

BEYOND THE GREEN

Class of 1998 Newsletter

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Greetings! Another thank you to all who shared their time contributing to the contents of this issue. Without you, this newsletter doesn't exist. And I have to give a shout out to new exec committee member-at-large Brook Detterman, who tapped his '98 circle to bring you some of the tidbits in Green Gossip this time around. If you're interested in contributing to the newsletter in any way—Green Gossip, a new feature, photography, whatever—don't be shy!

I hope that many of you will take the time to participate in our third annual 98th Day (weekend!) of Service, and that you will send me a few words about how you did. And, you know, perhaps some pictures? I'm hoping that we get SOOOOOOO many responses this year that we have to move to an online spread to hold all the reports. It could be your 40th birthday present to me!

In any case, I hope you enjoy hearing about what some of your classmates have been up to, and thinking about new and different ways to connect to the College and our Class. Perhaps you'll consider checking in for the next issue. Be well! —Kate

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Happy 2016, everyone!

As we move into this new year, there are a lot of plans and goals for our class. One is our upcoming 98th Day of the Year event, which this year is taking place over two days for everyone's convenience! April 9 & 10 are the days that members of our class will be going out into their communities and doing good--on both small and large scales--in honor of our class and our dedication to philanthropy and community engagement. Please mark your calendars and plan on joining us this year! See information on the next page about ideas for how to participate.

We also have a bunch of mini-reunions in the works, including a 40th birthday party or two! Look for more information on those events in these pages, and in emails and Facebook posts to come in the next weeks and months.

Thanks to everyone involved in leading our class efforts! And if you, too, would like to be involved, just drop me a line!

All the best —Jo

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STUART DAVIDSON

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Hello, everyone! I have some good news to share. As I write this, on a cold and windy February day here in Atlanta, our class dues participation rate for the current year has reached 19%. That's a great number; let me give some context as to why. Over the last fifteen years, our participation rate has averaged 24%. We're at 19% for this year (the fiscal year ends on June 30th), and it's only February. That's a great pace. Thank you!

The other reason this is good news is that for the last five years, we've averaged 21%. According to Alumni Relations, it's a very common pattern for a Dartmouth class as we progress through our thirties. This makes sense: we all have work and life responsibilities that consume a great deal of time and energy. I know from having two little kids that sometimes the mail piles up, and things get overlooked. But interestingly enough, Alumni Relations also tells us that class engagement, measured by several things (not just dues participation), tends to swing upward as a class turns 40, driven by a desire to reconnect with Dartmouth and an easing of the demands that little kids put on many folks' time and energy. Of course, when it comes to the exact timing of things getting easier, your mileage may vary.

But I'll say it again--19% is a great number. If you have paid your dues this year, thank you! If you haven't yet, please consider doing so. PayPal is the most efficient way for us to collect dues; just visit the class website at <http://1998.dartmouth.org> and click on the PayPal button. Dues are \$30 per year-- and if you'd like to lend some additional support to our class project, we have an option for that, too. We very much appreciate your support, which enables all the good things we do as a class. —Stu

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THIRD ANNUAL 98TH DAY EVENT

April 9 & 10, 2016

Do something philanthropic and community-minded in honor of our class.
Keep it simple or go all out. It's up to you — just let us know!

QUICK & EASY IDEAS

- Clean out your pantry and donate some food to a local food bank.
- Clean out your garage or closets and donate to the Salvation Army, Dress for Success, etc.
- Clean out your bookshelves and donate to your local public library.
- Go to a local park, or down your street, or to a local beach, and spend 30 minutes picking up trash.

ADVENTUROUS IDEAS

- Sign up to run or bike in a benefit race on April 9 or 10.
- Reserve a spot (or more than one and bring a friend!) at a local volunteer organization like a food pantry or soup kitchen, an animal shelter, a home for the elderly, or a hospital for kids.

MAKE IT A MINI-REUNION!

- **Jo Weingarten Golub** and **Kelly Wardwell Rierson** will be gardening at the Gardens at Lake Merritt in the **BAY AREA**. They will be there April 9 from 9:30-12:30! Children over the age of 5 are welcome, so you can make it a family affair! Jo has posted a link on the class Facebook page, and if you are interested, make sure to sign up as space is limited.
- **Katey Ritrovato Dadakis** will be harvesting vegetables and other farm fresh goodies at the Incredible Edible Farm in **IRVINE, CA**, on April 9 from 1 - 3pm. Children over the age of 7 are welcome but space is *very* limited. Katey emailed out a Save the Date and will be providing more detailed information to alumni in the Orange County and San Diego areas.
- **Karen Thickman** is organizing an event in the **SEATTLE** area. She volunteered to reach out to '98s in the area and coordinate something—thank you, Karen!! If you are in the area and haven't already connected with Karen on the 98th Day Event, you can reach her at krthickman@gmail.com.

SOCIALLY ENGAGING IDEAS

- Show up for an event that you're already aware is happening that day—at your kids' school, at your place of worship, at the local community center, wherever.
- Make a meal for someone you know who's sick or who has a new baby, and deliver it.



NEED SOME HELP?

Here are some places to start:

Almost any urban place: www.volunteermatch.org

OneBrick has chapters in:

(<http://cityname.onebrick.org/>)

Boston, Chicago, Detroit, LA, Minneapolis/St.Paul, NYC, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, Silicon Valley, Washington, D.C.

Bay Area:

<http://sfbay.onebrick.org>

<http://www.volunteereastbay.org>

<https://www.handsonbayarea.org>

Boston:

www.bostoncares.org

www.allforgood.org

www.volunteerboston.org

Chicago:

www.chicagocares.org

www.handsonsuburbanchicago.org

www.onegooddeed.org

Philadelphia:

<http://philadelphia.onebrick.org/>

<http://volunteer.phila.gov/>

<http://www.gridphilly.com/grid-magazine/2015/3/26/30-places-to-volunteer-in-philadelphia.html>

Los Angeles:

<http://www.allforgood.org/volunteer-opportunities-in-los-angeles-ca>

www.laworks.com

College Connections:

Director of Class Activities Rich Ryerson, Jr. '80

I've written a bit about my own rekindled relationship with Dartmouth and thought there may be other folks in our class looking to engage with the College in a mutually beneficial way. Since it's always easier to reach out when you have a name and face in mind, this series will share more about the folks who can facilitate our alumni relationships. ~Kate



"I'm still the "newbie" here in AR, so I know just enough to be dangerous," wrote our new Director of Class Activities, Rich Ryerson '80 when I mentioned the idea of an interview. Perhaps new to Alumni Relations, but Rich is certainly not new to Dartmouth or the Upper Valley. As for dangerous, I'll leave that to you to decide.

He's been living in the Upper Valley since graduation, less a year playing professional hockey in Germany. After working in several fields, he stepped into admissions, first at Cardigan Mountain School, a 6th-9th grade boarding school in Canaan, NH, and most recently as Director of Admissions at Kimball Union Academy, a private boarding school in Meriden, NH.

When I asked about the jump back to Dartmouth, Rich admitted that he was ready for new professional challenges. Coming back to Dartmouth felt like an opportunity to give back to a community he cares deeply about, and to work with a group of volunteers who feel as passionate and devoted and excited about the institution as he does. The scale of the alumni volunteer network is huge, Rich explained. Much larger

than any group he's worked with in the past, that's part of the excitement of his new position. "No day is the same," he says. "It's such a great variety of work. But the best and most exciting part is working with so many people who have such passion for Dartmouth. Really makes it easy, a joy to support others in supporting the College."

So what is Class Activities and what does that office do for alumni? On the current roster of projects for Class Activities includes assisting nine classes with plans for June 2016 reunions. Beyond that, the staff in this department are a resource for all the classes - the customer service center for all the alumni volunteers. When alumni want to connect with the College in a particular way, Class Activities can be their first stop. If the staff can't directly resolve the need, then they can help make the connections to other Dartmouth resources as needed.

"So you're like our Alumni Relations concierges?" I suggested.

Rich laughed. "That's not a bad way to put it."

What would he like to accomplish in this first year? "As Martha Beattie has mentioned, we'd like to have the alumni body well informed about Dartmouth today - who is here, what is happening, how they can be involved. Personally, I would like more alumni to know about the resources we can offer."

After a few years of turnover in staff, they are rebuilding and hope to provide some longer term continuity and connections. If you're interested in making a connection, the contact information for the current Class Activities staff can be found at <http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/about/contactus>

Since Rich does have such a continuity of connection with the College, as an

alumnus and as a longtime resident of the Upper Valley, I asked him for his perspective on Dartmouth today versus the Dartmouth he experienced as an undergrad, and on the changes in the alumni relations network since 1980.

"Changes in alumni relations? Computers," he said immediately. "The technology and platforms like social media make it so much easier to communicate with our alums, and that's just such a big change in the way we get in touch with everyone. Really changed the way we operate. We have 70,000+ alums out there."

As for the larger picture: "Dartmouth continues to draw the best students—only now those students come from a much more diverse pool. Which is great because we live in such a global world, and we need to have more perspectives. I think Dartmouth is stronger than ever; the mission and vision under President Hanlon are so clear. It's a very exciting time to be here and be connected with Dartmouth."

I personally agree, and wish Rich well as he continues to explore the role and finds new ways to be dangerous.

Rich Ryerson '80

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THANK YOU — this list is so much SHORTER!

We've gone from nearly 400 missing contacts to less than 190. **AMAZING.**

BUT If your name is still on this list...

Either we have an old address or no address at all. Please take a moment to update your contact information at <http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/von/directory> or email Jo or Kate.

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For those who keep track of such things, this list used to take TWO full pages!

20 Questions

with Anat Levtov '98



Where did you grow up?

Way to start with the most complicated question! My dad worked for the United Nations, so I'm a proud "Third Culture Kid" —a child who was raised outside of their passport country. I was born in Panama and lived in Costa Rica, Ecuador, Israel, and Italy. I attended a British high school in Rome and completed my A-Levels before coming to Dartmouth as an international student from Israel.

Why did you choose Dartmouth?

To be honest, I knew almost nothing about Dartmouth when I applied. I credit my choice to Steve Silver, then an international admissions officer, and now retired from his position as Director of International Student Programs at the College. I met him at a college fair in Rome — he was just SO enthusiastic about the college, and he also knew that Israeli students might

have to defer their admissions due to their military service obligations, making me feel like he totally understood my life! I also wanted to live somewhere snowy, which I had never experienced before, and the brochures looked appropriately wintery.

Where did you live freshman year?

I lived in a triple on the 4th floor of Mid-Mass with Jenn Rhee and Amanda Glenn. Having never visited campus before arriving for DOC Trips, I had no idea what a great location that was and how amazingly lucky we were to have our own in-room shower!

[Jenn and Amanda, if you're reading this, email me. Would love to be back in touch! Anat.H.Levtov.98@dartmouth.edu]

Your favorite food while at Dartmouth?

Collis café sandwiches—such awesome bread! Didn't they have smoothies, too? And of course, The Hop's chicken cordon bleu.

Where were you most likely to be found during your Hanover years?

As for many of us, this seemed to change by term, which was actually one of the things I loved about Dartmouth — you could have a fresh start every three months! My freshmen 'shmob' included trippies, friends from my floor, and folks from Cabin and Trail. The ten of us ate most of our meals together that year as a large group. Sophomore year I was a UGA and so spent lots of time on my floor in New Hamp with my '99 'shmen. I also

joined Amarna that spring, and spent time at the house getting to know the incredible people in that organization. Sophomore summer, I lived in Foley House and hung out on the Collis porch and at the river, swimming and canoeing. Junior year, I did the UCSD exchange and constantly congratulated myself on cleverly spending my winter term on the beach! Senior year I was the Area Coordinator in the Choates, so I hosted many sleepovers for friends who didn't feel like walking all the way back across campus. Over the years, Collis and the Hop were my favorite places to hang out, grab food and talk about life. Kiewit definitely deserves an honorable mention. I was a chronic procrastinator and spent many nights in the basement finishing up papers. I also had a special place in my heart for the music library and would often do work there while listening to the Andean music I grew up with. I also participated in campus activism events of all sorts, and attended A LOT of acapella concerts (still do!)

What was your major? What helped you decide?

I ended up with an anthropology modified with psychology major. Oddly enough, I came into college determined to be an anthropology major (who knows that in high school?) but did not really enjoy the introductory classes I took my first year. I discovered social psychology my sophomore summer and quickly realized how well the two fields fit together. While I don't work directly in either field these days, every single day I use the knowledge I gained about cultures, how people interact, and how they make sense of the world around them.

Some of the most memorable classes I took in my major included Psych 37 Human Relations, where every class session was taped, and homework involved going back and listening to the tapes each week to see what assumption you'd made about the interactions; and my senior seminar in Anthropology, Religion, Society and Culture in Latin America with Professor Watanabe. Many of my best friends were in it, and we had the liveliest discussions I can ever remember in an academic setting.

Who were some of your strongest influences or mentors at Dartmouth?

Academically, no faculty member was a greater influence on me as Education professor Andrew Garrod. I served as a TA for ED 20 my junior spring, and I was just mesmerized by his style in the classroom. His commitment to students was unparalleled.

I was also close to several administrators who serve as role models and mentors to me to this day: Chris Foley and Chris Chambers (Office of Residence Life), Susan Marine (Sexual Assault Awareness), Bart Bingenheimer and Gabrielle Lucke (Health Promotion). They are all amazing, supportive professionals who helped me articulate what I really cared about and how to advocate for that effectively. My career path was profoundly shaped by their examples, and I am fortunate to call several of these folks friends today.

Tell us a little about your first job after Dartmouth.

My first job was as a Hall Director in Residence Life at Western State College in Gunnison, Colorado, near the ski resort of Crested Butte. Western State could not have been more different than Dartmouth. I worked with students who had a 0.0 GPA and who were far more interested in snowboarding at the mountain than going to class. I learned a lot about privilege that year.

It was a wild first year with lots of tragedies on campus (7 students passed away out of a campus of about 2500—oof) but my boss and colleagues were incredible and I loved the relaxed

western lifestyle and the focus on outdoor adventures—I got to kayak, climb and ski that year, despite not being a particularly outdoorsy person.

Are you where you thought you would be professionally?

Ha, no! Ever since college, I had planned to be a faculty member at a college or university. I wasn't entirely sure what field I'd be in (sociology, psychology, and education all called to me), but I was determined. I was working in higher education as an administrator, but I spent years preparing for a PhD program—researching schools and professors, attending research conferences, networking. Unfortunately, once I started the doctoral process at the University of Michigan, I quickly discovered I absolutely hated it! It took me 3 years to acknowledge that my long-standing plan was just not going to work out, and I finally left the program before beginning the dissertation process. For those of you with a PhD, I salute you—you have some serious resilience! Since leaving my program, I've gone back to being an administrator in higher education and am loving my current position as an academic advisor and director of global experiences in the College of Engineering at the University of Iowa.

How did you meet your spouse & what's the best part of being married?

Well, the one great outcome of the failed PhD attempt was meeting my husband—he was also student in the same program, just a few good years ahead of me. He successfully completed his program and is now an associate professor and director of a research center. We've moved three times for his career in the past eight years, and while there have been frustrating moments, overall we've been very lucky to be surrounded by amazing people. The best part of being married for me is knowing that we are a team—moving around so much, it's important to be able to count on your spouse to be on the same page.

Just how many different places have you lived?

Indeed, I like to say that I've done the circuit of college towns in the US! After Dartmouth, I lived in Gunnison, Colorado, then moved to Burlington, Vermont, for my master's program at UVM. Burlington wins for best place I've ever lived! After that I moved to Charlottesville, Virginia, to work at UVA (best place I've ever worked). From there, I went back to Haifa, Israel, where I'd grown up. After that it was Ann Arbor, Michigan, where I attempted my doctoral work. Once my husband completed his program, we moved to South Bend, Indiana, to work at the University of Notre Dame. After his post-doc there, his first faculty position took us to Bowling Green, Ohio, for four years. Now we're here in Iowa City, Iowa,



BACK ROW | Caroline Kerner, Uriel Barrera-Vasquez, Candace Crawford

FRONT ROW | Marene Jennings, Anat, Anat's husband Nick, Abby Augusta, Rachel Gilliar and her twins

and hoping to stick around for a long time!

How do you like your current locale?

Iowa City has been surprisingly awesome—I knew NOTHING about Iowa before we moved here, but I'm really liking the town. It's conveniently small and very locally-focused. There are a ton of locally-owned restaurants, cafes, and bars, and several local wineries and breweries, and I love running into people we know all the time. Plus, "Iowa nice" is a real thing—people are SUPER wonderful, open and helpful. I'm really hoping we stay here for a long, long while—moving is a huge hassle, and it is such a challenge to build a new social network as an adult.

What are some of the most rewarding parts of your work life?

As an academic advisor, I get to develop personal relationships with students, particularly those who might be struggling. Students here are incredibly nice and grateful, and it's so rewarding to hear from a student that I've been able to assist them or help them make a decision. As part of the global experiences portion of my job, I get to influence systems and processes that help students gain international experiences which have such a profound

impact on their academic, personal, and career development.

Describe your most recent work day.

It was a fun one – I started the morning with my first meeting with a group of undergraduate academic peer advisors that I just began supervising. These seniors assist the professional advisors by talking with first- and second-year students about their class choices, general education requirements, study abroad opportunities, etc. Our meeting was a highlight for me – I look forward to really getting to know these seniors and being able to help them on their journeys beyond college. Next up was an information session about internships abroad – clearly, professional internships are a huge part of an engineering student's professional development. We are trying to show students that they can combine this professional experience with a global component and exponentially increase their learning! Next on deck – another information session about one of our exchange programs with a university in Hong Kong. And finally, to wrap up a day of presentations, my colleague and I visited a seminar in biomedical engineering to talk with 180 first-year students about the value of advising, the resources we offer in our Student Development Center office, and about opportunities to study

abroad. Most days, I also have several individual appointments with students to talk about their course choices for future semesters or their interest in studying abroad.

What do you hope to be doing professionally in five or ten years?

Actually, I'm thrilled with the responsibilities and opportunities in my current position and hope to keep doing something similar for a long time. It's a nice balance of developing relationships with students and also working at a more systemic level for globalization and internationalization opportunities.

What aspect of your work life would you change if you could?

So far, so good! I truly appreciate my colleagues.

What should everyone know about your field or profession?

Well, I'm not sure Dartmouth alums will dispute this fact, but higher education STILL matters and makes an enormous difference in graduates' lives. I think with the current cost of higher education, many people (and the media) question the purpose of it, but there is lots of research - some of it conducted by my husband - showing that attending college still has an enormous impact on students.

When you're not hard at work, what do you do with your time?

I love to spend time with my two dogs, Sammy and Luke. I never had pets growing up, so now I try to make up for the time I've missed! We love to try new restaurants, wineries and breweries in the area, and we enjoy hosting parties at our place for any random occasion, particularly New Years Eve. I also read A LOT – I love my Kindle and the ability to download books from my public library.



Anat with Uriel Barrera-Vasquez in Jerusalem

INTERESTED?

Take a trip down memory lane and share what you've been doing since 1998.

If you're willing to share your stories, send me a short note about your current stats and interests and I'll be in touch.

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THIS SPACE (OR MORE) COULD BE YOURS!

Want to write or design for our class newsletter?

Whether as a one-off contribution or a regular feature, this could be a space to share your thoughts and imaginings.

Think we're leaving some perspectives out of the conversation?

You can change that.

Have an article, essay, story, poem, drawing, painting, or photograph you'd be willing to share?

We'd love to feature your voices and ideas in these pages.

This time of year, I also watch lots of college basketball in anticipation of March Madness.

If you COULD do anything for your 40th birthday, how would you want to celebrate?

I would love to have a multi-day gathering at a cabin somewhere on the beach in western Michigan and invite friends from different parts of my life to join me in celebration. We'd hang out, cook glorious meals, relax in the hot tub, and drink lots of wine. I'm actually trying to plan this, so wish me luck! I also would LOVE to take a hot-air balloon ride sometime during my 40th year.

If you could have a nice long lunch date with anyone in the world, who would it be and why?

These questions are always so tough! I'd love to talk with the author Jhumpa Lahiri. She writes very movingly about the immigrant experience, and I relate very strongly to her stories and new-American characters.

THANKS, ANAT!

THIS LOOKS LIKE FUN! ANY '98s PLANNING ON GOING?

Camp Dartmouth July 29-August 1, 2016

<http://alumni.dartmouth.edu/events/CampDartmouth>

This summer, bring your family to Camp Dartmouth 2016 for a long weekend of rejuvenating fun and discovery in Hanover. Introduce your kids to the sun-drenched days that you experienced during Sophomore Summer at Dartmouth, without the homework! Prior to camp, you will have the option to spend Thursday night at the Ravine Lodge, savoring the Mt. Moosilauke experience as a family. Unwind, unplug, and leave the planning to us. Deepen old Dartmouth friendships and make new ones as you play, learn, and relax together. We invite you to:

- Return to nature with a hike, a swim in Storrs Pond, or a trip down the Connecticut River.
- Explore the universe and the world of Dr. Seuss with Dartmouth astronomy and humanities faculty.
- Design your own bling in the jewelry studio.
- Take a virtual trip to Rio through the friendly competition of Family Olympics.
- Create and explore at the Montshire Museum's hands-on science workshops.
- Enjoy evening star gazing, barn dancing, and movie watching.
- Send the children to a rich selection of Kids' Classes grouped by age and taught by Dartmouth students.
- Invite your teens to spend time with you and Dartmouth admissions staff chatting about college preparation.

Your on-campus stay will include air-conditioned adjoining double-room accommodations in the McLaughlin Cluster, camp-inspired cooking during special events, and all-and-anything-you-care-to-eat meals at the Class of 1953 Commons. Or, you may choose off-campus accommodations.



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Register for Camp Dartmouth 2016

Registration filled quickly last year so a few more spaces have been added for campers this year. Gather your family and friends for the summer of 2016, and create new Green memories to last a lifetime.



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Mini-Reunions

with Katey Ritrovato Dadakis

Greetings from the world of mini-reunions, where I've been lining up quite a few events for the coming months from metro locations to days of service to a special birthday celebration for the class.

First off, '98s in the greater **Los Angeles** area should be on the lookout for the promised follow up to last year's successful **FAMILY MINI-REUNION** in the park. A team of '98s are currently planning the event and details will be announced soon!

We haven't had a **New York City** event since I took over the reins as mini-reunion chair. However, folks in NYC should stay tuned for a forthcoming date and location for a happy hour in the city.

Next up, as mentioned earlier in this newsletter, there are a lot of ways to get involved in the **98TH DAY OF SERVICE**, including joining up with a group of '98s and make a mini-reunion of it! (see page 7 for details)

If you didn't see something in your area listed and you're willing to organize an event for the day of service or otherwise, please contact me at kateyritro@gmail.com for help reaching your local classmates.

Finally, as many of us know, this is the year that many folks in our class are **TURNING 40**. To mark the occasion, we are planning two birthday celebrations—one on each coast. We are currently planning a special wine event on the **West Coast** to be held in **July**, while the **East Coast** celebration will be later in the year. If you'd like to be involved in the organization and execution of these two really special mini-reunions, please reach out to me right away! We'd love to get as much help as possible on these celebrations!

Green Gossip '98

with Kate Gold &
Brook Detterman

Classmates continue to join the Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/groups/Dartmouth1998>). We're up to 417 as of February 18th. Feel free to post Dartmouth-related news or events on the page—we love to hear from you informally between newsletters and DAM issues.

From **Bryan Galat**: "I wanted to provide an update from Atlanta: On the business front, my friend Marc Dearth and I co-founded DearthGalat LLC in December, splitting off from our former firm. We are a law firm dedicated to meeting the needs of the high net worth, private client. We provide tax minimization, wealth preservation, and succession planning services for our clients, who include business owners, entertainers, and athletes, along with others who may have complex tax and wealth planning needs. We are based in Atlanta but have clients across the country as well as abroad. You can visit us online at www.DGtaxlaw.com for more information.

On the family side, my wife Kate and I are adopting this Spring—our 5th child. This means that not only are we getting back into diapers and sleepless nights, but also that we may need to trade in our Suburban for a Sprinter!"

Brian Staveley is "hip-deep in the world of epic fantasy. The third book in his award-winning trilogy, *The Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne*, comes out in March, and he just signed a deal with his publisher, Tor, for four more books. When he's not writing, he's out in the woods of Vermont with his wife, Jo, and 3-year-old son, sledding, skiing, or just wandering happily around."

Janet Johnson wrote: "Just an update on meeting up with BFF and freshman year roommate, **Michelle Fox**, for a Dartmouth girls spa weekend in Dallas, TX in November. Also in attendance were

Anna Tsouhlarakis '99, Teresa Nugent '99, Aja Decoteau '00, and Dr. Hazel Lonewolf '01. Michelle is currently CEO for Island Mountain Development Group, the economic development arm of her tribe, Gros Ventre Tribe of Montana. Michelle is also a rodeo mom to three cowboys and one cowgirl!

I am also working for my tribe, the Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, in economic development. Currently, I am Project Administrator for the Seminole Nation Vineyards and am working on developing the tribal vineyards and one of the first tribal wineries in the country! I have two girls, age 10 and 5."

Carter Jackson reports on life with two daughters, Cassidy (1) and Sofie (almost 4): "Needless to say, our hands are quite full. That said, life in Brooklyn is grand. We celebrated the 26" snowstorm by going sledding... while it was storming. Because the storm had nothing on the 3-year old stuck inside all day.

Went to the circus with the **Baxter Wasson** and his family in December—which was spectacularly fun. I run into **Jesse Sweet** every now and again on the F train or on the Prospect Park West bike path, towing several kids.

I'm still with American Express, but have added to my marketing skills by taking on a client management/business development role. I still satisfy my artistic cravings by recording the occasional voice-over -- with Sarah and I threatening to produce a short film this year."

Juan Carlos Serna snuck in a last-minute update with pictures via Facebook - "Quick update: last weekend **Andy Smith '98** and his wife Sarah Yablon Smith and two kids (Rosie and Nate) and I with my two older kids (Silas and Lilly) went up to the 2nd college grant."



Dartmouth Clubs —CAGOW 2016

For some of you, the regional Clubs and Affiliated Groups are the best way to connect or reconnect with the College. A fair number of '98s are involved with Club and Group leadership from Atlanta to Japan. **Matt Wakeman '98** took a few minutes to share an update from the recent Club and Group Officers Weekend.

PER MATT:

A few '98s met up at CAGOW this year. Being January in Hanover, it was cold, as you might expect. I saw **Unai Montes-Irueste** a few times, as he was there as part of DALA (Dartmouth Association of Latino Alumni) and the Dartmouth Club of Los Angeles, and I was there representing the Dartmouth Club of Philadelphia.

Unai was really excited to share his joy over his recent leap into fatherhood. I was happy to walk across the green, and see all that's changed (and the core sights that have remained since we were on campus).

We were hoping to catch up with **Stu Davidson**, but the combination of the winter storm and work commitments kept him away from Hanover this year. Maybe next time Stu?

Also, I hear **Kenji Hosokawa** was just elected president of the Dartmouth Club of Japan, and to the Alumni Club Executive Council.

WAY TO REPRESENT, '98s!

I know there are more folks involved in their regional clubs and affiliated groups. If you are, and would like to share more about what your Club has been up to, please let me know. I'd love to have a regular feature.



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photo by Steve Smith



TOP | Dartmouth Hall in Winter || CENTER | The 2nd College Grant cabin || BOTTOM ROW | Andy Smith with son Nate || Lilly Serna ||

9D8 Photo Gallery



TOP ROW | Bryan Galat and family || Caught in the Selfie Act at CAGOW - Unai Montes-Irueste and other officers || **CENTER ROW** | Janet Johnson's Dartmouth Spa Weekend || Adrian Durbin with wife Claudia, son Spencer (4), twin daughters Cassie and Phoebe (1 on Feb 7) || **BOTTOM ROW** | Silas Serna and Rosie Smith holding the sled || Henry Shafer-Gold and the sad, sad state of snow in Northern VT at the end of December 2015 || Across the Green in Winter || Folks, thanks for sending your photos. Obviously, we have room for many more. It makes the newsletter a lot of fun to put together and to read, too. The next issue is planned for June!

A FINAL SHOUT OUT FOR OUR 98TH DAY:

We will be organizing ongoing updates for the 98th Day on our website and Facebook page. Get ready for the 98th Day Challenge!

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