

CLASS OF '85

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

**Second call:
Mentors needed for
students interning
via Dartmouth
Partners in
Community Service
(DPCS)...**

**Boston &
Sacramento**

If you are a medical professional in Boston, or if you are in Sacramento and have spent time working in not-for-profit careers, please contact Pamela Ponce Johnson '85 poncejoh@yahoo.com, who serves as one of the Class Projects Co-Chairs for our class. She and her team are looking for classmates willing to serve as alumni mentors to current Dartmouth students who have accepted unpaid internships in Boston and Sacramento for 10 weeks this summer. Small time commitment / BIG impact!!

Please consider supporting this great initiative as a mentor!



hello fellow dartmouth '85s!

welcome to our *June 2016* **Class of '85 News & Events**
email blast - a quick monthly update to help keep us
connected to each other, to the college, and to Dartmouth
Class of 1985 items of interest coming up soon

as always... for up-to-the-minute news & information,
visit our CLASS OF '85 WEBSITE
(www.dartmouth85.com)

Check out these extreme job changes!

We hope you enjoyed our latest printed Class of 85 Newsletter which should have arrived in your mail within the last few weeks. This latest newsletter focused on classmates who have made big career changes, and tips for anyone who may be considering a change now. In light of this recent issue, and current events, click [here](#) for an article on extreme job change.

Update from Dartmouth Entrepreneurs Network (DEN)

...a little background on who we are and what we do...

Moved by Dartmouth's belief that entrepreneurial skills can be learned, DEN fosters and promotes entrepreneurship among students, faculty, clinicians, researchers, staff, alumni, and community members from all schools at Dartmouth, the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and the Dartmouth Regional Technology Center. DEN is Dartmouth Entrepreneurship. The organization, or initiative, is quite broad actually!

We have physical space at the DEN Innovation Center and DRTC: Dartmouth Regional Technology Center. The DEN Innovation Center is an open co-working space where students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members can utilize the workspace, meeting rooms, food and supplies, networking opportunities, and other resources. We have a huge range of programs, most of which take place at the Innovation Center itself. Many are educational: Startup Bootcamp, 3-Day Startup Weekend, Speaker Series, Pitch Clinics, for example. Some are financial: DEN Wily Initiative Grant, which helps fund unpaid internships at technology-based startups, DEN and DALI The Pitch competition for early-stage ventures, DEN Founder Grants, which provides up to \$5,000 equity free seed funding, and the Dartmouth Entrepreneurs Forum competition and conference.



Bill Loginov '85 and student volunteer, Will, who met at the DEN Forum on campus. Bill has been advising and lecturing for the DEN program and (small world) was a former colleague of Will's dad. (Bill is an attorney and presented a workshop at the April 1, 2016 DEN Forum in Hanover. His specialty is Intellectual Property and for years he has generously offered his expertise and advice to students and Alumni Entrepreneurs through the DEN.)

There are many programs geared specifically towards the students. Many students work as DEN Hosts, helping staff to run the main area of the Innovation Center known as the Hive. The DEN in Residence live together on one floor in Dartmouth housing. DEN Associates are our student board and have taken on some new initiatives of their own, such as DEN Circle which pairs students with local student startups to get hands-on experience. These students have exclusive programming as well, such as entrepreneurial treks.

The DRTC provides mixed-use, wet-lab space to ventures who have progressed enough to need physical office and lab space to continue to work and grow. It's an incredible space with a variety of companies currently. The mutual support from each other, as well as the experience and wisdom gleaned from some of the residents, is just fabulous!

As you know, the Dartmouth Alumni network is incredible! Alumni entrepreneurs cover our DEN Venture Office Hours, providing one-on-one advice to startups. They provide workshops to teach on a specific topic or industry. They are panelists at speaker series we do or at the Dartmouth Entrepreneurs Forum. Many are experts in their industry and are generous enough to give back to Dartmouth by donating their time, expertise or services free of charge!

Hope that gives a brief glimpse into some of our programs! Lots going on and we continue to grow and evolve with each term. Exciting times here!

Our weekly newsletter has a good overview of our week to week. Easiest way to join is to text the word DEN to 22828. It will ask for your email address and you'll be signed up. It won't continue to text you after you finish, so not to worry about getting spammed :)

'85s on campus

Why do state Supreme Courts matter?

On Wednesday, February 24th, our own **Sue Finegan '85** served as Moderator for a candid conversation with a distinguished panel of three Alumni State Supreme Court Justices. Students and Community members attended to hear about State Court systems, a “day in the life of a



Justice” and the career path that led them to their current positions. Each brought a unique perspective to their important role in state government. Following the panel, a “dating speed round” ensued where each scholar had the opportunity to meet with the experts. Sue’s work as a Pro-Bono Partner was especially engaging and inspirational to the students she met with.

Click on the link to check out our very own Sue Finegan '85 as she moderates a panel discussion on the role of the individual state Supreme Courts: [Alumni Panel: State Supreme Court Justices](#)

'85 Mini-Reunion in NYC



(L-R) Ernestine (Yuille) Weaver '85,
Michelle Duster '85, Sophie Folly '85,
Toni Williams (Ernestine's sister)



(Top Row L-R) **Karyn Marsh '85**, **Michelle Duster '85**, **Sophie Folly '85**

(Seated L-R) **Veronica Jenkins '85**, Tracey Salmon-Smith '87

Several Dartmouth alumnae met in New York City to support the Black Women's Truth & Reconciliation Commission conference, hosted by Black Women's Blueprint. The 4-day conference took place April 28 – May 1, 2016. **Michelle Duster '85** was one of the speakers at the conference, where she talked about her own work to give voice to the experiences of women and African Americans in addition to the legacy of her great-grandmother, Ida B. Wells – 19th century civil rights activist and journalist. Michelle wrote two books that include the writings of her great-grandmother: *Ida In Her Own Words* and *Ida From Abroad*; she co-wrote a children's history book: *Tate and His Historic Dream*; and she co-edited an anthology of women's writings: *Shifts: An Anthology of Women's Growth Through Change*. She is currently co-editing an anthology of African American women's writings and artwork entitled *Michelle Obama from the Southside to the White House*, which will be released in 2017 by Nothing But The Truth Publishing. The book captures the responses that African American women have to the media portrayal of First Lady Michelle Obama. Michelle Duster lives in Chicago and teaches business writing at Columbia College in Chicago.

The longtime friends, **Veronica Jenkins '85**, **Karyn Marsh '85**, **Sophie Folly '85** and **Tracey Salmon-Smith '87** attended the tribunal hearings at Dag Hammarskjold Plaza, where **Michelle Duster '85** and other writers and activists, including Dr. Beverly Guy-Sheftall, Dorothy Pitman-Hughes, Lisalyn R. Jacobs and Netsanet Tesfay, Esq recounted 12 renowned cases of rape against women of African descent from the 18th century until the present where the perpetrators were never held accountable for their crimes.

Veronica Jenkins '85 lives in New Jersey, and works as Director of Operations at Big Green Group – which supports telecommunication providers. **Karyn Marsh, PhD '85** lives in Brooklyn and works at New York University's Languine Medical Center as a research professor and Managing Associate Director for the Center for Cognitive Neurology. **Sophie Folly '85** lives in Washington, DC and is Communications Manager for Digital Platforms at the US Department of State. **Tracey Salmon-Smith, Esq '87** lives in New Jersey and is Principal at Bressler, Amery & Ross PC in New York City.

Although **Ernestine (Yuille) Weaver '85** was not able to attend the conference, she drove from Connecticut and met **Michelle Duster** and **Sophie Folly** for dinner during the weekend. **Ernestine Weaver, Esq** is General Counsel for Connecticut State Colleges and Universities.

Even though they have lived in different states for over 30 years now, the women have managed to maintain a close friendship. They have supported each other's career goals, attended each other's weddings, and been there for each other during many of life's changes and challenges.

Michelle Duster '85 anticipates coming to New York City more frequently as the interest in her writing and speaking to give voice to women's and African American experiences increases.

For more information on the conference, please click [here](#).

For more information about Michelle Duster, visit her website at www.mldwrites.com.

and finally...

Dartmouth Events for June 2016

(click on the title for event details)

Online: "The Pattern of Small Moves" (next in Dartmouth Alumni's free lunchtime webinar series)

06/08/2016 12:00-1:00 PM (Eastern Time)

Next webinar in Dartmouth Alumni's free lunchtime webinar series "Strategies for a Successful Career Pivot." Entrepreneur Christine Souffrant '11 will introduce you to a three-step tool designed to help you understand your life story and follow the patterns that can change your reality.

Halesite, NY: Annual Spring Cocktail Party

06/09/2016 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Join the Dartmouth Club of Long Island for their annual spring cocktail party.

Georgetown, MD: Summer Kick-Off Beer Tasting

06/10/2016 All day event

We're continuing our great annual tradition of beer tastings, and this year having our partners at Right Proper Brewing Company lead the tasting with beer straight from the brewery!



Commencement: Dartmouth Class of 2016

06/14/16-06/16/16 All Weekend

Boston, MA: The Three Box Solution: A Conversation with Professor Vijay Govindarajan

06/14/2016 6:00 - 8:30 PM

How do great leaders optimize their current business while simultaneously innovating and reinventing it? Tuck professor, innovation guru, and *New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal* best-selling author Vijay Govindarajan knows the answer. He will the leader's innovation tool-kit and discuss his new book *The Three Box Solution: A Strategy for Leading Innovation*.

Baltimore, MD: Urban Pirates Pirate Cruise

06/17/2016 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Join this lively crew and learn how to talk, dance and play games like a pirate, blast enemies with live cannons and navigate treacherous waters!

Bronx, NY: Yankees vs. Colorado Rockies

06/21/2016 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Join the Dartmouth Club of New York to watch the Yankees take on the Rockies.

Los Angeles, CA: JonBenet Ramsey: THE MUSICAL

06/26/2016 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Austen Fletcher '12, after a two year stint on Wall Street, is directing his first original musical theatre production, JonBenét Ramsey: THE MUSICAL.

Basking Ridge, NJ: Annual Picnic

06/28/2016 12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

The Picnic offers a great opportunity to socialize and meet other members of the Dartmouth community who reside in this area, including some of the incoming 20s and their parents.

Osterville, MA: Annual Meeting at Oyster Harbors Club

06/29/2016 All day event

Join us on Wednesday, June 29, for the Annual Dinner Meeting of the Dartmouth Club of Cape Cod at Oyster Harbors Club in Osterville.

News you'd like to feature? - let us know

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