

# The Boot & Beanie

# The Fall-Winter, 2012-13, Class of '65 newsletter

#### President's Corner

Keene, NH -- The Fiftieth Anniversary of our Graduation from Dartmouth is just over two years away. **Steve Fowler** and **Mike Bettmann** are lining up Reunion Committee members and otherwise proceeding with advanced planning. So too, each of us should be looking ahead to June 12 to 15, 2015 so that we can plan to attend the Reunion.

Among the features of the Reunion is our opportunity to march into Commencement with the graduating Class of 2015. **Bob Murphy** leads the Class Connections program for our class as we and the '15s become acquainted through periodic events. The next one is this summer. It is the "Etiquette Dinner" where **Peter Post** (a descendent of Emily) will preside. At the Class Meeting in October it was decided to hold a Mini Reunion the weekend of July 12 to 14 so that we could have a goodly number of '65s and their guests to attend the dinner as well as having activities of our own. Please mark your calendars.

DVD's of the <u>Passion for Snow</u> will be available shortly after the premier showing in Hanover over Winter Carnival. I will be contacting classmates in various parts of the country to help set up regional gatherings to show the movie and enjoy the fellowship of classmates in the area.

Best wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year

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# From your Newsletter editor

Atlanta, GA -- Back when I took this job I listed classmates I was going to contact. Among them was Atlanta resident **Cantey Davis**, and not one of you raised a flag. In fact, he even shows up on a list of missing classmates I received from somewhere. Last May Ginny and I attended a family wedding where one of the ushers was a young man named Cantey Davis, not surprisingly the son of our classmate. This prompted me to finally chase down Cantey the elder, and I found him still showing up at his office. He got a good laugh out of my arrival. "Do you realize I didn't graduate from Dartmouth?", he asked. Maybe I'm the only '65 who was not aware of this, but if so who created that list? We had a short talk and didn't pursue a full-blown interview, but I'm going to make sure he gets at least this newsletter. And hello to any old friends he hasn't heard from in a long time. If anyone wants to get in touch, email me at Harris.65@alum.dartmouth.org, and I'll pass on your interest to him.

Another holiday season is behind us, and the only family letter I have is again from **Bob and Karen Wildau**, which I get from a mutual friend, Bob's former business partner. I'm not going to print it this year -- give them a break -- but surely there are others out there who sent or received such letters. Remember, if you send me someone else's letter I absolutely will ask their permission before printing it. So don't delay. Send your letter, or one you received, NOW, while you're thinking of it.

#### Class News

James Aiken '65 Receives Graduate Alumni Award from UVM College of Medicine

Burlington, VT – The University of Vermont College of Medicine presented a 2012 Distinguished Graduate Alumni Award to James Aiken, Ph.D.'70, president and chief executive officer of Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology, at an awards ceremony held during the College's Graduate Student Research Day on September 20, 2012.

The Distinguished Graduate Alumni Award is presented to alumni from the College of Medicine's Ph.D. or M.S. programs who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in basic, clinical or applied research, education, industry, public service/humanitarianism, and/or outstanding commitment to the College of Medicine community.



As a 2012 awardee, Aiken presented a lecture on "The Value of Scientific Conferences" during the Research Day event, which also featured student research poster and oral presentation sessions.

Born in Burlington, Vt., Aiken received an undergraduate degree in biology from Dartmouth College in 1965 and Ph.D. in pharmacology from the University of Vermont in 1970, and completed an American Thoracic Society fellowship working in the laboratory of Professor Sir John Vane, Nobel Laureate, at the Royal College of Surgeons of England. Aiken leads Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology, a 40-year-old, educational nonprofit

organization based in Silverthorne, Colo., that annually conducts 50 to 60 biomedical conferences attended by about 14,000 scientists. Prior to his work with Keystone Symposia, he had a 32-year-long distinguished career as a research scientist and research executive in the pharmaceutical industry. Aiken served as senior director of therapeutic area strategy for Pharmacia Corporation in Peapack, N.J., until the company was acquired by Pfizer in 2003. Prior to that position, he served as director of biology for the Swedish branches of Pharmacia & Upjohn, director of metabolic diseases research for the Upjohn Company in Kalamazoo, Mich., and held various additional research positions at Upjohn in the areas of atherosclerosis, thrombosis, and diabetes. Aiken also conducted research in the field of smooth muscle function, as it relates to vascular biology and hypertension, as well as uterine physiology and parturition, at Eli Lilly and Company in Indianapolis, Ind.

The recipient of numerous honors including a 1998 Graduate College Alumni Scholar Award from UVM, Aiken has served on committees influencing research direction. He was a long-term member of the Pharmacology Advisory Committee of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers Association (PhARMA) Foundation; a former member of the board of directors and committees of the Michigan Affiliate of the American Heart Association; a member of the Swedish Foundation for Strategic Research Boards for Cardiovascular Diseases and Biopolymers and Biocompatible Materials. In addition, Aiken was an adjunct professor of pharmacology at Michigan State University and adjunct assistant professor of medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine. Currently, he serves on the board of directors of the Global Food Protection Institute.

Aiken resides in Breckenridge, Colo.

# Murphys and Danielsons travel the Northwest

Brigid and Bob Murphy just spent several October weeks on a home exchange in Napa (imagine folks in Napa wanting to come to Hanover), and then met up with Carol and Jim Danielson for another week touring British Columbia and returning to their beautiful home in East Wenatchee, central Washington state. As if we didn't get enough wine in Napa, here's a shot of Brigid, Carol, Bob, and Jim tasting Columbia River Valley wines in Washington. Jim is about to "semi-retire" as senior partner of his law firm, goaded no doubt by Murph's tales of his adventures during his eight retired years. The Danielsons had earlier visited the Murphys in Hanover, and reserved a room for our 50th!



# Loss of Richard and Mary Monahon

Sadly, Bob Murphy also passed on notice of the deaths of **Richard and Mary "Duffy" Monahon** as reported in the Manchester Union Leader on January 28th. They were involved in a two-car collision the previous evening in which all occupants died. The alumni office has been informed and will make an official announcement in due time. For the full Union Leader story go to: http://www.unionleader.com/article/20130128/news07/130129185/0/

# Mini-Reunions: Fall 2012

Hanover -- The 2012 Class of 1965 Fall Mini-Reunion started off on the afternoon of Friday, October 12 with a gathering at **Bob and French McConnaughey's** home in Thetford, Vermont, about 10 miles north of Hanover. The 4:00 PM start time for the festivities was intended to avail classmates of a spectacular view of the fall colors. While the best fall colors had passed, classmates and spouses enjoyed the beautiful views, cocktails, buffet, and good company well into the evening. Saturday morning the class was treated to a preview screening of the remarkable film by **Steve Waterhouse** entitled <u>Passion for Snow</u>. Saturday was also a perfect day for tailgating and Dartmouth football. The Class of 1965 tailgate, located on the lawn outside Sphinx and put on by Mini-Reunion Chair **George Wittreich** and wife **Jane**, was exceptional. Unfortunately, the Big Green football team did not hold up its end of the bargain, losing to Sacred Heart by a score of 27 to 10.

The football team's disappointing performance did not dampen the '65s spirits or their enjoyment of cocktails, a fine dinner and musical entertainment by the Dartmouth Cords at Pierce's Inn that evening. Dinner was followed by an impromptu concert by a talented trio of Class of '65 guitarist/singers, **Jim Griffiths, John Rodgers,** and **Rick Leach**, accompanied by the somewhat inconsistent singing of the rest of the '65s and spouses gathered by the fire.

Sunday morning, class members assembled at Pierce's for breakfast and an efficient class meeting chaired by class president, **Roger Hansen**.

Participants in the weekend activities included a hearty local contingent, including new Hanover residents, **Mike and Betsy Gonnerman** and **Pete and Marcia Frederick**, a substantial group from elsewhere in the Northeast, and classmates from afar, including **Tom and Dianne Campbell** from Chicago, **Hank Amon** from the Big Apple, **Tom Long** from the Washington, DC area, **Rocks Liman**, our class representative to Canada, and **Steve Waterhouse**, recently from London. A fine time was had by all. Special thanks to **George and Jane Wittreich** for coordinating a great event.



Officers Tom Long, George Wittreich, Roger Hansen and Mike Gonnerman



**Debbie Griffiths** 

Linda Waterhouse

#### Post-mini

Roger Hansen heard from John Rogers after the mini:

Greetings! Bev and I enjoyed the mini-reunion at Pierce's. We've returned to Minnesota with a passion for snow, at least enough to ski (cross-country). I have started a blog at <a href="www.johnbairdrogers.com">www.johnbairdrogers.com</a>. It's about making words and music. I hope you will visit and perhaps spend a little time helping me out. I've had one foot in the creative community for some time as a musician, and now I'm extending that interest in words and sounds a little further. Oh, and I dropped the day job.

I am finishing my first novel and starting a second. Editors, agents, writing books and pundits all agree that to improve, a writer should have others read his material and react to it. Contemplating this advice, I said to myself, "Self, you have a wonderful and varied group of friends ... musicians, writers, scientists, smart business people. So many experiences; so many points of view! What an opportunity! Ask them for a little help." That's what I'm doing here. This is the only request I'll send, and I apologize if you have gotten a similar one through facebook or LinkedIn or from my music page at ReverbNation. I've tried to cross reference to minimize inbox flotsam, but I'm sure there will be some overlap. In any case, I'm having a great time, and I'd love you to share it at <a href="https://www.johnbairdrogers.com">www.johnbairdrogers.com</a>.

Best, John

# Next Mini-Reunion July 2013

Join fellow '65s July 12 to 14, 2013 for a Mini-Reunion and "Etiquette Dinner" with the Class of 2015. Previous Class Birthday Parties for our 50<sup>th</sup> and 65<sup>th</sup> were very popular and led to the desire for a 70<sup>th</sup>.

**FRIDAY EVENING**: Join Classmates and the sophomore students at the "Etiquette Dinner" we sponsor for the Class of 2015 as part of the CLASS CONNECTIONS PROGRAM\*. This event has been in place several years and has been regarded as one of the most fun events for undergraduate and alumni participants alike. Register early – this event is typically over-subscribed. Registration information will be distributed via group email once finalized.

**SATURDAY**: Various activities on or near the Campus will be arranged.

**SATURDAY EVE**: Birthday Reception and Dinner, probably at the DOC House on Occum Pond. **SUNDAY MORNING**: Class Meeting. This will replace the Executive Committee meeting usually held in July. One of the main agenda items will be the Class Project for our 50th Reunion.

A group of rooms have been reserved at \$169.00 per night at the Courtyard Marriott, 10 Morgan Drive, Lebanon, NH, 603-643-5600. Enter Group Code **DSFDSFA**. Reservations may be made online at: <a href="http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/LEBCY?groupCode=DSFDSFA&app=resvlink&fromDate=7/12/13&toDate=7/14/13">http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/LEBCY?groupCode=DSFDSFA</a>. If you make reservations by phone let them know that you are Class of 1965, Group Code **DSFDSFA**. Other options: Hanover Inn – 603-643-4300, Norwich Inn – 802-649-1143, Lyme Inn – 603-795-4824

Please contact Roger Hansen with any questions or suggestions.

\*Bob Murphy is leading the CLASS CONNECTIONS PROGRAM. In the fall of 2011 we presented the 2015 Students with their Class Pins at Matriculation. At Winter Carnival copies of "Passion for Skiing" were given to the students at a series of meetings with '65s. We are instituting, starting in January, monthly breakfast get-togethers for local and nearby classmates to which members of 2015 will also be welcomed. If you would like to be added to the mailing list for these events, please email Murph at: <a href="murph65nh@comcast.net">murph65nh@comcast.net</a>

# A Spectator's Report on the 2012 London Olympics, by Steve Waterhouse

A month ago [when written], my wife Linda and I had the opportunity to attend our first, and probably only, Summer Olympics. For me it was a life-long goal fulfilled -- something I had loosely thought about doing since I first became aware of such things in my pre-college years. For Linda, it was a time of being kind to her guy by humoring him on something he wanted to do. Linda and I live in London for about half of each year, and spend the rest of the time in the US. It is an exotic existence that we grew into as my multi-country business career unfolded in the 1970s, 80s and 90s. As retirees we have continued the same routine. Normally we would not be in London during July and August. However, in addition to my subconscious wish to see an Olympics, we had experienced an unusual presentation by the head of the London Olympics Planning Committee about eight years before on what they were doing to win the 2012 Games for London. Two weeks later, the decision was made in Singapore, and we were spectators of a spontaneous country-wide celebration.

We had the time of our young lives. The Olympic events were all enjoyable, the traffic problems were minimal, the enthusiasm of the thousands of volunteers was amazing, and even my non-sports-oriented wife got very excited as each event unfolded. We attended 12 sports events, five by just standing on the sidelines. Tickets were not easy to come by but we managed to obtain some for two Football (i.e., soccer) matches, two Fencing matches, and a session each of Beach Volleyball, regular Volleyball and Artistic Gymnastics. Some of these were Gold Medal rounds so we saw several awards ceremonies as well as the competition itself. Each required long rides on the London subway. We always arrived early to make sure we could get through the security checks in time with minimum hassle.

We are fortunate to live in Knightsbridge in central London. To make sure that all of London participated in the Olympics, the organizers had set up several events throughout the city, including five nearby -- two triathlons and two swimming marathons in Hyde Park, plus the road cycle race that passed over our closest main street, Brompton Road. All we had to do to see these events was walk a couple hundred yards and stand along the side with a hundred thousand other spectators -- no subway, no security and no time concerns. When your view is mainly of someone flashing by in seconds, it does not matter if you are seated in the stands or standing along the route. You get a similar exposure.

Each event was interesting in its way. We did not know all the rules, and often had to inquire to get a sense of what was happening. However, we got the idea for each pretty quickly, and just enjoyed the spectacle. Our favorite venue was the stadium set up at the Horse Guards Parade Ground near Buckingham Palace. This is where Beach Volleyball was played. As anyone knows who has visited this city, London has some spectacular scenery. It was pretty special to be sitting high above an open stadium watching a closely played match, and in the slow moments having great views of London's greatest tourist sites all around us. Or maybe it was just the girls in their bikinis!

We also got tickets to the Closing Ceremonies at the main Olympic Stadium. This was the one big event that Linda wanted to see as she has been very involved in the ballet world throughout her life, and a portion of the ceremonies were to be choreographed by a friend of ours, Christopher Wheeldon, one of the leading creators of ballets in the world today. This event took place at the end of the evening as part of the ceremony to extinguish the Olympic flame. The total Closing extravaganza was the most spectacular event I had ever attended. One had to work very hard to keep up with it all. Live TV could capture the main events OK, but not the full program that was taking place all over the stadium.

This "spectator" of the London Olympics had a wonderful time. I am unlikely to do this again, but I am very pleased that we managed to add this to our life's experiences.

# Class Connections Etiquette Dinner with '15

We had our first of a planned monthly breakfast today, Jan 31, with local classmates and our partner class of 2015. We had 13 classmates and spouses along with 5 undergrads, lots of fun and conversation. We are scheduled for the last Thursday morning of each month if anyone from out of town wants to join us.

~Bob Murphy at murph65nh@comcast.net

Contact Murph if you would like to participate in the Etiquette Dinner during the July mini. ~ed.



Bob McConnaughey, Betsy Gonnerman, French McConnaughey, Steve Fowler, Roger Hansen, Rick Mahoney, Bob Murphy, Brigid Murphy, Pete Frederick, Mike Gonnerman, Sue Webster, Bill Webster, and Dave Weber.



#### **Carnivail**

### Join fellow Classmates March 1 to March 3 for CarniVail

The Class of '71 is taking the lead in organizing CarniVail this year (March 1 to 3). Folks can <u>register</u> at <a href="http://www.dartmouth.org/classes/71/CarniVail%202013.htm">http://www.dartmouth.org/classes/71/CarniVail%202013.htm</a>

# PARTICIPANTS WILL INCLUDE AT LEAST THE CLASSES OF 1965 AND 1971 AND THE VAIL DARTMOUTH CLUB

### Weekend Highlights!

# Friday, March 1

9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.
Group photo at Vista Bahn
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Mountain lunch @ Wildwood
on the mountain! (pay there)
Ski day on your own
4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Aprés-ski cocktails (\$30)
Swiss Chalet, Sonnenalp Hotel
Hors D'oeuvres, Cash Bar
6:30 p.m.
Dinner on your Own or with Your Group

### Saturday, March 2

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Buffet Breakfast at the Tivoli (pay there; approx. \$18)
Documentary Film (30 Min) - Prof McGraph's Story of the infamous

### **Hovey Murals**

Organized/Presented by the Dartmouth Class of 1971

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
CarniVAIL Lunch at Sarge's Shelter
Use Mid-Vail Restaurant or Grill to
obtain food (pay there)

# **Saturday Continued**

Ski day on your own

#### **Sonnenalp Evening**

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Cocktails and a Film (\$25)
CarniVAIL PREMIERE - major new
Documentary Film (62 min)

Passion for Snow
Lower level, Sonnenalp Hotel

7:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. (\$95)
Dinner, awards ceremony, & more!
Celebrate the Skiing Racing Legends of
the past and legendary Coach Walter
PragerLower Level, Sonnenalp

# Sunday, March 3

7:15 a.m. - Dawnbusters and Brunch (\$35)

# Be first on the slopes!

brunch on the mountain from 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.at the famous Game Creek Club off the Ouzo Trail

The rest of the ski day is yours to enjoy!