they deem approachable. • Write a one-page Newsletter article to accompany a Q&A matrix featuring students who have been through the DPCS program and their experiences. Reach out to the other 15 sponsoring classes to find out what they are doing successfully.

• 50% of classmates pay dues. • Lower dues pay process cost. • Create campaign for soliciting for Class Project. • Develop long term budget strategy with Exec. Comm. • Create an 'honor roll' on '79 website showing payers (current & past)

Goals to be announced later this fall – thank you and stay tuned!

• Add 7 new members in FY23-24 • Add 9 new members in FY24-25. • This would get us to 60 BTS members by our 45th Reunion. These are Stretch Goals but we think we can do it!

HAL RIPLEY SOCIETY '79

Giving to Dartmouth every year since 1979

by Bill Mitchell '79

The Hal Ripley Society recognizes classmates who have made a gift to the Dartmouth College Fund every year since graduation. This year the Partycipatory '79s finished the year with 147 Hal Ripley members. We have more Hal Ripley members than any other class that graduated before 2000 and the next closest class behind us has 125.

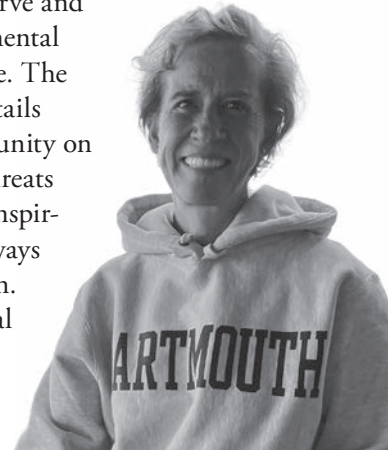
Every year we have some fun as Hal Ripleyites. We give away 4 hoodies; two in the fall and two in the spring courtesy of an anonymous donor. Winners must agree to produce a picture wearing the hoodie and a little update of what they have been up to. The spring winners are drawn from the pool of Hal Ripleyites that have made Sustaining Gifts (like \$19.79 per quarter which equals \$79 for the year...they give more when they can/ the spirit moves them but this keeps the streak going) and then one when all 147 have a shot.

Diana "Bug" Lawrence won the Powerball drawing. Here's her update and pic:

"Hello '79s! I'm now retired from start-ups and small companies (mostly tech) and live in beautiful Golden, Colorado. I'm also writing you from the southern

Adirondacks of upstate NY where I spend my Summers living off the grid in a boat-access-only house.

"This region is the focus of my volunteer work where I'm on the Board of a large forest preserve and Chair of its environmental protection committee. The committee's work entails educating the community on the environmental threats the woods face and inspiring people to act in ways that will protect them. Aquatic and terrestrial invasive species are a big focus.



"I've also been pulled unwittingly into very personal fights for justice – justice for my brother, Chris, in Connecticut who suffered a severe spinal cord injury 21 months ago and has no family but me. Miraculously, he recently stood for the first time gripping a walker! He's my hero. And justice for my husband, Todd, whose story can be found on YouTube (see "Gold King Mine Spill New Civil Liberties Alliance"). He's my other hero.

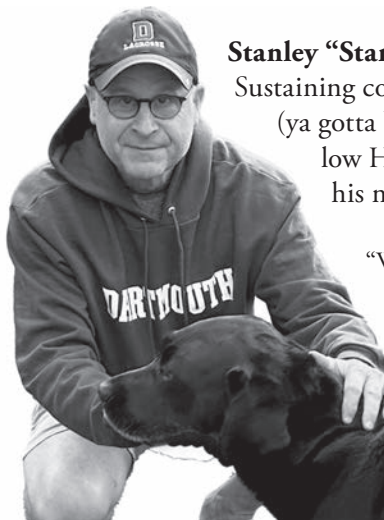
"I'm grateful to Dartmouth for helping me to build a full and productive life...and for all of you—the incredible classmates I met there.—you're my heroes too!"

—Diana "Bug" Lawrence

"Cheers, folks: I can't wait to see many of you at our 45th Reunion in 2025!"

—Stanley "Stann-o" Weil

"I'm grateful to Dartmouth for helping me to build a full and productive life, including weathering its surprises, and for all of you—the incredible classmates I met there —you're my heroes too!"



Stanley "Stann-o" Weil won the Sustaining contributor drawing (ya gotta be in it to win it fellow Hal Ripleyites) . Here's his missive:

"Wait, what? I won a Dartmouth hoodie in the Hal Ripley spring raffle? Sweet!! Can't wait to wear it proudly when it's no longer 95 degrees in the shade here in Mount Kisco, NY!

I'll start with the sad news, which is that my dear mother, Peggy Weil, died on March 11 at the age of 91 in the Manhattan apartment where I was raised. Since mom's physical and mental decline began in 2015, the focus of my retirement life (other than my ongoing voluntary service as a class officer) involved all aspects of her care. I take solace knowing she is finally at peace. Now the good news. I am

blessed with great friends from the seminal periods of my life, including summer camp in Maine from the ages of ten to fifteen, twelve years at Manhattan's Collegiate School, and my four years as a '79, of course. I have three devoted children, living and working in NYC, who always make me proud: Zach (34) is getting married to a woman whose only failure is having been raised a Boston Red Sox fan; Aubrey (32), who is due to bless me with my first grandchild (a baby girl!) in January; and Jake '15, whose best Dartmouth girl friend became his girlfriend in 2022. And finally, I am back to playing tennis and golf after rehabbing from a handful of hip and back surgeries. Cheers, folks; I can't wait to see many of you at our 45th Reunion in 2025!"

Thanks to all the Hal Ripleyites for their fantastic long term support of the College's undergraduates, over 6,500 separate contributions since graduation. ☺

ADOPTED CLASSMATES OF 1979

a history of who's been adopted *and* our newest member
by *Billy Mitchell '79*

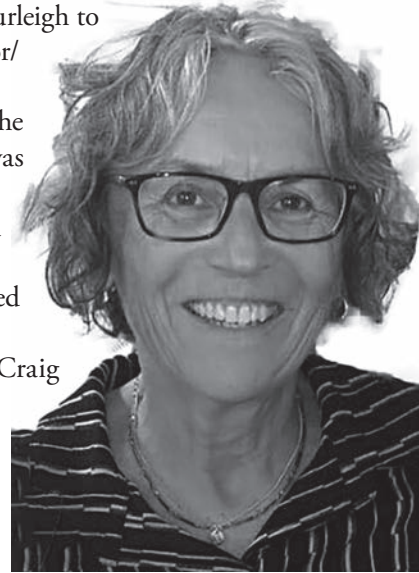
The College permits classes to “Adopt” people and provides adoptees the “79a” designation at College events and in correspondence following formal adoption.

Historically the '79 President had broad latitude in determining individuals to be designated as Adopted. Over the past 43 years our Class Presidents have increasingly sought the counsel and support of the Executive Committee in evaluating the rationale for adoption of an individual. Approximately 10 years ago the Class adopted (sic) the following guidelines for adopting a classmate:

- Long term service and support of Dartmouth College
- Unique or uncommon contributions to Dartmouth/Class of '79 which are not typical of “peers”
- An association with 79s and a high level of familiarity with numerous classmates
- A spirit for Dartmouth and camaraderie with classmates this is '79ish: friendly, committed, unique

A full list of our adopted classmates can be found at the [class website on the About Us tab](#). 1979.dartmouth.org Here are some excerpts:

Ann Craig Hanson – was adopted (our first) in June 1984 at our Fifth reunion. Ann joined Dartmouth in the Summer of 1977 and jumped into helping our Summer Council, meeting many classmates. She later assisted the women in the class convert Cameron Burleigh to a living quarters for Junior/Senior women. She also served as the advisor for the Green Key Society. She was adopted at our Fifth reunion and presented with an “adoption” certificate, written in Latin and signed by all sober classmates at the class meeting. Dean Craig wrote: “[I] proudly displayed it at Middlebury in my office [as Director of Admissions!—ed] for over 25 years!”



Ann Craig Hanson '79a

Laura Mackey and **Lisa Magagnini-Narciso** were transfer students during our Summer 1977 term. Adopted during the Burr Gray administration we have been unable to contact them since. Perhaps President Gray can provide insight some day over what led to their adoption. ;-)

David Celone and **Victoria Riley** were our Dartmouth College Fund “handlers” from the mid 1990s to 2014. Vicki wrote: “Working with

Ann Craig Hanson "...was adopted at our Fifth reunion and presented with an "adoption" certificate, written in Latin and signed by all sober classmates at the class meeting. Dean Craig proudly displayed it at Middlebury in her office as Director of Admissions(!) for over 25 years!"

"Kirstin Teevens has had an enormously positive impact on literally hundreds of Dartmouth undergraduates and dare we estimate thousands of alums during her time in Hanover over the decades."

the class of 1979 was a privilege and my 'adoption' was a deep honor. Thanks to a dynamic fundraising team including Head Agent **Peggy Epstein Tanner** and Participation Chair **Dave Philhower**, 1979 consistently won the Rathensberger award, setting participation records and soaring to new heights with revenue and Class of the Year awards. I felt a true bond with 1979 Class members and I believe that bond led to the dedication that brought my honorary class membership."

Coaches **Bob Whalen** and **Chris Wielgus** are two of Dartmouth's winningest Coaches. They were adopted for reasons including their outstanding leadership and sportsmanship qualities that 79s seek to emulate...and the lifetime records in wins made the 79s the logical class to adopt them.

Tracy Dustin Eichler ran Dartmouth Partners in Community Service (DPCS) from 2003 to 2017 when she was promoted to lead the Tucker Foundation/Center for Social Impact. During this period she met many 79 Class Officers and DPCS mentors. Her innovative "cohort program" thinking enabled DPCS to expand internships by nearly 50% annually.

Additionally the class has adopted individuals **Bray Mitchell** (2009) **Bob Chamberlin** (2016) and **Vicki Philhower** (2020) for their engagement with many 79s through the years. Bray

hosted countless 79 events before, during and after her 20 year run in Hanover involving classmates and their children alike. Bob has been the cook for the College Grant Confluence crew for decades. Vicki Philhower's support of our classmate fundraiser and connector extraordinaire **Dave Philhower** enabled him to reach literally hundreds of classmates.

So why all this background about Adopted Classmates? Our Class Executive Committee is

pleased to announce our newest adopted classmate, **Kirstin Teevens**. Kirstin has had an enormously positive impact on literally hundreds of Dartmouth undergraduates and dare we estimate thousands of alums during her time in Hanover over the decades. She has hosted 79 reunion events and taken in vagabond classmates through the years. Kirstin exemplifies the characteristics of an adopted 79 classmate: friendly, committed and unique.

Please join us in welcoming Kirstin with the traditional handshake, 79 long-distance hugs. ☺



Kirstin Teevens '79a



✪ African American Experience in Boston, Massachusetts, May 6-7, 2023

by Eleanor Shannon, Bruce Jackman and the COR Committee

The intention for the Boston Weekend was to delve into history for a deeper understanding of race and the effects of racial hierarchy.

On Saturday, Kerri Greenidge and Kendra Field, both professors of history at Tufts and founders of the African American Trail project, guided 29 of us—classmates and guests—on site visits to the African Meeting house on Beacon Hill and to the Royall House and Slave Quarters in Medford, ten



African Meeting House on Beacon Hill

miles north. They kept us riveted with startling new perspectives that disrupted usual historical narratives. Traveling in the bus, we heard the story of William Monroe Trotter, an activist born in 1872, who attended Harvard, made a fortune in real estate, founded a Black newspaper called *The Guardian*, and became a radical activist and national leader in the fight for equal rights and anti-lynching legislation (only passed in 2021).

The Director of the Royall House, Kyera Singleton, also gave us an extraordinary private tour. Not many of us knew that one of America's largest slaveholding plantations was in Med-

ford or how deeply the economy of Boston was entangled with slavery.

On Sunday, we visited the Museum of Fine Arts exhibit of pottery made by enslaved people in South Carolina. Entitled "Hear Me Now," the central features were enormous pots for holding foodstuffs that had been inscribed by David Drake, an enslaved man. After he was sold and separated from his wife and children, he demanded to be heard, writing: "I wonder where is all my relations / Friendship to all—and every nation." It was a radical act of resistance since literacy had been declared punishable by death in South Carolina.



The Royall House and Slave Quarters

We were thrilled that participants came not only from Boston, but New York City, Syracuse, and New Hampshire, to name a few. We enjoyed catching up with old friends and making new ones, especially at the Friday evening supper hosted by **Libby Roberts** and the Saturday dinner at Darryl's.

And, huge gratitude to our Boston volunteers, **Libby Roberts, Sarah Leggat, Carol Bates, and Jennifer Hughes**, who contributed in numerous ways and to donors—one, who gave the honoraria for the two Tufts professors, and another who funded the private room at Darryl's. It was a true '79 group effort. ☺

DPCS ANNUAL REPORT 1979

FY 2022-2023

by Stanley Weil

The Class of 1979 continues to be the standard-bearer for Dartmouth Partners in Community Service (DPCS). Through the 2022-23 FY, 77 unique classmates have mentored 113 student-interns since we adopted DPCS as our class project in 2001. Six '79s served as mentors this past FY (including one first-timer), three of our class officers

again sat on the DPCS Advisory Board, two served again as officers on the DPCS Executive Committee, and we reaffirmed our financial leadership among sponsoring classes by increasing our DPCS class gift from \$20k to \$21k, predominantly thanks to the voluntary contributions of more than 400 classmates. In recognition of our leadership gift,

Dean Scott Brown sent us a gratifying note of thanks for our “instrumental support,” stating “We cannot express enough the truly vital impact this has on the lives of our students.” Our goal for the new fiscal year is to raise the bar yet again, both in terms of financial support and mentor participation, through more personal communication strategies. ☺

JOHN H. CURRIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

John Holder Currier '79 TH'81 was a son of Dartmouth in spirit and action. His passing in November 2021 left us deeply saddened, but filled with hope remembering the many moments with him.

John was an engineer and father in addition to being a wonderful friend. To honor his memory, his family wishes to support Thayer School of Engineering students with financial need. The family intends to create a true endowment fund in John's name to serve this purpose.

If you would like to consider a gift in his memory, please contact Thayer's Executive Director of Advancement, Mark Dorgan, at

Mark.W.Dorgan@dartmouth.edu for further information and a copy of the Statement of Purpose which provides the complete terms of the fund.

Donors are responsible for viewing the terms of the fund as presented in the Statement of Purpose.

By making a gift to the fund, you agree that you have read and agree to the terms as contained in the Statement of Purpose dated August 9, 2023. Gifts are permanent, and are subject to the terms of the fund, as they currently exist or as may be amended in the future. ☺



RECENTLY FOUND ON FACEBOOK '79

facebook.com/groups/22531415191

Peggy Epstein Tanner June 26

Go **Harry Sangree!** You make our class proud! Serial entrepreneur Harry Sangree '79 Th'80 introduces aid organizations to the power of crowd-solving to generate innovative solutions to tricky problems: You never know who's going to come up with a great—and doable—idea.

<https://engineering.dartmouth.edu/news/humanitarian-crowd-solving> 📌



Ben Riley June 11

Here's an article from the Dartmouth Commencement issue on our dear Buddy. Required reading for all 79s! What an amazing and wonderful influence Buddy has had on the College and so many around the US!

<https://www.the-dartmouth.com/article/2023/06/buddy-teevens-his-impact-on-football-and-beyond> 📌



Ben Riley June 4

On May 31, we had a wonderful Sitting on the 79 Fence session with Drs. Lee Jones and Cherie Holmes. Lee and Cherie—both preminent MDs—discussed the effects and challenges of the pandemic on medical education and patient treatment, highlighting mental health issues. They also explored medicine's impact on minority and diverse patients. We had a strong turnout with many important questions. Please take the time to watch this compelling program, and become closer to your classmates in the process!

<https://youtu.be/M1z6V-r8aR8> 📌



Jeffrey Boylan, July 4.

Tonight's Jeopardy Daily Double, category: U.S. Festivals. I knew our Dartmouth experience would pay off BIG one day!! 📌

AN ICE SCULPTURE
CONTEST
IS PART OF
WINTER CARNIVAL AT
THIS NORTHERNMOST
IVY LEAGUE SCHOOL

Bill Mitchell July 24.

Getting a few laughs going down Memory Lane with Dean Manuel this morning. So grateful he kept me in school after that Faculty Lounge incident! Valley Terrace, Hanover, NH 📌



Bill Mitchell June 14

Here is a 3-minute video of pictures from the first 5 months of 2023 produced by our digital whiz **Pat Pannell**. Must see. Much fun.

<https://youtu.be/Xfb7xUACTc0> 📌

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-  D79 PARTNERS IN COMMUNITY SERVICE (DPCS) INFO 1979.dartmouth.org
-  D79 WEBSITE 1979.dartmouth.org
-  DARTMOUTH ALUMNI DIRECTORY <https://alumni.dartmouth.edu/connect/find-alumni>

A History of Dartmouth 1979 in 79 Objects

What are the 79 objects—and stories and classmates behind them—that help capture our history? From application to graduation, reunions and the wide-wide world. What objects best reflect our history together and/or individually?

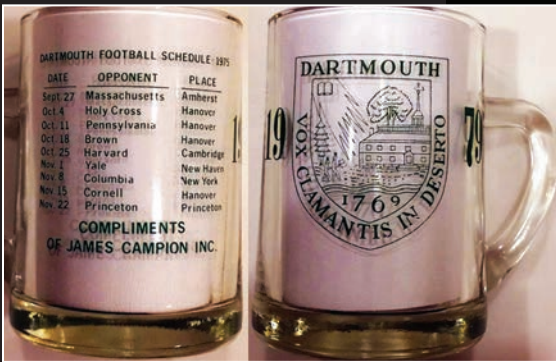
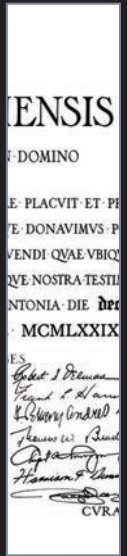
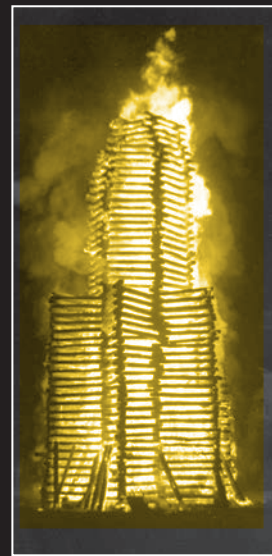
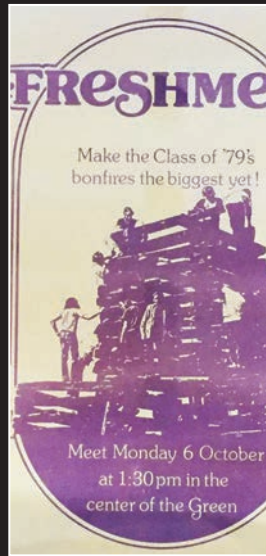
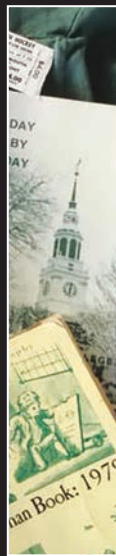
We have started collecting.

SUBMIT YOUR OBJECT IDEAS

using this Google form today.

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If you have questions, please email Mark.Winkler.79@gmail.com



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