Oak Hill Recreation Areas Preserved for the Future

At the Town Meeting last spring, voters overwhelmingly supported the recommendations of the citizen-based Village Planning group and the Hanover Planning Board in adopting zoning amendments in the Dresden/Lyme Road neighborhood.

These changes included the rezoning of an additional 285 acres to Forestry and Recreation. Most of the new area (254 acres) came from Dartmouth’s Oak Hill parcel. Previously, this area was designated Rural Residential, which would have potentially allowed the construction of up to 84 housing units.

“One of the group’s key objectives was to guide more concentrated residential development and mixed use to appropriate areas in the village,” says Bob Ballou, cochair of the Village Planning group. “We wanted to find a way to balance new growth while preserving the village’s open space resources. Fortunately, Dartmouth stepped up and proposed rezoning a number of their parcels to ‘F’ Forestry and Recreation, removing them from potential development and assuring that these areas will remain as open space/recreation for the entire community.”

The College requested the zoning change (with the support of the Village Planning group) to preserve these outdoor recreation areas enjoyed by students, College employees, and the community at large.

“The Oak Hill area, owned by Dartmouth and adjacent to the Storrs Pond recreational area, managed by the Hanover Improvement Society, is an excellent model for town/gown collaboration,” says Andrew Harvard, director of Dartmouth’s Outdoor Programs.

“For example, the Fiddlehead summer camp, run by the Improvement Society, is based on Oak Hill, local high schools and the Ford Sayre ski program use the College’s cross-country ski trails, which extend into the Storrs Pond recreational area and the Dresden School District’s trail system. The area also provides excellent mountain biking and hiking trails.”

Dartmouth Skiway Celebrates Its 50th Anniversary

On December 15, 1956, Polly Case straddled a small disc attached to a cable—a “Poma lift”—and rode to the top of Holt’s Ledge in Lyme Center, becoming the first patron of the new Dartmouth Skiway.

An estimated 750,000 patrons later, the Dartmouth Skiway celebrates its 50th anniversary this winter as the Upper Valley’s favorite family ski and snowboarding destination.

The past half-century has seen a number of significant changes since the old Poma lift on Holt’s Ledge, including the addition of snowmaking—now covering 64 percent of the Skiway’s 104 skiable acres—in 1985; the installation of the Winslow Mountain quad chair; a significant upgrade to the Holt’s Ledge chairlift; and the construction, in 2000, of the McLane Family Lodge.

“Dartmouth holds a significant place in American skiing, with the Skiway as a prominent site,” says Doug Holler, Skiway general manager. “More than 100 All-Americans and 30 national champions have trained on our slopes, and we’ve also hosted NCAA championships. We’re hoping to celebrate this history with the entire Upper Valley community this winter.”

To commemorate its 50th anniversary and to introduce new skiers to the sport, the Skiway is hosting a series of events and special offers throughout the season. Holler invites everyone to try out the Skiway’s three lifts, 14 slopes and trails for beginners to experts, as well as a terrain park for riders and intrepid skiers. For more information on the Skiway and its 50th anniversary celebration, see the Skiway Web site at http://skiway.dartmouth.edu.
A Sampling of Campus Events for more information, visit www.dartmouth.edu

December

14–17  The Christmas Revels
Thur 12/14 • 7 pm
Fri 12/15 • 7:30 pm
Sat 12/16 • 2 pm & 7:30 pm
Sun 12/17 • 1 pm & 5 pm
Spaulding Auditorium • $22.50 • 18 & under $10
*Children's tickets $1/price this show!

18  Bang on a Can All-Stars with Iva Bittová, violin/voice
7 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $26 • 18 & under $14

26  Persian Improvisations: Kayhan Kalhor with Siamak Aghaei
8 pm • Rollins Chapel • $24

27  Ptla Libre
8 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $26 • 18 & under $14

28  FAMILY DAY AT THE HOOD MUSEUM
Transforming Trash into Art noon to 5 pm • Free and fun!

January

4, 5  Stephen Petronio Company
BLOOM
Thu 1/4 • 7 pm
Fri 1/5 • 8 pm
Moore Theater • $28

12  Emerson String Quartet
Spaulding Auditorium • $30

12, 13  The Builders Association/dbox
SUPER VISION
8 pm • Moore Theater • $26

13  McCoy Tyner Trio
8 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $30

17  Jerry Quickley
Live From the Front
7 & 9:30 pm • Loew Auditorium • $18

HOP STOP FAMILY SERIES:
Irish Dance with Heather McElligot
Sparks and Company
11 am • Alumni Hall • Free

February

2  Orpheus Chamber Orchestra
with Ian Bostridge, tenor
8 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $45

6, 7  Anne Galjour
Hurricane
7 pm • Bentley • $20

10  Barbary Coast Jazz Ensemble
Coast Goes Latin
8 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $14 • Non-Dartmouth Students $6

13  Altan with Paul Brady
7 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $28

15–17, 21, 23, 24  Dartmouth Theater Department
Arms and the Man
Thur 2/15–Sat 2/17 • 8 pm
Wed 2/21–Fri 2/23 • 8 pm
Sat 2/24 • 2 pm
Moore Theater • $12 • Non-Dartmouth Students $6

16, 17  Dartmouth College Glee Club
Gilbert & Sullivan's Iolanthe
8 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $18

17  HOP STOP FAMILY SERIES
Poppin' Puppets presents The Spirit of the Rainforest
11 am • Alumni Hall • Free

18  Dartmouth Wind Symphony
Blowin' In the Wind
2 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $14 • Non-Dartmouth Students $6

23  Dartmouth Chamber Singers
Baroque & Classical Connections
Music of Scarlatti & Mozart
8 pm • Rollins Chapel • $16 • Non-Dartmouth Students $6

24  Dartmouth Symphony Orchestra
Ali PDQ Bach Concert
8 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $18

27  World Music Percussion Ensemble
Return of the Night Air
7 pm • Spaulding Auditorium • $12 • Non-Dartmouth Students $6

NOTE: The events included here are only a representative sampling of campus events. The full schedule for the Hop is on the Hop Web site: www.hop.dartmouth.edu For other campus events, see www.dartmouth.edu

Exhibitions at the Hood Museum of Art

Dreaming Their Way: Aboriginal Australian Women Painters
Til December 10, 2006

From Discovery to Dartmouth:
The Assyrian Reliefs at the Hood Museum of Art, 1856–2006
Til March 11, 2007

El Anatsui: GAWU
January 6–March 4, 2007

Thin Ice: Climate Change and the Inuit Sense of Weather
January 20–May 13, 2007

All museum exhibitions and events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Assistive listening devices are available for all events. The museum, including the Arthur M. Loew Audiorium, is wheelchair accessible. For accessibility requests, please call (603) 646-2809 or e-mail Access-Hood@mac.dartmouth.edu.

An Arts Education Outreach Program from the Hop

The START Program (Student Teachers in the Arts) is one of six well-established programs operated by the Outreach Department of the Hopkins Center for the Arts. As volunteers for this program, Dartmouth students have the opportunity to positively impact the lives of children in the Upper Valley community by teaching performing or visual arts or cultural lessons once per week for an entire term. Before each term, area teachers (generally within a 15-mile radius) in public and private schools submit a proposal to the Outreach Department office, outlining their current curriculum and how they envision arts to be incorporated. Dartmouth students complete an application and the Outreach office pairs START volunteers with teachers. Once in the classroom, the volunteers complete a series of activities that often culminate in a performance, arts exhibition, or other major activity.

“I was walking with the first grade class after rehearsing their songs when three of the girls grabbed onto my arm and just stared up at me. I felt like a positive role model—someone who they respected—and it was awesome!”

— Dartmouth Senior Laura Sheinkopf on working with students at Marion Cross School in Norwich, VT.

An Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Friday, December 1
5:15 p.m. on the Green
Carols and choral music by Dartmouth College Glee Club,
Louis Burkol, conductor
Tree donated by Jim Nichols
and Lloyd Nichols of Lyme, N.H.
THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME!
Family Day at the Hood Museum
January 28, Sunday
noon–5:00 pm
Transforming Trash into Art
Enjoy artworks by African artist, El Anatsui, who transforms trash into amazing objects of beauty, and explore some of the themes in the art. All activities are free. For children ages 6 to 12 and their adult companions. No pre-registration required. For information, call (603) 646-1469.

Big Green Sports
Winter Highlights

Men’s Basketball
Sat., Jan. 6 vs. Harvard, 7 pm
Fri., Feb. 23 vs. Princeton, 7 pm
Sat., Feb. 24 vs. Penn, 7 pm

Women’s Basketball
Fri.-Sat., Dec. 29-30
Blue Sky Restaurant Group
Classic with BU, Dayton and Duke, 5 and 7 pm
Sat., Jan. 6 vs. Harvard, 2 pm
Sat., Feb. 10 vs. Princeton, 7 pm

Men’s Hockey
Fri.-Sat., Dec. 29-30
Ledyard National Bank
Tournament with BU, St. Lawrence and North Dakota, 4 and 7 pm
Fri., Feb. 23 vs. Cornell, 7 pm
Sat., Feb. 24 vs. Colgate, 7 pm

Women’s Hockey
Fri., Dec. 15 vs. Harvard, 7 pm
Sat., Jan. 6 vs. Princeton, 4 pm
Sat., Jan. 27 vs. St. Lawrence, 4 pm
Fri.-Sun., Jan. 5-7
Dartmouth Relays
Sat., Jan. 13 vs. UNH and UVM, 11 am

For a complete winter schedule, please visit www.DartmouthSports.com or call the Dartmouth Sports Publicity Office, (603) 646-2468, to have a copy mailed to you.

Please note that the men’s swimming & diving team did not have a home meet scheduled after November 18.

For ticket information to men’s/women’s basketball and men’s/women’s hockey, please call or visit the Berry Center Ticket Office at (603) 646-2466.

Kids’ Nite Out Returns

Under the direction of head coach Maribel Souther, the Dartmouth women’s cross country team had its inaugural “Kids’ Nite Out” last fall. For a nominal fee, children from throughout the Upper Valley were invited to Dartmouth’s Alumni Gym for an evening of games, movies, books and other activities. The purpose? To provide capable babysitting so that parents could catch a movie or visit a local restaurant. The cross country team is planning a similar event for the winter on Saturday, January 13, from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. For information, contact Souther at (603) 646-2571 or via e-mail at maribel.souther@dartmouth.edu.
Early French for Kids Is Une Bonne Idée

Children sit clustered around a teacher and converse in lively French. You might think you’ve just entered a public école in Paris. Actually it’s all part of the language immersion program just started last year in the Ray School in Hanover and being run by the Rassias Foundation at Dartmouth. Razziatazz promotes innovative and highly effective forms of second language instruction.

Before the beginning of their school year, students in grades 1 through 3 enrolled in Razziatazz spend 30 minutes exploring the French-speaking world. This yearlong early introduction to a foreign language allows the children a chance to become comfortable trying out the words and phrases they will later study in grades 4 through 6. And it’s fun.

“We started Razziatazz because we had a number of people in the community who wanted their children to have early opportunities to learn a second language,” says Helene Rassias-Miles, director of the program and daughter of founder, John Rassias, the William R. Kenan Professor and Chair of the Department of French and Italian of Dartmouth College, a pioneer in innovative language instruction. “The program has been so popular that we expanded it to include Spanish language and culture for Norwich children in grades 1 through 3.”

The Rassias teachers include Dartmouth staff members, graduate and undergraduate students, community members, and parent volunteers—many of whom are excited with the results. “Our son Colin is currently taking part in the Rassias French program at the Ray School,” says Jayne Costello. “He was lucky enough to be in the pilot group last year and has continued this fall. His Rassias teachers have given him a great foundation for learning a foreign language. They fill the program with fun and enthusiasm, and make learning French effervescent.”

In addition to the children’s program, the Rassias Foundation offers classes for adults. To learn more about Razziatazz and the foundation, see www.dartmouth.edu/~rassias/ or call (603) 646-2922.

Business Leaders Who Are Good Neighbors

At the Tuck School of Business, we encourage our students to contribute to the local community not only because we value being good neighbors, but also because a commitment to community service is a vital ingredient of the business education we deliver.

Five years ago, Tuck established the Alvin Initiative for Corporate Citizenship to provide students with the resources and opportunities to fully explore the intersection between business and society. Since then students have had many events, programs, and learning opportunities focused on community engagement, from which they learn that real leadership is about more than just financial success.

Even before orientation this year, several dozen incoming students volunteered to spend a week working with (and learning from) Habitat for Humanity and COVER Home Repair. Then during their first days on campus, every incoming Tuck student spent a Day of Service working at one of twenty-one local nonprofits. Students continue to organize service days throughout the year and they work with local nonprofits and small businesses through the Tuck Student Consulting Service and Tuck Board Fellow Program. They host an annual Business Sustainability Initiative conference, raise money for children’s health through their annual Run for the Kids, and even raise funds to support classmates who take on careers in nonprofit organizations. Meanwhile, many students choose to engage in the global community as well: last year two teams traveled to Africa to help create a plan for a local pharmaceutical industry in Tanzania and strengthen City Year youth development programs in South Africa.

Tuck is proud to host students that are good neighbors. But our ultimate purpose is bigger: to help develop leaders who will spend a lifetime strengthening their own neighborhoods. To Hanover and the local community, we offer a heartfelt “thank you” for providing us with so many opportunities to teach this valuable lesson.