



CLASS OF 1963 – ALUMNI NOTES JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2018

If you haven't already done so, mark your calendar for our 55th Reunion, which will be held in Branford College in New Haven from midday on Thursday, May 31, 2018 through Sunday morning, June 3, 2018. This will be our first Free Reunion, with food, drink, and lodging in Branford College free of charge for all classmates, widows, and guests who attend. Be sure not to miss this Reunion! All indications are that it will be our best Reunion ever.

Jerry Bogert recounts: "This summer Margot and I rented a house in North Berwick, Scotland, near a few of Scotland's finer golf courses, North Berwick and Gullane among them. One of our oldest friends, Joe Roby, spent four days with us. It was great to reminisce; the last time Joe and I were together in Scotland was between our sophomore and junior years at Yale. Our golf games may have weakened some, but our friendship is as strong as ever."

David Boren announced on September 20, 2017 that he will retire as President of the University of Oklahoma, effective on June 30, 2018 or when a permanent successor is named. Upon his retirement, David will have served as OU's President for over 23 years, and will have completed 51 years of public service in Oklahoma. He is the first person in state history to have served as Governor of Oklahoma, United States Senator, and President of the University of Oklahoma. Under David's leadership, the University of Oklahoma has become a pacesetter in public higher education. OU became the only public university in U.S. history to rank first among all universities, public or private, in National Merit Scholars enrolled. David is one of a handful of university presidents across the nation who teach an undergraduate course every semester. He will continue to teach a Political Science course following his retirement. Among other honors, David was recently elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. On announcing his retirement, David thanked his wife, Molly Shi Boren, for her partnership during his tenure.

Val Dusek reports: "I found out at age 75 that I am a Canadian citizen. Also, I found out that my text *Philosophy of Technology: An Introduction* was pirated and translated into Farsi by the Iranian Defense Industries. It is a survey of general philosophies of technology and has no specific military applications (no nuclear technology or virus debugging). This shows what broad interests their Education Department has."

Carter Findley has been honored by the creation of the Carter V. Findley Professorship in Ottoman and Turkish History and the Carter V. Findley Fellowship in Ottoman and Turkish history at Ohio State University. Carter also has a new book in press: *Enlightening Europe on Islam and the Ottomans: Mouradgea d'Ohsson and His Masterpiece*. The masterpiece was d'Ohsson's *Tableau général de l'Empire othoman* (Paris, 1787-1820), 3 volumes in folio, the most knowledgeable book of its era on Islam – also fabulously illustrated.

Carter observes: “The professorship and fellowship result from fund-raising efforts over many years, and it was generous of the donors to ask to name them after the person who supplied the elbow grease. Having degrees from Yale and Harvard, I used to think I should give to those universities, Yale at least. By the time Lucia and I paid for our daughter Madeleine's education (Yale 1996), full freight, cash on the barrelhead, I was also discovering that my own graduate students at the university where I taught had limited, or in some cases no, options to fund their dissertation research. Instead of giving money to widen the gap between the university where I taught and the rich ones, I needed to do something different. And I was not going to be able to do it by myself. That is how I got into fund-raising. I am not cut out for it any more than most people. Ohio State was not going to have a permanent program in my field – or any other necessarily – without endowments to support it. Elbow grease is not all it took. But for those who don't need to know more, let's leave it at that.”

Hank Hallas has published a book, *New Hampshire Tales*. Hank writes: “Working with my brother Herb, of Yale football fame, I have recently published a book. Herb developed Rivulet Ferry Press in order to publish a few of his works, and kindly offered to assist me. I agreed, and published a book which is a collection of short stories, pre- and post-Yale. I was inspired by Noel Perrin, author of *First Person Rural* and a well-known Dartmouth English professor.”

Ed Peters writes: “Because I first entered Yale with the Class of 1958 and then dropped out for five years, returning in 1960 and graduating with the Class of 1963, I have always had a reunion conflict, which I resolved by attending no reunions. Since retiring in 2009, I've kept up academic research in a small bungalow in Guilford, CT, thanks to Yale's Sterling Memorial Library, the Free Library of Guilford, and the Internet. I've published two scholarly books (one on the sources of the 13th-century Crusades and another edited volume of the scholarly essays of my late friend and collaborator Jim Powell), a scholarly essay published in a volume of myths about the Crusades, and two more essays about other subjects now in press. I've also edited two annotated bibliographies online for the Oxford University Press Medieval Studies series, on

"Medieval Canon Law", and "Councils and Synods of the Medieval Church". My ongoing research focuses on various aspects of uses of power in the late 12th and 13th centuries. A burst appendix in April 2017 slowed me down for a few months, but I'm back at research and writing again. I suppose that the threat 'publish or perish' applies to more than just academic tenure."

Eustace Theodore reports: "For the past twenty years Carol and I have had the pleasure of following in a small way our growing interest in national hunt racing in the UK and Ireland. We began in a huge syndicate racing five horses a year, purchased in the fall, raced through the year and then sold on in the spring. That plus making it each year to the Cheltenham festival as annual members kept our interest growing. Over the last dozen years we have formed a small group that includes a good friend we met in the seventies in Calhoun, plus an English woman with great horse knowledge who is now a national hunt steward. Together the four of us have had a great journey that has not yet led to anything close to black type. But the occasional win at small tracks keeps our interest going – that and the beauty of those lovely animals when they try. We are collectively known as the Someday's Here Racing Partnership at Weatherbys, while in Ireland we race under our own names."

Howie Wolfe recounts: "Our main activity at Caves Farm is training, showing and selling very high quality hunters and jumpers (warm bloods) which we import from Europe. My racing activity is quite separate from the farms program. These horses of course are all thoroughbreds and are in training in Pennsylvania. My game plan here is to buy some reasonably well bred 3/4 year olds, run them on the flat turf, and then converting to the hurdles when the timing seems right. We also buy older, more mature horses and start them straight off on the timber courses with ambitions to run in the "big three" races – My Ladies Manor, the Grand National, and of course, the Maryland Hunt Cup, which is generally considered to be the most challenging timber race in the world. In 2015 the farm was fortunate to have one of our boys named 'timber horse of the year' . . . quite a thrill.

"Steeplechase Racing in the States is very much a community affair. All the owners, trainers and jockeys know one another and the race meet gatherings are always very cordial affairs. In the paddock area before each race all will be wishing each other "good luck and ride safe," followed by warm congratulations to the winners. Saratoga is hallowed ground for the racing community and winning there was a memorable day as were the many pat-on-the-back phone calls and e-mails I received from my racing friends. I'm not sure that anyone should be permitted to have this much fun!"

George Albert (“Jay”) Keyworth II died on August 23, 2017 in Monterey, CA. Jay was born on November 30, 1939 in Boston, MA. He graduated from Yale College in 1963, and earned a Ph.D. in Physics from Duke University in 1968. He took a job at Los Alamos National Laboratory upon graduation, and rose to head the Lab’s Physics Division. From 1981 to 1986, Jay served as a senior White House official advising President Reagan on matters of national security and science policy. Jay was a champion of the Strategic Defense Initiative, which sought to develop defenses against nuclear missiles. After leaving the White House, Jay was a director of General Atomic and Hewlett-Packard, where he became the company’s longest-serving director. He divided his time between Carmel, CA and the Lake Tahoe area. He is survived by his wife, Marion (formerly Schwartz); a son, George; a daughter, Deirdre Hernandez; and four grandchildren from his marriage to Polly Lauterbach Keyworth, who died in 2004.

Willis McCook (“Cookie”) Miller died peacefully on September 12, 2017. Cookie was a graduate of Shady Side Academy, Yale, and Columbia Law School. He was a decorated Navy veteran, having served as weapons officer on board the LSMR St. Francis River, which operated along the coast of Vietnam. During his service on it, that ship inflicted more casualties on the enemy than any other naval vessel. Cookie began his legal career with Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, and later started his own practice. For five years, Cookie shared office space with Alan Finegold ’64, with whom he collaborated on several legal matters. Cookie served on the Boards of Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh History and Landmarks, and the Pittsburgh-Muskoka Foundation, and was a very active supporter of and fund raiser for Epiphany Catholic Church. He was a Knight of Malta. Cookie loved the game of golf. He was a member of the Fox Chapel Golf Club, the Rolling Rock Club, the Duquesne Club, and the Pittsburgh Golf Club. He relished his friendships at out-of-town clubs, including the Links Club in New York City, the York Club in Toronto, and the Royal Yacht Club in Canada. He is survived by a brother, two sisters, and seven nieces and nephews who affectionately called him “Uncle”.

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