



CLASS OF 1963 – ALUMNI NOTES JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2016

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We are now just about halfway between our highly successful 50th Reunion in 2013 and our 55th Reunion in May of 2018. To help ensure that our 55th Reunion will be our most inclusive Reunion ever, we are planning to make the 55th Reunion free of charge to attendees. In order to make this possible, we are asking classmates to contribute, in addition to their regular Class dues, an additional amount to the Class of 1963 Reunion Expense Reserve. By contributing to the Reunion Expense Reserve, you are helping to defray the cost of the 55th Reunion for everyone, yourself included. We have already raised more than \$77,000 toward the estimated cost of \$225,000, but we need to keep up the momentum. So please give what you can to the Reunion Expense Reserve – the suggested contribution is \$200, but all contributions are welcome.

From September 2 to 28, 2015, the Yale '63-'64 Tour de France afforded a memorable combination of congenial companionship, excellent dining and wines, barge tours of the canals of Burgundy, and trips to the beaches of Normandy, the chateaux of the Loire, and the cultural riches of Paris to its participants, who were Cynthia and **Ron Allison**, Alison and **Phil Arnold**, Charles Barker '64, LaForrest and **Alex Campbell**, Shirley and **Ed Carlson**, Sarah Anne and **Peter Cressy**, Martha and **Ed Dennis**, Martin and Marianne Galt, Kathy and **Fred Hanser**, Pat and **Rick Holloway**, Pat and **Jere Johnston**, Karen and **Jon Larson**, Louisa and **Nelson Levy**, Gwendolyn Hope and **Geoff Martin**, **Wick Murray**, Lynn and Chip O'Neill '64, Lisa and **Vic Sheronas**, Marcia Hill and **Guy Struve**, Janice and **Brian Sweeney**, Mayda Tsaknis and **Jim Thompson**, Sandra Zieky and **Michael Wilder**, Kathleen and Robert Whitby '64, and Marilyn Sue and **Richard Worley**.

The Tour de France came about thanks to the creativity and extraordinary hard work of Jon Larson, aided by the other "Barge Guys", Ed Dennis, **Charlie Dilks**, Fred Hanser, Jere Johnston, and Jim Thompson. In Normandy, we were lucky enough to have Wick Murray, a noted expert in military history, as our guide to the Normandy landings. Terrific photographs of the Tour de France, taken by Pat Johnston, can be found on the Class Website. www.yale63.org

On September 17, 2015, following an informative briefing at the U.S. Embassy, the first-ever Class of 1963 dinner to be held outside the United States took place at the Cercle de l'Union Interalliée in Paris, where the Tour participants were joined by **Jeff Barnouw**, **Greg Good**, **Chuck Lubar**, and **Pennell Rock**, and we heard a very interesting talk by Philippe Labro, a writer,

filmmaker, entrepreneur, and friend of Chuck Lubar, about matters of joint interest and concern for our countries.

On October 7, 2015, the initial Connecticut Yale Class of 1963 lunch was held at Mory's, organized by **Tom Iezzi**. Classmates present included **Phil Arnold, Charles Cheney, Willie Dow, Rick Holloway, Alan Magary, Bill Moore, Bill Oldakowski, Dave Reynolds, Fred Schneider, Martin Wand,** and **Mike Wilder**. Similar Connecticut lunches are planned in the future. If you would like to be added to the e-mail invitation list for future Connecticut lunches, please e-mail Tom Iezzi at iezzi@sbcglobal.net.

The undefeated 1959 Bullpups freshman football team achieved another outstanding result at this year's Yale Football Association golf tournament on August 10, 2015. Last year's tournament produced about 100 flags and raised approximately \$50,000. This year "teams" were asked to contribute two flags each with a goal of raising \$100,000. Emails went out from **Ian Robertson** to the august group **Fred Andreae, Jim Biles, Jud Calkins, Bob Clark, Chris Clark, Wolf Dietrich, Chuck Duncan, Tom Fake, Roger Flannery, Bill Flippin, Michael Freeland, Tony Gengarely, Chris Getman, Wally Grant, Larry Gwin, Hank Hallas, Fred Hanser, Chuck Hellar, Hank Higdon, Bill Hildebrand, Mark Horlings, Jay Huffard, Tom Iezzi, Erik Jensen, Bill Kay, Dave Keller, Jerry Kenney, Peter Kiernan, Bill Kramer, Dennis Landa, Joe Lastowka, Jim Little, Lee Marsh, Dave Mawicke, Gar Murtha, Bill Nordhaus, Stan Riveles, Victor Sheronas, Guy Struve, Jim Thompson, Dave Weinstein, Dave Winebrenner,** and **Tex Younger**. Final flag count for the group: **55**. As a result, our entire group has been included in the 2015 Yale Football Association Honor Roll.

In early October 2015, ten of the Whiffenpoofs of 1963 gathered at the farm of the Danny Rowland family in South Londonderry, VT, where they first visited in 1963. Those attending were Marjorie and **Tony Elson, Sandy Frazee, George Hamlin, Henry Hewitt,** Olivia and **Warren Hoge,** Frissie and **Bill Reed,** Wendy and **Danny Rowland, Ron Sampson,** Carolyn and **Charley Sawyer,** and Nancy Cobb and **Gurney Williams**. On Sunday evening, October 4, 2015, the Whiffs performed on the grounds of Hildene in Manchester, VT, the historic summer home of Robert Todd Lincoln and his wife Mary Harlan. Hosting the community event were Barry Rowland '57 and his wife Wendy. The concert was a dress rehearsal for the 55th Reunion in 2018.

In September 2015, **Bill Bell** and **Pepper Stuessy** rendezvoused in Minnesota for a four-day canoe trip in Voyageurs National Park on the Canadian Border. Pepper reports: "We were so skilled that we did not even get our shoes wet at any time when we beached or launched. Bell fished and Stuessy photographed, each with minor to marginal success. We told a few stories, many more lies, and could even recite a few poems from our undergraduate days. The only mishap was blowing past the campsite reserved for night two. But, as luck would have it, we ended up at our third campsite. We had great sunrises and sunsets, prime Milky Way viewing, frequent bald eagle observing, and a chorus of howling wolves."

Paul Dahlquist recounts: “My wife, Charlene, our daughter, Kristine, and I have just returned from a trip to Ireland and England in celebration of 50 years of marriage. In England we pursued some family history with the dedication of a plaque in a little church in Cawthorne to my great-great-grandfather, Thomas W. Atkinson, who was a stone carver, architect, painter, and explorer in the 1840’s of the Siberian Steppes, including what is now Kazakhstan. A delegation from the Kazakh Embassy in London came to the dedication. I presented the Cawthorne Museum with the handwritten notes Thomas had used in 1860 when giving a speech about his travels to the Cawthorne history group. We also visited Merton College at Oxford where my Uncle Alatau Wilder had been on the crew in 1920. Charlene and I finished our trip at Brown Ledge Camp where we met 50 years ago, courtesy of the Yale Placement Office, which asked me if I wanted to teach golf at a girls’ camp the summer after graduation. That turned into a lifelong relationship – I found my wife there and our daughter found her husband there, and we have many good friends from the summers between 1963 and 1988 that we spent there as counselors. Meanwhile I curated an exhibit at the Lyman Museum in Hilo, HI, showcasing paintings from 1779 to the present dealing with Hawaii, with some contemporary photographs of similar scenes. It is great fun keeping my involvement in curation even while supposedly retired.”

Lowell Dodge and his wife Diane recently finished a new home near Boulder, CO to be near their daughter Allison, an acupuncturist and, with her husband, an organic farmer. The house sits next to a lake and looks out on a wide panorama of the Front Range centered on Longs Peak. Lowell is setting up a woodworking shop in a nearly completed barn, where he plans to continue turning out furniture in cherry and walnut and to get into wood art. He and Diane enjoy working on the organic farm and spend many hours pulling weeds, doing firewood, and other tasks as assigned. They will divide their time between Boulder and a Chevy Chase, MD apartment near Diane’s daughter Karen, a nurse-midwife/Ph.D. candidate at Johns Hopkins, and two grandchildren. They also visit Lowell's daughter Shannon, a developer of affordable housing with a nonprofit in San Francisco. and grandson Silas. Lowell retired in 2013 from running a nonprofit (his sixth). Diane recently sold Teaching Strategies, a company she began in 1988 to develop and publish early childhood curriculum and assessment systems. Both serve on nonprofit boards.

Carter Findlay writes: “Since retiring at the end of May 2015, I have been trying to catch up on years of deferred housekeeping and maintenance and also get restarted on the research project that is now my greatest priority, the most important and lavishly illustrated book published about the Ottoman Empire in the 1700’s, Ignatius Mouradgea d’Ohsson’s *Tableau general de l’Empire ottoman*. Not likely to head the bestseller list, but an astonishing story – both the man and his book.”

Nancy Godfrey is co-editor of the Smith ’66 50th reunion class book, with Susan Holahan as one of the editors. Nancy and Susan reconnected at our 50th Reunion.

The Association of Information Science and Technology has presented its highest award, the Award of Merit, to **Mike Koenig**. In presenting the award to Mike, the Association stated: “Few

people have touched as many lives or mentored as many people as Mike. In his gentle and unassuming way he has made the profession a better place to practice. He has bridged the cultural gap between distinct areas of computer and information science and between commercial and academic sectors. He has proven that the theories he has taught can work in the real world. His productivity in the field is impressive. He represents the best in information science research, teaching, and practice.”

Victor Laruccia reports: “I run an Italian film festival in San Diego, the ninth edition of which ran from October 13 to 24, 2015. It keeps me very engaged and most of the time it is fun. Definitely not serious. We plug into Italy as it is today, warts and all, but also art and enthusiastic sensuality. You can check us out and sign up for the festival newsletter on our website, www.sandiegoitalianfilmfestival.com.”

Tom Lovejoy addressed the crowd on the Mall in Washington, DC on September 24, 2015, when the Pope visited the capital. Tom spoke about the Amazon, where he first set foot 50 years ago. Tom is also featured in the November 2015 issue of National Geographic Magazine.

Chuck Lubar reports: “After 34 years at Morgan Lewis in London, where I was founder of the office, managing partner for many years, and had an active international tax practice, I have parted company and joined the London office of McDermott Will & Emery. McDermotts has a strong specialty in the international cross-border tax practice. It was a difficult transition because of the complexity of unraveling 34 years of practice history and moving the practice to a new firm. I am now happily ensconced with a wonderful group of lawyers. I am truly re-energized, although I do want to ease off a bit and pass much of the practice over time down a generation. So it looks like I will stay in London, and the good news on the personal side is that my son, Alex, his wife and their son will be moving back to London after 18 years in the States to join with our other two children and three grandchildren who are more permanent residents of England. Still haven’t acquired the accent!”

Dick Malméd has finished two novels. Dick relates: “One is a Grisham-type detective story called Carmen’s Journey, which is basically a combination of some of my adventures as a lawyer over the last 50 years. The other is called Jesus Unbound, and draws some controversial conclusions about the life of the historical Jesus based on forensic analysis and research in Roman and Jewish law. Both novels will be available on Kindle and Nook, and paperbound copies are available from Authorhouse. In the meantime I am still powerlifting and set a new record at 320 on the bench. My golf is still in the mediocre range.”

Herb Rosenthal reports that on September 7-9, 2015, six Timothy Dwight classmates and spouses gathered at the home of Rosemary and **Norm Dawley** in Lusby, Maryland. Attending were Sally and **Ken Porter**, Sandy and **Bill Bassin**, Gay and **Walt Sturgeon**, Carole and **Fred Pritzker**, and Nancy and **Herb Rosenthal**. Tuesday night the group was joined by Anne and **Stovy Brown**. The group swam, kayaked, visited the Patuxent Naval Air Museum, and talked and ate just like old times. Herb states: “All six of us are having fun doing what we want to do; we are very lucky to be able to do so, and we know it.”

Martin Wand has received the Distinguished Achievement Award of the New England Ophthalmological Society, the second oldest medical specialty (and the oldest ophthalmic society) in the country. The award has been given only 21 times since 1950. Martin stated: “Many of the previous recipients of this award were my teachers and mentors at Harvard. I was humbled that my peers thought that I deserved this award.”

Dan Waugh and his wife Charlotte continue to explore the world in connection with his ongoing academic projects in “retirement”. They were at a conference in Cambridge, UK a year ago and spent three months in spring and early summer this year based in Uppsala, Sweden, where Dan is working on a co-authored book relating to Muscovite Russian history. The stay in Europe also included trips to Tallinn, Copenhagen, and London. Dan is currently processing and donating to the important David Collection in Copenhagen his sizable collection of photographs of Islamic architecture, relating to his interests in the historic Silk Roads. In October Dan and Charlotte headed to Andalucia for a first acquaintance with the Islamic heritage of southern Spain. They have also been indulging in trips with their son, Max, a professional wildlife photographer, who has guided them in Costa Rica and the Galapagos.

Richard Chandler Seamans passed away on September 27, 2015, while pursuing his greatest passion (after skiing), hiking in the Sierra Nevada Mountains in Yosemite National Park. Richard graduated from Mount Lebanon (PA) Senior High School in 1959, and from Yale University in 1963. He earned his law degree in 1966 at Harvard Law School. On June 13, 1964, Dick married his high school sweetheart, Susan White Seamans, whom he met and first dated in 1958. Suzy served as a city council member and mayor in Rolling Hills Estates, CA. Dick practiced law for Rockwell International and The Boeing Company for over 30 years. He retired in 2001 and spent the last 14 years actively enjoying life. He was an avid skier and hiker in the Mammoth Lakes area, and played tennis frequently. In the past several years he became an aspiring photographer, capturing the scenic landscapes of his hikes and the many destinations to which he traveled with his wife. He recently received an award for one of his photographs. Dick is survived by his wife; his two children, Pamela Seamans Feldman and Andrew White Seamans; and four grandchildren.

Terry Throop remembers: “I first met Dick during the Yale recruiting process. We were both public high school students, soon to embark on our Yale adventure in a world very different from western Pennsylvania where we grew up. I met Dick’s future wife, Suzy, early in our friendship. Our bridge playing expanded to include **Joe Wikler** and his wife Maddy, and my wife Kate, who often joined us on a blanket on the Davenport courtyard. Those friendships endured – we were all together at our 50th reunion just two years ago. Both Joe and Dick have died since the reunion, leaving only **Rod Weekes** and me as surviving roommates. Dick graduated from Harvard Law School, and followed up his Yale ROTC participation with service in the US Army JAG Corps. He was fortunate to be stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco while he was on active duty. That posting led him and Suzy to choose California as their home. They moved to the Palos Verdes peninsula in the early seventies, where Dick worked as an Assistant General Counsel for Rockwell International and later Boeing. In Dick’s own words, ‘When it became apparent that I could make ends meet with my pension and 401(k), I retired at fifty-nine and

one-half.' In his retirement, Dick spent much of his time traveling with his family. A picture of Dick, Suzy and various children and grandchildren was always the first holiday card to arrive in our mailbox."

