



HARVARD-RADCLIFFE CLASS OF 1966

Dear Classmates,

March 2025

This is the normal March newsletter, separate from the retirement survey.

Speaker announcements:

Abraham Verghese named Commencement keynote speaker

Renowned physician, bestselling author, and Stanford professor Abraham Verghese will serve as the principal speaker at Harvard's 374th Commencement ceremony, addressing the Class of 2025 on May 29.

Atul Gawande MD '95, MPH '99 named Harvard Alumni Day speaker

The acclaimed surgeon, writer, and public health leader will take the stage at Harvard's global alumni celebration on June 6.

Randy Lindel:

HR66 / Crimson Society Reunion – June 5 & 6 All alumni past their 50th reunion (that's us) are members of the HAA Crimson Society and have a reunion program every year. You'll get info about the event automatically from the Crimson Society and your class reunion committee encourages you to come! In the past couple of years, about 25 classmates plus spouses and guests have shown up. We have our own tables at meals and enjoy getting together. With our 60th just a year away, we'd love to see more classmates at the Crimson Society event this year. If you've got an old roommate or friend in New England, this would be a perfect time to visit and enjoy a return to campus for great speakers, great company and the Alumni Day festivities where our class is getting closer to the front of the alumni parade.

Ben Dunham:

Massachusetts Peace Action (MAPA) has reprinted my article originally published by the American Committee for US-Russia Accord (ACURA) about the Ukraine conflict. It's at <https://tinyurl.com/42p5nacs>.

J. Chester Johnson:

Thirteen years ago, my writing website (jchesterjohnson.com) was created, and it has served us well over the intervening period, which has seen the publication of three, well-received books: *Auden, the Psalms, and Me*; *Now And Then: Selected Longer Poems*; and *Damaged Heritage: The Elaine Race Massacre and A Story of Reconciliation*. Hopefully, we'll see more new books, associated with this new writing website.

The jchesterjohnson.com website has been upgraded to Wordpress, a modern software platform that will be more secure and easier to maintain. The design and engineering work for the new writing website was a joint effort by Margaret LaBarge of **Bold Everything Interactive** and Laura Willis of **Encore Revolution**. Laura was also the principal designer of the 2012 version of my writing website.



It has been my desire to retain a familiar layout and organization so you can find your favorite topics easily while we continue adding to this repository of works and information as they occur.

Please take a look, and ENJOY!

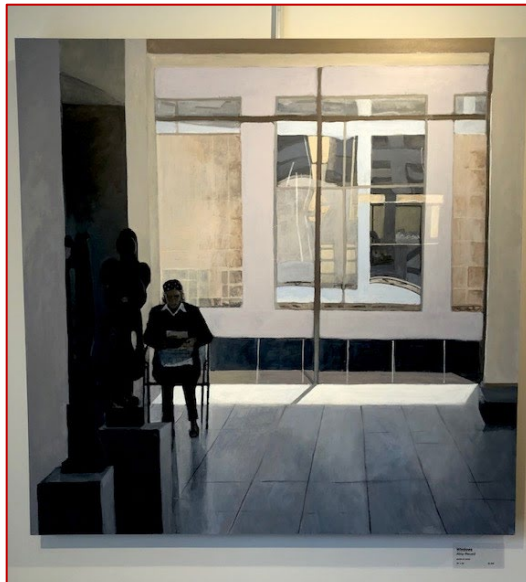
William Neaves:

Photographing wildlife continues to distract me from less pleasant matters. Here's a northern cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*) at our mesa-top home on 3/23/2025 - a very windy morning in Northwest Texas.



Catherine Hughes (co-class secretary):

Members of the RC '66 Art Group gathered recently to view a solo exhibition of group member Abby Record's stunning acrylic paintings, entitled "The More We See," at the Marblehead Art Association, 8 Hooper Street, Marblehead. Group members had seen these paintings individually over time at our online meetings, but it was wonderful to see the freshness of the colors and the luminosity of the light that Abby has captured in them when viewing an assembly of the actual paintings. Also striking are the architectural integrity and the careful portrayal of human figures within the spaces defined in her paintings. Abby's exhibition will remain on view until mid-April.





Jude Larzalere, Florie Michelson Maynard, Cathy Hughes, Abby Record, Eileen Kahan, Lee Eyler. (Missing: Nancy Mimno)

In Memoriam:

Jon Temin:

I'm writing to let you know that unfortunately my father, **Marc Temin** '66, passed away recently. Obituary here:

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/bostonglobe/name/marc-temin-obituary?id=57688137>

'65	Robert Anderson	2/17/25	Lebanon, NH
'65	James Tucker	2/13/25	Little Rock, AR
'66	Clive Kileff	1/03/25	Chattanooga, TN
'66	John Duncan	12/18/24	Matthews, NC

Tom Black
co-class secretary