



## HARVARD-RADCLIFFE CLASS OF 1966

Dear Classmates,

November 2022

Herewith our November newsletter –

### **Robert Brothers:**

Some of the most beautiful experiences of my life happened last year at this time with 2 friends who came up with me on a journey in the snow on Mount Lassen.

Before Michelle found the Bobcat tracks, the drops of snow water melting from the treetops found us.

The tracks led uphill towards a tall tree where a pair of Ravens landed. So ,Dewey came up to join his partner and sing a Raven song that he had recently learned. Knowing for sure they were among friends, the Raven pair perched on a comfy flat-topped snag in the calm air and full sun under a bright blue sky — and groomed each other, as loving couples do.

Later, when they had left and I started walking further into the forest, the Ravens called, I looked up, and in a patch of blue sky between the treetops saw a bright white Snowy Owl looking right down at me.



### **William Neaves:**

Photographing wildlife at our mesa-top home in Northwest Texas continues to distract me from less pleasant matters.

Here's a northern cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*) on 18 November, 2022.

Cardinals were Priscilla's most-loved birds.

### **Steve Berman:**

Poem 669 - A Thankyou to my College Roommate

Hi there Jim  
I hope you know  
I would have sent you  
if not a letter then at the least  
a text message  
had I found you

while you were still alive  
maybe we'd even have checked in  
on our smartphones  
talked up old times  
but you were skilled at hiding out  
and after fifty years  
I only came across you in an obit  
posted in an alumni newsletter

Well I guess you had your reasons  
to let go of me  
back in our twenties I was  
as they say "clueless"  
hardly the kind of friend to help you feel  
that you'd been heard  
and seen and yet we'd had  
our share of comradery  
chasing each other  
Cambridge to UC Berkeley  
then to Japan and that  
I think was our best moment  
now, belatedly, I'm writing  
to thank you for the memories  
some faded - others vivid still  
of our youthful adventures.

You were the one who spoke with passion  
of the choice  
either to stay the course or better  
so you said  
to quit the academic circus  
and be free  
(you'd been reading Scott Fitzgerald)  
and though you chose  
not to follow that advice  
however forcefully expressed  
for me your words planted the seeds  
that grew until they led me  
into the life I've lived - no title  
nothing one could call a true career  
nothing sufficient to impress  
my father - nonetheless  
a life as rich and varied as I knew  
how to assemble  
something of a patchwork quilt  
yet with a beating heart that held it  
holds it together even now  
this is the life I owe in part to you  
so accept my thanks  
however late in coming  
and know that even in the silence  
of the years  
the friendship we once had  
has grown and deepened

Steve Berman  
Morgantown WV

**T.D. Allman:**

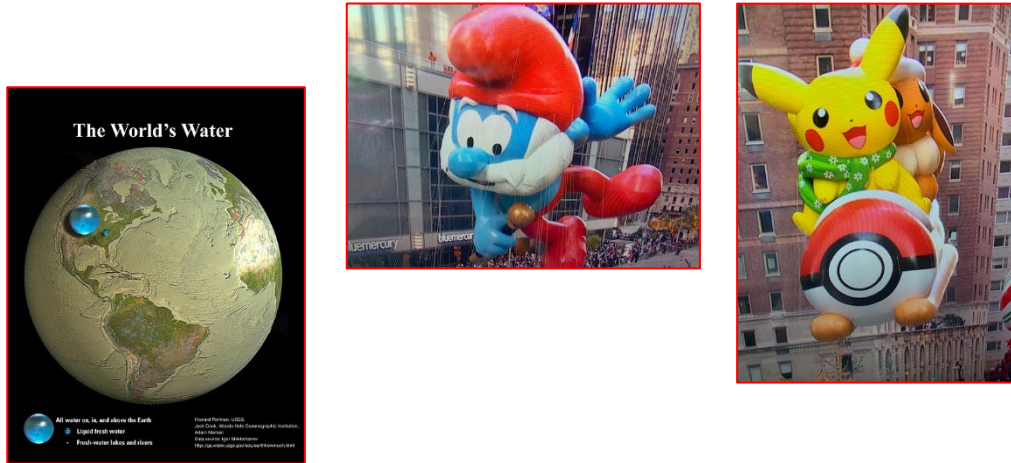
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Image incroyable ! Une nouvelle façon de comprendre le monde.

Amazing image! A new way to understand the world.

Pensez maintenant à l'atmosphère que nous respirons. Quelle petite bulle ce serait ! Quel petit incident dans la vie de la planète est l'existence des créatures qui la respirent.

Now think of the atmosphere we breathe. What a tiny bubble that would be! What a tiny incident in the life of the planet is the existence of the creatures who breathe it.



**Don Boulanger** (from his wife, Jasmina):

I am sad to inform you that Donald R. Boulanger died on November 14, 2022. He majored in Economics at Harvard (class of 1966) and received his Ph.D. in Economics in 1972. While at Harvard, he was also a recipient of the Affluent Society Grant established by John Kenneth Galbraith. Many years later, Don wrote to Galbraith to thank him and tell him how much the grant and the years at Harvard had meant in Don's life. Galbraith responded: "I have received a great many letters in my time but I don't think anyone's was ever more agreeable than yours." Don served for many years on the Library Committee. He was also the founder and president of National Deposit Financial Corporation. For the last dozen years, Don engaged in a valiant struggle with Multiple Sclerosis. He is survived by his wife, Jasmina Theodore Boulanger.

**Further in Memoriam:**

'65	John Unkovic	8/10/22	Pittsburgh
'65	Vincent Wickwar	9/27/22	Logan, UT
'65	Christopher Lascoutx	6/24/22	Waldoboro, ME
'66	George Neville	8/20/22	Princeton, NJ

There it is for this month. Next time I write I'm hoping you'll all have had a festive holiday season.

Tom Black,  
co-class secretary