

Spring/Summer  
2005



## Dartmouth Club of the Midwest

Hello to all:

It has been a very busy year for the Club. Our holiday happy hour at Glueck's on December 14<sup>th</sup> was fun by all accounts with over 30 attendees, including a number of younger alums (see page 3). The winter skating party on January 23<sup>rd</sup> also drew a strong turnout with over 25 skaters and post-skating participants (see page 3). As usual, Martha and Bill McLaughlin were perfect hosts. They also hosted a Tuck reception on the 27<sup>th</sup> of June and the new Class of 2009 reception and barbeque featuring, from Dartmouth, "The Rockapellas", on July 1<sup>st</sup> (for more details see page 4). Bill was also instrumental in getting GE's Chairman and CEO, Jeff Immelt '78, to speak at our Annual Dinner on July 19<sup>th</sup> (again, for more details see page 4). Frankly, I'm not sure what we would do without the McLaughlins. They continue to be great supporters of Dartmouth through the DCMW and I would like to publicly thank them for their on-going help above and beyond the normal call of duty.

Club Officer's Weekend February 11 – 13 in Hanover was very productive and exciting. Our own Dennis Ryan '81 was elected President of the Dartmouth Clubs and Affiliated Groups (see page 2) The Annual Educational Seminar on February 26<sup>th</sup> was a terrific success (see page 2) with a record 80 participants, who enjoyed great lectures by two terrific Dartmouth professors, and lively question and answer sessions. On June 16<sup>th</sup> the Club and the College hosted a Faculty event featuring professors Saccio and Baldez that attracted about 40 local alumni and friends (see page 3). The Big Green Bus came to St. Paul on June 21<sup>st</sup> (see page 3) and a group of about 15 local alumni and friends met the 15 students who are driving across America in a renovated school bus - fueled by used vegetable oil - promoting alternative fuel sources and Ultimate Frisbee. It was truly a unique and fun event!

- 1) Anyone interested in receiving club information should contact Rob Albright at [ralbrigh@hotmail.com](mailto:ralbrigh@hotmail.com) or 612-618-2352 with a current e-mail address.
- 2) Anyone interested in participating in Club activities or wishing to make suggestions please contact me at: [jmiller@vitalimages.com](mailto:jmiller@vitalimages.com) or 612-720-2829.
- 3) Visit the DCMW Web site (see page 7) to keep up with local events.

Special thanks to all who make financial contributions to the Club. Please consider paying your 2005 – 2006 dues soon (see page 8). Your support enables the Club to do all its good work and is greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank the executive committee of the DCMW (on the left side of this letter) who make all of our events interesting and fun.

Best wishes to all and enjoy the summer.

Jay D. Miller '82

### DCMW

#### Executive Committee

Rob Albright '89  
Mark Anderson '69  
Kara Benson '89  
Dave Ellingrud '98  
Doug Fulton '85  
Peter Kililea '88 T'94  
Aaron Larson '97  
Ron London '67  
Rob Mairs '91  
Jim McFarland '86  
Jay Miller '82  
Olaf Minge '93  
Scott Rusert '87  
Dennis Ryan '81  
Conrad Smith '87  
Josh Skora '03  
Molly Van Metre '81  
Priscilla Zee '04

#### Advisory Board

Norm Carpenter '53  
Fred Gamble '50  
John Hughes '66  
Tom Keller '57  
Dick McFarland '51  
Hampton Rich '69

#### Regional Reps

John Stern '70  
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Paul Gorman '84  
Amir Khan '88  
David Lust '90  
Scott Petersen '77

## ***Record Attendance of 80 People at Annual Seminar***

This year's DCMW Continuing Education Seminar on February 26<sup>th</sup> was a resounding success. The subject, *Facing Mecca: Understanding and Misunderstanding Muslims*, was both timely and well-presented. 80 Dartmouth alumni and their friends crammed into a room in Coffman Memorial Union, significantly more than the 30 to 50 people typically attracted.

The event was led by Kevin Reinhart, a Dartmouth Religion Professor, and his wife Marlene Heck, a Dartmouth Art History Professor. From 9am to 4pm, they graciously lectured, presented slides and videos, and facilitated discussions.



**Professor Kevin Reinhart lecturing at the Annual Seminar**

Of the 25% of attendees who filled out post-seminar surveys, feedback was generally very positive. On a scale of 1-5, attendees were most pleased with the subject content (4.4) and the professors (4.3), followed by the venue (4.2) and organization of the event (4.0). Next year, we will improve the coffee and food (in that order!), in terms of both quality and quantity available.

If anyone has feedback about this year's event, has ideas for next year, or is interested in volunteering to help organize next year's event, please email Dominic LaValle at [dominic@blackbeargroup.com](mailto:dominic@blackbeargroup.com). We are now in the initial stages of planning the 2006 Seminar, so please mark March 4, 2006 on your calendars!

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## ***Club & Affiliated Group Officers Weekend Feb 11–13, 2005*** ***Dennis Ryan '81 Elected President***

Dartmouth Club and Affiliated Group Officers Weekend (February 11 – 13, 2005) included about 150 attendees representing about 40 clubs and affiliated groups. Most of the attendees were presidents, vice presidents, board members or district enrollment directors (DEDs) of their respective clubs. The meeting schedule included a range of events, lectures and interactive educational programs designed to keep the Clubs informed and to share best practices. DCMW attendees, Aaron Larson '97 (Book Award Chairman), Dennis Ryan '81 (District Enrollment Director), and Jay D. Miller '82 (President), unanimously felt the weekend was helpful and educational. Please let any of us know if you have any questions or comments.

### ***Highlight:***

Our own Dennis Ryan '81 was elected the new President of the Dartmouth Clubs and Affiliated Groups!



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## *The Big Green Bus visits St. Paul*

On June 21<sup>st</sup>, 15 recent Dartmouth graduates (plus one '06) came to "The Liffy" in St. Paul in a renovated green school bus which they are driving across the U.S this summer. The Big Green Bus is powered using waste vegetable oil, and the students are promoting the use of alternative fuel sources and the benefits of Ultimate Frisbee. Approximately 15 local Dartmouth alumni and friends had a chance to talk about life at Dartmouth, life after Dartmouth, graduation week, alternative fuel sources, the adventure of driving cross country, the legacy of the late Senator Paul Wellstone, and – of course – Ultimate Frisbee.

The event also included a reporter from the Pioneer Press, and we hope this group of interesting and energetic recent graduates get some free press. Clearly, this was a unique and interesting event that generated some lively discussion, and a good time was had by all, and the staff at "The Liffy" was terrific.



Big Green Bus students eat at "The Liffy" (above) and give a tour of the bus



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## *Dartmouth Faculty Event on June 16<sup>th</sup>*

English and Shakespearean Studies Professor Peter Saccio and Associate Professor of Government, Latin American, Latino and Caribbean Studies Lisa Baldez came to the Minneapolis Club on June 16<sup>th</sup> to talk about current life at Dartmouth and about their most recent academic research. About 40 Dartmouth alumni and friends attended the event and the feedback was resoundingly positive. According to our contacts at the College, the professors enjoyed the discussion very much as well.

Special thanks to Priscilla Zee '04 who coordinated this event with the team from Hanover, and has done much of the real work on this and many other events!

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## *Holiday Happy Hour*

The traditional Holiday Happy Hour at Gluek's on December 14<sup>th</sup> attracted a lively group of about 30 alumni, including a strong group of younger alums. In fact about 1/3 of the group came from classes less than 10 years after graduation. The group enjoyed a little holiday cheer, some appetizers and a lot of good conversation. This gathering seems to be growing in popularity every year and we have every intention of doing it again this year (though the thought of a December event in August is indeed chilling).

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## *Winter Skating Event*

On January 23<sup>rd</sup> - a beautiful winter day – a group of about 20 Dartmouth alumni, family and friends enjoyed skating at the rink on Lake of the Isles. Afterward, a larger group including skaters and non-skaters, retired to Martha and Bill McLaughlin's house for refreshments and lively conversation.

We tentatively plan on doing this event again this winter.



## *Class of 2009 Reception & BBQ*

On a beautiful July 1<sup>st</sup> evening, Bill and Martha McLaughlin again graciously hosted a reception and barbeque for the local members of the Class of 2009. Entertainment was provided by “The Rockapellas”, an all-female a capella singing group (who were in town to sing at the wedding of one of their sister “Rockapellas”). They entertained the group of about 50 Dartmouth alumni, members of the class of 2009, family, and friends with a few popular songs and a number of tunes written by the group. The common theme of all of their songs is to promote great social awareness. “The Rockapellas” were terrific and the crowd was genuinely impressed and touched. The food was great, thanks to chef and host, Bill McLaughlin, and the company was fun and interesting.



**The Rockapellas (right) singing to a group of about 50 Dartmouth Alumni, family and friend.**



## *Annual Dinner with GE Chairman & CEO Jeff Immelt '78*

About 150 DCMW members, spouses and friend attended the crowning event of the year; the DCMW Annual Dinner on July 19<sup>th</sup> at the Edina Country Club. The attendees were fortunate to have Jeff Immelt '78, Chairman and CEO of General Electric and an active member of the Dartmouth Community, speak at this year's dinner. Nearly everyone in attendance had a chance to chat with Jeff as he moved casually and comfortably between small groups of people before, during and after the dinner and presentation. In attendance were Club members ranging from the class of '46 to '08, and from as far away as Rochester and Duluth.



**About 150 attendees ranging from the classes of '46 to '08 listen to Jeff Immelt'78**

**Jeff Immelt'78 speaking at the DCMW Annual Dinner**



After a recap of the year and introductions by Jay Miller '82 and a very nice and heartfelt personal introduction by Bill McLaughlin'78, Jeff spoke about the economy, globalization, the world after 9/11 and the challenges GE faces, his perspective on supporting Dartmouth, including Dartmouth's football program under his classmate and friend, Buddy Teevens, and a range of other topics. By all accounts he was well-received and the attendees enjoyed the dinner, presentation and discussion.

## *Enrollment Update ... The Class of 2009*

The College received a record number of applications for the Class of '09 – more than 12,650, which was a 16% increase over last year. In Minnesota we shared in the trend with a total of 167 applicants. This is significantly more than we have seen in the past. Thanks to a reliable core of alumni interviewers and others who answered the call when we asked for more volunteers, the Club was able to interview nearly all the applicants. The administration was made a little easier this year by a new Web-based system set up by Dartmouth Admissions which allowed District Enrollment Directors to make interview assignments by e-mail and track the status of applicants, interview reports and other information on a secure Web site.

We had a meeting in early January of interested alumni to discuss the interviewing process and techniques. The interview season runs from mid-January through the end of February. It is always hard to find alums to meet with the students who live outside the Twin Cities or Rochester, so we continue to look for more out-state volunteers. By the beginning of March we were able to interview about three-quarters of the total. It is always fun to meet these interesting young people and hear about the amazing things they are doing. The Admissions office has an extremely hard job picking among them – particularly this year when the acceptance rate for the Regular Decision pool was only 12%!

There were five students accepted in the Early Decision process last December and another twenty were admitted when the Regular Decision results were mailed in early April. As of the time of this printing, we have 11 students who have decided to attend Dartmouth.



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## *Finance Report from Conrad Smith, Treasurer*

To date, for School Year 2004-05, the Dartmouth Club of the Midwest has received dues from 109 members totaling \$5,105. These numbers are both down approximately 15% versus the previous school year. In spite of the lower dues collection totals, we were still able to sponsor all of our traditional annual events including the alumni seminar, admitted student events, prospective student book awards, a speaker's lunch and the annual dinner.

As in past years, nearly 80% of every dollar raised through your dues payment goes to support prospective student/new student events. The primary prospective and new student events were the book awards for outstanding local high school juniors and the admitted student reception. Remaining funds raised were used to assist young alums through lower fees for such events as the alumni seminar, the speaker's lunch, and the annual dinner and, finally, for DCMW operating expenses.

Thanks to all of you who contributed. We would like to hear from more of you in the coming year. We appreciate your help and generosity in spreading the word about Dartmouth and building up the Dartmouth community.



## *Ivy Cup Golf Event*

Join your friends and colleagues from alumni clubs representing other Ivy League schools (or similar) in a golf event designed to promote fellowship, competition and raise money for the respective Club Scholarship Funds.

**WHEN:** Monday, **August 15, 2005**  
11:30 PM Registration opens  
12:30 PM Shotgun start  
5:30 PM Social time, dinner, and awards

**WHERE:** **Chaska Town Course**, Chaska, MN  
"Home of the 2006 US Amateur Matches"

**COST:** \$135 (if registered before July 1, 2005)  
\$150 (if registered after July 1, 2005)  
The cost includes lunch, golf, cart, range, and snacks.

**FORMAT:** 4 person scramble

**AWARDS:** The Ivy Cup - Awarded to the winning Club  
Based on the sum of the two lowest 4 person scramble teams from each Club  
The prize money will be donated to the scholarship fund of the winning school  
Also: Longest Drive, Closest to Hole, Longest Putt

**REGISTER:** Complete the form below and mail it along with a check payable to Ivy Cup 2005 to:  
Ivy Cup 2005  
c/o Northstar Partners  
11095 Viking Drive, Suite 240  
Eden Prairie, MN 55344  
Attention: Kris Underland

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

If hoping to play with others, please list names below:

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Or email the information to: [kunderland@northstarparkers.net](mailto:kunderland@northstarparkers.net).

If you have questions, please feel free to contact:

Kim Nyberg (952-847-2477) or  
Doug Fulton (952-465-3333)

## Review of Upcoming Events:

- August 15: Ivy Cup golf event for the Scholarship Fund  
Chaska Town Course starting around Noon (See Page 6)
- September 27: Dartmouth Luncheon featuring Dr. Charles “Chick” Woodward  
Goodfellows restaurant in Minneapolis at 11:30 AM
- October 22: Dartmouth – Columbia Football Game  
11:00 AM at a location to be determined. Watch you e-mail for more details.



## DCMW Web-site

Remember to check our club's website from time to time @

[www.dartmouth.org/clubs/midwest](http://www.dartmouth.org/clubs/midwest)

The frequently updated site includes:

- Details on current events including the occasional photo
- Information regarding recruiting and mentoring initiatives
- Online payment options for dues and other event fees
- A sign up form for club email updates
- Contact information for club officers
- Links to other Dartmouth related sites



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If you have digital pictures from club get-togethers or suggestions for content, please contact Olaf Minge at: [olaf.p.minge.93@Alum.Dartmouth.ORG](mailto:olaf.p.minge.93@Alum.Dartmouth.ORG)



## *Don't miss out!*

Get on the Dartmouth Club's e-mail list to make sure you are getting the most up-to-date information on exciting events and news related to the Dartmouth community here in the Midwest.

If you have not received an e-mail from the Dartmouth Club in the last two months, PLEASE SEND YOUR CURRENT E-MAIL ADDRESS to [ralbrigh@hotmail.com](mailto:ralbrigh@hotmail.com)

The Club uses e-mail to remind alumni of local events. E-mail is a secure, quick, efficient and cost-effective way of keeping you updated on the activities of the Club and College.

Keep up with actions & activities at the college:

- 1) Hard Copy Subscriptions
  - Dartmouth Alumni Magazine
    - Sent monthly via Alumni Relations Office
  - Dartmouth Life
    - Sent bi-monthly by the Alumni Relations Office
- 2) Electronic / email subscriptions
  - Speaking of Dartmouth
    - Monthly email with news links from the college  
<http://dartmouth.org/org/e-newsletter.html>
- 3) Websites
  - <http://www.dartmouth.edu/>
  - <http://www.dartreview.com/>

# Annual Dues

Dear Midwest Alumni,

The Dartmouth Club of the Midwest (DCMW) is now in its 2005 - 2006 season. As usual, the Club was extremely active over the last year with a broad range of interesting and fun events.. Below are a few of the activities your dues supported last year.

- *Alumni seminars featuring current Dartmouth professors*
- *Alumni luncheons featuring interesting speakers with ties to Dartmouth*
- *Book awards for outstanding local high school juniors*
- *Fall and Spring receptions for senior high school students who are interested in Dartmouth*
- *The annual DCMW dinner*
- *Dartmouth shirts for all accepted Midwest high school students*
- *Social events including Dartmouth holiday happy hour and the winter skating party*

We hope to continue to broaden our local activities and to support the College in the year ahead. However, this level of activity does not come without a cost. Therefore, we are asking for your 2005 - 2006 dues so that we can maintain a strong bank account. Please, help us continue to support Dartmouth College and the many activities of the Dartmouth Club of the Midwest! Send your 2005 - 2006 dues in today to the following address:

**DCMW  
PO Box 300551  
Minneapolis, MN 55403**

Respectfully,

Jay D. Miller '82  
President - Dartmouth Club of the Midwest  
jmiller@vitalimages.com  
(612) 720-2829

P.S. Call me if you are interested in volunteering as a club officer and PLEASE provide your e-mail address. If we don't have your e-mail address, you will miss out! Most club information is distributed electronically (or provided on the Club's website <http://www.dartmouth.org/clubs/midwest>).

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## 2005-2006 Dues per Family

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Current students and family | \$15   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Young Alums ('04 - '99)     | \$20   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | General Dues                | \$35   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sponsors                    | \$75   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Patrons                     | \$150+ |

*Thank you for your continued support!*