



## Special Alumni Weekend Edition

### *Making New Memories: Reunion 2009*



Red Square and the East Porch of Main were natural gathering places for more than four hundred alumni who attended George School's Alumni Weekend.

With laughter and shouts of excitement, hugs with long-missed friends, and nonstop conversations between classmates, Alumni Weekend arrived at George School on May 8, 9, and 10. More than four hundred alumni, families, and friends joined faculty, current students, and parents on campus to renew old friendships and forge new ones.

One of the highlights Saturday morning was the schedule of diverse master classes open to alumni, students, and parents. Classrooms were filled with folks who came to share and learn.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Coordinator Ralph Lelii offered a brief introduction to Theory of Knowledge, a central course in the IB Diploma Program that encourages critical thinking about knowledge itself. Tap dancer Karen Callaway Williams '84 led participants through a fun combination of clapping, snapping, and tapping. Beth Taylor '71, author of *The Plain Language of Love and Loss: A Quaker Memoir*, led a discussion about the challenges and surprises of writing from one's own life.

Amidst the global flu epidemic, David Rutstein '74 shared how the U.S. Public Health Service plans and deploys for worldwide disasters. Carolyn Waghorne, parent '99, spoke about her work to raise awareness of meningococcal meningitis and her efforts to pass legislation requiring vaccination. Jonathan Snipes '78 shared his story about founding the Farm School at Snipes and its educational farm-to-school partnerships, including one that brings naturally grown produce to the George School dining room.

David Rutstein '74 and Karen Callaway Williams '84 were the 2009 Alumni Award recipients, and Carolyn Waghorne, parent '99, was the first recipient of the George School Distinguished Service Award.

From Flashback Friday and Open Mike, to alumni lunches and reunion class photos, and to the All-Alumni Gathering and memorial meeting for worship, it was a weekend full of memories and friends.



Pamela '70, John, and Jackie Streetz.

### *Smith & Streetz Homes Dedicated*

Two new twin faculty homes were dedicated Saturday morning, one in memory of Richard O. Smith '36 and the other in honor of John and Jackie Streetz, former faculty and staff members.

"We are grateful to all the graduates and friends who contributed funds to this project," said Head of School Nancy Starmer. "Housing of this quality will provide a greater faculty presence at the center of campus and will play a pivotal role in attracting and retaining top-notch teachers."

The new homes are located between Brown House and the football fields. Three of the new, energy-efficient residences have three bedrooms and two-and-a-half baths. An additional unit is wheelchair accessible with four bedrooms and three-and-a-half baths. This is the first time since the mid-1970s that new faculty housing was built on campus.



Corey Smith '61, Nancy Starmer, June Smith, Charlie Waugh '36, and Jonne Smith.

The Smith House was given in memory of Dick Smith '36 by his friends and family. Dick's classmate, Charlie Waugh '36, spoke about Dick's long history of involvement in the George School community.

The Streetz House was named in honor of John and Jackie Streetz, faculty and staff members, respectively, from 1950 to 1966. During this time, John served as dean of students, science teacher, and coach, and Jackie worked in the Business Office.

"John and Jackie were 'in loco parentis' for many students who needed advice, handholding, and a little love," shared Gabe Garber '53.



Classes of 1929 and 1939



Class of 1944



Class of 1949



Class of 1954



Class of 1964



Class of 1969

**Classes of 1929 & 1939:** From left: Howard Turner '29, Herbert Fraser '39, Philip Thomforde '39, Esther Miller Morris '39, David Way '39, Donald Solenberger '39

**Class of 1944:** First row from left: Elizabeth Moses Thomas, Charles Hough, Virginia Zerega Lloyd, Mary Stone Brodish Second row: Edith Reeder Pray, M. Blouke Carus, William Craighead, Kenneth Wilcox Third row: Cynthia Tomlinson Evans, Harriett White Richards, Harriet Sultzzer Winchell, Charles Park

**Class of 1949:** First row from left: Elisabeth Quick Hill, Nancy Finkbner McCahan, Barbara Kauffman Stokes, Jane Booth Estep, Nancy Barlow James Second row: C. Peyton Rufe, Sidney Bailey, Charles Tyson, W. Janney Wilson, Jean Thompson Sharpless, Ruth McSparran Galantino Third row: John Carpenter, Hugh Shaudys, R. Thomas Gibbs, Charles Haines, Jennie Braddock Fischer, Donald Armstrong

**Class of 1954:** First row from left: Carol Hauver Emerick, Eloise Clymer Haun, Mary Anne Knight Hunter, Janet Davidson Pennell, Louise Korn Waldron, Ann Talbot Second row: Don Kinsey, Virginia Twining Gardner, Peter Gum, James Whitely, Robert Freedman, Donald Wilder Third row: E. David Luria, Theodore Ghebeles, Franklin Pennell, William Waddington

**Class of 1964:** First row from left: William Evans, Jeanne Rudolph Walton, Anne Brinton, David Erskine Second row: B. Keith Matteson, Muhammad Saleh, Jonathan Kamen, Judith McIlvain Lewis, Charles Wilson Third row: Fredrick Schmidt, Walter Wright, Henry Marshall, Thomas Parry Fourth row: Robert Culp, Taylor Andrews, Thomas Turner, Morgan Phenix

**Class of 1969:** First row from left: Deborah Snipes Hale, David Spencer, William Suter, John Boone, Catherine Seely Boyd, Stephen Waddington, Pamela Thorp, Hal Haveson Second row: Anne Judson, Anne Heimlich, Donald Wenzel, Lucy Judson, Jean Platt Rospondek, Marjorie Thomas Candau, Elizabeth Wood Fritsch, Susan Harshbarger Taylor Third row: Ronald Fondiller, Marjorie Welker Uhrich, Robert Ganz, Robert Lehner, Lisa Garrison Fourth row: Jonathan March, Robert Neff, Deborah Hummel Wilson



Class of 1974

**Class of 1974:** *First row from left:* Leslie Mitchell, Amy Benenson Aronson, Priscilla Bright, David Lehner, Todd Preuss, David DiMicco, R. Michael Wommack, Diane Garisto *Second row:* William Coleman, Katherine Newman, Edith Holden Roth, Florence Wiener, Paula Ernst Jones, Tacie Yerkes Trull, Emily Hoopes Paterakis, Barbara McAnerney Kohout, Barbara Dunn Drorbaugh Hammer *Third row:* Katie Shellenberger Schwieger, Patricia Sweitzer McKey, David Rutstein, Paul Church, Joseph Peacock *Fourth row:* Robert Haas, Bernard Hirsh, R. David Vernon, Craig Sotres, Terese Van Solkema-Waitz

**Class of 1979:** *First row from left:* Patricia Crane Magie, Beth Freedman Lavine, Patricia Stein, Suzanne Smith *Second row:* Joseph Boccoardo, Laura Kemper Crooks, Cara Dickstein Weissman, Wendy Silcox McPherson, Jennifer Keller, John-Mark Flickinger

**Class of 1984:** *First row from left:* Christopher Rohner, Richard Rodgers, Daniel Collins, James Maddux, Satoru Amagasu, Frank Haun, Francesca Kule Kennedy *Second row:* Craig Becker, Harold Buck, Davin Dayle, Karen Callaway Williams, Vanessa Mitchell, Victoria Ward Shelton, Tania Finch, Tamara Bingham James, Charlotte Huestis Leedom, Elizabeth Moultrie Dennis *Third row:* Ian Clarridge, Laura Lichstein, Rachel Finkle, R. Wells C. Packard, Ellen Kirson, Laura Goldberg Saluja, Anita Graziosa *Fourth row:* John Sears, Robin Rongley Campbell, Jeffrey Zeiger, Karen Kimmel, Linda LaRosa Bidlo, Joan Stookey Harring, Jennifer Kasirsky, Maryam Salim, Sarita Wright Wilson *Fifth row:* Edward Quill, David Rubin, Hilary Hoerr, Amy Dougherty Scullion, Antinea Rivera, Tamis Nordling, Jennifer Rioux *Sixth row:* Kevin O'Brien, Mitchell Nathanson, Kathryn Bruton, Michael Groch, Kenneth Waldman, Wendy Margulies *Seventh row:* Adam Cramer, Ingrid Knappe, Cynthia Good-McQuaid, Robyn Smith Zikmund, Hazel Landwehr Porter, Janel Wommack Thomas, James Hutchinson, Edward Morgan, Naomi Beal, Jenny Sorel *Eighth row:* Douglas Halbert, D. Scott Miller, Edgar Landwehr, Philip Atherton, Michael LaPorta, David Cheskis, Francis Purcell, Arthur Arena, Walter Hoffmann



Class of 1979

## Class of 1984 Celebrates 25th Reunion



**Class of 1989:** *First row from left:* Osvaldo Oyola, Sean Corson, Larissa Wright-Elson, Hally McGehean, Maria Amato Acker, Deborah Gammons Brown, Maris Ballow Friedman, Kristin Moore Major, Aisha Afzal *Second row:* Rachael Levine, Isaac Henderson, Kimberley Austin Cathey, Kristen Gartland, Jessica Hoffman, Thomas Waters, Wynne Cochran Grob *Third row:* Geoffrey Lee, Daniel Cauterucci, Ann Hudders McDonough, Veronique Vaillancourt, Katherine Winn Boyer, David Burton, Daniel Quill, Alison Shein Quill, Pilar Bretschneider Yeakel *Fourth row:* Eric Albee, Charles Miller, Emily Laybourne Podunovich, J. Courtney Bourns, Jamal Parker, David Christian, Christine Cook Lodge, Alexandru Filoteanu *Fifth row:* Holly Weaver, Melissa Sader, Frederick Rodolfy, Amie Biel-Lamb Freeman, Rachel Snyder MacDougall



Class of 1989

**Class of 1994:** *First row from left:* Kri Anderson Burkander, Tamala Montgomery, Abigail Kerlin Tucker, Laura Rodriguez, Tamara Morris *Second row:* Michiko Taga, Katherine Farneth Hirsch, Stafford Woodley, Jong Tang, Thomas Helmkamp *Third row:* Kristin Muzina, Laura Iverson Burg, Eric Roddy, Peter Smith *Fourth row:* Jonathan Forstein, Lesley Bourns, Daniel Wright, Ryan Parry, Benjamin Walmer, Nicholas Hanlon



Class of 1994

**Class of 1999:** *First row from left:* Lucy Lang, Steven Jo, class sponsor, Aubrey Levy Sebestyen, Valentina Pena, Caroline Clough, Naomi Riccobono, Linnea Wilson, Aarti Sheth, Angi West *Second row:* Christina Wiskowski, Jessica Spencer Pace, Jessica Acosta Avila, Lily Bourne, Emily Norman, Mary Ann Palmer Gilmore, Wynne Lanros, Sara Wolf, Albert Giagnacova *Third row:* Belinda Dileo, Austin Tracy, Susan Evans, Rebecca Collins, Arin Pinkus, Robyn Pendleton, Patricia Estevez, Nora Abdullah *Fourth row:* Nien Sung, Eric Ryles, Kevin Lewis, Scott Klein, Liza Steele, Yu-Wen Chen, Emily Falk, Jessica Huntington, Alaina Mauro *Fifth row:* John McNeill, Matthew Smoose, Timothy O'Neill, Margaret Murphy Zuegner, Michael Lynde, Seth Pomerantz, Laura Satterthwaite, Kathryn Machermer *Sixth row:* Corey McNaught, J. Robert Anderson, Matthew Jaffe, James Kingham, John Fort, Erica Micchelli, Cristina Ferreri



Class of 1999

**Class of 2004:** *First row from left:* Carey Walden, Lindsey Riesenberger, Katherine Kurek, Adaobi Kanu, Victoria Kirby *Second row:* Sasha Feinman, Jessica Rosengarten, Nathaniel Rockwood, Jennifer Pilchman, Marc Lynde, Virginia Satterthwaite, Steven Hayden *Third row:* Margaret Browndorf, Liesl Oberreit, Anasa Crawford, Krysten Trull, Alexandra Levy, Sarah Lampe, Gordon Toggweiler, Joshua Goldberg *Fourth row:* Max Klein, Mitra Eghbal, Avery Blank *Fifth row:* Daniel Suchenski, Ayanna Oliver-Taylor, Cesar Rocha, Catherine Pallenik, Lauren Buroojy, Erin McIntosh, Eric Welch *Sixth row:* Henry Foster, Wesley Ruttle, Gavin Dalglish, Alexander Herman, Erica Nakajima, Daniel Militello *Seventh row:* Eben Alguire, John Lawrie, Kyle Sanphy, Dana Ricci



Class of 2004

“We reiterate our values on Alumni Day. Sometimes it is a devotion to a teacher, a course, a dorm, or a team. Old radicals—right and left—rediscover the pleasures of dialog. The underlying unity is a common appreciation that we think and care as we do because of what we experienced here, and we want to preserve that opportunity for the next generations.”

—ALUMNI DIRECTOR DAVID SATTERTHWAITE '65

## Alumni Weekend Highlights

CLASS PHOTOS BY SHOWSTOPPER PHOTOGRAPHY.  
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## Class of 1959 Celebrates 50th Reunion



*Class of 1959. First row from left:* Suzanne Phelps Sellers, Janney Mather Goodman, Nicholas Spies, Larrine Sullivan Holbrooke, Nancy Goodman Tucher, Dottie Detwiler, class sponsor, E. Spencer Quill, Elizabeth Ann Rarig Tyson, Georgeann Longsdorf Weitz, F. Palin Spruance *Second row:* Peter Litchfield, MaryAnne Wilson Cowdrey, Joyce Crockett Funston, Patricia Ives Langston, Adrienne Wheeler Rudge, Margaret Evans, Ann Heess Lee *Third row:* Daniel Vaughen, Robert Dockhorn, Joan Postlethwaite Longcope, Rebecca Hannum, Sue Parrish O'Sullivan, Christie Johnson Lucero, Doris Parry Davenport, E. Jill Stokes Halbert *Fourth row:* David Barry, Thomas Cadwallader, Bette Hand Head, Barbara Stockham Sears, Linda Pownall Parker, Philena Turner Bolden *Fifth row:* George Stephens, Stephen Shaffer, David Johnson, Thomas Atkinson, Peter Thomas, Robert Schmidt *Sixth row:* Noel Wilson, Karyn Weir, Harry Wolf, Willis Hidell, James Birdsall, Henry Hidell, Content Bryant Smith, Robert Hardy *Seventh row:* Claus Blome, Timothy Pierce, John Lippincott, George Glass, Stephen Barsky



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*Alumni Applaud Progress of Learning Commons and Mollie Dodd Anderson Library*



Members of the Classes of 1984 and 1959, which raised funds for the library, were able to tour the construction site, as were members of the George School Library Campaign Committee.

With the building just a few weeks from completion, alumni visiting George School had a chance to see the new learning commons and Mollie Dodd Anderson Library at close hand.

“The building is amazing,” said Bob Hidell '59, echoing the comments of so many others. “Its design encourages people to assemble and collaborate. Seeing it here on campus makes it easy to understand how important the learning center and library will be for future generations.”

The complex, including the Mollie Dodd Anderson Library, a learning center, classrooms and meeting spaces, will support students in their collaborative and investigative work. The building is designed to earn gold-level LEED certification for its environmental sustainability.

The Library Campaign Committee has launched the final fundraising for the building with a generous pledge from Rick and Carolyn Waghorne, parents '99. Their pledge of \$250,000 for the learning center was made in memory of their son Carter '99 and in honor of Head of School Nancy Starmer, Carolyn Olivier, Felicia Alexander, and faculty members who worked on the curriculum review. The Waghornes hope to jump-start the final months of fundraising and encourage others to make gifts.

If you have questions or to make a gift, please contact: Joanna Storrar, director of development, in the George School Advancement Office at 215.579.6569 or [joanna\\_storrar@georgeschool.org](mailto:joanna_storrar@georgeschool.org)

*Available Named Gift Opportunities:*

**Conference Room \$500,000**

This flexible, multipurpose room can function as a research instruction classroom and can also accommodate up to forty people for meetings.

**Student Commons Room \$150,000**

Here students can check email, meet teachers, or study during a free period. In the evening, the room may be used for book discussions, student club meetings, or presentations by featured speakers.

**Classrooms \$100,000 each**

Students and faculty who use the five large classroom spaces will have easy access to the multiple resources of the library.

**Religion Office \$50,000**

Overlooking the meetinghouse, this office supports the Religion Department and its newly augmented course offerings.