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COLLEGE ALUMNI ELECT TWO CONSERVATIVE TRUSTEES

Following the election last year of conservative "petition candidate" Thurmon Rodgers '70, Dartmouth's alumni this year elected two more conservative petition candidates to the 18-member Dartmouth Board of Trustees. In the wake of last year's troubling result, D-GALA's Board of Directors took the unusual step in March this year of urging its membership to support the trustee candidates nominated by the Alumni Council. The D-GALA message to its members (which was sent from an independent list server without College support) quoted with approval a message about the election from Religion Professor Susan Ackerman '80, which said in part:

The two petition candidates both represent...the same sorts of reactionary ideologies as...TJ Rodgers. [B]oth question the College's commitment to free speech because, for example, the College has disciplined organizations that have printed sexually demeaning and even abusive comments about our female undergraduates; both argue that the

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STUDENTS, NEW ALUMS REPORT THRIVING LGBT CAMPUS LIFE

Green Light checked in this spring with a number of students and recent alums on campus to see what's up, and here's just some of what we learned.

Tim Andreadis '07 and *Andrew Goldstein '05*, co-chairs of the Gay Straight Alliance this term, reported as follows: "In late April, when the prospective '09s were on campus for the "Dimensions" program, the GSA held Queer Bar Night in Lone Pine Tavern, which was attended by over 100 current students and many '09s. Lots of the prospective students were open about their sexuality – it seems as if each class of incoming freshmen has more individuals immediately wanting to become involved with the GSA.

Our largest activity of the term was the Day of Silence, where over 80 participants wore t-shirts, pins and tape over their mouths symbolizing the silencing of the GLBTQA community. After a day without speaking to anyone, we held a speakout beginning with one large scream and ending with a performance by Soul Scribes, Dartmouth's slam poetry group. The GSA has beefed up its activism, and every term we now have a "Big Meeting" to which we invite all of the campus to a discussion focusing on a relevant issue. Our most recent such meeting was held in Cutter Shabazz, the African-American House. The meeting was attended by more than 50 students

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D-GALA June Reunion Events

Open House, LGBT Student Center
Monday, June 13th and Friday, June 17th, 3-5 PM
Robinson 107/109

Saturday, June 18th, 8:30 AM
D-GALA Annual Breakfast
Faculty Lounge, Top of the Hop

ALL ARE INVITED!
REUNIONING ALUMS, ALL OTHER ALUMS,
STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND FRIENDS

Academic/Stonewall Updates

Professor Susan Ackerman recently provided *Green Light* with the following report on course and Stonewall Fund-supported academic offerings during the past year. (We've also reprinted her appreciative introductory paragraph.)

"I've printed below some material you're welcome to use if it is of interest to you: (1) about the annual lecture in GLBT Studies sponsored by the Stonewall Fund that D-GALA members have been so generous in contributing to; (2) about current GLBT course offerings, also supported (in part) by the Stonewall Fund and so, in part, by D-GALA. Best, s"

"ABOUT THE ANNUAL STONEWALL LECTURE: The annual Stonewall Fund Lecture in GLBT Studies this year was delivered in January by the noted African-American author and essayist Jewelle Gomez, whose award-winning books include three volumes of poetry, *The Lipstick Papers* (1980), *Flamingoes and Bears* (1986), and *Oral Tradition* (1995); a collection of political essays, *Forty-Three Septembers* (1993); a collection of short stories, *Don't Explain* (1997); and a 1991 novel *The Gilda Stories*. The turnout was excellent -- about one hundred people -- and Jewelle gave a wonderful talk entitled "Sex, Drugs, Rock and Roll, and Revolution."

ABOUT GLBT COURSES: This past fall, Professor Michael Bronski again came to Hanover as a visitor from Boston to teach our "Introduction to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies," which is supported by the Stonewall Fund. Michael was joined in the classroom by Professor Michelle Meyers, who otherwise works in Dartmouth's Office of Institutional Diversity and Equity, who was able to bring into the course information concerning legal issues regarding discrimination that she deals with in her work, nicely complimenting Michael's more literarily- and culturally-based perspective.

In the fall, Michael Bronski also taught a Jewish Studies course called "Judaism, Sexuality, and Queerness," and we also have been able to offer several courses this year that, while not exclusively GLBT in focus, had some GLBT content: a Religion class called "Sex, Celibacy, and the Problem of Purity: Asceticism and the Human Body in Late Antiquity"; a First-Year seminar called "Beatniks, Hot Rods and the Feminine Mystique: Sex and Gender in 1950's Hollywood"; an Anthropology course called "Gender and Sexuality in Cross-Cultural Perspective"; and a couple of additional Women's and Gender Studies courses, "The Masculine Mystique" and "The Legend of Sappho."

Overall, then, it's been a good year, although we'd still like to be able to do more: offer more courses, more lectures, etc." ❖

D-GALA EVENTS IN NYC

Reported by D-GALA Director Garrett Hornsby '87

DGALA's New York City Metropolitan members held a successful Winter Event Series that saw events held in the Boroughs of Brooklyn and Manhattan. DGALA Alums from each of the Boroughs acted as hosts and welcomed their fellow classmates and friends to the featured borough of the month. Below is a quick recap of the events.

1) **No Sleep Till Brooklyn** (Jan 20th) Held at Moe's Bar in Fort Green, Brooklyn. Our Hosts were the Fab Four: Brendan Connell '87 (Ft. Greene), Steve Cosson '90 (Ft. Greene), Chris Hogan '90 (Bushwick), and Rob Miotke '92 (Greenpoint). Moe's eclectic atmosphere mirrors this quaint, artistic Brooklyn community. The Fab Four invited us into their artistic, creative world (yes, you too Brendan – Mr. Artistic Lawyer!) and we loved it. The nacho chips were a big hit!!

2) **"We'll always have Manhattan!" Here's looking at you!** (Feb 24th). This event was posthumously renamed Snowy Wonderland. Our host, Bob Cohn '66, ordered a perfectly timed snow 'storm' which created a picturesque postcard view of Gramercy Park, which we were able to view from Bob's beautiful home. Oh, I almost forgot – deep chocolate walls almost good enough to eat!!!! Well, some of us actually tried.....

3) **Its Uptown all the way!** (Mar 31st) It was Up, Up and all the way to 190th Street! Our host, Erik Ochsner '93, invited us to join him at an uptown gem, the New Leaf Café. The café is located in picturesque Fort Tryon Park. We laughed, we laughed and we laughed some more. The atmosphere was great and the jazz band was on point! Thanks Erik for introducing us to an absolute GEM! ❖

Marriage Doings

Green Light has received two excellent reports on member marriages during the past year.

Laura "Ed" Gadd writes, "After finishing a major remodel on an 1886 Victorian in the fall, my girlfriend of 2+ years, Lenore, and I moved back in. We registered as CA domestic partners at SF City Hall, and then had a beautiful ceremony in the Colorado mountains with friends and family. We enjoy biking (mountain and road) or snowboarding most weekends. Attached (below) is a pic from our wedding, with many Dartmouth alums (some of whom are queer).

From L to R: Ed Gadd '91, Joe (Ed's dad, a '63), Lenore Shefman (the bride!), Lissie Bates '91, Anna Jaeger '93, Sean Doig '90 and Amanda McMillan (Sean's partner)."



Meanwhile, from the East Coast, Dave Davenport '76 reports: "After 14 years of living in sin, my partner Robert Welsch and I decided to get married last year in Massachusetts. We applied on the first day the option became available (May 17, 2004), and got hitched the next month. We were fearful that society would crumble, chaos be spread, and morals collapse based on the "agenda" we are constantly told we have by the religious right who definitely have their own agenda. But

guess what! Nothing seems to have changed since we've been married. We still have great friends, a happy life, and a relatively staid suburban life. By



Dave Davenport '76 and Robert Welsh Exchange Vows

the way, we never wanted to get married until "W" told us we couldn't, so thanks, George!"

Green Light urges D-GALA newlyweds, or anyone else with something to share, to keep those pictures and reports coming! We're at DartGALA@aol.com. ❖

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D-GALA JOINS IN HONORING '05 LGBT GRADS

Pam Misener, Assistant Dean for LGBT student life, sent us the following report on this year's LGBTQA graduation ceremony. As noted, D-GALA presents all graduates with Borders gift certificates:

We had about 70 students, faculty, staff, and administrators gather on the evening of Tuesday, May 31st to celebrate the Class of 2005! It was a lovely evening that included yummy food, a performance by the DODECS [a coed acappella group], a "keynote" by Jon Appleton, Music Faculty, senior recognitions with rainbow tassels presented by the CGLBTC (Coalition for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Concerns) and Borders gift certificates presented by D-GALA members John Crane '69 and Michelle Meyers '83. Our "tradition" has become to end our evening with open mic where students have the opportunity to offer reflections and appreciations.....always touching and fun. ❖

including members of multiple groups on campus, and the discussion centered on being a minority at Dartmouth. In addition, we have been working with the Student Assembly to secure gender-neutral rooming on campus [see sidebar, page 5]. Progress has been frustratingly slow, despite the fact that UPenn and other prominent universities already have such a policy. We are also advocating for the FDA to change its regulations regarding blood donations. The Red Cross is obliged to follow these regulations, which bar a man who has had sex with a man since 1977 from giving blood. This policy is overtly discriminatory against gay men with perfectly healthy blood. We also have protested the FDA's recent plan to bar gay men from donating to sperm banks. During the last week of May at Alpha Delta, we held a panel discussion, led by six diverse GSA members, entitled "Don't Yell 'Fag' From the Front Porch." Over 60 students attended, and had a successful discussion about the GLBT community and their relation to the Greek system.

This summer, we hope to make our annual trip to Montreal for Montreal Pride!"

[We asked Tim about the relationship these days between the DRA (Dartmouth Rainbow Alliance and the GSA, and Tim told us, "At this point, the DRA helps people feel comfortable within the community, more of a support system. The GSA is involved in activism on campus and beyond." And, although Andy modestly didn't mention it, he was prominently featured in late May by ESPN. See sidebar on next page.]

Lauren Foley '03, now in her third year as an admissions officer, reported: "I had a fantastic experience being out when I was a student here and I enjoy relaying that message to prospective GLBT Dartmouth students. We just had our "Dimensions of Dartmouth" accepted students weekend and one of the two main night activities was "Queer Bar Night" hosted by the GSA. It was a raving success attended by many future '09s! I dropped in quickly on the regular GSA meeting that weekend and it was so packed they had to change venues--I'd estimate at least 40 people in attendance, both current and prospective students. The GLBT community on campus is as alive and thriving as I've ever seen it. The students are incredibly active, engaged and quite

eager to reach out to prospective students. I look forward to more outreach through the admissions office this year to the Class of 2010!"

Carmen Springer '07 reports that she had a wonderful experience earlier this month when she was confirmed and baptized at St. Thomas' in Hanover, with openly gay Bishop Gene Robinson presiding. Carmen's parents flew in from California for the event, and an informal tea was held later on campus, organized by Erik Turnberg, Episcopal campus minister and lead organizer of the D-GALA's Remembrance Service at the recent all class reunion.

From *Michael Guzman '06*, former GSA chairperson and current President of The Tabard, we heard, "The LGBTQI community here at Dartmouth is booming, with more out students on campus than ever before. Our community's visibility has increased so much over the years, thanks to organizations such as the Gay Straight Alliance and the Rainbow Alliance that have resurrected the importance of queer issues not to just our own community members but to the entire Dartmouth community at large. Recently, gay men are most prominent in the community, with fewer out lesbians and bisexuals than in years past. I remember when I first came to Dartmouth in the fall of '02, back when finding openly gay men on campus was a real challenge, and lesbians were our community's stronghold. Our community is aware that lesbians and bisexuals are feeling less comfortable on campus today, and we are working to try to get their voices back into our community.

As far as Greek Life is concerned, this past year marks one of the first times that fraternities and sororities both had multiple out LGBTQI members join their houses as out members. This increase in our numbers within the Greek community is sure to bring about change so that the Greek system becomes a much more comfortable place for those interested in joining it.

Concerning athletics and the arts, the LGBTQI community also has out members on sports teams such as lacrosse, water polo, swimming, cross country, track, and baseball, just to name a few. Greek organizations such as Sigma Delt, Kappa, Theta, Psi U, Chi Gam, Sig Ep, The Tabard, Phi Tau, and Alpha Tau

and others all have LGBTQI members within their walls, and they have all found a safe place within each house, which is quite reassuring, seeing as things were very different just 10 years ago. In the arts, we are open participants in a cappella groups, Chamber Orchestra, Glee Club, and Chamber Singers, and we have art majors that are presently exhibiting their work.

In closing, our community is growing, we are being much more visible and vocal, and we are now networking with other communities on campus to advocate our message as well as supports others' messages. We have big goals, and we may not be able to achieve everything now, but you can't make big things happen without thinking big." ❖

GSA on Gender-Neutral Housing

Green Light asked GSA Co-Chair Tim Andreadis '07 for some background on the GSA's current initiative in support of gender-neutral housing, which he kindly provided:

"The current policy only allows men to live with men, and women with women. This policy creates a really difficult atmosphere for transgendered students because they have to give evidence that they are transitioning in order to get "special" housing accommodations. In addition, the current policy assumes that everyone is straight and therefore more comfortable living with a member of the same sex. Also, the policy assumes that women need to be protected from their own choices and that the decision by a woman to share a room with a man would always be a bad one. The policy denies the existence of gay people on the campus because the policy is intended to "protect" the integrity of straight couples and the College's image by not allowing men to live with women. However, gay students are currently faced with having to choose whether or not to live with their significant other." ❖

GSA Co-Chair Featured by ESPN

GSA Co-Chair (see story page 1) and Dartmouth varsity lacrosse player Andrew Goldstein '05 was featured in a several-minute story on ESPN's SportsCenter on Sunday, May 29th. Goldstein also was the subject of a lead story on ESPN's website at <http://sports.espn.go.com/ncaa/news/story?id=2069239> (the story was still available at the above address as of press time).

Goldstein has been the starting goalie for Dartmouth's Division I varsity lacrosse team since his sophomore year, when he was named team MVP and an All-American at his position. The story focused on Goldstein's coming out to his teammates, and to the rest of the College and the sports community at large, following his and the team's very successful 2003 season. ESPN calls Goldstein "the most accomplished male, team sport athlete in North America to be openly gay during his playing career." The story interviews several of Goldstein's teammates and chronicles the widespread acceptance and support that Goldstein has received from them.

Goldstein told ESPN that the primary reason for his coming out so publicly was to inspire others to follow his course. "Hopefully, because of me, the next one can come out and it's even less of a big deal. I would hope the next step is kids in high school don't have to feel bad about themselves. They can feel happy about who they are." ❖

**GSA
Co-Chair
and Varsity
Lacrosse
Player
Andrew
Goldstein
'05**



GSA Students Challenge "The Dartmouth" Reporting

A series of articles published in "The Dartmouth" during the winter term led GSA students to challenge apparent homophobia reflected in the articles. The controversy began when, on January 17th, the "D" published a front-page article questioning why Dorothy Allison, a white lesbian activist, was chosen to give the keynote commemoration address on that Martin Luther King Day. The "D" claimed that some African-American students found the choice to be "a perversion of the holiday;" however, no student quoted used the word "perversion," and subsequent reporting by *The Dartmouth Free Press* (full text at <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~thepress/read.php?id=768>), revealed that the "D" reporter seemed to be fishing for negative reaction by avoiding Black student leaders and seeking quotes from Black students who expressed strong Christian convictions in the freshman facebook. The "D" repeated the "perversion" statement in another front-page article published on January 26th in which the "D" caricatured Jewelle Gomez's annual Stonewall Fund Lecture (see page 2 for more on the lecture). Shortly after the January 26th article was published, GSA member Mike Amico '07 submitted a thoughtful yet critical op ed piece to the "D", but the "D" refused to print it.

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College over-emphasizes the intellectual...in favor of athletics. [B]oth feel that critical positions in Student Services – positions that support, for example, African-American students, Native American students, gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students, and students of Asian descent – represent not a commitment to helping historically disadvantaged populations succeed at Dartmouth, but administrative bloat; both oppose President Wright's attempts to broaden social options...beyond fraternities and sororities. Both petition candidates...long nostalgically for some "Dear Old Dartmouth" of the past without admitting the idealized past they crave represents a Dartmouth that was often hard on women, gays and lesbians, and minorities; monolithic in terms of its social life and fostered and anti-intellectual environment."

The two petition candidates, Peter Robinson '79 and Todd Zywicki '88, received, respectively, 7,376 and 6,844 votes of 35,107 votes cast by 15,334 voting alumni (voters could vote for more than one candidate). The remaining 20,887 votes were split among the four Alumni Council-nominated candidates such that none received more than the petition candidates. About one-quarter of the College's alumni voted. The D-GALA/Ackerman message recommended votes for all Council-nominated candidates.

Commenting on the election, *The Dartmouth* in a May 20, 2005 editorial called the election result "troubling" and stated:

The claim by several candidates and alumni that the College suffers from a repressive speech code is little more than gross exaggeration and factual distortion. These alumni are less aware of the College's pulse than current Dartmouth students, are misinformed by relying too heavily on ideologically-motivated weblogs and place high value on the advancement of their own political agenda. While a segment of the alumni body has so demonized the administration that it has become a shibboleth for all the "evils of liberal academia," they are ignorant of the situation on the ground. Those who pine for the bygone days of "Dear Old Dartmouth" should recognize that the current student body does not want a return to those days. We want to shape the College in our own way. Older alumni should be wary

of subordinating the strides forward made by the College, current students and recent alumni to their nostalgia.

D-GALA President and retiring Alumni Council Representative Trevor Burgess '94 (see page 8) told *Green Light* "We are working with the Committee on Alumni Governance to develop a trustee nominating and voting system that is fair to all. We plan to work with the trustees and college administration to make sure we advance the cause of GLBT students and that we do not lose ground gained in the past few years." ❖

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Among other things, Mr. Amico's piece asked,

"Did anyone not think that using the word 'perversion' in reference to two of America's most distinguished lesbian activists *might* be seen as homophobic? Did they care? The word pervert has historical implications in the queer movement. Its use is a fearsome and oppressive rhetorical device. Misreporting aside, both the Allison and Gomez pieces are acting in tandem to depict the line between African-American and queer politics on campus as overtly antagonistic. The offices of The Dartmouth have instituted a fabricated rift between these two communities through the use of homophobic sentiment. They owe us all an answer."

About a week later, Amico, Mike Guzman '06, then Chair of the GSA, and two other members of the GSA Executive Board met with Colin Barry '06, President of "The Dartmouth." The meeting was largely unproductive, as the "D" refused to retract the "perversion" statement, to apologize or to print Mr. Amico's op ed piece. Since then, GSA members have pursued the issue in the Dartmouth Student Assembly, which has been only mildly responsive to date. Mike Amico recently told *Green Light*, "I am [now] working with the Student Assembly to send a memo to The D requesting three additions to their current structure: a fact checker, a news ombudsman, and a blog feature at the end of all of their online articles so anyone can comment. This is all still in the works." ❖

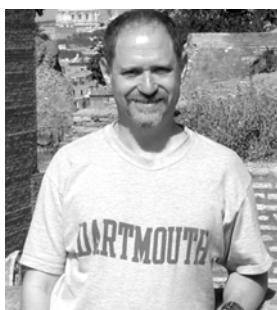
D-GALA EXPANDS BOARD, ADDS NEW DIRECTORS

At its February 2005 meeting, the D-GALA Board of Directors increased the size of the Board from twelve to fifteen (the College's Assistant Dean for LGBT student life also serves as an additional Board member). Also in February, the Board conducted elections to fill the four Board seats with terms expiring at the end of 2004. In that election, three directors were reelected: Sarah Burgamy '00, Jim Flahive '01 and James von Rittman '95. Not running for reelection at the end of her term in 2004 was longtime D-GALA director and Vice President Amelia Craig Cramer '82. Amelia's great services to D-GALA included serving for years as a trustee of the Carpenter Foundation, established by Dr. Ralph Elias '32 in 1985 to support LGBT youth at Dartmouth at a time when the College would not accept such funds. D-GALA is indebted to Amelia for her skills and dedication.

Newly elected to the D-GALA Board in February was Roger Klorese '77, a Seattle, Washington software developer. While a student at Dartmouth, Roger was founding secretary of Students for Social Alternatives, the first student organization to address the issue of social diversity at Dartmouth, especially for gay students. In November 2000, Roger and his partner David Haney presented Dartmouth with a \$1 million gift to support educational, cultural and social programming for LGBT students at the College. In presenting the gift, Roger said, "It has been a joy to see the ways in which Dartmouth has changed and become more and more welcoming of difference. In looking for places to share our blessings and to help foster change, it seemed to David and me that a gift to Dartmouth could help continue that growth." In joining the Board of D-GALA this year, David said, "I would like to help continue the excellent work of the founders and the current board, from reunion to reunion, locally and on campus, developing the relationship with the administration, the faculty



Roger Klorese '77



Stan Sack '79

and the current students, helping ensure that Dartmouth will bring more queer students the feeling of homecoming and belonging that I never expected thirty years ago and that I would feel today."

At its March meeting, the D-GALA Board filled one of the three new seats, appointing Stan Sack '79 to the Board. Stan is a pediatrician in Ashland, Massachusetts who also teaches at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Stan's teaching includes a focus on the medical and psychosocial aspects of GLBT youth, and Stan is widely published in that field. Stan also has developed an award-winning cross-specialty medical curriculum in sexuality and health. Stan notes that his teaching "helps keep me current on knowledge and attitudes of students, both gay and straight. I can't help but think that this perspective might be useful in working with the College."

In addressing why he chose to join the D-GALA Board, Stan told *Green Light*, "In recent years, my returns to Dartmouth for D-GALA gatherings and class reunions have left me overwhelmed with the progress that has been made with regard to GLBT issues. Previous Boards and staff deserve tremendous credit for increasing not only my comfort but also my pride at being a member of both the Dartmouth and gay community. I felt that it was time for me to give something back."

There are still additional seats available on the expanded D-GALA Board of Directors, and the Board urges members to e-mail D-GALA at DartGALA@aol.com to express their interest. ♦

D-GALA Co-Hosts Cocktail Reception in San Francisco

On Friday, April 22nd, D-GALA co-hosted (with the Dartmouth Club of Greater San Francisco) a fabulous cocktail party in downtown San Francisco. The party honored longtime D-GALA supporter Professor Peter Saccio, and kicked off a weekend of local Dartmouth events co-hosted by other affiliated and local alumni groups. ♦

President's Message

At its February 2005 meeting, the Board of Directors of D-GALA elected officers to three-year terms. They are new President Trevor Burgess '94, new Vice President Susi Kandel '00, new Treasurer James Von Rittmann '95 and continuing Secretary Peter Williams '76. Trevor provided *Green Light* with this message:

Having served as a member of the D-GALA board for 11 years, I look forward to my term as president. D-GALA is on a roll having grown our membership, executing two fantastic reunions in 2002 and 2004, facilitating communication with the College through the Dartmouth College Fund and through the Dean's office and having won the Affiliated Group of the Year award for the past two years.

I work on behalf of D-GALA for one simple reason - to improve the lives of students on campus today. We do not want to repeat the mistakes of the past and we need to stay vigilant that progress made is not lost to reactionary anti-diversity rhetoric.



Trevor Burgess '94

The board is in the process of setting priorities for the 2005-6 year and we welcome your input. We also have a few open seats on our recently expanded board. Please contact me at trb72@aol.com if you have thoughts on priorities or would like to contribute to the diversity of our board. ❖

D-GALA URGES YOUR SUPPORT OF THE DARTMOUTH ALUMNI FUND

Reflecting Dartmouth's growing support of values important to D-GALA's membership, our support of the College through the Alumni Fund has grown in recent years. As President Wright said in addressing D-GALA members at last fall's all-class reunion, "In the past few years, you have almost doubled your participation in the Dartmouth College Fund giving. I hope you know what this says about you symbolically - this is your Dartmouth. You affirm your pride and your responsibility for this institution, you are not closeted here." If you have not already done so, D-GALA urges you to continue our support

D-GALA NOTES

Publication of a new **D-GALA Member Directory** is being planned for later this year! All contributing members (who've agreed to be in the directory) will receive a copy.

Membership forms enclosed! As you've perhaps noticed, we've enclosed a new membership form (and even a return envelope) with this issue of *Green Light*. Much of D-GALA's good works, including support of LGBT students, (not to mention this newsletter!) depends on your support. So please return your form with any contribution that you can afford. You may also renew or begin your membership (and contribute!) at <http://www.dgala.org/membership.html>. D-GALA is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, and your contribution may be deductible.

D-GALA's web site is now at www.dgala.org. Our fine tech people have now simplified our web address, so you can now get the latest D-GALA info at the convenient address above.

Former D-GALA President David Eichman '82 named new D-GALA representative to the Alumni Council. Under the current Alumni Council constitution, D-GALA (and other affiliated alumni groups) is entitled to one representative on the Alumni Council. The 3-year term of Trevor Burgess '94 as our rep ended last month, and D-GALA's Board has appointed David Eichman '82 to the next term.

Save the date - Sunday, October 23d, 2005! As regular readers of *Green Light* may recall, at a vote in Hanover in December 2003 a new progressive constitution for the Alumni Association and Alumni Council just missed by 9 votes achieving the $\frac{3}{4}$ vote required for adoption. Intrepid members of D-GALA and BADA had journeyed to Hanover by chartered bus for the vote (in-person voting is required) despite a major early-winter blizzard, but other alumni/ae were waylaid by the storm. A new vote on a revised constitution is now tentatively set for Sunday, October 23d, and we hope to turn out a strong D-GALA contingent once again, so please save the date. Among other things, the new constitution is expected to give affiliated alumni groups two seats on the Council. ❖

of the College by sending a contribution to the Dartmouth College Fund before the end of this year's drive on June 30th. All contributions made by D-GALA members are automatically "counted" as D-GALA contributions and help to continue to make our voice heard at the College. ❖