



# GREEN LIGHT

Newsletter of the Dartmouth Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Alumni/ae Association

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## DGALA SETS ALL-CLASS REUNION FOR FALL 2014

DGALA will mark the 30th anniversary of its founding next autumn with an All-Class Reunion on campus during the weekend of Friday, October 31 to Sunday, November 2, 2014. This will be DGALA's first all-class reunion since the much-acclaimed event of October 2009, and the 2014 get-together promises to be even better. *Green Light* recently interviewed the reunion committee's three co-chairs, Rob Avruch '11, Melanie Pastuck '11 and Raymond Rodriguez '09, to get an early preview of the event.

**Q.** Even though the reunion is still nearly a year off, can you give us any sense of what we might look forward to?

**A.** We're excited to be planning a range of programming: social gatherings, entertainers, panels, family-friendly events, showcases of DGALA alum projects, and lots of opportunities to gather with fellow alums and

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**SAVE THE DATES!**

**NEXT ALL-CLASS MINI REUNION**  
June 13-14, 2014

**NEXT ALL-CLASS FULL REUNION**  
October 31-November 2, 2014

DETAILS TO FOLLOW IN *GREEN LIGHT*, DGALA E-NEWS, AND AT [WWW.DGALA.ME](http://WWW.DGALA.ME)

## LGBT HOUSE A REALITY

Following years of advocacy by LGBT students, alums and others at Dartmouth, the College Board of Trustees gave final approval at its September 22, 2013 meeting to the creation of an LGBT affinity house on campus. The house will be located on North Park Street, immediately adjacent to the East Wheelock dormitory cluster (see arrow on map below). The new house is a large, U-shaped, two-story brick and clapboard



**New LGBT House at 4 North Park St. (see arrow)**

structure that, when fully renovated by the fall term next year (at a total cost of some \$5.5 million), will accommodate residential space for some 25 students, a communal kitchen, a two-bedroom apartment for a faculty or staff advisor, and space for academic and social activities.

The House's origins and progress at Dartmouth have a long history (see more on this below), but the current successful initiative, launched under President Kim,

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members of the student and College community in Hanover. You can look forward to reconnecting with the College, catching up with old friends, making new ones, and learning more about LGBTQIA life on campus.

A lot has happened since our last all-class reunion, from Hanover to across the country. At Dartmouth, the reunion will coincide with the landmark opening of the Triangle House, the College's new affinity living-learning community focused on promoting LGBTQIA scholarship and community on campus. This exciting opening will be an important feature of this reunion. Across the nation, we've seen progress on marriage equality, the repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," and other advances for our community. Our vision is that the reunion will celebrate DGALA and Dartmouth, but also national achievements in the LGBTQIA population.

We welcome your ideas about programming and events; please send your ideas to our special new reunion e-mail address at [DGALA2014Reunion@gmail.com](mailto:DGALA2014Reunion@gmail.com).

*Q. How will you be getting the word out as the time draws closer? When might we find out about registering, accommodations, and such?*

A. As the event draws closer, we will continue to publish information about the reunion on the DGALA website ([dgala.me](http://dgala.me)), and we will make available additional updates via email, Facebook, and Twitter. Details about hotel

accommodations and our discounted group rates will be coming soon. As we move into 2014, we'll be working to spread the word as broadly as possible, and we encourage *Green Light's* readers to join in letting their friends know about this great weekend celebration. Bookmark the DGALA website, keep an eye on your email, check in with us on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter! Don't forget to save the date, fill out the reunion survey on the DGALA website, and let us know if you have ideas or talents to share.

*Q. Will families and/or children be welcome?*

Of course! Like our last all-class reunion, our dates fall over Halloween weekend. While we will have plenty of alumni specific programming, our reunion team is also working with Alumni Relations to publish a schedule of some of the best Hanover activities for kids, as well as trick-or-treating routes. Additionally, we will work with the College to identify and help to arrange qualified babysitters for younger children.

*Q. How else can alums help or be involved?*

A. Any alums looking to get involved should e-mail our committee directly at [DGALA2014Reunion@gmail.com](mailto:DGALA2014Reunion@gmail.com). Additionally, if you work or belong to any organizations which might be interested in reunion sponsorship and advertising, please also reach out to us at our email address for sponsorship details. ❖

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## **DGALA 2014 ALL-CLASS REUNION CONTACT INFO**

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has been driven in recent years by various offices and communities at Dartmouth, including Residential Education (headed by Mike Wooten) and the Office of Pluralism and Leadership (headed by Alysson Satterlund with important involvement by Assistant Dean & Advisor to LGBTQIA Students Reese Kelly, and before him, Pam Misener). DGALA also has been involved in the planning process, most notably via DGALA directors Tim Stanne '03 and Susi Kandel '00, who joined Wooten, Satterlund, Kelly and others in weekly conference calls from January through June of this year to shape the House program statement and to define the interior spaces in the House. During this time Tim and Susi reached out to more alums via email and through DGALA board meetings to collect additional feedback on early drafts of the statement.

Based on conversations with the College team leading the project, the House is to be a living and learning community with three broad learning objectives: Community, Knowledge, and Action. More specifically: to foster a strong sense of community, health, and wellbeing among LGBTQIA students; to develop knowledge of LGBTQIA histories, identities, culture, and politics; and to increase exposure to and experiential



**Triangle House**

practice of contemporary models of social justice organization and action. Based in part upon its three-pronged objectives, the House is to be named the Triangle House. In order to enable students to attain the program's three objectives, there will be substantial relevant programming centered around the Triangle House, and various academic and community requirements for students in residence. The programming is to include one-on-one advising, small research grants and related conference travel, outside guests and speakers, mentoring opportunities between and among members of the LGBT community, exposure to contemporary models of social justice organizing, service, and action, and

dialogues relevant to the program. In comments to *Green Light* about the House, Michael Bronski (Senior Lecturer, Women's and Gender Studies) stated, "The Living/Learning model is a valuable concept on campus, integrating learning and socializing."

In addition to its academic aspects, the Triangle House marks a tangible statement by the College in support of LGBT students. As described by President Hanlon in *Dartmouth Now*, the House "is part of Dartmouth's continuing commitment to having a campus that is inclusive, respectful and engaged." In comments to *Green Light*, Professor of History Annelise Orleck added, "[T]he presence and visibility of the House will, in itself, improve the climate for queer people at Dartmouth." In this regard Reese Kelly noted in comments to *Green Light* a second meaning of the triangle for LGBT people: as an indicator of strength (in structural engineering "the triangle is the only geometric shape impervious to distortion and deformation") and as a reclaimed symbol of historical oppression.

The House has its origins in longtime advocacy by the LGBT student body and others on campus, going at least as far back as 1996 when, according to College records, a proposal for an LGBT affinity house was drafted. More recently, as reported in the Spring 2010 *Green Light*, President Kim, then newly into his term as College President, met with ten LGBT student leaders, as well as Misener and DGALA then-Vice President Caroline Kerr, who emphasized to him the importance of an LGBT affinity house on campus (see sidebar comments from the 2010 student leaders). After that meeting, DGALA and LGBT alums continually pursued the matter, and it was discussed with President Kim at each subsequent annual DGALA mini-reunion breakfast meeting.

Reflecting the importance of alumni/ae involvement, plans for the House, funding permitting, include a semi-annual alumni/ae lecture either at the House itself or arranged and sponsored by the House. In addition, a possible DGALA role on the House Advisory Board is under consideration. Further, as Kelly noted to *Green Light*, alums will be welcome at the House during times of open events, in connection with programs held in collaboration with DGALA, and at other times by invitation or request. DGALA

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and the College are currently in the process of launching a fundraising effort through which alums will be able to contribute directly to the completion of the House and support innovative programming. The emerging goal is to raise \$500,000, and details are expected to be announced in early 2014.

Speaking to Green Light, College Trustee John Rich '80 stated, "Dartmouth is a place of inclusion, and the Triangle House is an inclusive space for LGBTQQIA students, including allies, that helps to meet the needs of the LGBT community. Dartmouth is a leader in the Ivies in terms of a house like this. [T]he only other Ivy that has a similar house is Columbia. The Trustees of Dartmouth College are committed to creating safe and inclusive social spaces that bring together the diversity of Dartmouth students. So in many ways, the Triangle House is something that the entire Dartmouth family should view with pride." ♦

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## 2010 Student Leaders Comment



**A. Leah Roth '13 and Rigel Cable '10**

### **A. Leah Roth '13:**

The Triangle House is the result of cumulative actions by Dartmouth's LGBTQA community over the last few decades to come together, explore identity, and identify community goals and needs. When I arrived on campus 4 years ago, the LGBT Affinity house was already a goal (albeit one that seemed like a pipe dream). I remember a group of LGBTQ students, including my freshman self, met with then-new President Kim in 2010 to

welcome him to campus and strategize. He was impressed by both our professionalism and passion, and our goal of having a physical space in which to build community resonated with him; he referenced his experiences as an Asian American undergrad at Brown, and cited the importance of a space in which to come together.

Enthusiasm from alumni – expressed in willingness to fund and to contribute to programming for the new house, and through their vision of a Dartmouth that is safer and more welcoming to LGBT students – has been another huge factor in bringing both the past and current administrations around on an LGBT Affinity House. I know both President Kim and President Hanlon have been moved by their interactions not only with talented LGBT students, but also with dedicated and forward-thinking alums over the past few years in considering this issue and others.

We worked together on this one and were received with increasingly open minds by the Kim and Hanlon administrations and the current Board of Trustees – because we proved that Triangle House was both sound policy and the next step forward for the Dartmouth LGBTQA community. We also proved that it was time for our community to keep moving forward, bringing the rest of Dartmouth with us. Hope to see you at Triangle House next big weekend!

### **Rigel Cable '10:**

I'm so thrilled with the announcement of the Triangle House. Back in 2010 a group of ten undergrads affiliated with the LGBT community, including myself (then GSX President), as well as the former LGBT advisor, Pam Misener, met with President Kim in his office. We outlined the beginnings of what we envisioned to be the solution to a series of challenges the LGBT community faced on campus. At the core of this solution was an LGBT affinity house, which was meant to address the need for alternative social and community spaces on campus. It's taken several years of active advocacy from students, alumni, faculty, and administrators to make this dream a reality. As an alumnus, I look forward to returning to campus once the project is complete and visiting with the students who call the Triangle House home! ♦

## REPORTS FROM THE JUNE MINI-REUNION

An unprecedented number of alums, partners, guests, College staff, students and families attended the 2013 mini reunion events in Hanover this past June.

The weekend's festivities kicked off on Friday night, with a private open-bar gathering at Six South Street, a sleek new hotel in Hanover, where some 75 attendees set a new record



on the open tab! Saturday began with the traditional DGALA breakfast meeting, where then-President-elect Philip Hanlon kept up the traditional President's address to the DGALA membership (see sidebar story). Commenting on the meeting, Christopher Kelly '88 told Green Light:

*"I was struck by the numbers who attended the meeting --- the most I've seen during my many reunions --- and I took note that even several current Dartmouth students attended. Reflecting on my own years from 1984 to 1988, I remember how different things were for a closeted '88 compared to the relatively more relaxed atmosphere today. There is still more to do for our fellow LGBTQ students --- to protect and enhance their Dartmouth experience --- but I was certainly encouraged by what I saw at our June meeting."*

Late Saturday morning, alums were treated to a private guided tour of the Hood Art Museum, including some amazing student art

and a work by DGALA's own (now Artist in Residence at Dartmouth) Daniel Heyman '85.

Saturday afternoon featured a lecture by Religion Department Chair Randall Balmer on "The Rise and Fall of the Religious Right." Immediately after Professor Balmer's lecture, DGALA alums packed a special private talk by United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand '88. The Senator fired up the standing-room-only crowd in the Hopkins Center Faculty Lounge with her vocal support of LGBT and women's rights and her personal stories of LGBT friends at Dartmouth. (See story, page 6.)

The weekend concluded with a relaxed dinner where LGBT students chatted with alums at Hanover's Thai Orchid restaurant (see photo, page 7). All reunion participants left Hanover looking forward to more DGALA events on campus! ♦

### NEW PRESIDENT HANLON ADDRESSES DGALA

At DGALA's June 2013 mini-reunion breakfast meeting, Philip Hanlon '77, to much applause, became the first College President to don his DGALA T-shirt on the podium at the breakfast. In his remarks to DGALA's membership, President Hanlon welcomed the DGALA alums back to campus and provided the first official report that Dartmouth's Trustees had voted at a meeting earlier that month to support an LGBTQA affinity house on campus.

In response to a question from the floor, Hanlon reflected on the differences between LGBT-related issues at Dartmouth when he was a student compared to today. The President responded:

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"It was a very different time then.... In that day and age, much of the gay community was hidden.

My older brother was gay, part of the gay community in New York. I remember such a difference between the



**President Hanlon in DGALA "T"**

way his community was out and here it was not. I think that there's been a profound change for the better across the nation. It means we struggle with issues, but it's better than having them hidden."

In thanking President Hanlon for addressing the DGALA event, DGALA President Caroline Kerr '05 said, "Thank you, President Hanlon, for being here. We're tremendously pleased that you have kept the tradition going. There are tough challenges ahead for Dartmouth, but there are some enormous opportunities, and this is an organization and a population of alums that are deeply committed to the College and stand ready to partner with you and to help in whatever way we can to tackle the issues that the College is facing. Thank you for making us part of your morning." ♦

#### **SENATOR GILLIBRAND ADDRESSES DGALA**

Thanks to a contact through former DGALA President David Eichman '82, DGALA had the unique opportunity to meet with United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand '88 (D-New York) at DGALA's June mini-reunion. Senator

Gillibrand addressed the group and then took questions from the floor. She was very animated in her remarks and spoke eloquently about LGBT and related issues, as well as reflecting on her days as a Dartmouth student. Her remarks included the following:

"Marriage equality is the civil rights issue of our generation. You should be able to marry the person you love.... If our representatives don't support our civil rights, we have to vote them out of office. It's the measure of whether you care about human rights. ... This is about how we value ourselves. Politics matter; elections matter; keep working and our voices will resonate."

In reply to a question concerning sexual assault issues, both regarding the military (where Gillibrand has been a leader) and at Dartmouth, the Senator said:

"Every institution must protect every individual in its community. The sexual assault debate has taken off because people have come forward and told their stories in public. So my advice for Dartmouth advocates is to get people to tell their stories, a collaborative approach where people stand together. When alums hear about sexual assault on campus, they will demand action."

And reflecting on her days at Dartmouth, Gillibrand said:



**Senator Gillibrand Speaks with DGALA**

"My best friend was gay. That informs my passion for LGBT equality. All my best male friends at Dartmouth were gay! [Much laughter.] I want their lives to have every fairness that everyone has. Now they have children. I want their children protected. But you have to push." ♦

## REESE KELLY REFLECTS ON MINI-REUNION (JULY 2013)

A few weeks ago I had the honor of attending my first DGALA Mini-Reunion by participating in the morning brunch. Although I've had the opportunity to meet a handful of alums at campus events and during my visit to New York City, the brunch provided an opportunity for me to get to know a larger number of DGALA community members, young and vintage alike. I heard many stories of the challenges LGBTQ alums faced on a campus that has been unaccepting and sometimes overtly hostile to their presence, visibility, and advocacy efforts. I also heard stories of what brought alums back, that



Reese Kelly Addresses DGALA Breakfast



Casual Student/Alum Dinner at Mini-Reunion

despite these experiences they still held a place in their heart for Dartmouth, that they deeply desired the culture to change for current and future students, and that participating in DGALA brought new people into their lives and deepened their relationships with old friends.

As the Assistant Dean and Advisor to LGBTQ Student and Allies, I value the role that alums play in creating a Dartmouth community that affirms and validates individuals of all sexualities and gender identities and expressions. One initiative that is currently

ongoing towards this goal is the Triangle House, a living/learning residence for LGBTQ students and allies, which is scheduled to open in the Fall of 2014. As you may already know, the Board of Trustees confirmed their commitment to the house and there is currently a team, which includes DGALA members, working on the development and design of community programming, expectations of the residents,

applications for residency, and other items that shape how the house will contribute to community goals and needs. I encourage alums to communicate with DGALA on ways to be involved with the house as this process continues to evolve throughout the upcoming academic year.

I look forward to future engagements to learn more about the history of LGBTQ life at Dartmouth, what alums are doing now, and how we can continue to collaborate to enhance the academic, personal, and social success of students. ♦

*(Photo above right: Therese Kienemund '15 and Paolo (6 months), son of Chris Kelly '88 and his husband, Giovanni Gentile, at Mini Reunion Breakfast)*



# DGALA RESPONDS TO TENGATENGA APPOINTMENT

The Tucker Foundation was established by Dartmouth's Board of Trustees in 1951 and charged with "furthering the moral and spiritual work of the College." And so it was of particular concern to Dartmouth's LGBT community, as well as other members of the Dartmouth community, when in July of this year the College named James Tengatenga, Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Southern Malawi, as the new Dean of the Tucker Foundation, expected to take office early in 2014. Tengatenga had been a longtime leader of the "conservative" branch of the Anglican Church, and, as the Boston Globe reported, "Controversy erupted after word circulated that Tengatenga opposed the 2003 election of the Rev. Gene Robinson of New Hampshire, the Anglican Communion's first openly gay bishop, and asserted in 2011 that Malawi's Anglican provinces remained 'totally against homosexuality.'"

A vigorous discussion of the matter soon began among DGALA leadership and membership, with DGALA alums expressing a wide range of concern and opinion. DGALA leadership actively relayed the various views and questions to the College's leaders. During July and August, DGALA President Caroline Kerr '05 spoke with many across the Dartmouth community – members of the search committee, alums, alumni leaders, Tucker Foundation leaders, the Office of Pluralism and Leadership, faculty members, students, senior administrators and finally President Hanlon himself.

As the matter began to come to a head, on August 12 DGALA issued a report to its members on its website, updating the membership on these communications. Later that week President Hanlon, reiterating Dartmouth's support of its LGBT community, announced that the College would not move forward with Tengatenga's appointment. (See DGALA's website for the full text of DGALA's reports to its membership and President Hanlon's announcement.)

Reflecting on the matter, and DGALA's role in it, Caroline Kerr commented to *Green Light*:

*"The response from DGALA alums was immediate and very thoughtful. Opinion was mixed, but there was a clear desire to learn more: How had the*

*College arrived at this decision? Keep in mind, the announcement was about Tengatenga's appointment, not candidacy. Many concerns were LGBTQIA-specific, but there were also broader questions about whether Tengatenga was the right person to serve the needs of the Dartmouth community in this specific role. I felt extremely positive about the kinds of conversations we were able to have with the College leadership – many of whom had just come on board. We really were able to work with the College on this one, and I applaud President Hanlon's final decision."*

DGALA members' reaction to the President's announcement and the role that DGALA had played in the matter were positive:

*"Thanks to D-GALA for speaking up against the non-inclusive positions of Bishop Tengatenga, making him an inappropriate appointment for Dean of the Tucker Foundation. D-GALA continues to be a powerful voice on key issues."*

*"As an early President of D-GALA and our first (unofficial) representative to the Alumni Council (1996-1999), I'm pleased to see that the organization continues to provide input and support to Dartmouth, and now has an official seat on the Alumni Council. From establishing the Stonewall Fund to focus LGBT alumni financial support, to funding the first Gay and Lesbian studies courses, and now providing direct input on key hires, D-GALA continues to be a vibrant and necessary voice of Dartmouth alumni." Lee Merkle-Raymond '86*

*"Thank you for the information about this matter. As a Class of '79, this type of decision speaks volumes about how the College has changed in positive ways in its sensitivity to and responsiveness to the concerns of the LGBT members of its community since I was a student."*

*"Please let leaders at the College know I appreciate both how tough the decision was and the process they followed in arriving at it. I also know that this definitely increases my commitment to the College." Ed Miller '79*

*"DGALA has set a new standard. Attention must be paid!" Harold Washington '75. ❖*

## REPORTS FROM ALUMS

### FROM AMANDA ROSENBLUM '07

*Trans Bodies, Trans Selves* (TBTS), being published by Oxford University Press this Spring, is a book turned international community, a small idea turned non-profit – and its roots began in Hanover years ago. The book's founder and editor, Dr. Laura Erickson-Schroth (DMS '09) opted into medical rotations in clinics that enabled her to interact with and show support for those whose gender identities didn't match the ones they were assigned at birth. She envisioned a



**TBTS Community Forum at NYC Bookstore**

book like *Our Bodies, Ourselves* for the trans\* (transgender, gender-variant, and genderqueer) community where community members could educate each other as well as document their histories, struggles, and triumphs. The book has grown to 25 chapters with over 50 trans\* authors, and it is peppered with short pieces, including one on queer theory by OPAL's own Reese Kelly, to expand the voices that make up the book. Together with founding organizer Amanda B. Rosenblum (D '07), Laura has since turned this book into a non-profit -- *Trans Bodies, Trans Selves, Inc.* -- with the immediate goal of getting this substantial resource out to those who need it most. Support the project by pre-ordering a copy on Indiegogo (search "Trans

*Bodies Trans Selves*") or attending a book release event this Spring. For more information, go to [www.transbodies.com](http://www.transbodies.com). ♦

### FROM STAN SACK '79

After seven years of the single life, I entered into a relationship early this year with my new love, David Traini. David is a business manager at Lower [Florida] Keys Medical Center where I am on staff (we decided early on that our jobs did not overlap enough to be a problem – in fact, it has proven useful at times!). David has already been to two Dartmouth events! In April, we headed up to Miami for a Class of '79 mini-reunion. This is an annual event held at multiple locations and was the first ever in Miami. More recently, there was a gathering of the Dartmouth Club of



**Erin Czerwinski '17 and Her Two Moms at Florida Dartmouth Club Welcome Event**

the Florida Keys to honor incoming freshman Erin Czerwinski '17. We are always happy when Keys high-schoolers are accepted to Dartmouth, and even happier when they enroll. But the really neat thing that I did not know until I went to the gathering is that Erin's parents are 2 moms, Sharon and Carolyn! The event even got some great coverage in the local social pages. ♦

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, DGALA! The milestones continue for DGALA and Dartmouth. I represented DGALA at



**S. Caroline Kerr '05,  
DGALA President &  
Alumni Councilor at the  
Alumni Council 100th  
anniversary gala**

the inauguration of President Philip Hanlon '77 in September. As President Hanlon settles in, I think we are seeing a president who understands higher education, cares deeply about Dartmouth, and has been proactive in building a relationship with DGALA. I am eager to see what lies ahead; I think we'll see good things.

Brendan Connell, Jr. '87 and I were up on campus in October for the 207th session of

the Alumni Council. The Council is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and I am struck by the significant role DGALA now plays through our representation on the Council and our partnership with the Dartmouth College Fund, in addition to our own activities as an organization and as one of the College's most active affiliated groups. We also had the chance to gather with students and hear about their current activities on campus.

DGALA and the broader community wrestled with a challenging situation this summer when the College announced that Bishop James Tengesha has been appointed Dean of the Tucker Foundation. Ultimately, President Hanlon made the decision not to move ahead with the appointment. I want to thank all of the alums who contributed to the dialogue. You can read more about DGALA's role in this issue of Green Light, and I'll add – particularly for those who have watched DGALA's relationship with the College evolve over the decades – that I feel extremely positive about how we were able to work together. It's a sign of an evolving community that when challenges arise, we seek one another out for opinion and better understanding.

There are big milestones still on the horizon: the DGALA Board is working hard on planning for our 2014 All-Class Reunion and celebration of DGALA's 30th Anniversary – and the opening of the Triangle House. Keep an eye out for messages from our reunion chairs. They are doing a terrific job of leading the planning, and they are eager for your input and help in putting together a fabulous set of events!

Please be in touch with your ideas.

S. Caroline Kerr '05, DGALA President & Alumni Councilor, [s.caroline.kerr@gmail.com](mailto:s.caroline.kerr@gmail.com) ♦

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## DGALA YOUNG ALUM EVENTS

On Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, DGALA and Yale GALA teamed up for the first of what we hope will be many young alum social events in New York City. Over 20 LGBTQ guys and gals came together for a night of live jazz, free drinks, and good times at Fat Cat, an eclectic bar in NYC's West Village. We had a great group of NYC veterans, recent grads new to the city, and visiting alums from all around! This is the first event in a series of young alumni-specific



**DGALA Young Alum Event in NYC**

events that we hope to sponsor that invite members and friends of DGALA to socialize outside of the typical LGBT-scene in New York. If you have any suggestions for an upcoming social event in NYC or in your city (including any alumni groups with whom to partner), please let us know. We hope you see you at our next event! ♦

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## DUES ENVELOPES ARE ENCLOSED

Please support DGALA's work with your tax-deductible contribution!