



The Affable, Charming Dartmouth Class of 1953, Great Too!



Words of Wisdom and Wit from our Illustrious President

DICK 'OCONNOR'S LETTER FOR THE CLASS.

WE HAVE CONTINUED TO RANDOMLY CALL CLASSMATES, SOME OF WHOM I HAVEN'T SEEN IN 30 YEARS. I HAD A LONG AND INTERESTING CONVERSATION WITH REVEREND BOYD JOHNSON OF MADISON, CT. HE IS RETIRED BUT STILL HAS TIME FOR TENNIS AND SAILNG. HIS KIDS ARE WITH WALL STREET FIRMS WHILE HIS DDAUGHTER LIVES IN LONDON WHERE SHE DOES FINANCIAL PLANNING. IN ADDITION TO HIS CONTEMPORATIES, BOYD ALSO PLAYS TENNIS WITH 40 YEAR OLDS IN ORDER TO STAY IN SHAPE.

SPOKE WITH CHARLIE BUCHANAN ABOUT GOLF AND HE PROMOSED TO CALL

WHEN THE SEASON REOPENS. WITH THE PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS KARL FREIDMAN WAS UNABLE TO GET TO HIS WINTER HOME IN ARIZONA WHERE HE ALSO TAKES CARE OF THE NATIVES WHO DON'T HAVE HEALTHCARE. KARL WILL TRY TO GET TO HANOVER IN THE FALL AND HIS WIFE IS DOING FINE.

CHATTED WITH GEORGE KRALL IN HILTON HEAD AND HE HAS HAD TO GIVE UP GOLF AFTER MANY YEARS DUE TO A BALANCE PROBLEM . HE'S NOW LIVING IN A RETIREMENT HOME/, I SPOKE WITH FORREST ANDERSON IN CALIFORNIA WHO USES A WALKER AS WELL BECAUSE OF BALANCE ISSUES LIKE MANY OF US HAVE THESE DAYS. HIS KIDS LIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD SO HE HAS PLENTY OF FAMILY NEARBY. HIS RETIREMEMT HOME DOES NOT ALLOW VISITORS DURING THIS PANDEMIC TIME, BUT HE GETS OUT OCCASINALLY WITH FAMILY, HIS DARTMOUTH EDUCATED GRANDSON IS IN ENGLAND GETTING HIS MASTERS DEGREE.

TALKERD WITH DICK CALKINS WHO HAS LIVED IN IOWA FOR 40 YEARS AND IS STILL TEACHING LAW CLASSES IN NEGOTIATION, DIVORCE, AND OTHER LEGAL SUBJECTS AND HAS WRITTEN A BOOK "GUILTY BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT" WHICH IS DISCUSSED LATER IN THIS NEWSLETTER. DICK HAS BEEEN DOING THIS FOR SEVERAL YEARS AFTER RETIRING FROM HIS LAW FIRM. . HE PLAYS GOLF AT THE LOCAL GOLF COURSE ACCESSED RIGHT IN HIS BACKYARD, AND USUALLY BY HIMSELF UNTIL OR UNLESS A NEEDY FOURSOME COMES ALONG.

I THINK WE SHOULD ALL MAKE AN EFFORT FOR A PROGRAM TO CALL CLASSMATES EVER SO OFTEN TO STAY IN TOUCH, ENCOURAGE GOOD LIVING, SHARE GREAT MEMORIES AND STAY IN TOUCH. I HAVE RECEIVED GOOD RESPONSES FROM MY PHONE CALLS AND ENCOURAGE ALL OF US TO DO THE SAME. . EMAIL ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS ARE AVAILABLE IN OUR 65^{TH} REUNION BOOK PREPARED IN 2018 AND IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THAT BOOK OR CANNOT FIND A NUMBER , GET IN TOUCH WITH DAVE HALLORAN AT DHALLORAN@CFL.RR.COM AS HE HAS THEM ALL.

RON LAZAR AND I ARE LEARNING TO OPERATE ZOOM ON OUR COMPUTERS SO THAT WE CAN HOLD THE ANNUAL CLASS MEETING TO OFFSET THE TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS AND TO INCLUDE MORE CLASSMATES . WE'RE SHOOTING FOR AN OCTOBER DATE TO HOLD THE ANNUAL MEETING.

CHEERS TO ALL, DICK "OKIE" O'CONNOR, 1953 PRESIDENT.

Mark Smoller "Tell It Like It Is" Class Notes for the September and November DAM Issues [We get to peek"

The good news in this time of the horrific pandemic is brought to us by Ron Lazar, head agent of our Dartmouth College Fund." We've done it again! Our loyal agent team of Dick O'Connor, Phil Beekman, Dick Loewenthal, Fred Stephens, John Avril, John Cernius, Tom

Duke, Carl England, Bill Friedman, Dave Halloran, Don McMichael, George Sarner, Bob Simpson, Bernie Sudikoff, and Tim Thomas, along with 161 generous donor classmates, of whom 60 have given every year since graduation or missed only 1 year raised \$183,000. The great class of 1953 had the 3rd highest participation of 74 classes, 72% compared to the college wide participation of 37%. We were also 1 of 3 classes to establish a year out participation record. Fantastic! Thanks to all of the above." Happily, here are some new books authored by our Classmates. "Best Preactices in Construction Safety" by Harlan Fair. This book is for construction professionals. written in three parts; the first, covers his observations and experience in 68 years in the construction business; the second is a standalone manual of best practices in construction safety, and the third is a look to the future. Bruce Sherman has wrtiten three books: "Bullycide; Death at Playtine" loaded with information on child bullying and bullying at school.. Another, "What Grandparents Must Know About Grandkids Issues" is a timely book as a result of the growing divorce rate with grandparents assuming an increasing role in the grandhildren's lives, and the third is "The Boy Who Loved to Climb Trees", a charming collection of poems, memories from the author's childhood during pleaasant and simple times. I am the third author this month. "Mark My Words " is a sometimes whimsical, sometimes pithy, collection of reflections, reminiscenses and recollections of a life well lived. It will transport you from the steamy summer streets of Brooklyn of the 1930's to the sunny slopes of New England on a journey along my own yellow brick road .All of the above books may be found on Amazon. Sadly I announce the deaths of James Cartmell, Ken Johnson, John Rice, and Maurice must Schonfeld and offer our condolences to their families. Mark H.Smoller ; 401 Lake Shore Rd. Putnam Valley, NY 10579; (845)603-5066.

In these challenging times, Aaron Epstein has found a way to make use of his not unimposing talents. In a very newsy letter, he writes that he is no longer reporting on the Supreme Court or the Justice Department. He has learned to work with kid journalists in the elementary school.. "I choose them, teach them, assign them to stories, discuss their drafts, work with them to improve their reporting and writing and, ultimately produce the final product in a high quality newspaper, available both in print and on line. Everything is different now, of course. With schools closed, I had to cancel assignments. Instead, I've asked them to write personal journals about their changed lives. Eight of my staff of eighteen are participating and today I asked a few of my newspaper alums, now in middle school or high school, to contribute, too. Those diaries, I hope can fill all four pages of an edition in early June." I am certain Aaron would have loved such an opportunity when he was in elementary school. When he is not busy with that he has become a gourmet cook. Perhaps he can have them taste his food and critique it in their paper. I was delighted to hear from Anton Phillips. From Naarden, a suburb of Amsterdam, Holland,. he writes that they have been dealing with the Covid19 virus there as well, and with many of the same problems which we are experiencing here. They are actively tracing and testing which has allowed them to reopen their schools. He keeps busy counseling young people on their choice of major in college and future careers, adding that he does this in his garden keeping a safe distance. Congratulations to Dick O'Connor, our new Class president, and Donna Reilly, our

new Class Vice-President. Our Class is fortunate to have you both ..

Now, sadly I have to report what has become an ever increasing number of losses to our Class. We offer our condolences to the families of Charles Talamo, Brandon Schnorf Jr,, Peter Grenquist, Alan Miller, Thomas Trager, Fred Pollard, and Robert Morris

Forrest Anderson writes Hi Dave, Hello, from the Golden State of Pelosi, Feinstein, Boxer, and Newsom. Congratulations for a wonderful newsletter - just read it. Thank you, I loved it, especially Perry Free's letter on the Dartmouth curriculum with whom I agree. I'm curious about your flying days. Were you guys in the Air Force? If so, how long for you? What does "VA 212" stand for? Were you "minor league" Blue Angels? I'm impressed. Thanks for all you're doing. Stay healthy ;and all the best. Forrest

Wow Forrest, that is the finest ego appeal I have received in ages and, yes, the VA212 Aerobatic team was a minor league Blue Angels in our Air Group in Jacksonville. I was a Navy pilot flying fighters and attack aircraft off carriers and my cruises were in the Med where we were flushing out Soviet radar sites in the days before the ICBM deterrent when the -B-29's would have to penetrate that radar net to make their deterrent capability credible. VA212 stands for attack squadron 212 and we were called the "Red Raiders." The aircraft in the picture is the Grumman F9F-6 Cougar. I tried to shift that to "Green Raiders" but got nowhere when we all realized that "Green" Raiders didn't know what they were doing! Also spent two years as an instructor in Pensacola in primary, ordnance and carrier gual elements. Ed Grant of our class was one of my students after he graduated from the Naval Academy and went into Naval Aviation. That and ashore time in Jax is when I became a "died in the wool" Floridian, so when I had the opportunity to take a great job with Martin Marietta in 1978 we returned, and 'done movin'. Raised six kids here in Spring Valley skiing on the lake and enjoying the Peninsula Paradise; we downsized to a lovely villa here in Lake Mary well north of the 'biziness" that is Orlando. . Kids didn't have the desire to do Dartmouth so I have a bunch of Gators, Seminoles, and Crusaders in the family from Florida, Florida State, and UCF, And, when we go tol Tallahassee to a FSU Football game and watch Osceola come out on his pony at top speed and jam that decorated lance into the center of the feel, the gang all shout "Wah Who Wah" ;and makes it a Dartmouth game too. We are still Indians because of it and leave the Green as the place where we putt. It ain't the same. Long answer Forrest but I just loved your question!!!!



Dartmouth Removes Baker Tower Weather Vane

In a matter of hours Dartmouth removed from the top of Baker Library Tower the section of the weather vane that <u>President Philip J. Hanlon '77</u> has said represented an offensive portrayal of a Native American. The copper weather vane, designed nearly 100 years ago during the construction of the tower, depicts a Native American man sitting on the ground in front of Eleazar Wheelock, the Congregational minister who founded Dartmouth in 1769. The Native American man is wearing feathers and smoking a long pipe. Behind Wheelock stands what is likely a barrel of rum. President Hanlon said he shared concerns raised recently and other community members about the imagery on the structure, which he said did "not reflect Dartmouth's values by students."



The institution is tremendously proud of its historic, although sometimes flawed, commitment to welcoming and educating its accomplished Native American students, Hanlon said. "We are equally proud of the contributions Native Americans have made to Dartmouth's founding and to the current strength and distinctive character of our institution." Although Wheelock established the College as an institution to educate Native Americans, and Samson Occom, a Mohegan Indian and one of Wheelock's first students, was instrumental in raising the funds needed to found the College, Dartmouth for its first 200 years fell short of its goal. During his tenure, from 1970 to 1981, President John Kemeny worked to address the lack of opportunities for Native Americans in higher education, creating Dartmouth's <u>Native American Program</u> and instructing admissions officers to recruit Native American students. In the five decades since, more than 1,200 Native Americans and Alaskan Natives have attended the institution, which currently has more Native American students and Native American graduates than any of its Ivy League peers. As part of a review process, Vice President for Communications Justin Anderson will assemble a working group to consider designs for a new weather vane and whether other changes in iconography across the institution are necessary. The group will report its recommendations to Hanlon.

Your scribe's comments --- What a loss. We first heard of this from Dave Salter who was stunned as was I at the decision to take a one hundred year tradition of the great event of Dartmouth's founding in 1769 because the students felt it was disrespectful to the Native American population. That a student's view in 2020 when all kinds of allegations of racism are flagrant, that that view could take precedence over a commemorative element that was high above the campus and commemorating the founding of Dartmouth College by Pastor Eleazar Wheelock and in doing so minimizes that profound impact of his initiative on American collegiat e history. All of us in our time would sing the praises of Eleazar joyously and often as we celebrated the magnificence of the Dartmouth experience. "Oh Eleazar Wheelock was a very pious man; he went into the wilderness to teach the Indian. With a gradus and parnassum, a bible and a drum, and five hundred gallons of New England rum,!!! Fill the bowl up, fill the bowl up, drink to Eleazar, and his primitife alcazar, for he mixed drinks with the heat hen for the goodness of their their souls. Eleazar and the big chief arranged and gesticulated. They founded Dartmouth Colleg e and the big chief matriculated, Eleazar was the faculty, and the whole curriculum, was five hundred gallons of New England Rum.

That all came back from memory and my kids, not Dartmouth grads, know it so well having heard me vocalize over the years. I am stunned at Hanlon's brash decision without any consultation with the Dartmouth community outside of a few students on campus when the campus was shut down. As a fourth generation Dartmouthian these traditons are in the blood and their destruction without any discussion with the overall community is heartbreaking. My family has been graduating from Dartmouth since 1871, then 1912, 1917, 1919 [my dad[1936,1945, 1951]brother Richard], 1953, 1981, and 1994, This decision is as bad as the decisions years ago that the class of 1953 remove all of our senior canes that we had stashed in the Paganucci lounge of the 1953 Commons we financed some years ago. When my friends at the Seminole Nation and Cherokee museum in Hollywood, Florida learned this from me, they said they would like to have them displayed there as a "tribute to the tribes of Vermont and New Hampshire that protected the northern border of the Seminole nation."

Sorry to make such a big deal of this, but it is heartbreaking to many of us in the Class of 1953 but I suppose they realize we are fading away so our views are unimportant. My Seminole friends with whom I have shared this story remind me of one of their most profound

expression of the heart that when "A Tear in the Eye Brings a Rainbow to the Soul." When I meet Eleazar in the Great Beyond I will pass that share of Seminole joy on to him.

We are being led to believe that we are heading into the final phases of the Pandemic which should clear up early in 2021. We certainly hope so but plan to keep functional the anti-Pandemic habits we have so carefully developed to cope with this Pan of all Pans.



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Do you know that awesome feeling when you get into bed, fall right asleep, stay asleep all night and wake up feeling refreshed and ready to take on the day?

Yeah, me neither!

I told my suitcases that there will be no vacation this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage.



When you're determined to wear the shorts you wore before Quarantine, first day out after lockdown





Paranoia has reached absurd stages...

I sneezed in front of my laptop and the anti-virus started a scan on its own

Dick Calkins writes a fascinating letter on his Mediation Program, and has published a book "Guilty Beyond a Reasonable Doubt" which is described following his note. It is so refreshing for us octogenarians plus to see how active many are in various capacities and Dick is certainly one of them. Enjoy, this is fascinating.

"Dave over the years I have been heavily involved in mediation. In 2000 we established college and law school mediation tournaments through an organization named Internptional Academy of Dispute Resolution. Our goal has been to train students how to resolve differences peacefully outside the courts. To date we have trained several thousand students from 47 different countries, holding tournaments in Perth, Australia, Bhopal, India, Vilnius, Lithuania, London, England, Dublin, Ireland, Toronto, Canada, and Recife, Brazil and of course throughout the u.s. . We are now in the process I'm starting tournaments at the high school level. All agree our world needs more peaceful ways to resolve differencesIn addition I also train lawyers to be mediators over 1,000 to date. Dick Calkins " And here is the forward to Dick's book "Guilty Beyond a Reasonable Doubt."

Guilty Beyond A Reasonable Doubt

This is a book about Chicago that took place in the 1960s. It involves a woman who was raped 26 times by a group of eight black teenagers. As a newly admitted lawyer in Illinois, I was appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court to represent one of the boys, James Harden, in his appeal to the Illinois Supreme Court. I spent over thousand hours investigating the case and found he was innocent of any participation in the rapes. After serving 3 years of a twenty-year sentence he was freed on all charges after he passed a state-approved polygraph test.

The importance of the book is it illustrates how there was a complete breakdown in the criminal court system concerning the rights of minority person charged with a felony. The teenager I represented, James Harden, what defended by the

public defender who also represented the other seven defendants in a Gangland trial. Public defender had overwhelming evidence of Harden's innocence including, the fact that the rape victim admitted she could not identify him, failed to identify him in a lineup, and physically he was incapable of the rape because he was recovering from a knifing which which penetrated his abdominal cavity and required a major surgical operation. The public defender chose not to offer any of this evidence because he did not have evidence to exonerate the other seven defendants he represented. The public defender's office did not have resources to appoint another attorney to represent Harden and ask for a separate trial. Harden was convicted and sentenced to 20 years.

As a newly appointed attorney in Illinois, I was appointed to represent Harden in his appeal to the Illinois Supreme Court. I spent over 1000 hours on the case, much to the Chagrin of my Law Firm, but I was able to free Hardin after his serving 3 and 1/2 years in prison. Much of the evidence I uncovered was wrongfully withheld by the state; however I was able to get into evidence much of the evidence I had uncovered pursant to the Illinois post-conviction hearing Act. After freeing Hardin, I was able to use the same exculpatory evidence to get new trials for the other seven defendants and they then pleaded guilty and were given time served.

My final effort, and this is where the book is relevant today, was to help each boy find a job and adjust to life outside prison. The tragedy each boy failed, except Harden, who had never had any problem with the law. One was killed and the others sent back to jail some for life. Before going back to jail one tried to sell me used books he stole from the Chicago Public Library, another stole my father's tool chest after he had laid new carpet in my parents house and was hauling away the old carpeting, Another broke into an apartment and stole a typewriter and he couldn't type for the sole purpose of being arrested and being sent back to jail because he could not adjust to life outside of prison.

Looking back on the experience, I realized I had utterly failed it what I was really trying to accomplish. I certainly tried. But I also realized that if you do not get these young people help before they're 5 years old they will be lost to the gangs in the city of Chicago. Most have no father and the support groups are the gangs that are causing such havoc in Chicago at this time.

<u>Reese Schonfeld</u>, a Founder of CNN Dies at 88

Maurice Wolfe Schonfeld was born on Nov. 5, 1931, in Newark to Philip and Sarah (Wolfe) Schonfeld. His father was a partner in a glass and mirror company; his mother was a homemaker, secretary and bookkeeper. Reese, as he was known (his younger sister, Barbara, had mispronounced Maurice and the name stuck), graduated from Dartmouth College in 1953 with a bachelor's degree in government, though he said in his book that he had been more interested in gambling than grades. Reese was a member of Pi Lambda Pi. He went to Harvard Law School but was expelled seven months later for his continued gambling. Reese entered Columbia Law School in 1956, fulfilling his father's dream of having a lawyer for a son. Reese, died on Tuesday at his home in Manhattan. He was 88. His daughter Juliette Schonfeld Reverand said the cause was complications of Alzheimer's disease. Inaddition to his daughter Juliette, he is survived by his wife; two other daughters, Ellen Schonfeld and Ida Schonfeld; three sons, Alex, Orrin and William; a brother, Norman; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandson. His previous marriage to Karen Lamberti ended in divorce.

Reese is best known as one of the founders of CNN. He Ted Turner to create the Cable News Network and oversaw its growth before being fired. Afterward he was critical of how CNN had changed He and Ted Turner gambled that an all-news cable TV venture could challenge the big three broadcast networks in news coverage. Reese, who had years earlier run a service that sold nightly packages of news to local television stations, was skeptical when Ted Turner asked him in 1979 to help start a 24-hour news channel. Turner, the impetuous entrepreneur and yachtsman who owned the Atlanta Braves and the TBS channel, had expressed a dislike for news channels. "He'd say, 'I hate news, I'll never do news, I don't believe in news," Reese recalled in an oral history interview for the Television Academy in 2005. "I have entertainment programs stacked up in my basement."

But Turner had had a change of heart about the viability of an all-news network and was willing to put millions of dollars behind it. Reese was persuaded and he became CNN's founding president, in charge of content, personnel and scheduling. This was in the early days of basic cable, and they were gambling that CNN could effectively challenge the three main broadcast networks in their news coverage,. In the hope of finding an audience, CNN would cover news around the world all day, with time slots for financial, sports, entertainment and talk programming. Reese adopted the word "randomonium," first used by the rocker Frank Zappa in 1980, to describe CNN's fluid mix of content. He hired on-air personalities like the former CBS News correspondent Daniel Schorr and the war reporter Peter Arnett, and brought from radio what became the long-running political debate show "Crossfire," originally a match between the liberal columnist Tom Braden and the conservative commentator Pat Buchanan.

Reese also took programming risks. In 1980, CNN broadcast an edited presidential debate between President Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan that spliced in answers from the independent candidate John Anderson, who had been excluded from the debate by the League of Women Voters because of his low national poll numbers.



Reese and Reynelda Muse, a weekend anchorwoman, at CNN's broadcast center in Atlanta on May 31, 1980, the day before the 24-hour news network went live. But even with CNN's influence growing and its Nielsen ratings rising, Mr. Turner fired Reese two years after the launch. "If I had been working for anyone else, given the Nielsen ratings, I would've expected a moment of congratulations, shared glory, but Ted Turner did not like to share glory," Mr. Schonfeld wrote in a memoir, "Me and Ted Against the World: The Unauthorized Story of the Founding of CNN" (2001). By his account the two men clashed over Reese's decision not to retain a nighttime talk show host, Sandi Freeman, a decision that Turner reversed. Turner complained that Reese was too demanding of the on-air ,talent and also disliked Reese's choice of Braden and Buchanan for "Crossfire.".

Soon after leaving CNN, Reese spent two years as a vice president of Cablevision on Long Island, helping to start News 12, the first all-news local cable channel in the United States. But his attempt to start a book channel with Cablevision failed. He then worked on various projects, including producing "People Magazine on TV" and helping to plan the International Business Channel for Time Warner. In 1992 he joined an executive team that started the Food Network, which went on the air the next year. He was named its president. "I am a newsman," he told The New York Times in 1995. "My beat now is food."

Reese became a critic of CNN after leaving it. He told the TV Academy that in his view the network had fallen short of its early revolutionary promise and had become too personality-driven - "half the Wolf Blitzer network and half the Anderson Cooper network," as he put it. He also wrote a blog for the HuffPost in which he commented, often negatively, on CNN's ratings, errors and leadership. In 2010, for example, he excoriated the network's plan to pair Eliot Spitzer, the disgraced former Democratic governor of New York, with the conservative columnist Kathleen Parker in "Parker Spitzer," a debate and discussion show. "To be blunt, I can't think of a worse idea," calling the program a wan imitation of the early "Crossfire." The program would not last a year, even as the renamed "In the Arena" without Ms. Parker. The Spitzer-Parker hiring reminded him of his experience with "Crossfire" 30 years earlier, when Mr. Turner initially refused to schedule it. "But I, as CEO of CNN, had signed a contact with Braden and Buchanan," Reese wrote. "They threatened a lawsuit. I was to be a witness, and Ted was advised to settle the lawsuit. He agreed, and put 'Crossfire' on the air for a half an hour at 11:30 p.m., and within six months, Ted moved it to 7:30 p.m. It quickly became the highest rated show on CNN.s

American History Review Circa 2020:

The teacher said, "Let's begin by reviewing some American history. Who said: 'Give me Liberty, or give me Death'?'' She saw a sea of blank faces, except for Little Akio, a bright foreign exchange student from Japan, who had his hand up: "Patrick Henry 1775," he said."Very good!Who said: 'Government of the People, by the People, for the People, shall not perish from the Earth'?"Again, no response except from Little Akio: "Abraham Lincoln, 1864 "Excellent!" said the teacher continuing.

"Let's try one a bit more difficult. Who said, 'Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country?" Once again, Akio's was the only hand in the air and he said: "JohnF.Kennedy,1961." The teacher snapped at the class, "Class, you should be ashamed of yourselves. Little Akio isn't from this country and he knows more about our history than you do."She heard a loud whisper: "F____ the Japs." "Who said that? I want to know right now!" ...she angrily demanded. Little Akio put his hand up, "General MacArthur, 1945." At that point, a student in the back said, "I'm gonna puke." The teacher glares around and asks, "All right! Now who said that ,Again, Little Akio says, <u>"George Bush to the Japanese Prime Minister, 1991."</u> Now furious, another student yells, "Oh yeah? Suck this!" Little Akio jumps out of his chair waving his hand and shouts to the teacher, "Bill Clinton, to Monica Lewinsky, 1997!"Now with almost mob hysteria someone said, "You little s--t! If you say anything else, I'll kill you!" Little Akio frantically yells at the top of his voice, "Michael Jackson to the children testifying against him, 2004."The teacher fainted As the class gathered around the teacher on the floor, someone said, "Oh s--t, we're screwed!" Little Akio said quietly, "The American public if "*Fill in the Blank*" gets elected!"

<u>Charlie Buchanan</u> sends in Coach Teevers Miracle Solution to Pandemic Football Practice. We are indebted to Charlie for this story which is presented on copies of the newspaper clicks from which Charlie researched—a bit slanted in print but the straight and narrow to the n truth.



A New Blueprint for Football

Dartmouth changed the way it practiced. It's a model for the pandemic.

serving as the school's coach.

These two coaches are hailed for their progressive offenses, but Teevens says they were even more progressive when it came to protecting their players. They both instilled in him the idea that little was more important than getting their team to game day in tip-top shape. Unlike other coaches, they didn't take pride in having their players batter each other every day.

NFL practices won't include full pads or contact for the first three weeks of camp.

"Why would you beat the crap out of our own team and players?" Spurrier says. "I used to tell people: When the army's preparing for battle, they don't use live bullets against each other. So why use live collisions when we get ready for opponents?"

Teevens took that logic to the next level. He had no idea if it would be effective. "If it didn't work, I'm fired and unemployed right now," he says. But he thought he could build an entire system around it. The coaches broke down film to study the most effective tackles. They later brought in robotic tackling dummies so players had mobile targets to practice against. They were still training for the violence inherent to football—just not against their own teammates.

Players say there was an initial skepticism. They had practiced a certain way in high school. Other college teams did too. So did the best of the best in the NFL. When Teevens walked into players' homes for recruiting visits, they had the same reaction as his coaching staff. "I wasn't a full-on believer at the beginning," said Will McNamara, a Dartmouth linebacker from 2012 to 2015.

But players like Will McNamara became believers when they actually tried it. They felt fresher, and they played better. Concussions went down. Missed tackles went down. And the most important statistic went up: wins. From 2005 to 2009 under Teevens, Dartmouth's record was 9-41. Over the next 10 years, it went 70-30 with two Ivy League titles.

"The proof is on the scoreboard," said Bronson Green, a former Big Green captain and linebacker. "This may be the next evolution of where the game should be."

When this experiment proved so successful, this school in football's hinterlands became the curiosity of the football world.

The Ivy League eliminated fullcontact practices during the season in 2016. Teevens's phone kept ringing with scouts, coaches and executives eager to hear how it worked.

Those executives have included NFL chief medical officer Dr. Allen Sills, executive vice president of football operations Troy Vincent—

and their boss. Two years ago, Teevens was conducting a spring practice and noticed his players were awfully distracted. They couldn't stop staring at the person peppering their coach with ques tions. Which is when Teevens asked Roger Goodell to give a speech to the team so they could get on with their practice. The NFL commissioner was so intrigued he bought some of the same tackling dummies Dartmouth uses for Bronxville High School in the New York suburb where he lives.

But the NFL wasn't anywhere near making its practice look like Dartmouth's. Then a novel virus brought the country's richest sports league, and the school that helped inspire "Animal House," closer than anyone could have imagined.

When the NFL and its union began bargaining over how to return during a pandemic, they wanted protocols to mitigate the spread of the virus and a plan to prevent an increase in injuries.

The resulting agreement eliminated preseason games and said practices won't include full pads or contact for the first three weeks of training camp.

It's a jarring shift to football normalcy. But one former NFL and college coach says it's hogwash if people say the techniques that worked at Dartmouth won't work in the NFL.

"I don't agree with that at all," Spurrier says. He added: "When you have injuries in practice, that's really stupid." <u>The Incomparable Mark Smoller</u>, a doctor/dentist of many talents including entertaining "we oldies" with his famous sing along piano program, well Marcus has done it again. He has authored a book named, appropriately, Mark My Words, which as the VIVID cover of the dynamic dentist suggests are Mark's Reflections, Reminiccines and Recollections from a life well lived. Mark's book is available on Amazon. With Mark's best seller to be added to Dick Calkins book, "Guilty Beyond a Reasonable Doubt" discussed earlier, and Dick Cahn's book "Making Law" presented in the summer letter, and your editor's "diatribe" "An Eternity Soaring Through the Universe" with ordering details noted at letter's end, there should be enough fun and serious reading to get all of us through the Pandemic and prepared to enter the next phase of our seemingly immortal existence , the "Nonagenarian" phase. Wow and here is Mark's cover.



Since Youngsters of Today have their Texting Codes (LOL, OMG, TTYL, etc.) the Oldies decided not to be outdone by these kids, and now have developed our own codes too :

ATD - At the Doctor's BFF - Best Friend's Funeral BTW - Bring the Wheelchair BYOT - Bring your own teeth FWIW - Forgot Where I Was GGPBL - Gotta Go, Pacemaker Battery Low GHA - Got Heartburn Again TFT - Texting From Toilet.

Now share this with some other oldies and make their day

15:5



<u>How to Replace a Cruising Life During the Pandemic with a Special</u> <u>View of our Entertainment and Pool Complex in Our Village</u> Your editor has taken the liberty of sharing a Pandemic Plus-Up with Lifelong 1953 Friends. Joanne and I do a lot of cruising, primarily around the Caribean and the East Coast, though we have cruised much of the World. Then the Pandemic put a crimp in those excursions this year. We are only an hour plus from the harbor at Cape Canaveral, and about the same from the harbor at Tampa, so there are lots of cruise options to consider.. And, Joanne is in the business—New Directiolns Cruises.

To counterattack this near tragedy!! we noticed in our frequent visits to our pool in the Pure Living Village complex in which we live here in Lake Mary and, my marketeer imagination immediately realized we were lookling at an image of one of our favorite locations aboard ship, just aft of the bridge around the pool., The architecture of our Entertainment Center is much like that area on the many of the cruise liners behind the bridge. When one allows one's imaginatioln enhanced by a lovely glass of wine to enter into the equation the only thing missing was some Jamaican music and a disk player with good speaker solved the problem. Now we look forward to going back to sea when the Pandemic breaks, but what a lovely alternative. Should those of you who are cruisers be in the area, Y'all come, music and wine aplenty and a lovely barbecue area on upper deck. We moved from the family house of 40 years here three years ago into a spacious villa with all the trimmings and in a complex whose architeture is ecsquisite and accented by superb foliage which is our bag. Nice way to handle the end gaame.

An Extraordinary Experience In Belgium with Carlsberg



A Lovely Note from Lynne Atherton about Fred Chase

Dear Dave ~ Fred Chase, having practiced law in Florida for 39 years before we reunited, was well familiar with Miami Herald columnist Carl Hiaasen. He introduced Hiaasen to me as out-loud bedtime reading. We would roar with laughter. Recently I've decided that most of my books year round need to be "summer reading" to offset the tenor of the times. Silently reading Hiaasen's new novel "Squeeze Me" I've again burst out laughing - - and have missed Fred. Truth to tell (an honorable concept, let's never forget), I've also just finished "White Fragility" and enrolled in a Racism and Justice seminar. I live 15 miles from *Kenosha*.

All the best to all the '53's Dave, ♥□ 🗉 😌 🛇 🛇 🔐 🔐 Lynne

Oh Lynne, I wish you were closer but if you are willing we can open up the whole racist and justice issue on this publication. I am considered a radical at Dartmouth because I have taken exception to so many of their public articles on alleged racist issues, and when they took down the 100 year old Eleazar Wheelock parlaying with the Indian founding Dartmouth,, I blew my top and have so expressed early in this letter as well as correspondence directly with President Hanlon. Keep us posted on your Racist and Justic seminar and thanks so much for writing. I will always feel Fred's presence through you, and yours as well. Keep the cool in Kenosha. Thanks, Lynne. and perhaps to precipitate that dialogue I am including a write up on "Racism" by a dear friend and colleague, William Hamilton, a graduate of three fine universities and a Dartmouth "wanna be" who really nailed the abuse that is ongoing in criticizing and virtually condemning the white race for the difficulties of other Americans of different racial backgrounds. Living her in Florida where we

have Afro-Americans, Hispanic Americans, Vietnamese Americans, Euro Americans including many from the Eastern-bloc countries, Middle Eastern-Americans, Indian Americans, and we poor White Folks whose ancestors migrated here both short and long timesago, , and we all get along just fine and the same is true with the wide range of religious preferences. Here In Central Florida we have over 50,000 Muslims who practiced their faith freely as do the rest of us. Their Imam has visited our church and we have visited his Mosque.

Here is my friend Bill Hamilton's take on the historic racial implications and it really pops the cork on the absurdity of so many of the racial accusations and insuations.

Central View by William Hamilton, J.D., Ph.D. As Shakespeare asked: What's in a name?

So, in the interest of providing more accurate information -- The recent toppling of the statues of historical personages suggests the vandals ought to check out the biographies of those whose memories they seek to erase. For example, California vandals toppled the statue of former President Ulysses S. Grant. Oops! Wrong statue. The great African-American leader, Frederick Douglass, eulogized President Grant as "a man too broad for prejudice, too humane to despise the humblest, too great to be small at any point. In him, the Negro found a protector, the Indian a friend, a vanquished foe a brother, an imperiled nation a savior." So ,targeting data for the rioters, here are some prestigious American universities whose names might merit some historical adjustment.!

Harvard: According to Wikipedia: "At Harvard University, slaves 'served Harvard leaders' and 'slave labor played a vital role in the unprecedented appreciation of wealth by New England merchants that laid the foundation of Harvard.' Furthermore, 'Harvard students slept in beds and ate meals prepared by slaves, and many grew up to be prominent slave-holders and leaders in early America.'" Suggested renaming: Martin Luther King, Jr., University.

Yale: According to Wikipedia, "Yale University was founded by Elihu Yale (1649-1721) who 'was an American born British merchant slave trader...a benefactor of the Collegiate School....which in 1718 was renamed Yale College in his honor." Suggested name: Mahatma Gandhi University. Stanford University was founded by Leland Stanford, often referred to as one of America's "robber barons." To build 15 tunnels needed for the Central Pacific Railroad, Stanford and his fellow investors forced Chinese laborers to blast the tunnels using black power and nitroglycerin. Hundreds of Chinese workers were blown to bits. Suggested new name: Sun Yat-sen University. Princeton University glories in its Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. Wait. Hold the phone. President Woodrow Wilson, a Democrat overturned the advances made by emancipated slaves under the "Reconstruction Era." Wilson re-segregated the federal government. Both the Post Office and the Department of the Treasury introduced, separate lunchrooms, screened off workspace, and separate bathrooms. In 1913, famed civil-rights leader, W.E.B. DuBois, complained to President Wilson that, "one colored clerk who could not actually be segregated on account of the nature of his work [and who] consequently had a cage built around him to separate him from his white companions of many years." Under President Wilson, black people were "segregated" by putting them in caged workspaces. Suggested renaming: The Nelson Mandela School of Public and International Affairs. So, "What's in a name?" Enough prestige that white elites with diplomas from Harvard, Yale, Stanford or Princeton will not allow their alma mater to be renamed and consequently should "get off" this phony systemic racism that is am attempt to weaken the American free enterprise system and citizenship. Candace Owen who is leading mixed racial groups to get tp the root cause of the accusations of racism which are emanating for political purposes..





"What the Left fears more than anything are white people and black people coming together and loving their country. This is why they are doing absolutely everything in their power to inspire a race war. Class and racial warfare are essential to their party platform."

Candace Owens

Say True if you agree with Candace Owens!

Top Secret Drum Corps -- Ireland

This will take some of the monotony out of the Pandemic snooze. It is a long one. https://youtu.be/d0o9kvixL50



<u>The Kentucky Derby in Pre=Pandemic Days.</u> Can you pick out the Dartmouth '53 <u>Group ----- Quick Hint.</u> They are the Jockeyts on these four horses!!!! An Eternity Soaring Through The Universe

An Exploratory Story Peering Beyond the Galaxies



Yep, Another 1953 Author. Copies are Electronic Only; Should You Like a Copy Let Me Know and I Will Send It PDF. No Charge. Go to https://soaringthrheuniversoughte.com/ for a synopsis of book. This is a Moving Patriotic Video on :Why We Stand for the Flag Which Is So Appropriate Today With Those That Feel Otherwise. Not On Our Watch. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eBxVxO0nh4

A Letter From Our Quintessential Powder Skiier AltaBruce aka Bruce Sherman Dave..Thought our classmates...especially Patten and skiers...would find some fun with George...my friend and ski pal on less challenging slopes. He is 100 and still has 100% of his faculties and skis daily. Stay well and enjoy life. Wah Hoo Wah...Bruce https://www.google.com/search?q=George...100+years+old&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8&hl=en-ca&client=safari



Bert Melcher's residene in a Senior's Home has turned out to be quite regiental it seems. When Bert's daughter brought in some baloons for a function or just for fun, the management decreed that all mouthes must be masked and so you have probably the FIRST ever Pandemic Masked Balloon. Bert has been a man of many careers and talents and this latest is very much in keeping with the Times. Bert, get a Green Balloon for the next edition of the Newsletter please.



One has to be very careful when pursuing the night life in Brussel.s

A Wonderful and Really Appreciated Note from Ralph Heyman

You are terrific! I look forward to and thoroughly enjoy your 53Out. I am still practicing law- "till I get it right!"

I try to swim a half mile 5 times a week in Naples, Florida from October to June and in Dayton, Ohio in the summer.

I am blessed with a wonderful wife and great kids and grandkids. Sure I miss my friends who have crossed that river. I try to make friends with younger folks. I can't ever value how much Dartmouth meant to me. I was very lucky! Again, thanks so much!

And Ralph, a thousand thanks for your kind words which so represent the special feeling we all have about our association with thei wonderful class of 1953,



The Sixtieth With a Few More Than the Sixty Fifth, But The Memories Are Always There and Forever.

Trump's New Favorite COVID Doctor Believes in Alien DNA, Demon Sperm, and Hydroxychloroquine

A Houston doctor who praises <u>hydroxychloroquine</u> and says that face masks aren't necessary to stop transmission of the highly contagious coronavirus has become a star on the right-wing internet, garnering tens of millions of views on Facebook on Monday alone. Donald Trump Jr. declared the video of Stella Immanuel a "must watch," while Donald Trump himself <u>retweeted</u> the video.

Before Trump and his supporters embrace Immanuel's medical expertise, though, they should consider other medical claims Immanuel has made—including those about alien DNA and the physical effects of having sex with witches and demons in your dreams!!!!!

Immanuel, a pediatrician and a religious minister, has a history of making bizarre claims about medical topics and other issues. She has often claimed that gynecological problems like cysts and endometriosis are in fact caused by people having sex in their dreams with demons and witches.

She alleges alien DNA is currently used in medical treatments, and that scientists are cooking up a vaccine to prevent people from being religious. And, despite appearing in Washington, D.C. to lobby Congress on Monday, she has said that the government is run in part not by humans but by "reptilians" and other aliens.

Immanuel gave her viral speech on the steps of the Supreme Court at the "White Coat Summit," a gathering of a handful of doctors who call themselves America's Frontline Doctors and dispute the medical consensus on the novel coronavirus. The event was organized by the right-wing group Tea Party Patriots, which is backed by wealthy Republican donors.

In her speech, Immanuel alleges that she has successfully treated hundreds of patients with hydroxychloroquine, a controversial treatment Trump has promoted and says he has taken himself. Studies <u>have failed to find proof</u> that the drug has any benefit in treating COVID-19, and the Food and Drug Administration in June <u>revoked</u> its emergency authorization to use it to treat the deadly virus, saying it hadn't demonstrated any effect on patients' mortality prospects.

DGH note--years ago when flying in zones where Malaria was prevalent we took Hydroxychloroquine tablets and they were effective, no malaria and no side effects. If I get hit with COVID19 I plan take the same medication. With the history of checkered integrity of Big Pharma one cannot help but be suspicious of their constant drum beating to discourage Hydroxychloroquine so they can sell their over priced solutions. Another potential cure used by another Texas doctor is discussed in the following article:

A Fascinatig[as always] note from Ross MCIntyre

Dave,

Thanks for your push. Here is the latest from Lyme, N.H. Last February Helen and I attended the Wilderness Canoe Symposium in Toronto where I presented a talk: Eric Morse and La Cloche - 50 year follow-up . La Cloche is a boulder that rings like a bell when struck. The Voyagers used it as a landmark on their way to the Northwest and it remains an important symbol for the local people. The canoeist Eric Morse had located it 50 years ago and gave directions on how to find it on the shore of Georgian Bay, Lake Huron, but it got moved when a road was built. With the help of information from the Whitefish River First Nation office we were able to paddle to where it lies and ring it. . Following this, Helen went off to Antigua Guatemala intending to stay a month while I worked on my novel about a young man in Medical School. After two weeks there, the President of the country ordered the borders closed because of the pandemic, and Helen got out of the country using a cab to the Mexican border and a couple of bicycle taxis to cross it.

After two Mexican flights and a night in the nearly vacant Kennedy airport, she arrived back here in good shape. We have just returned from Maine where we paddled five miles down the southern arm of Lake Richardson and then walked 2.5 miles to the spot where Louise Dickenson Rich lived when she wrote "We Took to the Woods" a best seller in 1942. It is a lovely spot on the Rapid River. After the return to our camper that day we found ourselves ready for bed at 8PM. So we are still active but get tired sometimes. We miss my freshman roommate, Put Blodgett.

If I get the novel published you may find this note at the beginning: This book is set in 1954-55. It is fiction. I have deliberately scrambled the geography of the place and it is peopled with characters as scrambled as the landscape. They exist in a world that I cannot forget. The structure of DNA has just been discovered but the genetic code will take another seven years to decipher. Penicillin is still regarded as a "miracle drug". Peptic ulcers are somehow tied up with Type A personalities, and Sister Kenney's folk treatment of polio is about to be superseded by vaccination. If you want copies, you use carbon paper when typing, If you make a mistake, you erase. The "pill" is still six years in the future, and it is illegal to sell condoms in Massachusetts. You actually *dial* when using the phone, and the phone is owned by Ma Bell, not you. Young people could generally tell fact from fiction. On its pages, love of place, time, and persons is the only thing real. I send my best wishes, Ross McIntyre '53

Ross – when you are ready to publish, send me a pdf copy and we will publish to the class as I have with my book. No charge; no billings, just fame as you go through the formal publishing process. Cheers, and great story.

Fascinating note from Tom Duke, USAF Lt.Colonel retired and fellow aviator and great promoter of aviation safety.

Tom has had a notable career in Aviation and related areas for his twenty years plus in the USAF flying C-130's and other transport aircraft, a Missle Officer at Malmstron Air Force Base and his final tour as the Air Force Reserve Commant Safety Officer at Warner Robins picking up an MBA along the way, Then back to flying B-707s for Atlanta Skylarks air travel club until they crashed the plane I flew into Bergamo, Italy killing all at Santa Maria , Azores mountain top.. At age 59 became researcher for NTSB analyzing accident reports involving flight crew error and recommending prevention measures, With all that know how, I quit within a year and began writing articles for airline safety publications dealing with many of the problems the committee of 1000 (Gore Commission) came up with and relayed that in cockpit crew language. It was a pleasure writing about things that contributed to a reduction in airline accidents and deaths. Now live in Kilmarnock, VA,. We have swapped homes every July with people in Spain, Ireland, Australia, Holland so far. Our son and daughter school employees and United Airlines Captain families join us.

A Well Deserved Letter from Chairman Bob Simpson to Ron Lazar for the DCF drive success. Senior ;53 Octogenarians still going strong.

Dear Ron, Congratulations! It is not difficult to raise big bucks when you have a major donors like soe of our well heeled classmates that we have treasured for many years. But your hard work cultivated a broad base of givers that really paid-off and made all the difference. It sure becomes more difficult as our numbers dwindle. But there is so much for which our Class is grateful for your tireless efforts to pursue our legend of leadership! Our Class and Dartmouth College thanks you most sincerely, All the best, Bob

A Wonderful Note from Rudi Haerle with Whom We Had Lost Touch

Dave, I don't think I've ever contributed to you before.....maybe I did.....memory fades quickly. For a life-long hobby, I have collected baseball memorabilia of all sorts....and I mean ALL. Currently I am trying to "thin" my collection, auctioning off many items with one of the big auction houses. I have hundreds....thousands.....of baseball cards (back to the late 1880s, 1890s), many, many photos, autographs....plus, plus....junked all over my house. But it is all wonderful.....I just float off into great memories....until I get up again, and continue the next day.

Helen and I had 5 children, 5 grandchildren, and, currently, 6 greatgrandchildren (including one set of triplets). Many live close by, so we get to see these fairly often. Great fun, but exhausting!!!!

Having shared this, I now think that I may be only repeating myself from past reports . So be it. Feel free to just ignore all this!!!!!

Rudi

A Fascinating Note from our Ambassador Peter Bridges on some of his latest publications. The latest issue of Eclectica Magazine includes: "A Memoir of Picking and Planting," inspired by recent mentions of WW2 Victory Gardens, online at http://www.eclectica.org/v24n3/bridges_memoir.html

And "A Murderous Vacation in Corsica," pure fiction and my first novella (16,000 words), which I think is good adventure and is online at http://www.eclectica.org/v24n3/bridges_corsica.html.

Thanks Peter and have just scanned your first novel about Corsica and really lookforward to the reading.We have relatives on Joanne's side of the family with whomwecanshareyourstory.

Smokey McCrea Has the '53 Grandparent Story of the Year

Dave, our granddaughter, Lela McCrea ,class of 14. (She was head bartender at our 60th Reunion) Was married August 29th in Sequoia National Forrest near our Mountain cabin, and during the Reception at our cabin, they jumped from a boulder next to the cabin deck into the stream. I thought the attached video might show some of our remaining classmates that the 53 spirit has come out in the Class of 14. F covid19! Smokey Amen Smokey!!!!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5bn1_4D36M&fbclid=IwAR28IXEcZVk8LDb0lTaoNyjg6wkD1tzDJ30_HWLOMcU-IlyaFbTKpvkHyYw

<u>Rioting Breaks Out in the Villages in Florida</u> The rioting in major cities across the U.S. has spread to The Villages, Florida, a retirement community of 100,000. Looters in Florida's friendliest hometown have targeted stores that sell items like laxatives, vitamins, hearing aids, reading glasses, energy drinks and surgical stockings. The thugs were easily caught and arrested since they were using their walkers and golf carts to flee.

The protests have been limited to the evening hours because most of the lawbreakers either had doctor's appointments during the day - or the rioting would have interfered with their naps. The marches didn't last that long because many of the demonstrators had to get home to pee. In many cases, the demonstrators simply forgot why they were even there. Officials considered a curfew starting at 9 p.m. But since that's the time when most of the residents go to bed anyway, it was decided that it wasn't needed.

Community leaders concluded that part of the problem was that residents were restless because they had too much time on their hands since their recreation centers, pools, theaters, boutique stores and especially the bars were closed due to the corona virus. Community officials wanted to form a committee to look further into the problem, but the next day no one could remember why they needed a committee.

Precision in everything bringeth joy to the Preciser.



A Band of Brothers Forever

