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ALL CLASS REUNION APPROACHES

By Melanie Pastuck '11

We are happy to announce our 2014 All Class Reunion and DGALA 30th Anniversary for October 31st 2014! As our 2014 Reunion Chair, I am thrilled to help put this weekend together for over 150 LGBTQA Dartmouth alumni and friends during a gorgeous fall weekend in Hanover, New Hampshire.

This momentous occasion will also be a milestone in Dartmouth's LGBTQ history as we look toward the dedication ceremony for Triangle House - Dartmouth's new living and

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DGALA EVENTS ON CAMPUS

MINI REUNION: JUNE 13-14, 2014

Friday: 10PM Cocktail Reception with Open Bar

Saturday: 9AM Breakfast with President Hanlon

11AM Private Hood Museum Tour

2PM Private Tour of Triangle House

6PM Informal Dinner with Students

ALL-CLASS REUNION October 31-November 2, 2014

WELCOME RECEPTION

LIVE SHOW AT THE HOP WITH JIM "FIGGY" NOONAN '01

AND JIMMY "MACK" McNICHOLAS '01

DGALA-LED MORNING HIKING AND OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

CLASSROOM SESSIONS ON LGBT ISSUES WITH DGALA

ALUMS AND FACULTY

TRIANGLE HOUSE DEDICATION WITH LUNCH AND TOURS

HOOD MUSEUM TOUR: ART AND CIVIL RIGHTS IN THE '60S

BANQUET AT DOC HOUSE ON OCCOM POND

TRIANGLE HOUSE ADVANCES

Since approval of Triangle House last fall by the College Board of Trustees, progress on the House has been dramatic on multiple fronts. Physically, major renovations are well underway on the 15,000 sq. ft. historic brick and clapboard building designed in 1928 by noted Hanover architect Jens Frederick Larson located at 4 North Park Street, immediately adjacent to the East Wheelock dorm cluster. A tour of the House



Triangle House – Before Start of Renovation

for DGALA alums is set for the June mini-reunion (see box at left), and at that time, according to Senior Project Manager Joe Broemel, "The alumni will see a building that is down to the final stages of completion. Trim work will be going on inside and final site work outside. It will be a very good time to see the building and make everyone aware of the commitment and effort put into the project and the program." (See more of *Green Light's* interview with Joe Broemel on page 5.) Alysson Satterlund, Senior Assistant Dean for Student Academic Support Services and Director - Office of

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learning center for LGBTQA students and LGBTQ studies. Personally, the scheduled grand opening of the Triangle House is all a bit surreal. Having been a student when the original discussions of an LGBTQ Affinity House began, and having worked on several initial constitution drafts, I feel extremely privileged to have played a small part in the house's creation. Now, as Triangle House becomes a reality, it's incredible to see how that initial vision for the house has been magnified and enhanced far beyond what I could have imagined nearly four years ago.

In fact, Triangle House's development began long before my tenure at Dartmouth, and long before even the founding of DGALA. The culmination of all the hard work and sacrifices of our LGBTQ Alumni and Allies has led to this moment in the recognition of both the importance of the LGBTQ community to Dartmouth's future, and also the importance of building a center of excellence around LGBTQ education. I sincerely look forward to sharing this moment with you all, and a brighter future for both LGBT students and LGBT studies at Dartmouth.

The All Class Reunion will take place on campus from Friday, October 31st through Sunday, November 2nd this coming fall. We highly encourage you all to register early and take advantage of our special early bird prices, which expire in July of 2014. To register, or learn more about the Reunion and Anniversary celebration, visit our reunion website: dgala.com/2014-all-class-reunion. Additionally,

if you would like to volunteer and help with the reunion, feel free to reach out to us directly at DGALA2014Reunion@gmail.com. Thus far, we have an exciting series of events on tap:

- 2014 Reunion Welcome Reception
- Remarks by College President Phillip Hanlon '77
- Live Show @ the Hop with Jim "Figgy" Noonan '01 and Jimmy "Mack" McNicholas '01.
- DGALA Alumni-led Morning Hiking & Outdoor Programs
- Triangle House Grand Opening Ceremony, followed by Lunch & House Tours
- Private Hood Museum Tour: "Witness: Art and Civil Rights in the Sixties"
- Awards Dinner at the DOC House on Occum Pond
- Classrooms sessions and speakers with both DGALA Alumni & Faculty around LGBT Issues
- Celebratory Service at Rollins Chapel, followed by Sunday Brunch

And more fabulous news is that, thanks to our generous sponsors (listed on our website), the cost to attend this year's reunion is less than our 2009 event! We would very much like to make attendance possible for all Dartmouth alumni who wish to attend, and so we strongly encourage any alumni looking to carpool or share lodging to reach out to our Reunion email address so that we can help connect you with other alumni in the same position. It is extremely important to us that this reunion reflects all members of Dartmouth's LGBTQ community. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Melanie Pastuck '11
DGALA Reunion Chair & Director ❖

Register for the Reunion at:

[HTTPS://DGALA2014REUNION.EVENTBRITE.COM](https://dgala2014reunion.eventbrite.com)

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Pluralism and Leadership (OPAL), adds that the OPAL team is now beginning to order furniture for the House.

With its 21 student rooms (17 singles and four doubles), along with a large central living room and kitchen, a movie room, private bathrooms, and study rooms, the House looks to be a fabulous space to live. As Assistant Dean/LGBTQIA Advisor Reese Kelly told *Green Light*, “It really is a beautiful space. There are many large single rooms, a handful of which have three windows bringing in tons of natural light.”

Moreover, the integrated programming aspects of the House continue to progress as well. Dean Satterlund advises *Green Light* that the Gender Research Institute at Dartmouth's two-year post-doctoral fellow will live in the faculty apartment in Triangle House



Triangle House from Above – Pre-Construction

while developing a course for the Women's and Gender Studies Program. Her living in the House and teaching in the field will be a model for the living and learning concept that the House embodies. Satterlund added that applications by students to live in the House have been numerous (notwithstanding required academic, programming and community commitments) and the rooms are fully booked (with a few reserved for first-year students). In addition, she reports that there is a strong pool of applicants for the UGA (undergraduate advisor) position.

LGBTQIA students are increasingly excited about the House. In a recent informational webcast (link at www.dgala.com), T Kienemund '15 describes how she and other students eagerly anticipate Triangle House's

vision of community, its integration of social and academic programming, the bringing of new queer faculty onto campus, and the opportunity to co-create and share knowledge among peers.

Alums share the students' enthusiasm. An alum fundraising campaign with a goal of raising \$500,000 (of the \$5.5 million initial cost of Triangle House) to support construction and programming has already, during its “quiet phase,” exceeded half of the goal. The campaign is led by a committee of alums that includes several past and present DGALA presidents and a diverse group of LGBTQIA alums; the committee is assisted by DGALA member Sylvia Racca '83a A&S'13, Executive Director, Dartmouth College Fund and Special Fund Raising Initiatives.

Alums have deeply-felt reasons for their support of the House, often springing from their own thoughts about LGBT life at – and after – Dartmouth. Jim Guth '77 commented, “Triangle House is not only a ‘bricks and mortar’ statement by the College of its acceptance of our community, but also an acknowledgment of the challenges faced by students exploring identities in a rural setting. Triangle House will be a welcoming place where students learn to better understand and accept themselves, develop leadership skills and combine both to become role models inside and outside our community.”

Gretchen Wetzel '77, who is endowing an Alumni Mentoring Fund that will be part of Triangle House programming, states, “I believe that Triangle House provides a much needed, community environment for the LGBTQA student body, and the Alumni Mentoring Fund speaks to me in a special way. Student/alumni interaction has many benefits. It helps students find their place in the world, helps them to look ahead with confidence (perhaps even helping find them jobs), and helps them feel less alone or isolated at Dartmouth. Dartmouth's LGBTQ alumni are strengthened and supported by reaching out to students and by giving them the support and encouragement that was so often absent when they were students.”

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Ashley Afranie-Sakyi '13 summed up the feelings of many alums in saying, "I am a combination of excited, relieved, and proud that Triangle House is finally going to be a reality. I understand how long this project has been in the works. Although I can't help but wonder what it would have been like to have had a chance to experience Triangle House as an undergrad, that feeling is overwhelmed with the excitement I have for the current and future students!"

Alums in Chicago, New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. have held informational get-togethers about the House in their homes. These events have included presentations by student leaders, Reese Kelly, Sylvia Racca and Dean of the College Charlotte Johnson and have enabled alums to ask questions about the House, as well as to socialize in the hospitality of local DGALA alums. San Francisco host Dan Crisafulli '87 commented, "My spouse Greg Vargas, daughter Caroline and I were so pleased to host the DGALA Triangle House event at our home. Dean Kelly and student



Reese Kelly Addresses Event in San Francisco

T. Kienemund '15 shared their stories and vision for Triangle House - a great way to engage the DGALA community here in SF. We hope the enthusiasm from the event continues to grow."

The Triangle House committee is planning a mailing about the House to all DGALA alums in the next few weeks. ♦

D.C. Triangle House Event

Paul Cunningham '77:

On April 10th my husband Peter and I welcomed DC DGALA folks to our home for a reception with Sylvia Racca and LGBT Advisor Dr. Reese Kelly. Sylvia and Reese traveled down from Hanover to brief us on Triangle House, the living/learning center for LGBT students scheduled for dedication in the Fall.

It was a beautiful spring evening in DC and attendees ran the class gamut, from those of us who might prefer to forget the year we graduated (or actually do forget) all the way up to the class of 2013! It was a great evening of communion with fellow alums and led to a commitment among us to try and rev up the DC DGALA community.

After drinks and some grazing, we settled in for Sylvia and Reese's update, and a wide-ranging discussion about the Triangle House mission, as well as the concept of living/learning and its place on the Dartmouth campus.

I urge DGALA members who have not had a chance to get familiar with the project to check it out. For those of us from classes where the idea of such a place while we were in Hanover would have been akin to science fiction, its another reminder of the incredible changes that the years have brought to our community. Its also an opportunity, for those of us who are able, to invest in future LGBT leaders coming out of Hanover.

Ashley Afranie-Sakyi '13:

The reception at Paul's house was a wonderful event in true D.C. style. There was great food and the conversation was even better. Over some shrimp and skewers, LGBTQIA Dartmouth alums from a wide range of years engaged in lively conversation about the ways in which our Dartmouth experiences aligned and differed. The exciting news of the Triangle House brought us together; however, the conversation spanned a number of topics from current campus climate to our excitement for future gatherings. I know many of us left that event excited for future events in D.C. that will bring together the DGALA community! ♦

Excerpts of Interview with Joe Broemel, Senior Project Manager

Ed. Note: At the Pride banquet on May 3, the students awarded Joe (and a colleague) a Community Advocate award for work on Triangle House.

Q. Would you give us an overview of the project?

A. The Triangle House project is the complete interior renovation of a 1928 building at 3 North Park Street, originally consisting of 8 townhouse apartments used by faculty. The design is to completely renovate the interior while leaving the historic exterior largely intact. Only the existing (non-functional) fireplaces will be incorporated into the new interior design. The west porch will be expanded to accommodate student traffic patterns, and the south porch will be modified to provide a covered area for bike racks.

The new design will create 25 new student beds as well as a 2-bedroom advisor apartment. The building will have individual shower and toilet rooms as opposed to typical dormitory "group" bathrooms. There will be four double rooms and 17 singles; one of the singles is handicap accessible and adjacent to an accessible bathroom. Other rooms of interest are: living room (700 sq. ft.), movie room (274), student kitchen (253), meeting room (455), two study rooms (191 & 135), laundry room (155), student office (237) and storage rooms (455 & 191).

From a social perspective the living room will be the main area for functions and a central gathering spot. The kitchen and movie room should see a lot of activity. The meeting room will provide for more secluded group gatherings.

Q. What is unique or interesting about the House?

A. Personally, I love the unique nooks and crannies and the overall feel of the building, especially on the second floor bedroom wings. It has character that is hard to replicate with new construction. I think the movie room is a cool idea and assume that it will be used quite often. Overall, it is a very livable space with the unique feel of a historic building that provides modern conveniences (wireless access, air conditioning, etc.) The living conditions exceed that of a typical college dorm and provide for a sense of community among the residents. ♦

DGALA Alum Notes: Update from Sheila Hicks '04

Since Dartmouth I moved to Seattle, started a career in independent school admissions, went to grad school at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and settled in New York City. In July I got married to Emily Rotella, a graduate of American University and the Zicklin School of Business who just became the Managing Director of Data and Strategy for Teach for America's national alumni affairs team. I was recently named the Director of Financial Aid (PK-12) and the Director of Middle School Admission at Riverdale Country School, where I have worked for 5 years focusing on financial aid only. Emily and I met online in 2010 and live in Harlem now with our two black cats, we love it! We were lucky enough to have our marriage announcement printed in The New York Times and were interviewed about our wedding by Wedding Pride magazine. You can check it out if you want to see some peacock-themed awesomeness, including Emily's custom white three-piece suit where one of the three pieces was a corset!

We were blessed by the presence of several LGBT Dartmouth alums including Elisse Gaynor '03, who was a bridesmaid, Sara Carpenter '03 and her partner Dawn Maffucci, Andy Foery '04 who is living in Boston, Tori Tompkins '04 who is living in South New Jersey, and Andrea (Shute) Daulaire '05 and her wife Siri, a DMS grad. It was a time of lots of change for other people as well- Nicola Leiter '04 and Melissa Dolan '02 joined us just a month before the birth of their son and Johanna Willer '04 and Jillian Garcia both '04's both attended with their then fiancées (Rhonda and Amy, respectively) who they have since married- Jill in August in Vieques, an island off of Puerto Rico, and Jo this May on the beach in Florida before heading back to her new home in South Africa. Both weddings were full of lots of Dartmouth pride.

I am looking forward to seeing all of the people who I haven't hung out with recently and reveling in this time of so much change and so many good things for me and my classmates. ♦

See page 10 for more alum notes! – Ed.

PRIDE 2014

By Nick Moolenijzer '17

Dartmouth's annual PRIDE Week was widely successful this year in strengthening and connecting the LGBTQ+ community and allied students. PRIDE Week began with a tour of Triangle House. The new affinity house marks a great step forward for the college. Monday night, there was a drag show featuring famed RuPaul's Drag Race performer Alyssa Edwards. About 250 people came out to see the show and it was widely praised as entertaining and thought-provoking.

On Tuesday, Dartmouth students got to enjoy the nice weather and eat gelato on the Green while wearing new PRIDE t-shirts and other gear. The PRIDE gear was gone quickly as hundreds of students flocked to pick up their own shirts, bracelets, stickers, pins, and more. Some of the students then arranged themselves to spell PRIDE for the yearly photo on the Green. That night, the TransForm fashion show took place in Collis with around 150 people in attendance. The show was a major success, drawing people from all over campus to celebrate gender-bending fashion. Wednesday brought a free HIV screening session for interested students, a discussion about queerness in the Caribbean, and Outspoken, a panel of Dartmouth students discussing their experiences at Dartmouth. The following day included a discussion about asexuality to help spread a better understanding of one aspect of queer life.

Friday night brought the keynote address by famed actress and activist Laverne Cox. As a trans woman of color, Ms. Cox has been a pioneer in the acting industry, fighting for a broader understanding of the queer

community. Specifically, she focuses on deconstructing social norms surrounding race, gender, and class. After her extraordinary speech that brought in around 400 students, there was a concert with DJ Sikh Knowledge and rapper Cakes Da Killa. (Ed. Note: Ms. Cox met privately with LGBTQ students after her address. Eliana Piper '14

told Green Light: "I was excited to have the opportunity to attend a private reception with Laverne Cox. It was amazing to be able to talk to her one-on-one about gender, activism, and how she followed her love of acting.")

Finally, PRIDE Week ended with the yearly banquet. The banquet served around 70 people and featured a performance by the Rockapellas, the social justice a cappella group, and a catered dinner by the

Hanover Inn. Brian Ellner '92, Executive VP at Edelman, came to speak about his life's work to bring equality to LGBTQ+ people in the United States and beyond. (See page 8.) His work has inspired countless students and he has made a tangible impact on the U.S. trend toward equal rights.

Overall, PRIDE Week helped strengthen the community and increase visibility of LGBTQ+ students on campus. The rainbow flags outside many fraternities and sororities and the flag hanging outside Collis, along with the rainbow-painted road outside the Hopkins Center (see story, next page), helped show support for the queer community at Dartmouth and provided a sense of solidarity throughout the Dartmouth population. ❖



Eliana Piper '14 and Laverne Cox

“RAINBOW ROAD” IN HANOVER

By Adam Mehring '14

In conceiving the "rainbow road": I felt like a colorful, unexpected, and very public display would be a great way to bring the rest of campus and Hanover into our celebration of Pride Week. In fact, we zeroed in on that particular location because of the area's heavy traffic and use by each of the Dartmouth community, the Town of Hanover, and visitors and guests to the area. I initially wanted to paint the actual crosswalk rainbow -- inspired by recent projects in Northampton, MA and The Castro -- but we ran into issues with municipal safety codes.

I owe a lot here to Jim Alberghini in the Conferences & Events office, who served as an amazing advocate and defender of my vision to the Town of Hanover. We didn't get permission to paint the crosswalk, but Jim persuaded the Town to let us paint over the temporary median (we've since been calling it the "crosswalk island" or something to that effect) that was positioned nearby. The Town is planning to dig up the road and install a permanent median there this summer, so they wouldn't have to worry about every student group after us lobbying them to paint Wheelock

Street their own representative colors.

The painting itself was really simple: Jim, a few volunteers, and I swept the painted median, made some measurements and laid down some arched chalk lines, and used basic outdoor latex paint. Two people painted while two others stood at either end of the

painted median to make sure traffic moved around carefully around us (and not over us!). Took about 2 hours total. The response has been absolutely fantastic. Even as we were painting, drivers were rolling down their windows and cheering us on or offering words of support. I overheard a lot of conversations between students walking by and my friend Amith, who helped protect us from oncoming traffic -- many of them like this: "What is this for?" "It's for Pride Week!" "Wow that's so awesome! Keep it up!" I've had random people stop me on Main Street and shake my hand, saying they saw me painting and really enjoy our little strip of rainbow road. One guy said it completely transformed the area and brought something really special to Hanover. All of this from a bit of paint on a small strip of asphalt! It just goes to show you how a little splash of color in an unexpected place can really serve to engage the community.

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Chisom Obi-Okoye '14, Tausif Noor '14, Jim Alberghini (Conferences & Events), Adam Mehring '14 and Amith Ananthram '14



BRIAN ELLNER '92 PRIDE KEYNOTE SPEECH EXCERPTS

I spent four great years of my life in Hanover and it's always fun to visit. But this invitation is especially meaningful -- to speak at Pride week. Having led the campaign for marriage equality in New York and worked on five other winning marriage fights. It's meaningful because when I was at Dartmouth I was not out. It was a different time.

There was little talk of marriage equality, we couldn't fight openly for our armed services, we were barred from Scouting and there was not a single openly gay person in professional sports. We were stereotyped or invisible in popular culture. As much as I loved being up here, in this beautiful place, it was painful. It's always painful and isolating not to be your true authentic self. I know in certain ways it's still not the easiest place to be out but I'm so happy to see so many who are. I can't imagine what it might've been like for me to be at Dartmouth as a freshman for a Pride week and to see our flag hang proudly from Collis.

Although I wasn't out, I was active. I was President of the Student Assembly and pushed to end ROTC because at the time we couldn't serve openly in the military. We also fought for LGBT inclusion in course offerings and for support for the few Dartmouth students who had the enormous courage to be out and proud.

To me the fight for LGBT equality has always been about young people and the cruel and scarring impact of being excluded from our most important institutions: Marriage, sports, the military, Scouting. When I was ten years old I didn't want to be in politics. I wanted to

be a center fielder for the New York Mets. But I knew I was excluded. We all know at some level. I thought I would never be able to marry the person I loved. Those are enormously painful things to endure. And young people shouldn't have to. And soon they won't.

It's easy to forget but in 2011 we were coming off a series of devastating defeats for equality: Proposition 8 in California, a 2009

legislative loss in New York and a failed Maine ballot initiative.

We knew that the New York marriage campaign would be critical. We were right: We haven't lost an affirmative attempt to win marriage since our win in New York.

We've made remarkable

progress but there remains much to do. In 33 states we can't marry

the person we love. Last night the amazing Laverne Cox spoke. Our transgender brothers and sisters continue to be denied basic human rights protections in most states. In some parts of the globe the situation is dire. From Russia's anti-gay laws and the climate of fear to our criminalization in Uganda and Nigeria.

I have no doubt in the end we will win and we will do so with all of you, in the fight. LGBTQ and allies. Dartmouth has been at the center of the fight for LGBT equality. Before me, Beth Robinson, Class of '86 led the charge for marriage equality in Vermont. She is a hero and now on the Vermont Supreme Court. Her work led to civil unions across the River – VT was first – and then marriage.

So I say get involved, help us win, and keep Dartmouth at the forefront of change. We can all be proud of this work. ♦



Ellner (3d from left) at Pride 2014

DGALA ALUM INTERVIEW – NANCY VOGELE '85

In December 2012 the Reverend Nancy Vogele '85, an Episcopal Priest, was named by the Tucker Foundation to become Director of Religious and Spiritual Life at Dartmouth. Prior to joining the Foundation, Nancy served almost twenty years in Episcopal parish ministry, most recently as Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in White River Junction for over a decade. Nancy was a Director and Vice President of DGALA from 2000 to 2003, and served as co-chair of DGALA's first all-class reunion in the fall of 2002. She was appointed in 2008 to serve on the Vermont Commission on Family Recognition and Protection to study same-sex marriage in Vermont. The Commission's findings were instrumental in Vermont's landmark legislation granting marriage equality to all Vermont couples.

Would you tell us a bit about the Tucker Foundation and your role in it?

The Tucker Foundation began in the mid 1950s as the moral and spiritual authority of the College. Today it is Dartmouth's Center for Service, Spirituality, and Social Justice. We literally have thousands of students engaged each year with our many programs. In addition to overall Foundation work, I focus providing programming and one-on-one work that helps students (and others) who are interested to grow deeper in their faith as well as multi-faith programming that help foster an appreciation and knowledge of the role faith plays in peoples' lives (on campus, across the country, and throughout the world).

What's it like to be back at Dartmouth and working with students?

I love working with students! Even when I was a local parish priest, Pam Misener would contact me whenever she thought a student could benefit from talking with me. Now, I spend a good portion of my time working directly with students. The Dartmouth students I work with are so smart, energetic, creative, and deeply caring.

What changes have you observed in the climate for LGBT individuals at Dartmouth, from when you were a student through today?

When I was a student, there was VERY little in terms of LGBT support. There probably was some sort of Gay-Lesbian student group, but I

didn't know about it. I did know that when I went to a frat with a gay friend of mine, he got kicked out of the party, and there was no one to register a complaint with. Today, there is a way to anonymously register such a complaint on-line. There is also an advisor for LGBTQ

students, a Center for Gender and Student Engagement, a Gender Neutral Living and Learning community, and a soon to be opened Triangle House. And there are official policies against discriminating along sexual orientation or gender lines. None of this was present when I was a student. There was also no DGALA acting on behalf of the students and the College. DGALA is a very important and powerful alumni

group and we use our power judiciously and well. We must never take this for granted or shirk from the responsibility to be a voice of inclusion for all.

What are you looking forward to regarding DGALA's 30th reunion this fall?

I can't wait to see other LGBTQ alumni and all the smiles and laughter that happens when we all come together. I only went to one of my class reunions and ended up hanging out with all the queer alums from the various class reunions. I realized, at least for me, the DGALA reunions were the most positive way for me to reconnect with other alums and enjoy each other's company. It will also be great for everyone to see the finished Triangle Office and getting to interact with alums and students involved in this effort. ❖



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring, DGALA!

Activity is in full swing for several DGALA projects. Under the leadership of our All-Class Reunion chair, Mel Pastuck '11, the October 31 – November 2 events are taking shape. We are always looking for ideas and volunteers, so please be in touch if you are interested in



helping with the reunion or if you have suggestions about alums you would like to see featured at the events.

I recently attended the annual Dartmouth PRIDE banquet and welcomed the Class of 2014 to the alum community. DGALA

member Brian Ellner '93 gave the keynote address, reflecting on his own time at Dartmouth, as well as his professional career and advocacy work in LGBT rights (see page 8 inside). Brian reminded current students that Dartmouth alums continue to play very visible roles in LGBTQ work around the world, and he urged students to continue that tradition. He also reflected on his own experience getting new allies involved. In the spirit of bringing others to the table – and in early celebration of DGALA's 30th anniversary – I hope you'll encourage other alums to become involved in DGALA, including allies. We benefit greatly as an organization and community when new members join us. The current debates and discussions across the Dartmouth community about campus climate and sexual assault could also benefit from including those who aren't currently engaged.

Brendan Connell '87 and I are representing DGALA at the 208th Alumni Council session taking place this month. We'll report back with updates from the College. Please be in touch

with questions and perspectives we can share on your behalf. We were pleased to accept the 2013 Affiliated Group of the Year Award during Club And Affiliated Group Officers Weekend in Hanover in February.

I hope to see many of you back in Hanover for our annual June mini reunion – it really has outgrown the “mini” title in recent years. We'll enjoy our annual Friday evening cocktails and Saturday breakfast with President Hanlon, as well as a special tour of the Hood and early tour of Triangle House. I hear the construction is moving along swiftly and – thanks to your generosity – we are halfway to our goal of raising \$500,000 to support the opening of the House.

Enjoy the warm weather and Pride season. Join us at an upcoming DGALA event – or help to organize one in your home area. As always, stay in touch.

S. Caroline Kerr

DGALA President & Alumni Councilor

DGALA Alum Notes

(continued – see page 5 for more)

Mike Jarvis '63

My class of '63 50th reunion went well. My partner Craig attended the 45th with me, so was a known entity. My DEKE fraternity brothers were warm and accepting. A fraternity brother shared that he has a gay brother in San Francisco and a classmate's daughter shared that she attends the HRC dinner in Washington, D.C. and has done pro bono work for gay causes. We had a 50th yearbook, with at least seven obits for classmates lost to AIDS. It's easier to out the dead than to be out while living...I

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the DGALA 30th reunion this fall! ♦