



GREEN LIGHT

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DGALA MINI-REUNION SETS NEW MARKS

DGALA's traditional free mini-reunion during June reunions weekend reached new records this year in both attendance and events. Continuing its part of the tradition, Mother Nature again supplied lots of blue skies and mild temperatures for the Friday and Saturday events. Things kicked off on Friday, June 17, with an open bar reception at the trendy Canoe Club on Main Street in Hanover. The large and enthusiastic crowd remarkably managed to burn through the very generous pre-paid tab (courtesy of the Alumni Relations Office!), and spirits were high throughout the evening.

On Saturday, notwithstanding the night before, a record large turnout of DGALA alums and friends made it to the DGALA breakfast meeting on Saturday morning, where President Kim marked the conclusion of his second year in office by addressing the group on issues relevant to DGALA, receiving a standing ovation from the assemblage (see story, page 2).

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SAVE THE DATE!
NEXT FREE ALL-CLASS MINI REUNION
June 15-16, 2012

INCLUDING DGALA DORM HOUSING,
EVENTS WITH STUDENTS, ALUMS, FACULTY AND STAFF

REUNIONING CLASSES THAT WEEKEND INCLUDE
'72, '77, '82, '87, '91-'93, AND '07
BUT ALL DGALA ALUMS ARE INVITED

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DGALA E-NEWS AND AT WWW.DGALA.WORDPRESS.COM

TRUSTEE RICH AND PROFESSOR BRONSKI ADDRESS NYC EVENT

Over 80 DGALA alums and friends attended "An Evening of Discussion with Professor Michael Bronski and Trustee Dr. John Rich" at the Dartmouth Club of New York on the evening of September 14th. The event was co-hosted by DGALA and the Dartmouth Alumni Association of New York City, and generous sponsors included the Black Alumni of Dartmouth Association and the Dartmouth Alumni Relations Office.



Bronski, Rich and Kerr at DGALA NYC Event

Following an hour of networking, drinks and hors d'oeuvres, DGALA President Caroline Kerr '05 welcomed the assembly and updated the group on DGALA's latest programming and charitable initiatives. Dr. Rich '80, the College's first openly gay trustee (see *Green Light's* interview with Dr. Rich in the Spring 2011 issue at

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A newly expanded schedule of events continued throughout Saturday, first with a private guided tour of the Hood Museum, complete with behind the scenes access. On Saturday afternoon, Professor Michael Bronski delivered a fascinating lecture in the Hopkins Center on his just-released book, "A Queer History of the United States." After the lecture, Bronski chatted with alums and signed copies of his book. Later in the day, alum, students and Professor Bronski gathered for a casual dinner and more conversation at the new Salt Hill Pub on Lebanon Street. And later that evening, another open bar gathering was held at Salt Hill. Throughout the weekend, DGALA alums enjoyed access to DGALA dorm housing and the College's athletic facilities. The free mini-reunion will be held again next year, so save the weekend and plan to join us (see box, page 1)! ❖

President Kim Addresses DGALA Audience on Stereotyping

In his remarks to the annual DGALA reunions breakfast event in June, President Kim spoke of the College's efforts to combat the "stereotype threat" on campus. Kim said that he and the College community are committed to diversity on campus, but that such a commitment requires sustained effort. Kim noted that in the recent past, Dartmouth "wasn't such a welcoming place for students of color, for the LGBTQA community" and that the College continues to make special efforts to overcome this past.

Addressing stereotyping, Kim said, "I've spent a lot of time trying to understand what is it that makes students not feel welcome and to fail at Dartmouth; and a lot of it is just the really subtle stuff that happens when no one is watching carefully enough. There's phenomenon called 'stereotype threat,' [which means a] feeling of unwelcome-ness; being pointed out for being different; these things have a huge impact on academic performance." To combat this threat, Kim cited "very simple things like [communicating to threatened students messages that say] *you can make it here, you belong here, this place is yours just as much as it is everyone else's.*"

Continuing, Kim asked "What would it mean for us to build a campus where the LGBTQA community openly identifies: *that's* the place that you want to go because *that's* the place were they're going to made sure that this stupid crap that happens with stereotype threat won't happen?"

What would it take for us to build a campus that looks like that? I'm not sure, but it's a question, it's an issue that we're really taking seriously."

President Kim cited instances in which both he and a new senior College administrator had confronted and worked to overcome the effects of stereotyping, in part through education. In his own case, Kim noted that he grew up in Iowa as an Asian-American in the 1950s and '60s (as he put it, to much laughter, "Talk about stereotyping!"). Kim said that he chose to obtain a Ph.D in Anthropology to help to resolve his identity crisis. On a more serious note, the College's new Vice President of Human Resources, Myron McCoo, recently described to Kim how McCoo, a lifelong Baptist, felt the need after law school, to go on to Harvard Divinity School to obtain a Masters in Theology to help himself to resolve the conflict between being part of the Baptist Church and being gay. Kim added that he believes that having openly gay African-American individuals in senior leadership positions at the College makes a difference in combating stereotyping.



President Kim Receives Standing Ovation at Brunch

In closing, Kim said, "I don't know how to create an environment that really makes everyone feel that this is their place; that this place is built for them and that they should wring every ounce of benefit from Dartmouth College without having to feel that they are a hyphenated person in some way. I count on you to continue to give me advice and counsel on how to make that happen, but I commit to you that that's what we want to be known for. We want to be known as the most tolerant campus in the entire country; we want to be known as a campus where people can explore their identity to its fullest and that they'll be supported not only doing that but in learning what we have to teach in a way that will prepare them to tackle the troubles of the world. It's going to be a constant question; ... we have a lot more to do. I want to welcome you back. I'll give you updates every year as we go along." ❖

www.DGALA.wordpress.com), greeted the group on behalf of the College trustees, noting the trustees' gratitude for the audience members' contributions to the Dartmouth community. Dr. Rich stated his pride at being a part of the DGALA family, citing the support that DGALA and its members have given Dartmouth.

Professor Bronski, a senior lecturer in the Women's and Gender Studies program at Dartmouth, where his highly popular courses include such titles as *"Queer marriage, hate crimes and Will & Grace: contemporary issues in LGBT studies,"* as well as *"Plagues and politics, the impact of AIDS on U.S. Society."* He has just been named one of the "Out 100" of 2011, *Out* magazine's recognition of the most compelling leaders of the LGBT community. Many of the alums in attendance had taken Professor Bronski's courses, though, as Caroline Kerr noted in her introduction, for many alums who attended Dartmouth earlier, courses like Michael's were unimaginable when they were on campus.

Professor Bronski thanked his students, who he said inspired and helped to shape his newest book, *A Queer History of the United States*. He also introduced a friend in attendance, Kevin Cathcart, Executive Director of Lambda Legal, noting that, without legal advocacy such as Kevin's, "everything that we have today would not have been possible." Professor Bronski's remarks were based upon his new book, drawing in part upon Dartmouth-related history, including



Tyler Ford '11 and Dr. Rich Chat at NYC Event

a letter that a 22-year-old Daniel Webster '01 wrote in 1804 to James Bingham, an intimate classmate from his Dartmouth days: "I don't see how I can live any more without having a friend near me, I mean a male friend. Yes, James, I must come; we will yoke together again; your little bed is just wide enough." Similarly, Bronski drew

upon the history that Dartmouth alum and "Men of Dartmouth" lyricist Richard Hovey (1885) after graduation lived in an openly gay community in Cambridge, Massachusetts, was an ardent fan and acquaintance of Oscar Wilde, and published homoerotic poetry. Bronski presented a thesis that the movement for individual freedom and equality throughout American history has been supported by, and had strong elements of, ideas and actions of people whom today would be considered queer.

Questions, dialogue, drinks and food continued after the speakers' remarks.

Comments about the evening:

Professor Bronski: Being at the DGALA event was a complete joy. Not only did I get to see many old students from over the past decade, but I also met new alums as well as some parents of students. All of my work these past ten years has been so deeply informed by my students that it would not have happened without them. I think there has never been enough discussion about how much professors learn in the classroom. The myth is that knowledge is transmitted in one direction, but the reality is that knowledge flows back and forth in what that we don't acknowledge or even understand yet. Teaching at Dartmouth - and teaching Dartmouth students - has made me a better thinker and a better scholar. I would be humbled to think that my students felt the same.

Kevin Cathcart, Lambda Legal: Michael always brings a fresh look to both American and LGBT history, reminding us that they are not separate or divided. It was great to hear Michael talking about "Queer History" at DGALA's event. It is important that those of us working on LGBT civil rights today understand the work and lives that preceded us. I feel like my work at Lambda Legal is enriched when I learn more about queer American history.

Dr. Rich: I was honored and proud to be a part of the evening. Next time I will plan to stay for the after party! [Dr. Rich had to catch a train back home to Philadelphia.] Professor Bronski was interesting and funny. He is simply brilliant. You pulled off a great event for DGALA and for Dartmouth.

Tyler Ford '11: Dr. Rich and Professor Bronski were brilliant that night. It's so great that DGALA connects graduates to the inspired scholarship to which Dartmouth students and faculty commit themselves. At events like Professor Bronski's presentation, we get to connect and catch up, but we also walk away a little bit smarter. Well done, DGALA. ❖

STUDENT REPORTS AND REFLECTIONS

Therese Kienemund '15, GSX Co-Chair: I'm from Germany, but I went to an international school in Swaziland for my last two years of high school. I had very mixed experiences regarding the acceptance of LGBTQ people within that school community: A student-written and performed play about the love of two men was received very well by the student body, while posters by the LGBTQ student group got scribbled on and were repeatedly taken down. Thus, I was very excited to come to Dartmouth and discover how the LGBTQ community was received on campus. Gender Sexuality XYZ has provided great support for me and I am happy to be one of the co-chairs this term.

GSX serves to unite gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer and allied students and to provide a forum for gender and sexuality-related issues on campus. We have been very active this term; every week we meet for a discussion of LGBTQ issues, and every other week the meeting is open to the entire campus. At one meeting, we talked about a unified direction or goal for queer politics and if it is okay not to have a specific set of goals. At another meeting we talked about stereotypes that are imposed by the LGBTQ community on subcultures within, how comfortable we are with these labels and if we're being careful enough throwing them around. The latter was my favorite meeting so far because the group's opinions differed more strongly than usual.

We are the only undergraduate student group with regular meetings explicitly dealing with LGBTQ issues. Some students attend our meetings for the community, some for the discussions, and some out of a curiosity about what LGBTQ community and discussion look like. It's been a challenge to accommodate everyone's wants and needs. We always emphasize that everyone is welcome to attend the meetings without participating in the discussion. However, we are not always successful at making everyone feel comfortable. It is not an option to ask some members to restrict themselves when expressing their opinions just so that others are not

confronted with the urgency of the issues at hand and not reminded of our shared responsibilities. Personally, I see this conflict as an opportunity. There is definitely a need for more organization among the LGBTQ people on campus. I feel like we're heading towards being more open and present, towards becoming an actual community with several levels of organization – intellectual discussion groups, social groups etc.

This change is also important for the recognition of LGBTQ issues by other campus communities. Clearly, not all Dartmouth students identify as allies. Since the beginning of term, there have been several major articles on gender and sexuality-related issues in different campus



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publications. Regardless of the fact that some were more ignorant and aggressive than others, they made LGBTQ issues very prominent on campus. People are talking about LGBTQ student housing, the gender-neutral floor, the implications of using the word gay in negative connotations, what it means to be an ally and so on. While people's opinions on these matters are very diverse, I generally get the impression that the sensitivity regarding gender and sexuality related topics is increasing. Students are more aware of the fact that there is still a lot of work to be done, that we are nowhere near equality and full acceptance among mainstream campus culture.

I feel like I jumped in on the front lines of a complex and turbulent time for the Dartmouth community as a whole and the LGBTQ community in particular. Sometimes I get discouraged about the amount of pushback from the fearful and ignorant, but it is important to always remember that every argument, every discussion and criticism is an opportunity for us to enhance our understanding of how best to make our voices heard.

Stewart Towle '12 GSX Co-Chair: I spent much of my first two years at Dartmouth confused, closeted, and convinced that I was totally alone in a scholastic community built upon strong, insular communities. If you had told me that by my Senior year I'd be laughing about my mother's

reaction to me coming out with over thirty other lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning and allied Dartmouth students, I'd have thought you were crazy. But that's what I did Wednesday night of National Coming Out week this past October. GSX has been an integral part of my personal growth here at Dartmouth, and I believe the organization has increasingly become an invaluable network of support and self-reflection for the LGBTQIA community. It seems like every year I've been at Dartmouth the queer students on campus get a little braver, a little more connected, and a little more out. I think this is largely thanks to special efforts in the admissions office, OPAL, the women and gender studies department, the new LGBT Mentors organization, and countless other initiatives to make Dartmouth a more open and welcoming place for LGBTQI students and their allies. All these efforts contribute to what is primarily a grassroots build-up in students' taking time out of their busy lives to come together and examine the world around us and within us.

Gender, Sexuality XYZ. A simple name, but it speaks succinctly to the heart of what our organization does. We examine our zippers, metaphorically speaking, and ask ourselves what's beneath the surface of the often oversimplified issues of Gender and Sexuality.

I attended my first GSX meeting Sophomore Spring. It consisted of maybe fifteen students engaging in a short, unorganized dialogue, followed by awkward mingling. My impression wasn't the best, though I think a lot of that came from my own uneasiness rather than the group itself. I wasn't out at the time, and I wonder if that contributed to my sense of dissonance. However, since my first attempts Sophomore year and regular attendance Junior and Senior year, both GSX and I have gone through some radical changes. GSX has grown to having a ten-person exec board, comprised of two co-chairs, a treasurer, a secretary, four discussion leaders, an I.T. chair, and a social chair. Our weekly meetings see at least twenty students in attendance regularly, and some meetings draw as many as forty students. Every week our discussion leaders facilitate focused and well-researched discussions and activities in which we've addressed issues including LGBT portrayal in the Media, stereotypes and identity, holistic models of gender and sexuality, and of course the

GSX staple of Coming Out Stories. We also have begun to turn towards organizing social events and increasing networking with grad student groups and other LGBTQIA focused or sympathetic organizations on campus.

Our community and the students of Dartmouth are on the cusp of moving passed intolerance and isolation and ready to begin building a truly vibrant community celebrating, rather than tolerating, all kinds of diversity. At the same time I feel the push back that always comes with progress, particularly in the intolerant and heterocentric commentaries published recently in many of Dartmouth's campus newspapers. I'm not surprised, but I am saddened that despite the progress we're making there are still students actively opposing providing necessary support for us and other marginalized communities at Dartmouth. However, GSX continues to grow.

It's incredible to have so many people participating, from organizers to meeting attendees, from 12's to 15's and the occasional grad student. We clearly need to begin finding ways to expand resources for LGBTQA students on campus. Overall I'm relieved and invigorated to see this organization coming into its own, to know that the next generation of Dartmouth LGBTQ students have an increasingly diverse and robust support system, and to feel finally like I am not alone.

Hector Gustavo Ruiz Llopiz'14, Gender Neutral Program Floor UGA: This fall term has been marked by debate and celebration about the LGBT communities on campus. Following the 5-star rating Dartmouth received on the LGBT-Friendly Campus Climate Index in August, topics like the College's efforts to reach out to applicants interested in the LGBT communities and the need to establish an LGBT affinity house were the subjects of much controversy. During this time, celebrations for the repeal of DADT, National Coming Out Day and LGBT History Month took place as well.

While Dartmouth's rating on Campus Pride's index is definitely a positive sign, most of the LGBT students and faculty interviewed by *The Dartmouth* ("College receive 5-star LGBT rating," Sept. 23) agreed that much work remains to be done specially in the realms of residential life and social spaces. The article in which LGBT campus leaders, faculty and administrators voiced their opinions generated, in turn, a response from

conservative students opposing the allocation of resources to LGBT-identified students. Roger Lott, the author of such editorial, expressed concern about admission policies and the LGBT affinity house project—stating that these efforts “constitute unnecessary favoritism and encourage students to needlessly define themselves by their sexual orientation” (“Learning to Live Together,” Oct. 10 *The Dartmouth*).

As expected, the LGBT communities and many others did not take Lott’s remarks warmly. Two responses published in *The Dartmouth*, a guest column and a letter to the editor, exposed Lott’s lack of knowledge about biological sex, gender identity, sexual orientation; or understanding of the College’s admissions and housing processes (“Vox Clamantis: Letter to the Editor,” Oct. 14; “Weinberg: Setting the Record Straight,” Oct. 12).

Although Dartmouth currently offers gender-neutral housing that is not by any means LGBT exclusive, including the Gender Neutral Program for students interested in the exploration of gender and identity, the fact remains that an LGBT affinity house focused on issues pertaining to our communities would greatly benefit the College. This affinity house, like the rest of the affinity programs on campus, would focus on the educational nature of living surrounded by individuals with a particular interest rather than the sexual orientation of its residents. Albeit the approval of this project still pending, progress has undoubtedly been made with regards to the preparation of the proposal and identification of facilities (“Location sought for LGBT house,” Oct. 21 *The Dartmouth*).

Despite all the debate and controversy, the LGBT communities at Dartmouth had reasons to celebrate as well. One of these celebrations was the end of the Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell policy on September 20. On this date, students, faculty and staff met at the Salt Hill Pub in downtown Hanover to honor the occasion. The LGBT communities also celebrated National Coming Out Day and LGBT History Month with a community dinner featuring Peter Jacobsen ’00, Executive Director of Vermont Cares—Vermont’s largest and longest-serving AIDS Service Organization. Numerous faculty, administrators, students, and community members attended the event. This is a very important time for the LGBT communities on campus, although there are still

battles to be fought, we can proudly say that we have definitely won some.

Anna Roth ’13, OUTreach Peer Mentor Co-Chair: OUTreach is enjoying a successful fall! We trained a record 26 mentors from the classes of 2012, 2013, and 2014. The majority of new mentors were ’14s who had participated in the program as mentees last year. As in past years, mentors represent the diverse backgrounds and interests of the Dartmouth LGBTQ community. Training topics covered: diversity, positive sexuality, substance abuse, good mentoring, coming out, safe spaces, family issues, and confidentiality. Sessions were led by faculty members and peer educators, and spanned a hefty five hours of one Saturday afternoon.

OUTreach sponsors weekly community events for mentorship pairs and the larger LGBTQ community, as well as events throughout the term. Our Coming Out Day screening of the L Word’s coming out episode drew a packed Casque and Gauntlet basement, and other group bonding events and mixers have provided a comfortable and supportive environment for mentees in the process of coming out and navi(gay)ting Dartmouth. Mentors also benefit from the program. Maddy Sturm ’13 comments: “My mentee’s the best! I wish this existed my freshman year.”

Several students have also taken advantage of our Alumni Mentoring program, coordinated by Nick Chamousis ’73 and Rigel Cable ’10. Undergrad students are paired with alums who are geographically close during off terms or who share career interests and goals. Any alum interested in participating can contact Nick, Rigel, or Outreach.Peer.Mentors@dartmouth.edu. [For alum contact info, e-mail dartgala@gmail.com.]

Further goals include forming a closer relationship with Dick’s House Counseling and Human Development, creating a more comfortable campus atmosphere through poster campaigns and queer-friendly programming, and continuing to strengthen the bonds of our LGBTQ community through student and alumni mentorships.

OUTreach Peer Mentors is under the leadership of Anna Roth ’13, Kurt Prescott ’12, and Christian Brandt ’12. They can be reached with questions or suggestions at: Outreach.Peer.Mentors@dartmouth.edu. ❖

ALUM AND EVENT UPDATES

Brian Ellner '92 recently led the Human Rights Campaign's successful effort to win marriage equality in New York. In addition to leading the lobbying effort, Ellner also created the much written about "New Yorkers for Marriage Equality" video campaign that featured such prominent New Yorkers as Russell Simmons, Joan Rivers, NY Ranger Sean Avery, Larry King, Mayor Mike Bloomberg, Julianne Moore, fellow Dartmouth alum and United States Senator Kirsten Gillibrand '88 and many others. The video testimonials were produced by Ellner's classmate, Annie Sundberg '92 of Break Thru Films. HRC recently launched "Americans for Marriage Equality," a national campaign modeled on New York. You can view the excellent new campaign at www.hrc.org/marriageequality.

David J. Schnabel, '86, and James F. Minter were married Friday, September 9, 2011, in a civil ceremony in the Shakespeare Garden of New York City's Central Park. David is the communications and events coordinator for the National Association of Episcopal Schools in New York City. James is a senior associate director and the director of international admissions in the Columbia University Office of Undergraduate Admissions. The couple married twenty-one years to the day after their first meeting on September 9, 1990. The date of their marriage was also significant in that they registered as New York City domestic partners on September 9, 1996, and, again on the same date, had a commitment ceremony in 2000. David adds, "I hope to see many more of these in the *Green Light!*" *So do we, so please send word of marriages, and any other news, to us at DartGALA@gmail.com.*

William Boulware '90 reports: On July 30 Chicago D-GALA ventured into the unknown space that is my home and back yard in the Uptown Neighborhood of Chicago. The gathering was festive and intended to last about 2 hours but extended well beyond that until late in the evening. It was fun. People actively relived their Dartmouth years. These shared experiences seem to cross or transcend the years and classes. **Eileen Brown '89** dragged kicking and screaming (I say this in jest) a Harvard friend. We

were also invaded by Cornell and Columbia. Mike Vidmar '03 and President of the Dartmouth Club of Chicago joined us and brought beverages. He endured being cornered by a Yale and a Northwestern graduate, expounding the virtues of their respective schools. Overall it was a great summer afternoon. We definitely expect to do this again. There is a network of some 1900 Dartmouth Alumni in Chicago and I have an active list of about 20 D-GALA Alumni along with connections that have floated below our radar. People traded contact information and we see this becoming an annual or bi-annual event: a summer cook-out and a winter wine tasting. Chicago is going to be embraced by Winter rather quickly and we are preparing for heavy snow this year. What could be better than good people, great conversation, nestled in front of a wood fire and consuming a glass of wine (or water!). Stay tuned and if you are in the area, reach out, we are rather friendly in the mid-west, especially those of us from the South and mid-Atlantic.

Rigel Cable '10 :The Dartmouth GALA and Cornell University GALA Pre-Pride Happy Hour event at B Restaurant & Lounge received over 50 RSVPs from Bay Area alumni of both institutions. More than 30 ended up coming to the event that featured free drink tickets and light hors d'oeuvres for the group. As the first recent DGALA sponsored Bay Area event, we were pleased to see new faces and establish a stronger presence in the region. Guests mixed and mingled across schools and careers, and many new friends were made. We look forward to future DGALA events in the SF Bay Area as well as joint events with Cornell and other institutions.

Brendan Connell '87, DGALA Programming Chair: The Programming Committee has had a great time planning events around the country in recent months, and we are currently working on an even more varied lineup for 2012. Please stay tuned for updates on the DGALA website (www.dgala.wordpress.com), by email, and on Facebook. Of course, we welcome your ideas for events and encourage you to host one in your area. If you are interested in getting more involved, contact me at bdanconnell@gmail.com. We hope to see you at an event soon! ♦

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It was wonderful to see so many DGALA members at our June "mini" reunion (we might have to drop the "mini" from the name soon.) We enjoyed the company and remarks of President Kim, along with several senior College leaders, including our new Vice President for Alumni Relations, Martha Beattie '76 and Executive Director of the Dartmouth College Fund, Sylvia Racca. Over 80 of you also joined us in New York this past September for an evening with Professor Michael Bronski and Trustee Dr. John Rich '80.



**DGALA President
Caroline Kerr '05**

In an effort to help DGALA members learn more about the many alumni/ae who comprise the Dartmouth LGBTQA community, we recently announced an alumni/ae profile project in our e-newsletter called, "We Are DGALA." We hope you

will share your work (great and small) and your interests (local and national.) If you are interested in being profiled, or have a recommendation for a profile, please contact Bess Tortolani '98 (besstortolani@mac.com).

Please join me in congratulating two past presidents of DGALA as they receive awards from the College. David Eichman '82 is a recipient of the 2011-2012 Dartmouth Alumni Award and will be honored at the December Alumni Council meeting. Susi Kandel '00 is a recipient of the 2011-2012 Dartmouth Youth Alumni Distinguished Service Award and will be honored at Club and Affiliated Group Officers Weekend in February. Both David and Susi have shown distinguished leadership, advancing DGALA and the interests of LGBTQA alumni/ae, and they continue to be active leaders in the broader Dartmouth alumni/ae community.

A "rouse" is also in order for Beth Robinson '86, who has been appointed to the Vermont Supreme Court by Governor Peter Shumlin. Beth is a tireless advocate for the rights of same-sex couples and active Dartmouth alum.

It's been an exciting few months! As always, please be in touch with your ideas for programs and events, and let us know how DGALA can best

represent you in our on-going contact with the College.

S. Caroline Kerr '05

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DGALA NOTES

Dues Envelopes Are Enclosed!

In case you've not yet contributed or paid dues to DGALA this new fiscal year (which runs from July 1 to June 30), we have enclosed a handy pre-addressed envelope in hopes that you will do so now. D-GALA operates almost entirely on the generosity of our supporters, and we put your contributions to good use through funding our All-Class Reunions, our free annual June mini-reunions, various regional events, on-campus events with alums and students, supporting LGBT issues and events at Dartmouth, annual gifts for LGBT grads, and, of course, this newsletter! We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, and so your contribution is tax deductible. If you prefer, you may also give at www.dgala.wordpress.com.

DGALA Discount with Beacon Press

DGALA members are eligible to order titles directly from Beacon, including Michael Bronski's new book, "A Queer History of the United States," and receive a 10% discount and free shipping. A portion of the proceeds will also be donated to DGALA. Visit www.beaconpress.com and enter 'DGALA' at checkout.



**DGALA Alums Line up to buy Professor Bronski's
"Queer History" at June Mini-Reunion**