

Dartmouth 1955

Read all about it!

April 2022

The '55 Spring luncheon is back!

Jack Doyle, Betty Brady and Carol Cacciamani invite all classmates, wives and widows to another delightful lunch at Jack's club, the Weston Golf Club, 275 Meadowbrook Road in Weston, Mass.

Dick Mount "will talk about staying young by planning and doing something new every day," exemplified by his playing a set of tennis in every lower-48 state and by climbing 26 New England mountains with

names from A to Z, all for the benefit of Youth Tennis.

The hosts promise "it will be an easy drive: no commuter traffic, no snow and daylight both ways. Plenty of parking." Send your check for \$55 payable to John Doyle, to Betty Brady, P.O. Box 277, Dover, Mass. 02030. Include your cell phone number and email address.

Questions? Call Betty: 339-225-5925.



Welcome to the Weston Golf Club!

More on Lou Turner

From Lee, Lou's wife: "We are planning an outdoor memorial service at the Coonamessett River Trust to take place at 100 John Parker Rd. in East Falmouth on May 21, at 2 p.m."



Lee also elaborated on this organization and Lou's dedication to it. He was a co-founder in 2006 and served as its president until his death. The trust's purpose was, and remains, to rescue and revive the Coonamessett River, which flows into Vineyard Sound, and was severely degraded. In this photo, Lou happily spots a turtle alive and well in the recovering river. The Trust posted an admiring obituary, stating, among many other compliments, "He was instrumental in organizing the spring herring count on the Coonamessett. He also started working with the Falmouth schools to host field trips to the river. He was full of energy, enthusiasm and compassion. He will be greatly missed."



Lee helped with corrections to the obituary of Lou in our February newsletter. This photo, with the gift football, is of Lou and their daughter Nancy. She is Lou's surviving daughter, not Lee. Lee also pointed out that Lou taught physics full-time, not just summers, for two years at Athens College, and the correct spelling of his home town is Whitinsville (just one t).



As a nice bonus, Lee also provided this happy three-generation photo of Lou with his grandson Nate and son Brian, in an intermission of a football game in which they were still rooting for Tom Brady, now with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, while the rest of the family was at another TV rooting for his former team, the Patriots.



John Braestrup: DCF Participation Moves Toward 60%

As of March 22, our energetic and determined class agent, John Braestrup, has recorded 87 gifts to the Dartmouth College Fund, bringing us to 34.5 percent participation. John's objective (and ours) is to achieve 60 percent participation this year, even better than our #5 ranking 56.9 percent last year. Let's make '55 (and John) proud. Pitch in a few bucks! Every gift counts toward our participation percentage! Give online at dartmouth.edu or send your check to the Dartmouth College Fund, 6066 Development Office, Hanover, NH 03755. Thanks!

In the meantime we can be proud of our superb lifetime giving to Dartmouth, as detailed by our class treasurer, Jack Doyle, on the next page.

A thoughtful memory from Al Van Huyck

"I was privileged to sit next to Lou in classes organized alphabetically . . . You could sense the quiet leadership and breadth of interest he had even as he often sat there with 'cleat marks' on his face from the frequent football losses in our day during the no face mask era. In the end of our four years, I ran against Lou for the Barrett Cup, but it was no contest. Even my father looked at our qualifications and said, 'this man Lou Turner deserves to win it.' And I had to agree. As I read his obituary, I kept thinking Lou Turner spent his professional life in education. And in the process aided several thousand young people to important achievements and a better life. To me Lou is an example of a Life Well Lived."

1955 Generosity

as of June 30, 2021

Class Endowment Funds

In a previous Newsletter we reported on our Class Endowment Funds, three of which are significant: Dickey Scholarship, Wright Scholarship and Tucker Foundation. Along with two smaller Class Funds, the Book (cost) Value of our five Class Endowment Funds as of June 30, 2021 was \$587,000. The Market Value has grown to \$1.256 million.

Individual Endowment Funds by Classmates

Over the years classmates have established 44 endowed funds with a Book Value of \$16 million and a Market Value of \$48 million. Extraordinary generosity from many classmates.

Life Income Plans

Life Income Plans provide income to the classmate and his wife over their lives, with the Principal of the Fund going to the College after their passing. Classmates have established 23 Life Income Plans with a Book Value of \$4.5 million.

Bartlett Tower Society

Over many years 56 classmates (living and deceased) have become members of the Bartlett Tower Society. As of June 30, 2021 the College has received \$16.5 million in bequests from 25 classmates.

Some classmates have been under the impression that the Bartlett Tower Society is only for wealthy individuals. Small bequests are welcomed by the College. For more information, contact our classmate stanley.bergman@withersworldwide.com or 203-974-0304.

Hal Ripley '29 Society Members

Ripley Society recognizes the 68 classmates, living and deceased, who have given every year since graduation.

Cumulative Class Giving since Graduation

The Dartmouth College Fund has received \$16.6 million from classmates and widows since our graduation. Cumulative giving for all Dartmouth purposes is \$77 million.

If you are interested in donating to Dartmouth now or in the future, feel free to contact Kim McNally at Kimberly.i.mcnally@dartmouth.edu or 603-646-3287. She can place you in contact with the appropriate individual to discuss your interest.

On behalf of current and future students, thanks for your extraordinary generosity!

--Jack Doyle, Treasurer

Lives of

James A. Sanderson

Jim Sanderson had a talent for making money grow. It was a talent he developed in a lifetime of managing the investments of individuals and institutions.

Born In Buffalo, New York, Jim came to Dartmouth from Deerfield Academy. He majored in history and was a member of the Ski Patrol, tennis team and Delta Tau Delta. He was an accomplished jazz pianist who brightened DTD parties with renditions of “Moonglow” and “Sarah in her Chevrolet.”

After graduation, Jim earned an MBA from Tuck Business School. He then completed his two-year service as a finance instructor in the Army. In 1958. Jim returned to Buffalo and began his successful investment career with Marine Midland Bank. He married Mary Esty in 1960 and moved to Rochester, N.Y., when he was promoted to vice president.

Jim brought his investment skills to Cornell University and moved to Ithaca, N.Y., in 1970. As Chief Investment Officer, Jim managed one of the largest university endowments in the country. He also lectured on portfolio management.

After 23 years at Cornell, Jim retired and formed Sanderson Capital Management. He divided his time between Ithaca and his winter home in Boca Grande, Florida.

Jim was an Alumni Interviewer for the Admissions Office, 1962-1997, and president of the regional Dartmouth Club, 1962-2001.

Jim Sanderson passed away on January 14, 2022. He is survived by Mary, his wife of 62 years, son Nicholas and daughters Alexandra and Victoria.

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Neal M. Allen

Neal Allen, a quietly generous supporter of the class and the College, passed away on January 23, 2022 in Mineral Bluff, Georgia. He is survived by his daughters Tracy and Elena. He was pre-deceased by his wife Joan.

Born in New York City, Neal came to Dartmouth from the Manlius School In Manlius, New York. He majored in English and was an assistant editor of the Jack-O-Lantern. He was also a member of Alpha Delta Phi and NROTC.

After serving three years in the Navy as an ensign and lieutenant (j.g.), Neal earned an MBA from the New York University School of Business in 1958. He started his career as a chartered financial analyst for the Chemical Bank in New York. Moving to Atlanta, Georgia, with Invesco Capital Management in 1972, Neal retired there as a senior vice president in 1996.

Neal’s generosity for causes close to his heart made an impact on the Atlanta community. He received the Living and Giving Award from the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and served on the advisory council of the Atlanta Salvation Army.

Neal and his family spent a lot of their vacation time at nearby Junior Lake, where he enjoyed boating, campfire parties and lobsters. He also played a role in saving the lake environment from damage by wind turbines.

One of Neal’s Lake friends said, “Neal had a wonderful dry sense of humor, He was intelligent, well-spoken, humble, philanthropic, and most of all, he was a gentleman.”



At the class mini-reunion in Asheville, N.C., 2014.

By Bill Cassell bcass1934@aol.com

Fifty-Fives

Thomas M. Hughson

Born in Oneonta, New York, Tom Hughson came to Dartmouth from Oneonta High School. He majored in psychology and was a member of the Glee Club, the Handel Society and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

After graduation, Tom joined the Glens Falls Insurance Company in Oneonta before leaving for Germany with the U.S. Army. He completed his service in 1958 and joined his father's insurance business, renaming their joint venture T.P. & T.M. Hughson, Inc.

During the 1970s, Tom was quick to recognize and embrace the potential of computer technology to revolutionize the insurance business. Tom also made sure that his company (now Hughson & Benson) did not lose its personal relationships. By serving the needs of its customers, be they individuals, businesses or school districts, Hughson & Benson became one of the area's leading independent insurance agencies.

Throughout his life, Tom was active in local civic organizations including Rotary Club, YMCA and Boy Scouts. In the 1990s he became president of the State University College of Oneonta Foundation.

In recognition of Tom's support for scholarships, SUCO awarded him an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters in 1999.

Tom spent nearly every summer of his adult life at his cottage on nearby Otsega Lake entertaining friends, teaching his sons and grandchildren to fish, swim and sail and going on long walks.

Thomas M. Hughson died on February 26, 2022 in Oneonta. He is survived by his wife Susan and his sons Frederick and William.

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Frederic Hyde Hawkins

Ted Hawkins, sometimes known as Hawk by his classmates, was a man of high energy and joyful living. He came to Dartmouth from Staples High School in Westport, Connecticut, and majored in English. He sang robustly with the Glee Club and the Injunaires and broadcast for WDBS. He also was a member of Theta Delta Chi.

Ted spent three years in the Navy as an ensign and lieutenant (j.g.) and married Priscilla Finn, a Wellesley graduate, in 1957. They settled in Priscilla's hometown of Bronxville, New York, when Ted left the Navy in 1958 and began a successful career in advertising and marketing with BBDO.

Ted started a second career in 1997 when he earned an MA degree from Manhattanville College and began teaching at Westchester Business Institute. He developed the general education curriculum that helped WBI become the College of Westchester and retired in 2002 as a professor emeritus.

More than his career, Ted was passionate about his family--his wife Priscilla (who passed away in 2004), their daughters Barrie, Cynthia and Faith, and six grandchildren, for whom he was their beloved Dandy.

For three decades, Ted was known as the leader of the Bronxville Field Club Christmas Carol Sings, cheerfully turning the "Twelve Days of Christmas" into a competitive sport where everyone was a winner.

Among his contributions to his community, Ted served on the vestry of Christ Church and the boards of Jansen Memorial Hospice and the Bronxville Field Club.

Ted was a voracious reader, a dapper dresser, a gentleman scholar who could (and did) speak knowledgeably about history, politics, naval strategies and the New York Times Crossword Puzzle (which he always completed in pen).

Ted was an active Dartmouth supporter, serving as a Class Agent and Alumni Interviewer. He attended many of our class meetings and was a contributor to The Hood.

Frederic Hyde Hawkins passed away on January 25, 2022 at his home in Sarasota, Florida. He is survived by his three daughters and six grandchildren.

James L. Magavern

James L. Magavern, a master of drafting and interpreting municipal law, passed away on March 7, 2022 in Buffalo, New York. He is survived by his children David, Margaret, Samuel and William. Robin, his wife of 54 years, passed away in 2009.

Buffalo was home to Jim his entire life. He came to Dartmouth from Nichols School and earned his LLB from the University of Buffalo School of Law in 1959. He then joined his father and brother in the family law firm, Magavern & Magavern.

Jim's practice included government law, corporate law and land use regulation. He represented a variety of governments, public agencies and property developers. He was counsel to the Erie County Industrial Development Agency.



Jim was Erie County attorney in the 1970s and helped craft the agreements that led to the construction of the Buffalo Bills football stadium. He also chaired the advisory committee for designing the downtown Buffalo baseball stadium.

In private practice, Jim represented developers and municipalities, using his vast knowledge of regulations to solve problems. He also played a leading role in fighting racial discrimination and opened up opportunities for women in the legal profession.

Governor Mario Cuomo appointed Jim to a seven-member statewide Commission on Government Integrity in the 1980s. He was also appointed by Mayor James Griffin to the board that revised the Code of Ethics for the City of Buffalo in the 1990s.

Jim was president of the Bar Association of Erie County and was named Lawyer of the Year by the Association in 1998. He was also honored with the Brotherhood/Sisterhood Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice.

An adjunct professor at the University of Buffalo School of Law, Jim received the School's highest honor, the Edwin F. Jaeckle Award, in 2001.

Jim played regularly on the courts at the Buffalo Tennis and Squash Club. He camped at his country property in Concord and organized family canoe trips to the Northwest Territories, the Yukon and Algonquin Park.

Lives of

David M. Neville, Jr., M.D.

Dave Neville spent a lifetime trying to understand how cells communicate and influence the genes in other cells. His research during 30 years at the National Institutes of Health led to breakthroughs in the treatment of lymphoma and other forms of cancer.

Born in New York City and a graduate of Mamaroneck High School in Larchmont, N.Y., Dave was a pre-med student at Dartmouth. He was also a member of Kappa Kappa Kappa and the Marching Band.

After completing his pre-med studies, Dave earned his M.D. degree at the University of Rochester, where he became interested in cell research. He then interned at the Yale School of Medicine. There he found it frustrating that there was so little available to help patients with cancer and autoimmune diseases.

Dave then accepted a research position at NIH in Bethesda, Maryland, and began exploring physical chemistry and molecular biology. He collaborated with two groups interested in looking at how hormones work.

Research in Dave's molecular biology lab led to the development of Resimmune, a targeted anti-T-cell therapy. As a pioneer of the immune toxin field, Dave was the author of more than 140 scientific papers.

Dave retired from the NIH in 2008 with the rank of captain in the Public Health Service. He then founded Angimmune, a research company, with two other scientists.

In the spring of 2021, Dave and Nancy, his wife of 65 years, moved to the community of Golden Pond in Hopkinton. Dave loved nature and enjoyed spending summers on the beaches of Cape Cod. He and Nancy were avid birders who spent many weekends birding on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Dr. David M. Neville, Jr. died on January 14, 2022 in Golden Pond. He is survived by Nancy and his two sons, Paul and David III.

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Fifty-fives

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John D. Bassette, Jr.

John Bassette was a skier and a singer who lived most of his life near Hanover. He came to Dartmouth from Mount Hermon, Massachusetts and majored in geography. Al was a leader in the Nordic events for the ski team and was a strong voice with the Glee Club and Injunaires. He was a member of Theta Chi.

After graduation, John spent two years in the Army teaching rock climbing and survival skills at the Mountain Cold Weather Training Command in Camp Hale, Colorado. He was joined at Coach Walter Prager's former command by many members of the U.S. Olympic and FIS ski teams.

When John completed his service obligation, he worked in several corporate positions around the country before deciding to come back to New Hampshire and become the manager of the Okemo ski area. After making several improvements to modernize the Okema facilities, John moved to the Upper Valley and opened a real estate business.

John wrote in our 50th reunion book, "I have been here for the past 35 years, enjoying every day what most of you could only sporadically experience. My life's work was and is, to raise a strong family with ethics and moral fortitude--to train them to lead and not to follow. I find it especially gratifying to do the same with my 12 grandchildren."

John also continued to sing with a number of groups in his area including the University Chorus of the Upper Valley. The Chorus put on a concert for reunion classes in Hanover every June.

John Bassette died on December, 21, 2021 in Cornish Flat, New Hampshire. He is survived by Ruth, his wife of 63 years, and children David, Gregory, John and Jeffrey.

Ruth Bassette
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Alvan R. Schwartz, M.D.

Al Schwartz was a man of many talents and interests. Not only did he have a successful 36-year medical career as a neurologist, he was also an accomplished sculptor (see an example below), photographer, landscape designer and author of a world travel book.

A lifelong New Englander, Al was brought up in Springfield, Massachusetts and came to Dartmouth from Classical High School. He majored in philosophy while taking the courses required for medical school. He was a member of Tau Epsilon Phi and the Yacht Club.



Al earned his M.D. from Tufts Medical School in 1959. The next year he married Janice Segal, to start a 62-year partnership. Before beginning his medical practice in Beverly, Mass., Al served as a major for two years in the Army Medical Corps at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.

In our 50th Reunion book, Al wrote, "I think I was always driven more to my patients' needs for a skilled, concerned

friend than to the pressure for scientific one-upmanship or monetary gain in the practice of neurology."

Al enjoyed family ski trips to Vermont, boating around Cape Ann and traveling around the world. He wrote, "In an era of failing marriages and fractionating families, I have been blessed with a wonderfully enthusiastic wife and three charming children. We are forever reveling in our good fortune. They are all beautiful, productive and filled with joie de vivre."

Dr. Alvan R. Schwartz passed away in his home on February 1, 2022. He is survived by his wife Janice, his children Susan, David, and Larry and ten grandchildren.

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James A. Knox

James A. Knox passed away at his home in Montrose, Colorado on Feb. 14, 2022. He is survived by his wife Cheryl, sons James II and Craig, daughters Gemma and Cleigh, and brothers John and Charles.

Jim came to Dartmouth, prophetically, from Rockville Center, New York, where he graduated from Oceanside High. He was a member of the Dartmouth Geological Society and Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Here is how classmate, business partner and life-long friend Mo Kaufman remembers Jim:

“Jim and I were part of perhaps the most obscure group at 1950s Dartmouth: geology majors. In our class we were a tightknit group of ten majors and five professors, almost like a fraternity. After Dartmouth, Jim went on to receive a Master’s Degree in Geology at The University of Minnesota.

“Jim and I had parallel early careers, first with Kenecott Exploration in Maine and Quebec, and then with Kermac Nuclear Fuels Corp. in New Mexico. Later we formed a small corporation which provided exploration and development services to mining companies in U.S. and Canada. After twenty years we broke up our company, and Jim went on to become

CEO of USMX, a junior mining company operating in the western U.S.

“Jim was an extremely bright and intense person. Beyond being an excellent geologist and mine developer, though he had no formal training in these fields, he set up our company’s accounting system, and was more adept at preparing legal agreements than most lawyers.

“For our company clients, Jim played a key role in the discovery and development of the De Lamar silver-gold mine in southwestern Idaho, and the Trinity silver mine in western Nevada. On several occasions, he was called in to trouble-shoot distressed mine developments, with successful outcomes. One cannot exaggerate the difficulty of these tasks.

“To characterize Jim: His work was a very important part of his life. And whatever endeavor he undertook was accomplished with excellence.”

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Tomorrow

By Bob Gregg

At life’s end tomorrow’s a one time each
Fate’s open arms are no consolation
He feared each night’s emptiness
Loneliness had come with the years
He called it his philosophic preference
Of late his stomach told him to take care
Gut feeling reviewed the years he’d had
Cold and cynical you are by nature it said
You’ve gone too far too oft, brim’s edge near
Once beyond, the road’s one-way,
Up or down, no matter, no backtrack
You’ve walked the plank, daring, that’s courage
Stupid though, when as now, up for the count
Hearing this, dull pain hours long

Icy chills, nerves frayed, his heart skipped
He knew the complaint, forced it back
The evening in view, color gray, no sunset
Daybreak he feared would call his bluff
Bells tolled longing’s yearn country far off.
It struck him. Happiness and hope welled up in him
It was the earth that spoke, took his hand
He walked out into the evening, his heart warmed
Far off memories woke him, the bells loved,
So much lost, that past suddenly alive relived
And all was as he knew he’d once been
So cold had life not treated him. Nor he, life.
There was tomorrow, his tomorrow
It mattered little if there wasn’t.

This newsletter is about the class--living as well as departed--so contributions from you are welcome for inclusion in the next issue--special memories or events or projects to which you have been dedicated, for example. Let’s hear from you! josephmathewson@gmail.com