

1968. Omigod: our 50th Reunion is only one year away. Keep your eyes out for the detailed event planning. Hopefully you can consider a donation to help with our planned Reunion Gift to endow the Freshman Trips. This will be a gift that can touch every incoming freshman, every year. And of course, don't forget the annual Dartmouth College Fund...as you read this in June, our Class will be in the home stretch of this year's giving. The first (and perhaps last) annual Grand Canyon Hike wrapped up in April. Eight classmates and six spouses gathered for the four-day mini-reunion, with great weather and rim-side lodging perfect for sightseeing. The group included Marsha and **Bill Adler**, Nancy and **Dave Dibelius**, Bev and **Jim Lawrie**, Stacey and **Ted Levin**, Deb and **Dick Olson**, Ginny and **Scott Reeves**, **Allen Ott** and **Peter Emmel**. Bill, Dave, Peter, Jim, Dick, Allen, and Scott actually made the hike down to spend the night at the Phantom Ranch and then hike back up to the rim the next day. Their declaration: The hike was a true bucket list event because it made them feel like they were about to kick the bucket. Our annual 19th Western Ski Trip was held in early March at Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Attendees included **Clark Wadlow**, **Steve Schwager**, **Tom Stonecipher** and friend Lisa Albert, Susan and **Hap Ridgeway**, **Scott Reeves**, **Rick Pabst**, **Rich duMoulin**, **Peter Emmel**, **Peter Fahey**, Chris and **John Blair**, **Gerry Bell** and 3 friends from Bethel, **Larry Griffith's** sister Joann Chambers, Laurie and **Jim Noyes**, Bev and **Jim Lawrie**, their daughter Dawn Lawrie '97 and her family (Craig Allen '97 and the real next generation granddaughters Jessica '28 and Katie '31). Even more '68s and friends had hoped to come, but medical or family issues intervened, as they are for all of us these days; those unable to attend included Julia and **Larry Griffith**, **Rusty Martin**, **Bruce Senn**, Cindy and **Dave Stanley**, and John Manaras, '67. Watch for full reports and pictures on both mini-reunions in a future newsletter. The group is already planning for the 20th anniversary Western Ski trip, now scheduled for March 2 through 9, 2018, and is circulating a survey on possible locations: Deer Valley, Northstar, Snowmass or Mammoth. Please contact Jim Lawrie if you are interested. Kathy and **Paul Fitzgerald** recently returned from a vacation in Panama, where they explored the canal and kayaked in the jungle. They noted, with a little schadenfreude, that a Trump Hotel in Panama City was nearly empty, as Mexicans are boycotting it. Daughter Erin married Robert Furrow last August, at a ceremony that overlooked Muir Woods; Erin teaches 4th grade while Rob is doing a post-doc at Stanford. Paul and Kathy also are greatly enjoying grandsons Kieran and Cade, children of son Brent and his wife Mariko. And in February we lost another classmate, **Malcolm Cross Jr** (aka Jeff Douglas). Watch for the obituary on the website and in the newsletter. davidbpeck@aol.com. 16 Overlook Road, Plymouth, MA 02360.