



HARVARD-RADCLIFFE CLASS OF 1966

Dear Classmates,

September 2024

Following is the 50th edition of our newsletter! But first, I have a question: I remember that our Harvard freshman class was 1800 students and around 400 Radcliffe students. This year's freshman class totals 1650 Is my memory wrong?

A musical interlude:

[https://youtu.be/ KhLQJCJh8A?si=ohRhieGKIWTp-hi8](https://youtu.be/KhLQJCJh8A?si=ohRhieGKIWTp-hi8)

Robert Brothers:

An unusual rainbow marked a tree as special, so it was chosen as the place for a wedding of two people who have been caring for the land.

On the wedding day, a very unusual rainbow showed us that they had made the right choices ... to be married, and to do it here.



Rod Hatter:

My Grandson Kousei Hatter of San Diego, CA sails boats formerly known as the "Laser" but due to a trademark issue is currently referred to as "ILCA Dinghy". He is currently number 9 of the top 10 in the United States. For 2023, he was first in the nation both from the national regatta but for the most race points for the year. Since I am the only known sailor in the family, I claim partial responsibility for (and pride) for his skills. He had trouble this year after contracting Covid from an older sibling.

Virginia Morris:

To keep teaching playwrights (in an elective highschool Playwrighting class at Oakland School for the Arts) had to apply for (free) Alameda County Office of Education "Career Technical Education" course -so did -and got "Preliminary" credential. Started taking online course: all arts teachers need a teaching credential in CA now. Lots of words to read online in first class and ordered 1st book. (My theater dept. cohorts are supportive- say don't want to lose me, but i have been nervous whether can handle it. They say yes!! Daughter says yes!) onward and upward , (sense of humor comes w. 80 yr old brain!) best to all.

Eugene Leach:

I am presenting a series of three public talks at the Noah Webster House in West Hartford, CT, titled "The Original Promise of America." Each is keyed to a phrase in the Declaration of Independence: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." On one hand the series looks back to the national founding (with the coming 250th anniversary in mind); on the other it looks ahead to the possible REfounding that present troubles and perils may eventually require.

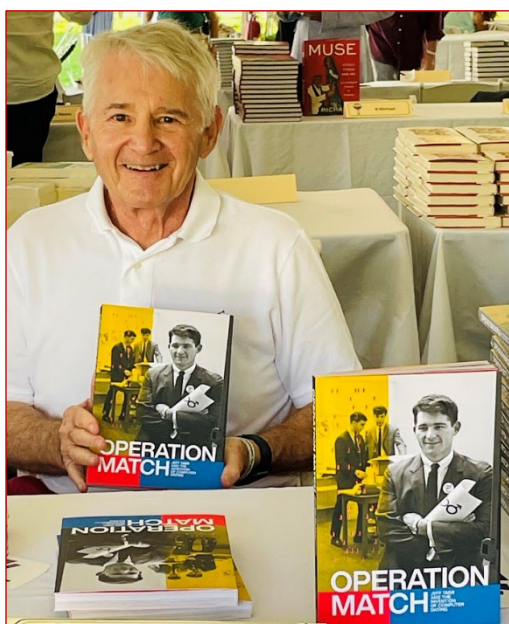
There's nothing brilliant and little that's academic in these efforts. They're for the general public-but also for me: I have relished the opportunity to take refuge from America 2024 in the American dawn of 1776. Some of my '66 classmates may want to join me.

The second talk in the series, "The Promise of Liberty" (September 19), is posted on YouTube under both "Noah Webster House" and "Original Promise of America." The first, also YouTubed, is titled "The Promise of the Pursuit of Happiness" (July 19). I will present the third, "The Proposition that All Men Are Created Equal," on November 21.

William Neaves:

Photographing wildlife continues to distract me from less pleasant matters.

On 9/18/2024, a Northern Mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*) prepared to pounce on a grasshopper at our mesa-top home in Northwest Texas.



Jeff Tarr (via Patsy):

Jeff is the subject of a new book written about him during his time at Harvard College when he invented computer dating. The book covers the years 1965-1966 and contains many pages of period photography along with the original questionnaire. Published by 2wiceBooks, it can be seen at [2wiceBooks.com](https://2wicebooks.com). It is available for purchase on Amazon.

Ed. note:

There is a fun youtube video here:
<https://youtu.be/3YKKpWcyZ4c>

In Memoriam:

'65	Henry Russell	9/28/23	Roslindale, MA
'65	Gail M. Gerhart	8/07/24	New York
'66	Carol Schectman Kimmel	9/18/23	Chicago, IL
'66	Elayne Archer	4/14/24	New York
'66	Randall Kehler	7/21/24	Shelburne Falls, MA
'66	Herbert Allen	7/24/24	Menasha, WI
'67	John Mackesy	3/28/24	Hidden Lake, CA
'67	Franceska Smith	5/30/24	Springfield Gardens, NY
'67	Arklay King	12/21/23	
'67	Arthur Chute	7/11/24	Alexandria, VA
'67	John Korn	1/10/24	Alexandria, VA
'67	Deborah Ferran Moggio	6/28/24	Hanover, MA

Thank you for the wonderful submissions. Until next month I remain
your co-class secretary,
Tom Black