

A Memory to Enjoy All Memories---Our 1953 65th Reunion



Collins Corner

The Glorious 65th is now four months behind us and we are still getting notes as to how enjoyable an event it was. The attendance numbers were down from our 60th, but so are our total numbers so the attendance percentage was once again at a leadership level. Many of us since then have had the opportunity to connect at the New York and Hanover Christmas luncheons. The New York event, hosted by Cathy Callender and promoted by Bob Malin, was held at the Yale Club on December 11th. The Hanover luncheon was at Kendal on December 13th. Mark Smoller covers all in the summary of the Holiday events following.

The Holiday Season Wrap-Up of Class Events by Mark Smoller

2018 was a singular year for our Class, the crowning point of which was our wonderful 65th reunion. We followed that up with two Holiday luncheons.

On December 11th, the Class met at the Dartmouth Club of New York for their annual party. Ron Lazar reports, “The party was hosted as always by Cathy Callender in her gracious and inimitable fashion. It included the following classmates and family, Marita and Len Gochman, Vivian and Dick Cahn, Phil Beekman and Judy Wilson, Ed Wood and April Cooper plus Ed's son, Bill Friedman, Nathan Burkan, Charley Buchanan (with lots of photos for viewing), Dave Florence, Jack Morris, Laurence Whittemore (Fred's elder son), Ron Lazar, and Gail and Bob Malin, and so good to see Bob back in the fray! Two days later in Hanover we enjoyed our second luncheon arranged by Put Blodgett and Harlan Fair. Put reported the following attended: Donna and Chuck Reilly, Marilyn Paganucci, Margie and Russ Cook, Al Collins and Sue Schlott, Seth Carpenter, Lois and Sam Franz, Ross McIntyre and Helen Whyte, Mitzi Carleton and Dave Colt, Bobby and Mark Smoller, Liz King, Cynthia and Dave Donovan, Elsa Luker, Harlan Fair and Grantham Preston, Put Blodgett, Joe Stevens, and ‘54s Herb Hillman, Betty and Roger Gilmore, and Sarah and Ben Gilson. Here are some photos that Al Collins captured at the events. Such a young and vibrant crowd we are!!!





We now look forward to celebrating the 250th anniversary of the founding of Dartmouth this year. And as we do so we think back to the celebration of the bicentennial, and of what has transpired for the College during these past fifty years. The advent of women on campus was a few years away. The Dartmouth Plan was not in operation. The Hop was in its infancy and there was no Hood or Black Family Visual Arts Center. Looking forward at that time, and dreaming of what lay ahead for Dartmouth could we have expected what

would come to pass? After such dramatic advances, what lies ahead for Dartmouth in the next fifty years? I wonder. Al has included a glimpse into the Hood Museum elsewhere in this '53 Out. And we pause to reflect on the privilege of participating in the wonderful 250th, and as we do, we also pause to send our condolences to the families of our dear Classmates, Alan Ives, John Cogswell, Russ Cook, Warren Babcock, David Martin, and Father David Stowe, classmates and brothers all.

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News about the applying Class of 2023:

The number of applicants for the Class of 2023 has set a new record. 23,641 applied which is an increase of 7.3% over last year. Of that cohort, 549 have already been admitted as early admissions candidates. There were 2,474 early admissions applicant for the Class of 2022. The website that follows will give you a full picture of the process, recruiting activities, makeup and details of the admissions initiative for this class. *Note: Our Class was 70 years prior to the Class of 2023!*



https://news.dartmouth.edu/news/2019/01/admissions-undergraduate-applications-hit-new-record?utm_source=Dartmouth+News+Today&utm_campaign=bdd7ccf9bb-dartnews_today_2019_01_31&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4ae973c30b-bdd7ccf9bb-391088226

The “new” Hood reopened after 3 years: At long last the much anticipated reopening and dedication of the Hood took place on January 25th. Here, you can watch the live dedication of the event.

https://news.dartmouth.edu/news/2019/01/watch-hood-dedication-ceremony-live?utm_source=Dartmouth+News+Today&utm_campaign=796b810b5a-dartnews_today_2019_01_25&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4ae973c30b-796b810b5a-391088226

A sneak preview of the opening:

In the website below, Hood Director John Stomberg gives a behind the scene views of the amazing new details of Dartmouth’s “new” museum. This is a very interesting piece and will give you a feel for where the museum was and what it offers today. One of Stomberg’s comments: *Stomberg points out where the original structure now opens up into the new expansion, designed by the architectural team of Tod Williams and Billie Tsien. “The wonderful thing about this building is from the outside it will really appear as two buildings—the original Charles Moore building and the new Tod Williams and Billie Tsien building,” Stomberg says. “But on the inside, it will be absolutely seamless.” Next, we enter what Stomberg calls “the beating heart of the new Hood”: the Center for Object-Based Inquiry. This three-classroom suite will allow students and faculty to engage directly with the nearly 70,000 objects in the Hood’s collection.*

<https://news.dartmouth.edu/news/2018/01/behind-scenes-new-hood-museum-art>

Dartmouth Winter Carnival – 2019:

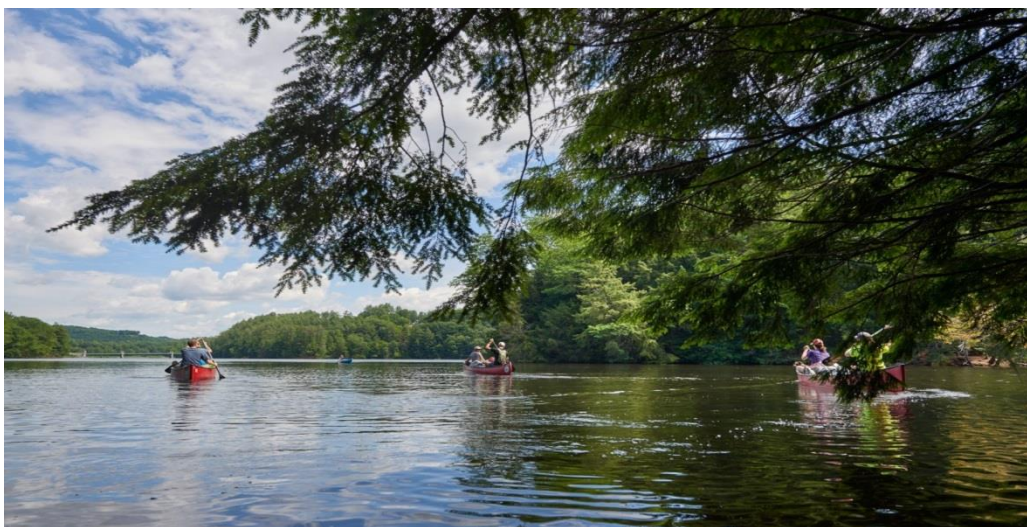
The Annual Winter Carnival is February 7 – 10 this year. There will be a lot going on including the ski races at the Skiway, hockey, basketball, squash, human dogsled races, Ice sculpture competition, games, theatre, movies, house parties and so much more. The Winter Carnival poster pictured here was the 1952 poster and was designed by our own Peter Dohanas '53. We lost Peter back in 1988. Less than one week until our **MAGICAL** Winter Carnival! Find out more information about this year's carnival here:

<https://news.dartmouth.edu/news/2017/02/icecraft-and-blizzardry-winter-carnival-celebrates-magic>



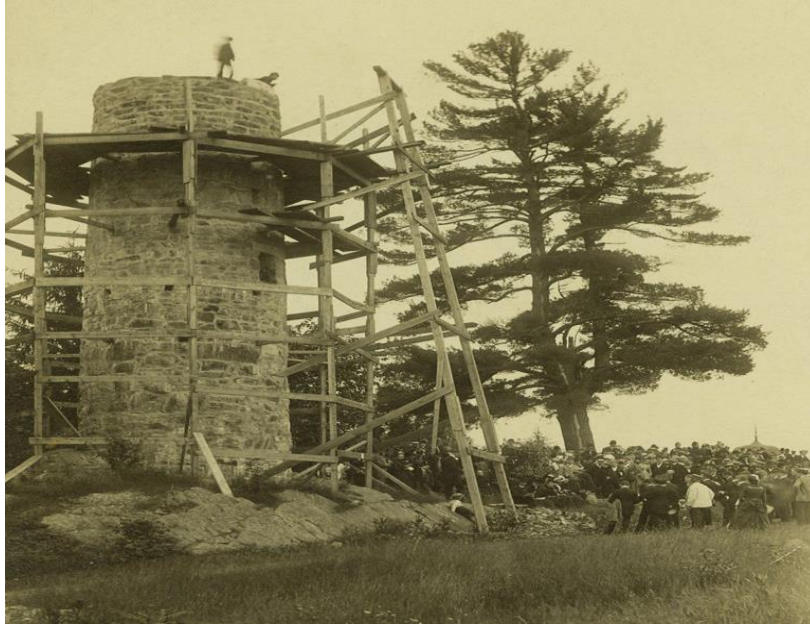
Al shivers “It was 5 degrees here in Boston this morning and colder where you are if in the mid-west or further north. I am off to Middlebury for a grand daughter’s graduation this weekend and then will return to Florida for a couple of weeks.” [Wise man El Presidente!] Stay well and stay in touch. Best, Al

The wonderful Dartmouth Alumni Affairs office has collected numerous pictures of historical interest and we will scatter some of these throughout our “53 Outs” and the new website which is now open at <https://classof53.site/index.php/home-page/> *Take a moment and open the Home Page with a Ctrl/click---brings a tear to the eye!!! [So proud of son Mike]*



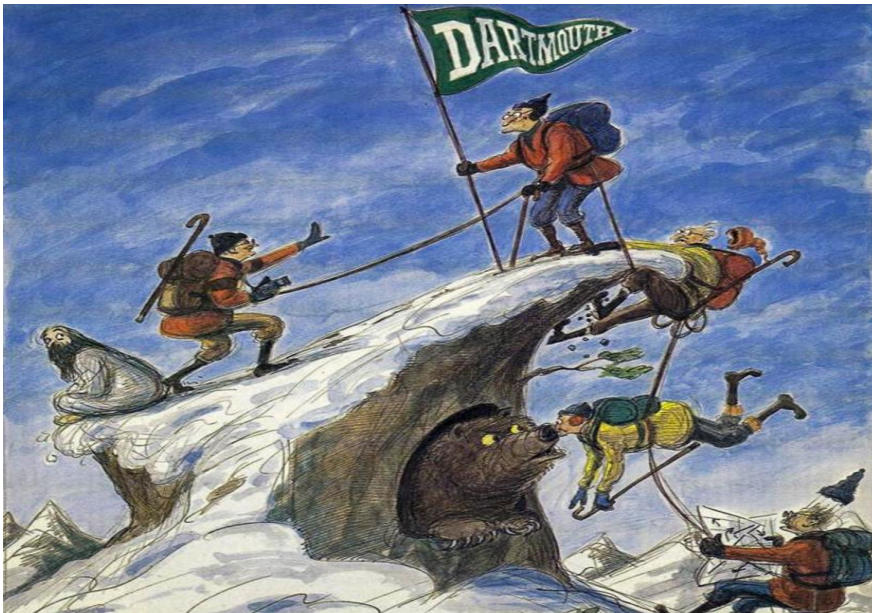
Remember those Spring paddles after Green Key when the snow had gone!

Another example is the Bartlett Tower under construction in 1874 and beside it the Lone Pine which was felled by lightning in 1895.



The class of 1952 is helping to fund a renovation of Bartlett Tower, where class officers presented a \$25,000 check during a July ceremony. John Alexander Bartlett '52, who died in 2011, was the great-grandson of Samuel C. Bartlett, class of 1836, Dartmouth's eighth president. Here's the 71-foot-high tower under construction in 1887 during Class Day.

The '53 Ski Day is set this year for Thursday March 14.



So Sayeth Dave and Cynthia Donovan

As we are all getting older, and skiing has become more difficult for some of us, this could be the last year of our ski get-together. So, I urge you to make an effort to attend if at all possible. The program will be similar to past years: Downhill skiers will meet at the Old Sunapee Lodge about 9:30. We will ski mostly novice trails, and have lunch at the mountain. A few of us will ski after lunch. The others may rest up, read a book or take a nap. Cross country skiers will have a choice of several good areas nearby (Pine Hill, Dexters, and Eastman). We will all rendezvous with the non-skiers at our condo (6 Highland Ridge Rd New London) at 4 PM for cocktails and storytelling by the fire. We will have an early dinner around 6 PM at a nearby restaurant, to be decided. Sadly, we will be missing Russ Cook, who passed away January 8. Russ and Marge were regular attendees at this event. We hope Margie will be with us in March. Please reply by email if you plan to attend. This is a no deposit, no cancellation fee event. So if you have to cancel out later, that's okay. We look forward to hearing from you. Cheers, Dave and Cynthia,

Following is a picture of the 1939 Ski Team whose spirits may well be with the '53 Ski Day intrepids on March 14th Keep a lookout for them Dave—tis almost Saint Patrick's Day So anything can happen!



*"Other days are very near us, as we sing here soft and low,
We can almost hear the voices of the boys of long ago.
They are scattered now, these brothers, up and down the world they roam.
Some have gone to lands far distant, from the dear old college home.
Some have crossed the silent river, they are looking down tonight.
And the thought of these old brothers, makes our love now burn so bright."*

Al Ives—a letter from Dan Boyd tells us "Today's local paper included a notice that Al had died on 13 December. His health had not been all that good over the recent years, but when we had one of our periodic lunches at a favorite restaurant just two weeks before, he appeared to me to have recovered pretty well from an earlier fall. We didn't know one another at Dartmouth nor serve together on active duty after graduation, but got together frequently here in Ashland. Should I get any additional info, I'll pass it along." Thanks Dan.

Russ Cook



Russ Cook has been one of our most active classmates in Dartmouth and class affairs. He was an Army veteran from Hanover and Thetford Center VT, and later an investment advisor. Russ died at the Jack Byrne Center for Palliative & Hospice Care at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital on January 8, 2019 at the age of

87. He was born in Waltham, MA on July 20, 1931, the son of Russell A. Cook Sr. and Phyllis (Claypole) Cook. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1953 and received an MBA from the Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth in 1957. He became one of the earliest Chartered Financial Analysts and enjoyed a long and prosperous career in asset management. He spent many years at Colonial Management in Boston, working on the team which managed the Dartmouth College and Mary Hitchcock Hospital endowments. Russ' zest for learning and interest in professional growth and entrepreneurship led him to start his own investment advisory firm in Vermont in 1977. There, he provided his expertise and guidance to dozens of grateful individual clients. After over two decades of providing investment advice, he sold his business to Cambridge Trust Company in 2003, remaining on as a client liaison and a valued member of the investment team until he retired in 2009. Other accomplishments during his professional tenure included being Chairman of the endowment of the Appalachian Mountain Club (for which he received the Distinguished Service Award in 1987), and Life Trustee of the Mt. Washington Observatory.

Russ was a lifelong outdoor enthusiast. He loved the sugar maple trees and fields surrounding his home. He enjoyed the mountains; he climbed most of the 4,000 footers in New Hampshire, learned technical skills at the Alpin Schule Innsbruck, and completed the Tour de Mont Blanc. He loved sailing and fishing off the coast of Maine and skiing at Cannon Mountain. He had a particular passion for bird hunting at Dartmouth's Second College Grant with his beloved English setters (most recently, Belle) and in the highlands of Scotland. He was an ardent adventurer, traveling twice around the world to visit dozens of countries across six continents. Deeply intellectually curious, his breadth of interests included reading war history, collecting paintings depicting New England life as well as Caucasian rugs, Dixieland jazz, and producing maple syrup at home. Russ was an adept conversationalist, sharp-witted and with a humorous take on life. His friends and family remember fondly his entertaining stories and discussions on diverse topics. He was interested in everyone he met and graciously helped others seeking his insight and advice. He had a great love for his family and all that he did in his lifetime served to benefit them. Russ is

survived by his wife of nearly 60 years, Marjorie Thomson Cook, whom he met at Wellesley College in 1957, his daughters, Melissa Cook (Bob Demchuk) and Alison Terry (Rob Terry), his son Gordon Cook (Sara Ahmed), and his five granddaughters. A memorial service will be held in February.

WARREN BABCOCK



Warren, 87, died on December 13, 2018. He was born on October 25, 1931 in Detroit, Michigan, to Dr. Warren W. Babcock, Sr. and Edna Wetherald Babcock. Warren graduated from Detroit University School, Dartmouth College, and the University of Michigan Medical School. He was a member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity at Dartmouth and Galens Honorary Medical Society at the University of Michigan Medical School. Warren married Virginia Kincannon on June 22, 1957 in Memphis, Tennessee. He completed his internship and surgical residency at the University of Michigan Medical Center. He served as a U.S. Army Surgeon, U.S. Army Headquarters Japan, from 1961-1963. He was a Special Fellow in Head and Neck Surgery at the Pack Medical Foundation, New York, NY and on the teaching staff in the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Michigan Medical Center. He was board certified in General Surgery and Otolaryngology.

Warren moved to Rockford in 1967, where he practiced General and Head and Neck Surgery with the Rockford Surgical Service until his retirement in 1997. While in Rockford, he served as a Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery at the University Of Illinois School Of Medicine at Rockford and the Chief of Surgery at Swedish American Hospital. His professional memberships included the Frederick A. Coller Surgical Society, the Winnebago County Medical Society, the Illinois State Medical and Surgical Societies, and the American Medical Association.

Warren enjoyed a long and rewarding retirement traveling with family, duck hunting, skiing, fly-fishing, and was a member of the Senachwine Duck Club and the Rockford Country Club. He leaves a legacy of helping and healing (with God's help) many people. He was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church. Survivors include his wife Virginia of 61 years, daughter Carolyn (Andrew) Dun of Lake Forest, Illinois; son W. Wood (Jeanne) Babcock, III of The Woodlands, Texas; daughter Virginia (Douglas) Feeney of Cincinnati, Ohio and seven wonderful grandchildren. Warren was

predeceased by his parents, sister Kathryn Babcock Hildebrandt and brother-in-law Ted Hildebrandt. Funeral service was Saturday, January 12, 2019, at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2821 N. Bell School Rd, Rockford,

Warren came from Detroit along with John Rice and Butch Edgar. At Dartmouth he roomed variously with Dan Ernst, John Rice, Jack Avril, Forrest Anderson, Pete Wagner, and George Passano.

David G. Martin '53



David G. Martin, Kalamazoo, Age 87, passed away at home on Saturday, December 29, 2018 surrounded by his family. David was born in Chicago, Illinois on August 31, 1931, the son of the late Douglas S. and Josephine (Anderson) Martin. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Douglas Martin. David earned his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College and went on to obtain his PhD in Organic Chemistry from the University of Wisconsin. After graduation, he moved to Kalamazoo to start a 40+ year career

at the Upjohn Company where he received the Upjohn Award in 1989. After moving to Kalamazoo, David met his wife, Ann M. Woodruff. They were married on November 1, 1958. David devoted his life to cancer research and was deeply committed to his faith and social justice. He was a loving husband and father. David is survived by his wife of 60 years, Ann Martin; children, David (Judy) Martin, Paul (Patty) Martin, Kristin (Scott) Kay and Melissa (Burke) Snyder; grandchildren, Jordan, Ben and Hayley Martin, Joe and Katy Martin, Kevin and Samantha Kay and Hannah and Wil Snyder; brother, Dan (Susan) Martin; sister-in-law, Peggy Martin; and several nieces and nephews. A memorial service to celebrate David's life was held at his church, First United Methodist Church of Kalamazoo, 212 S. Park St., Kalamazoo, Saturday, January 5.

Father David Stowe

Father David A. Stowe, past rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Somerville, NJ, died on Sunday, January 13, 2019, at New Seasons in New Britain, PA. Born and raised in New Brunswick, NJ, Father Stowe was a graduate of Dartmouth College and the General Theological Seminary in New York City. He was appointed the rector at St. John's Episcopal Church in 1965 and retired in 1996. He also served as the founding and supervising rector of St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Bridgewater. Following his retirement Father Stowe and his wife Priscilla moved to the Doylestown area and joined the congregation at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Lambertville.

Following seminary, Father Stowe was ordained as a deacon in 1956 and ordained to the priesthood in 1959. He started his ministry at Holy Trinity Church in Collingswood, NJ. From 1958 until 1959 he served as priest-in-charge at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Acton, MA and later as canon presenter at the All Saints Cathedral, Albany New York

Father Stowe was active in church and community affairs throughout his career. He served on the boards of the Somerset Medical Center and the United Way of Somerset Valley. He was one of three founders of Somerville Senior Citizens' Housing, Inc., which with the Housing Finance Agency of New Jersey, planned and built the senior citizen housing at 1 Mountain Avenue in Somerville..

At St. John's Church, Father established the Bernard T. Bruckner Grants Committee to provide funding to over 20 agencies and charitable groups in the Somerville area. Father Stowe also served on various committees of the Somerset Medical Center Board of Trustees including the Medical Research Advisory Committee and the West Wing finance campaign. He was a member of the Hospice Subcommittee for the area's Health Systems Agency.

Father Stowe was a member of the Somerville Rescue Squad and the Borough of Somerville's Human Relations Committee.

A past chairman of the Somerville Area Ministerial Association Week of Prayer Observance, Father also organized the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and the Good Friday Pilgrimage. Father also served on several committees for the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey and on the Alumni Executive Board of the General Assembly.

For his service to the church and to the community, Father Stowe was honored by the Somerset Valley Chamber of Commerce as the "Outstanding Citizen of the Year" for 1980. Father was devoted to his family. He was a daily reader of the New York Times, liked working outside gardening and tending to his lawn. He followed baseball and football and enjoyed symphonic and church music

Father Stowe was the father of the late Corporal Thomas David Stowe, USMC, who lost his life in the 1983 bombing of the US Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon; the son of the late Rev. Dr. Walter H. Stowe, Pastor of Christ Church in New Brunswick , NJ and the late Marguerite Browne Stowe; and the brother of the late Harriet Williams. He is survived by his wife of 64 years Priscilla Lynn Stowe; his daughter Barbara Stowe and her companion George Host; his daughter-in-law Donna Bologna and his granddaughter SamanthaLeeStowe. Funeral services were held on Saturday, January 19 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 158 High Street, Somerville, New Jersey 08876

Dick Calkins in Action

Holy Cross beat up the good guys 27-9 in the opening game of the 1952 season, despite the efforts of receiver Richard Calkins '53 (14). This year's Dartmouth Football squad kicks off at home against Georgetown September 15. (Photo courtesy Dartmouth College Library]



A Note From Our Ambassador Peter Bridges

I am happy to say that the editors of Eclectica Magazine, the oldest and, I like to think, best online journal in America, have just named me the “Spotlight Author” for their January/February 2019 issue; see www.eclectica.org/v23n1/bridges.html . I hope you will read my “spotlighted” story in this issue, “The Tale of Igor.” It is fiction, but I did know a young Russian who, like my protagonist, survived the battle of Stalingrad and ended up graduating from an American college (in the Midwest, not Dartmouth like “Igor”). There was at least one Tsarist general who became a Soviet general and, like Igor’s grandfather, survived Stalin’s purge of generals. And there was, as mentioned in the story, a Dartmouth alumnus named Dick Durrance who, like Igor, had never graduated from high school. Durrance later became a famous skier—and managed Aspen as it grew.

Let me add that my new memoir “Woods Waters Peaks: A Diplomat Outdoors” is selling well. Several of you who have read it have written me how much they like it. That’s in addition to the praise for the book by several other notable Americans at <https://www.politics-prose.com/book/9781624291654> .



Peter and Mary Jane with friends at the Bull Run Memorial at Manassas

The Heart Warming Story of Russ and Sam



Russ and Sam, two friends, met in the park every day to feed the pigeons, watch the squirrels and discuss world problems. One day Russ didn't show up. Sam didn't think much about it and figured maybe he had a cold or something.. But after Russ hadn't shown up for a week or so, Sam really got worried. However, since the only time they ever got together was at the park, Sam didn't know where Russ lived, so he was unable to find out what had happened to him.

A month had passed, and Sam figured he had seen the last of Russ, but one day, Sam approached the park and-- lo and behold!--there sat Russ! Sam was very excited and happy to see him and told him so. Then he said, 'For crying out loud Russ, what in the world happened to you?' Russ replied, 'I have been in jail.' 'Jail!' cried Sam. What in the world for?' 'Well,' Russ said, 'you know Sue, that cute little blonde waitress at the coffee shop where I sometimes go?' 'Yeah,' said Sam, 'I remember her. What about her?' 'Well, one day she filed rape charges against me; and, at 89 years old, I was so proud that when I got into court, I pled 'guilty'.

'The damn judge gave me 30 days for perjury.'

Some words follow about our new class website at

<https://classof53.site/index.php/home-page/>

We have attempted to bring all the “memories” of our earlier class site over to the new one which can be accessed by “Ctrl Click” on the link shown above. We missed some and they will be included as we go, BUT given the growing time constraints on the class of “late octogenarians” your scribe elected to include some of those NOW in this and several subsequent ’53 Outs. I consulted with ther pioneer of ’53 Outs and received his spiritual concurrence. Thanks Donald. So, here we go!



The Dragoners—The Secret's Out

Dave Donovan and "Gabby" Gabianelli



All actors except Warwick Davies were the original Star Wars movie, Star Wars, Episode IV: A New Hope.

Left to Right Front Row: Kenny Baker (R2D2) and Warwick Davies (best known for Harry Potter movies and Willow).

Left to Right Back Row: Jeremy Bullock (Boba Fett), Harrison Solow, Herb Solow, Peter Mayhew (Chewbacca) and David Prowse (Darth Vader)



.Bernie Sudikoff always the gentleman



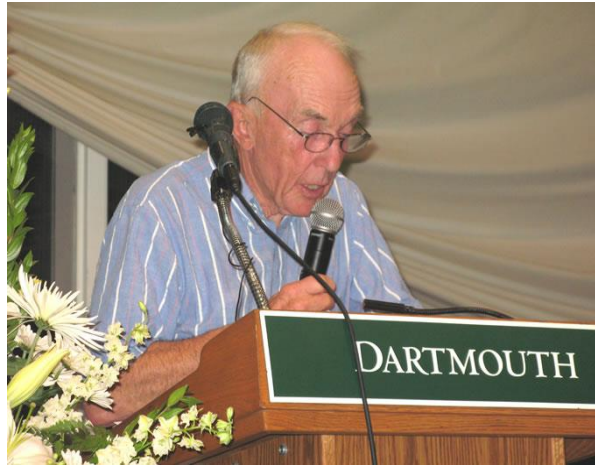
“Angus” Cunningham without “Pipes”



Norm Carpenter, Jim “Wheels” Cartmell. Fred Stephens. Bob Simpson, Chuck Reilly, Tom Bloomer in yonder back and I would be guessing on the rest.



The Kennedy's of Mystic fame



Class President Phil Beekman



Fairs, Cahns, Smollers, Kennedys, Adams, and Siegals--Heavy Hitters these folks

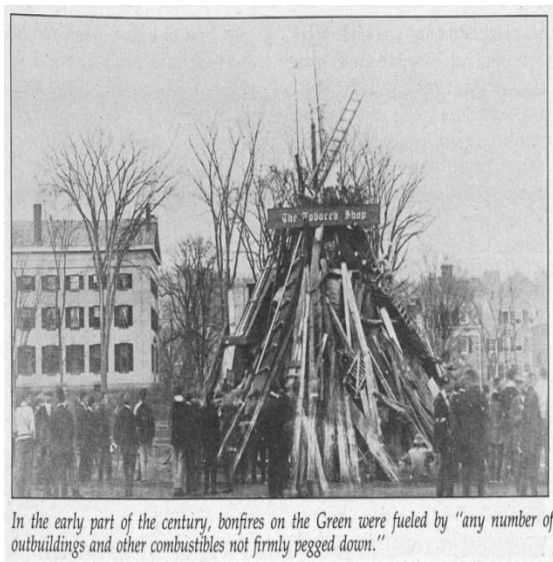


Bob "Toodlepip" Simpson



Chairman Bob Henderson

The Bonfire on the Green has always been a tradition on the opening night of Homecoming in early October, and history has shown that the truly dedicated Dartmouth class freshmen would build the Bonfire with anything that was found in Hanover that was combustible. To the left is the bonfire of **1903**



To the Right is the Bonfire the Great Class of 1953 built in **1949**, our freshman year and. as always, and keeping in the tradition of our Dartmouth Forbears.



Fred Whitemore, Bob and Anne Simpson, Clark Brink and the Crowd



Fred again getting some financial advice from Bob "Mole" Malin



Len "Broadway" Gochman in deep Conversation with Gerry Grady



John Springer and Russ Cook sharing a '53 chuckle



Oh how Howie Clery could laugh and with part of Ron Lazar and all of Phil Fast and Tim Thomas enjoying the festivities



Marilyn Paganucci and Fred Whittemore at the dedication of the Father Eddie Boyle's chapel commemorating Eddie's efforts to establish the Aquinas House



Freddie Carleton and Jack Patten



Tom Bloomer, Bill Chamberlain, Bob Callender, Dick Fleming



The 1953 Mississippi Riverboat Adventure November 2004



The Great 2004 Mississippi Cruise Maxi-Mini Manifest!

Scribe's Note---this was my favorite mini-reunion and best described by Professor Don Pease, who cruised with us, when he noted that "the class of 1953 is the most affable and congenial class he had ever seen in his many years at Dartmouth. Don made that lovely comment at our pre-cruise dinner in New Orleans where 30 of us had consumed 28 bottles of wine. We love you too Professor Donald!!



Fred England, Ron Lazar, Harlan Fair, Fred Stephens, Dick Goodman

A Band of Brothers a While Ago --- 1953 Forever

