Celebrate ’55 as Class of the Year: March at Front of Alumni Parade!

Where have all the artists gone?

That’s what our 60th reunion vice-chairman Bob Fanger is wondering. Have you been clandestinely painting or sculpting or photographing or needle-pointing or cabinet-making or creating other works of art? Tell Bob and then show your work along with that of other classmates and wives when we convene in Hanover June 15-18. Bob also is planning an exhibit of classmates’ books published in the last decade, and he’s seeking piano players to give the reunion some real class. Don’t be bashful. E-mail Bob at rfanger1@msn.com.

Class President Jack Doyle exhorts all able-bodied classmates, wives and significant others to show the ’55 flag at the head of the alumni parade on Dartmouth Night, Friday, October 17. We’ve earned this lead position as 2013 Class of the Year among classes more than 25 years out.

We’ll first convene that Homecoming weekend on Friday afternoon at Rockefeller Center for a program conceived by Dick Blodgett, followed by a class dinner to stoke up on calories for the alumni parade.

Reservation form inside. Hotel deadline September 16.
Jill and Dick Hastings spend many summer hours tending to this spectacular sloping garden at their rural home outside Woodstock, Vermont.

Larry Nadler still prowls the streets of his native Montreal.

Jim Perkins and Sandy Phillips are in this boat together.

DARTMOUTH ALUMNI MAGAZINE:
May/June issue carried a letter to the editor from Woody Goss about his forebears’ gift of Mt. Moosilauke to the College and the involvement of his family dating back to 1895-96, and a letter from Joe Herring about the terrible impact of the Rolling Stone piece on the College, affirming that there are real problems on campus but opining that our post-publication conversations have been merely disinfectant.
July/August issue (Geithner cover), p. 39, listed John Leaver ’55 as one of 15 alumni killed in the Vietnam War. The article quoted Jim Wright as stating that those who died post-war as a result of injuries should also be listed, presumably including Glenn Wilson ’55.
Our Terrific Teachers: Eugen Rosenstock-Huessy
By Joe Herring

Our faculty was full of superstars, and I felt a particular chagrin over wasting a lot of time on vacuous military science courses. So I did some auditing. In junior year, I audited Rosenstock-Huessy’s course on Christian Philosophy in Nazi Germany. It was a new venture for him, becoming the basis for his book “The Christian Future.” We met weekly. He required that we take careful notes, and be ready to present a summary of the day’s lecture the following week. About mid-semester, after we’d all heard a student’s opening summary, he said: “Gentlemen, what you just heard was shit.” He then got on with the day’s lecture. I took copious notes, though it wasn’t likely he’d call on me next week since I was merely auditing. I struggled for a few days with 15 pages of purple prose, getting it boiled down to a page. I even rearranged a few of his examples, for the sake of clarity. Next week, he picked me. I proceeded to the lectern somewhat cautiously. I read my précis. There was a pause. Then he said: “Eggzellent! It vuz a bleazure to hear zuch a vreport!” From that moment on, I have had confidence in my editorial skills. bonnjoe55@hotmail.com

Long-time Middle East Resident Dave Anderson Sees No Hope for Moderation of Radical Islamists

Dave lived in the Middle East both as a child and later for many years in the oil business. He’s an avid student of the Abrahamic religions--Judaism, Christianity and Islam. From his book The Infidels:

Adherents to the radical Islamism of the Muslim Brotherhood find themselves unwilling to accept this reality [that the promised Muslim Caliphate has not materialized]. As they look at the world around them, they are frightened by the dynamism of a fast evolving post Enlightenment Judeo-Christian and Eastern world. It is the same frightening experience their founders had when they witnessed the western incursion into Egyptian society in the twenties and thirties. The very idea of human exceptionalism beyond Islamic belief escapes them. The very idea of rational thought beyond instinctive behavior escapes them. The very idea that in this our 21st century world the human mind may be about to enter a new age escapes them. The very idea that we humans are capable of comprehending the sacredness of human life beyond the dictates of the Koran escapes them. So, as they measure the depth of their distress, the following Credo of the Muslim Brotherhood echoes a lone sounding death note in their ears: It repeats and repeats: ‘Allah is our goal; the Qur’an is our constitution; the Prophet is our leader; struggle is our way; and death in the path of Allah is our highest aspiration.’ lesprit351@aol.com
Lives of Fifty-Fives

BERNARD RICHARD SISKIND passed away on June 16. A graduate of Bronx High School of Science, Bernie earned a Tuck M.B.A. as well as his B.A. Always a New Yorker, Bernie resided in the city with his wife Pat, who worked for Citibank. He was in the clothing industry, and after selling his business remained busy in a coop and condo real estate firm. He and Pat escaped to East Hampton for many years in addition to other travel. Bernie was an active alumnus, at one time owning a second home in the Upper Valley. He was a class officer, Executive Committee member, and reunion and Alumni Fund volunteer. He and Pat also supported the Hood Museum. A service was held at Temple Emanu-El on June 19 where they were married 55 years ago. Several ’55s attended and opening remarks were made by Frank Davidson. In addition to Pat, Bernie is survived by two sons, Lawrence ’86 and Peter ’90, daughter-in-law Judith Cassel ’90, and two grandchildren.

ROBERT NORWOOD KEANE Ph.D. died on December 21, 2013. He came to Dartmouth from Forest Hills High School. He majored in English and was the managing editor of The Dartmouth. He received an M.A. from Columbia in 1957 and in 1965 a Ph.D. in Victorian literature. Bob joined the faculty at Hofstra University in 1959 and became chairman of the English Department in 1978. Bob published books on the poet Dante Gabriel Rossetti, Oscar Wilde and Babe Ruth. As a child, Bob had met Babe and accompanied him on golf outings. Bob retired in 2003 and was living with his wife, Doris, in an assisted living community until his death. He is also survived by his son Martin, his wife Janet, and two grandchildren.

TIMOTHY ROSS HUTCHINSON died February 13 in Los Angeles. He came to us from Episcopal Academy while living in Merion Station, Pa. He majored in economics and was a member of Beta Theta Pi and Sphinx. Tim was a pitcher on the baseball team. After graduation he received a commission in the Air Force, and upon discharge became a municipal bond trader and dealer. According to classmate Paul Finegan he was well known and highly respected. Apparently his wife Rosemary died years ago, and at the time of his death he was living with his daughter Susan. In addition Tim is survived by daughters Meagan and Jane.

RICHARD ARTHUR SNELL died January 7 in Daytona Beach. He attended Dartmouth after graduating from New Brunswick High School, living in Milltown, N.J. at that time. He was active in the D.O.C., wrestling club, and was a member of Gamma Delta Chi. Dick majored in International Relations. He is survived by Kenneth B. Snell ’53, a cousin, and was pre-deceased by cousins Donald M. Snell ’51 E’52 and Robert G. Snell ’57.

Submitted by Richard J. Hastings ’55 M.D.
**From The Oakland County Legal News:**

DAVID K. PAGE, 80, a partner at Honigman, Miller, Schwartz, and Cohn LLP, in Detroit, passed away on Tuesday, July 1.

“All of us at Honigman consider it a privilege to have worked with him and many were the beneficiaries of his valuable counsel. He was a man of absolute integrity, moral commitment to do right and incredible judgment,” said Honigman Chairman and CEO David Foltyn. “He trained a generation of Honigman attorneys and we would not be the firm we are today without his enormous contributions. David will be missed terribly.”

He was the chairman of the board of Meadowbrook Insurance Group Inc. (NYSE: MIG), a company with nearly $3 billion in assets.

Page was the chair of the Children’s Hospital of Michigan Foundation board of trustees, the vice chair of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, and a trustee or director on the boards of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, the Detroit Zoological Society, City Year Detroit and both The Jewish Fund and the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit (previously serving as president of each).

He received recognition from a number of organizations for his community service, including the Dartmouth College Class of 1955 Award, Wetsman Young Leadership Award and Fred M. Butzel Award for Distinguished Community Service from the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit; ORT Man of the Year Award from the American ORT Federation; Winning Ways Award for Community Leadership from Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara; and Learned Hand Human Relations Award from the American Jewish Committee.

He earned his law degree from Harvard and a B.A. from Dartmouth. He was a Fulbright Scholar at the London School of Economics.

**From The Chicago Tribune:**

THOMAS MILLS FULTON, of Flossmoor, Ill., former chief executive officer of R. S. Landauer Company, passed away peacefully on July 14, 2014 at St. George’s Hospital, London, while vacationing in England. Tom was born on December 1, 1933 in Columbus, Ohio. He graduated cum laude from Dartmouth College with a degree in chemistry and was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity. Tom worked for Union Carbide Corporation in sales and management at various divisions including California, New York, and Argentina. Upon returning to the United States, he worked for various small chemical companies in Michigan and Ohio before taking a position with R.S. Landauer Company in 1982, retiring as CEO. He lent his time and aptitudes to a number of not-for-profits including Chicago Theological Seminary (where he served as chairman of the board), Bethel Community Facility, Illinois Philharmonic, and Advocate South Suburban Hospital. His high regard for education led him to help develop a Christian-based high school in Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico and provide mentorship and financial support to Glenwood Academy. Tom was the cherished father of the late Robert M. Fulton and William M. Fulton (Mary). His wife Alecee predeceased him.
From Tiffany Wang ’16:

Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to attend Dartmouth. I hope that what I participate in and contribute to on campus illustrate how much I love Dartmouth and how sincerely grateful I am to be able to be a part of it. . . I will be declaring anthropology as my major and both Chinese and chemistry as minors while completing the pre-health track. Dartmouth’s phenomenal liberal arts education introduced me to a medical anthropology course during fall term, and it has taught me a great deal about different health care around the world. This class further sparked my interest in medicine, and I hope to concentrate my studies in medical anthropology and global health. I would like to attend medical school immediately after graduation, but I have recently contemplated taking a gap year to do service work in underserved neighborhoods. . .

I am one of the programming co-chairs for the Dartmouth Programming Board; since revamping in September, we have imported a roller skating rink to the College and brought in a number of prominent artists among many other activities. Our goal is to bring impressive alternative events to Greek life to increase the variety of activities available on campus and to improve the overall college experience of every Dartmouth student. I am also fortunate enough to be the Zimmerman 3 First Year UGA (Undergraduate Advisor) where I get to call some of the brightest and most caring students on campus my residents. . . I am also a member of the executive board for Link Up, one of the women mentorship groups on campus. . .

From Dalton White ’17, of West Palm Beach:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity you are presenting me every day . . .
I am currently a member of the club soccer team, the Ledyard Canoe Club and the Dartmouth Outing Club. I intended to play some level of soccer while attending Dartmouth, but I opted for joining the Ledyard Club due to the amazing time I had on First-Year-Trips last fall. I spend my spare time in the woodshop or on the Dartmouth Skiway. Aside from deep-sea fishing, I haven’t really had to give up any of my interests in my journey north and am picking up a few new ones. . .
There have been moments of stress and discomfort and loneliness, but that is present at any college. I can say there hasn’t been disappointment. The atmosphere and camaraderie I felt from the student body when I visited as a prospect still burns throughout the cold winter and, in my opinion, is second to none.
If you would like to stay in contact my e-mail is dalton.j.white.17@dartmouth.edu.
Thank you.
From Mitchell Jacobs ’14:

First and foremost, I want to thank you for allowing me to call Dartmouth home for the past four years. When I was an underclassman, I used to wonder if the seniors were really so sad about leaving as they put on, and now I know they weren’t kidding. . . I feel like my largest gain from studying here was a chance to probe my creative boundaries--and find them more expansive than I expected. I took a music class where I composed a (very bizarre) piece, then studied ion China where I picked up the bamboo flute. With zero visual art background, I took sculpture and printmaking and found that long hours of effort could produce something that looked like innate talent (or maybe actually was). . . I’m working on a collection of poems for my Honors Thesis in English, and I don’t exaggerate when I say that I’ve never felt truer to myself than when writing them. . . I got a summer internship at the Frost Place Museum in Franconia, N.H. Besides being a former farm of Robert Frost’s, it also hosts poetry workshops and conferences, allowing me to meet the quirky people who actually do the work I hope to do. . .

In the winter I was a French horn mentor for the Youth Winds program, where students from the Wind Ensemble rehearsed with local middle-school students and tutored them on their instruments. We performed music I didn’t know was possible for students that age to play well, and the kids could tell, and boy were they proud. . . Thanks to my linguistics courses, I’ve picked up some Chinese and Tibetan, and I’m interested in going back to China to live for a little while. I think only Dartmouth could have opened such a specific door. Thank you again.

‘Fifty-Five Cares’ Has Questions for Classmates and Wives

The Committee, led by Dr. John Baldwin, is formed to help classmates navigate the medical, legal and spiritual world. Some widows have complained that they have a lack of understanding of the affairs of their deceased husbands. The following broad checklist was prepared by Stan Bergman, an expert in estates and trusts, to help prepare spouses and other heirs in the event of a classmate’s death.

1. Is there a list of all assets and liabilities including pension, insurance, property titles and mortgages, credit card and other debts, investments, valuable collections, safe combinations, location and key to safe deposit boxes and whom to contact for further information?
2. Is there a funded Living Trust with a knowledgeable Trustee prepared to help in the event of death or disability?
3. Is there a Durable Power of Attorney to deal with assets not in trust in the event of a disability?
4. Is there a Living Will and Health Care Proxy to express your desire to end life if you are brain dead with no hope of recovery?
5. Does your Living Trust and Will provide for a maximum tax savings and protect your heirs from creditors and divorcing spouses?
South’s Colin Minor Signs With Dartmouth

By Doug Rutter, Pilot Correspondent

A number of South Brunswick High School student-athletes have signed with NCAA Division I universities in recent years, but Colin Minor will be the first to head off to a prestigious Ivy League school.

Minor, who has won numerous titles in shotput, discus and hammer throw as a junior and prep athlete, signed a national letter of intent last week to compete in track and field at Dartmouth College.

Sporting a snazzy green jacket and surrounded by family, friends, teachers and coaches, the South Brunswick senior signed his letter during a Tuesday morning ceremony in the school media center.

“All of you have had some sort of impact on the success I have had throughout my life, whether it was big or little,” Minor told the assembled crowd. “I just want to thank all of you for being here for me, being here with me, and helping me achieve what I’ve achieved.”

Dartmouth, located in Hanover, New Hampshire, is the nation’s ninth-oldest university, and consistently ranks among the world’s greatest academic institutions. Dartmouth does not offer academic or athletic scholarships, but it does offer need-based financial aid. Minor expects to receive around $43,000 in aid each year toward the total cost of $64,000.
1955 Mini-Reunion
October 17-19, 2014

Make room reservations directly with Fireside Inn & Suites, 25 Airport Rd., West Lebanon, NH 03784, 877 258 5900 or 603 298 5900. Mention Dartmouth ’55; our rate is $109.95/night plus tax (Friday and Saturday). Deadline: September 16.

I/We will attend the following class events, as checked:

Friday, October 17, Rockefeller Center

______ 3-5 p.m., room 002, lower level, speakers to be announced

______ 5:30 p.m., cash bar & dinner, 1930 Room, main floor, $54 each

______ grilled chicken breast  _____ salmon  $ _______

Saturday, October 18

Breakfast on your own; no class breakfast due to Hanover Inn changes

______ 9 a.m., Class Advisory Committee meeting, Rockefeller 003, open to all ’55s and guests

______ 6 p.m., cash bar & dinner (7 p.m.), Fireside Inn, W. Lebanon, $51 each

______ seafood Alfredo  _____ prime rib  $ ________

TOTAL  $ ________

Make your check payable to Dartmouth 1955 and send it with this form by September 16 to Lou Hance, P.O. Box 1766, Grantham, NH 03753.

Name(s) ____________________________________________________________

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