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## Welcome to the New Evergreen!

Our class communications are changing!

Who would have imagined how means of communication would have progressed in the 18 years since we graduated from Dartmouth? Or how busy all our lives would be? In keeping up with the changing times, and our busy lives, we have decided to revamp our class communications to all of you.

The first is our redesigned Evergreen. Once again, we are returning to 4 Evergreens per year. They will alternate between printed copies that arrive in your mailbox twice a year and electronic copies that arrive in your e-mail inbox the other two times per year. Since there has been relatively little information coming in to us for the "What We've Heard" section for the past few years, we have decided to make that bit smaller. In this issue, we have a LARGE "What We've Heard," because we recently received a treasure trove of Dartmouth memories! However, in the future, in the remaining space, we will be adding a section where we highlight classmates who have common professions or common interests. We are totally open to suggestions regarding any group you would like profiled! Feel free to make suggestions, nominate others, or even nominate yourself. : ) Please send suggestions/nominations to neesha@alum.dartmouth.org.

In the months in between Evergreens, we will be sending monthly e-mails with class news to keep everyone in the class of '96 in the loop with class and college happenings.

Our Class News section in the alumni magazine remains the same. Please send any updates for Class News to Garrett Gil de Rubio at ggdr@alum.dartmouth.org.

We are also in the process of updating our class website: http://1996.dartmouth.org. Stay tuned for more on this!

Since so much more information will be coming by e-mail in the coming months, please make sure your e-mail address has been updated with the College so you can receive all of our class communications!

News? Comments? Suggestions? Want to write something? We'd love to hear from you!

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# **Class Project Update**

In 2013, we began a new class project partnership with the Dean of the Faculty's Undergraduate Research Office. This program is responsible for removing the financial barriers to student research for theses and independent study projects.

Our class has voted in our surveys that we would like to support students directly, and this project is absolutely doing that. We are so excited to get involved with this program, and to explore the idea of establishing an ongoing "Class of 1996 Research Stipend." Our first student is Julia Berkowitz, who received \$1500 from our class this winter term. She tells us about her fellowship in her own words:



Student: Julia Berkowitz

Advisor: Paul Whalen, Psychological & Brain Sciences

**Title:** The Anterior Cingulate is Sensitive to a Mismatch Between the Perception and Expression of Surprise

This work is the culmination of four years of research in Professor Whalen's lab. This work included both part-time research while taking classes and full-time research during two off-terms. I am grateful for your support, which enabled the completion of my honors thesis, one of the most important intellectual experiences of my undergraduate career. I will be entering the Geisel School of Medicine in 2015.

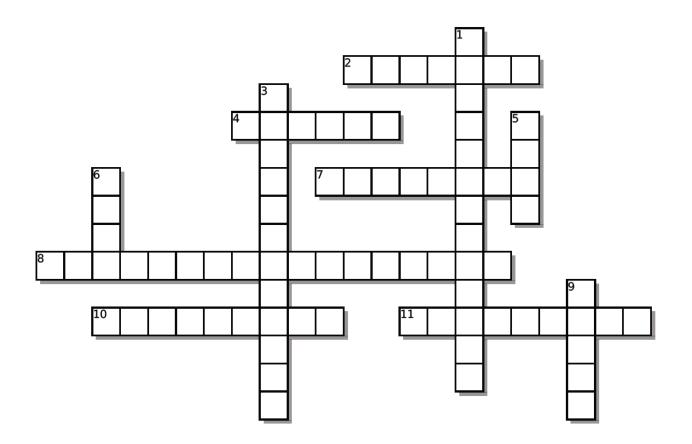
#### **Description:**

Previous research shows that there are trait-like differences in how individuals perceive and express emotional faces. In particular, individuals vary in the perception and expression of ambiguous expressions, like surprise. This study explored the relationship between the perception and expression of surprise. Two experiments were performed to investigate this relationship including the development of a new stimulus set of emotional faces, and an fMRI study.

In experiment 1, a new stimulus set of emotional faces was created and validated for categorization accuracy, arousal, expressivity, and valence. This is the first face set in which psychological information about the pictured individuals is known, including their perceptual bias towards surprised expressions (positivitynegativity bias). A significant inverse relationship was found between the positivity-negativity bias of the models and the rated valence of their posed surprise expressions (as determined by a separate set of subjects).

In experiment 2, it was found that the anterior cingulate cortex (ACC) responded most to presentations of one's own surprised face, less to a friend's surprised face, and least to strangers' surprised faces. It was hypothesized that the ACC was responding to the incongruence between an internal cue (one's positivitynegativity bias) and an external cue (the valence of the surprised expression). This theory of the ACC responding to incongruity was supported by the pattern of activation found when surprised faces were contextualized by explicit positive or negative scenarios. Specifically, the same region of the ACC showed increased activation when a surprised face was cued by an incongruent sentence and decreased activation when that same surprised face was cued with a congruent sentence. These results shed light on how individual differences in perceptual biases can influence expressive behavior and interaction with others.

D'96 Then and Now: Experiences We Share



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# What We've Heard

First of all, **HAPPY 40<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY** to all of you who have or will turn 40 this year! (and to those who turned 40 in the recent past, too!) As we approach our 20<sup>th</sup> Reunion (can you imagine?), this *What We've Heard* is all about our memories from our times at Dartmouth. It was a lot of fun going through everyone's responses! I hope you enjoy reading them as much as I did!

Some interesting comments that came along with the requests:

#### I can't recall this stuff I'm forty!!! :) (JGM)

You assume that my memory is much better than it truly is! (KCH)

I can't believe those years are such a blur to me now. I remember friends, successes and failures, and some life lessons. Other than that, not much more. (*ML*)

#### And now, the memories ...

#### Best Freshman Trip Memory:

Almost running into a bear! (CB). The camaraderie (ML). Making new friends (MS). MEETING MY FIRST (AND LIFETIME!) DARTMOUTH FRIENDS (KKH). Meeting my best friend!! (BM). Meeting best friends for life! (LR). Meeting Mike Gluck and Curly McGowan, two of my closest friends today (EDS). Meeting Garrett! (RL). I was on the gimpy group (all of us had just had some sort of surgery), so we were on pretty relaxed trails. Swimming in the cold water was really cool, the campfire was awesome (SP). HIKING AT NIGHT AND MAKING CAMP IN THE DARK, ONLY TO FIND OUT IN THE MORNING THAT WE WERE 50 FEET AWAY FROM THE CABIN! (SS). Seeing something that resembled a bed at Moosilauke after sleeping in a puddle for two nights (HP). Writing a murder mystery into one of the cabin log books, in which each trip member was a character (KH). I had hiked before but not climbed/rappelled -- what a rush - and to be supported by my classmates! (KP). I only remember rain and storms (but loving it anyway) (FD). BEING RAIDED BY UPPERCLASSMEN WHO BROUGHT A BAG OF DONUTS PULLED FROM A DUNKIN DONUTS DUMPSTER THAT WAS HALF FULL OF USED COFFEE GRINDS (JW). "Losing" one of the freshman who we thought was lost in the woods. Only to find out she was an upperclassman when she returned in the middle of the night with ice cream for everyone (SSB). Jeff Braciak attempting to retrieve a banana whilst descending a mountain (MG). Making toubouli (RL). Singing the alma mater on Moosilauke -- next to a Harvard freshman trip, which didn't know its alma mater! (JM). SINGING IN THE BUNK HOUSE AT THE RAVINE LODGE WITH MY FELLOW TRIPPIES (KCH). Eating Green Eggs



and Ham at Moosilauke (SA). The whole thing was awesome, but maybe green eggs & ham at Moosilauke with the Dartmouth singing groups performing Bohemian Rhapsody (ANON). Salty Dog (KV).

That jig thing (PJ). DANCING THE SALTY DOG AT MOOSILAUKE LODGE (LE). Doing the Salty Dog Rag on the top of Moosilauke =) Other most memorable parts - sliding down an almost sheer rock face on one of the days of our hike, and having to eat all of the candy and trail mix available because of continuing low blood sugars. However, in the eyes of my trip-mates, I was the lucky one who \*got\* to eat all of the trail mix and candy! (NR)

#### Best Winter Memory:

Snow in September on my way to soccer practice (May not be the "best" but certainly the first glimpse into what winter in Hanover meant) (EDS). Waking up after my first blizzard never having seen so much snow (FD). WALKING ACROSS CAMPUS TO SWIM PRACTICE AT 5AM WHEN THE STREETS WERE SNOW-COVERED AND IT WAS SO QUIET YOU COULD HEAR THE FLAKES LANDING (KV). Leaving morning swim practice at 730am, the sun barely rising over the leafless trees, 35 below zero, and my wet hair instantly freezing to a hard icicle and breaking off. The training trip in Barbados 3 weeks earlier seemed so far away! (ED). Walking through the paths carved in 3 feet of snow across the green sophomore winter; especially at night when you had to hurry to avoid frostbite (LR). Winter of 1993, walking to class with seemingly 15 feet of snow around us (SA). Snow on the green higher than me (SM). SLEDDING ON THE GOLF COURSE (ANON). Sledding through the trees on cafeteria trays (SSB). Borrowing trays from the dining hall to go sledding on the golf course (SA2). Midnight sledding at the golf course (ML, NR). Sledding off the roof of Stoddard cabin at the Grant, 1993 (JM). Snow DRIFT DIVING BEHIND THE RIVER DORMS (HP). Cross country skiing on the golf course (FD). Late night pick-up hockey on the Psi U lawn (JW). Winter Carnivals '93 and '94 (LE). Building the snow sculpture (SP). POLAR BEAR SWIM IN OCCUM POND! (NR, SS, RL). Someone coming to tea as Goldfinger (JH). Disco Inferno at the Tabard (MG). Presidential primary --- campaigning in the cold! (KP). PE skiing at the Dartmouth Runway! (EH). SKIING AT THE SKIWAY (KCH). Freshman fall, a tortured group of us were struggling with problem sets from Math 18. We blitzed our professor because we couldn't figure it out, and he immediately blitzed back to tell

us that we shouldn't be studying because it was snowing. He instructed that we gather anyone we could and meet outside the shower tower for a snowball fight. So a half hour later, in the dark, we met our professor and played in the snow like little kids until we were tired and cold and had forgotten about math. :) (KKH). **Spring (PJ).** 



#### Favorite Sophomore Summer Activity:

Being outside (FD). LATE NIGHT TRIPS HOME FROM THE D, AND...NOT FREEZING (SA). Long runs on trails (MS). Reading outside, Running in Hanover. Just being outside in Hanover and not being cold. [And playing pong outside was really fun. :] (EDS)

Pong on the back porch (JH). Dancing on the top of Rockin Lou's van in the KDE parking lot (EH). HANGING OUT WITH MY DG SORORITY SISTERS (NR). Impromptu mud wrestling outside the Gold Coast during a thunderstorm (HP). Learning to row for fun (KV). Swimming at the Ledges (JW). Rope swinging on the Connecticut (ML). SWIMMING IN THE LAKE FROM THE DOCK (SP). Hanging out at the river docks (SS). Swimming in the river (BM). Late night swimming in the river (ANON). Most fun Soph Summer memory - jumping into the Connecticut River at night with a few friends, fully dressed. =) (NR) TUBESTOCK!! (LR, KP, PJ, LE, KKH, KC). Slacking off (MG). Nights at the observatory (ANON).

#### Best Thing You Did Just For Fun:

WALKING AROUND CAMPUS WITH FRIENDS AND HANGING OUT ON THE GREEN (SS). Dressing as Braveheart for Winter Tea (JH). **Track/cross country (MS).** Played French Horn with the Dartmouth Wind Symphony and the Dartmouth College Marching Band (NR). Late night trip to Denny's?! (SA) ROAD TRIPS TO MONTREAL AND BOSTON (SA). Took a knitting class (KV). **Ice skating Occum Pond; mountain biking amazing trails just outside town (KP).** DJ for 99 Rock (PJ). Pottery studio (HP). GOING OUT BAREFOOT IN SUMMER THUNDERSTORMS (FD). Swimming in the river (KH). **Running in Pine Park (JW).** Became a DJ on the AM Radio station senior spring. So much fun!! (KKH). Work in the jewelry studio (MG). KILLINGTON IN LIEU OF CLASS (EDS). Take skiing as a PE credit, best winter of skiing (SP). **Area Coordinator (RL).** Rope swing into the river (KCH). Whitewater Kayaking *Class* for PE; Taoism course (ANON). TOO MANY TO LIST AND FRANKLY I DON'T RECALL MUCH. IT WAS MOSTLY JUST AROUND HANGING OUT WITH GOOD FRIENDS (ML).

**Best Overall Memory:** Defending our bonfire from the upperclassmen on Thursday night/ Greek night by throwing raw eggs at them (SSB).



# Dumbest Thing You Did (What, you think we'd actually own up to these? Of course they're anonymous!):

I'm not admitting to this! **It's a long list.** I'm sure there were plenty. Have probably suppressed them all! Dumbest: Finishing half a bottle of Mad Dog during a pledge raid where the guys raided the girls, because they said we had to. 2nd dumbest: jumping off the deck into the

Connecticut River during Tubestock. JUMPING OFF THE BRIDGE INTO THE RIVER. Left my car parked in A-Lot for 2 months in the winter, went back to drive home for spring break and the Dodge Colt was frozen in a foot of ice. **There are so many! drinking on the roof of Tuck and then not being able to get back down. Still not sure how we did it.** Face plant in the AXA driveway. The gravel driveway. Jumping 50 feet at the copper mines in South Strafford. ROPE SWINGING ACCIDENT. Not drop Intro to Latin. **Drank way too much during finals sophomore summer**. "Stealing" a ladle from Theta Delt and various similar pranks. Walk home in the snow in fancy sleeveless dress so I wouldn't lose my coat at a party, I almost froze to death until a friend lent me his coat. THE DUMBEST THING I DID AT DARTMOUTH, HANDS DOWN, WAS BEING TOO FOCUSED ON MY FUTURE AFTER DARTMOUTH. I STAYED IN ECONOMICS CLASSES I HATED AND DIDN'T DROP MY DOUBLE MAJOR UNTIL SENIOR YEAR. I CAN ONLY IMAGINE WHAT I MIGHT HAVE GOTTEN OUT OF DART-MOUTH HAD I TAKEN CLASSES I LOVED INSTEAD OF WHAT I PERCEIVED AS USEFUL CLASSES.

#### Something You Learned From a Classmate:

I learned so much from so many different people!! (NR). The meaning of true friendship (MG). Perseverance/hard work (MS). HOW TO GIVE OF YOURSELF (SS). You rarely have to be alone unless you want to be (KCH). How to make amazing cornbread from Rebecca Harrington (JM). "When you are explaining, you are losing" - David Herszenhorn ('94, Editor at The D, now Moscow Bureau Chief for the New York Times) (SA). That Dartmouth had an Arctic Studies undergraduate research fellowship (which was exactly what I needed) (FD). FRIENDSHIP, TRUST (JW). That I deserve to be happy (EDS). Enjoy every day as if it were your last (EH). I learned how snow sculptures are built, not from snow actually, but instead of snow sprayed with water to make ice (SP). Molecular mechanism of muscle contraction (ANON). THAT THERE ARE SO MANY OTHERS WHO ARE INFINITELY SMARTER AND MORE TALENTED THAN ME. THE DARTMOUTH YEARS WERE A GREAT HUMBLING **EXPERIENCE (ML).** After graduating, a classmate taught me how to operate on blisters while hiking (KH). I learned so many things from classmates..... I learned how to sail from a bunch of very patient and talented classmates. I learned how to play many forms of pong (thank you brothers of Zete!). I learned that good friends (Andrew Rodriguez) will go to full fare at 5pm and help you into bed at 7pm when you are sick. I learned that starting a new venture is one of the greatest moments in life if you work hard and don't let obstacles deter you (Garrett Gil de Rubio). I learned that sisterhood has nothing to do with affiliation (Kristen Calcagni). And I have learned from many of our classmates that sharing 4 formative years gives the possibility of creating lifelong friends, even if you didn't know them during those

four years (KKH).

#### How Dartmouth Changed You:

How didn't it? (HP). This one is a 2 hour conversation! (RL) IT GAVE ME MORE SELF-CONFIDENCE (KCH). Gave me confidence and helped me become a better person (MS). Made me understand that there is always room "at the top" for talented people, if you are collaborative, generous and honorable you don't need to be competitive. Also taught me the value of community - I think Dartmouth raised us to be young adults who contribute to our communities (BM). I became a better, more confident, more well-rounded person for having gone to Dartmouth, and made friends and ties that will last a lifetime. Dartmouth was my favorite out of all the schools I attended! (I got 2 graduate degrees after Dartmouth) (NR). Time working at The D - lifelong friends, and prepared me (strangely) for a career in consulting (SA). TAUGHT ME HOW TO THINK FOR MYSELF AND GAVE ME CONFIDENCE (SS). Some level of social skills (PJ). Dartmouth gave me confidence in my ability to think and reason. It also enhanced my appreciation of the outdoors, of friendship, and of the importance of intellectual conversation (KH). Dartmouth helped me to grow as a person but also was humbling to be surrounded by people with such broad range of talent (JW). It truly broadened my intellectual horizons and set my spirit free (MG). MY LSA IN BRAZIL SOPHOMORE SPRING WAS MY FIRST INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL EXPERI-ENCE THAT REQUIRED A PASSPORT. I LEARNED PORTUGUESE IN 10 WEEKS, AND THEN HEADED TO BRAZIL. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I SAW MYSELF AND OUR US "WAY OF LIFE" FROM A 3RD PARTY POINT OF VIEW. IT TRANSFORMED ME. I'VE LIVED AND/OR WORKED ABROAD EVER SINCE. MANAGING BUSINESSES IN DOZENS OF COUNTRIES AND 5 CONTINENTS (ED). I met my best friend there. I met my husband there. And yes, that is the same person, David DiStefano (EDS). It cut me down to size and then rebuilt me and prepared me for what was to come. My years there were easily among the most important formative years (ML). I learned how to do chemistry research which got me into grad school - met amazing friends and scientists (SP). TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION; MAINLY TO SEE HOW MANY INCREDIBLE PEOPLE THERE ARE IN THE WORLD & GIVE ME HOPE FOR CHANGE (ANON). Dartmouth changed me the first time during the 4 years I was there by letting me see the world through other peoples' eyes. Even though it is a small, beautiful spot in NH, the people I encountered allowed me to know different perspectives and respect them because they were from people I knew and admired. ~ Dartmouth changed me the second time because of my involvement with alumni leadership. The sense of community that is so prevalent in most of our experiences on campus continued unbeknownst to me in the alumni experience. I have felt a sense of shared history, commitment, loyalty and love for that place where we spent some of our formative years. The kinship with anyone who has gone to Dartmouth runs deep and has given me a home and a family, even as I have moved all over the country over the last

almost two decades (KKH).

#### One Thing You Wish You'd Known When You Graduated:

That not every place in the world is as awesome as Dartmouth! (SA). TO APPLY AND ENROLL IN TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM (MS). That it would be a great time to live abroad for a year before going straight to law school (BM). How to study (NR). Should have taken statistics (ANON). Dartmouth is a sheltered special place that you should not take for granted. It's not always going to be as easy as being in college (SS). THE ECONOMY/JOB-MARKET WAS ABOUT AS GOOD AS IT WAS GOING TO GET...! (KP). That I really don't hate the corporate world (KCH). Get to know alums! (JM). How young I really was (FD). That we'd actually get old (RL). TIME IS PRECIOUS, MAKE EVERY DAY COUNT (MG). Most places are significantly less pleasant than Hanover, and that living in a community of similarly-aged academic peers is a unique point in time that should be embraced (JW). That as much as one would like it to be the case, life cannot be planned (ML). The little stuff doesn't matter, your real friends will stick around and be there through thick and thin, and they still are! (SP) I wish I had known that success was more than a great job or a lucrative career. I could say those words when I graduated, but I didn't really believe or live them until much later. The exceptional nature of our classmates makes it hard to "settle" for normal life, but finding happiness is a very personal thing. I wish for everyone graduating from Dartmouth and every one of our classmates that they find their own happiness and don't let themselves be intimidated by a sense of what they are "supposed" to be doing. Happiness and feeling content in your life is a measure of success that I wish I had better understood when we graduated (KKH). THAT THE PEOPLE YOU MEET AT DARTMOUTH WILL BE PART OF YOUR LIFE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE, AND THEY CAN MAKE YOUR LIFE EVEN MORE SPECIAL AND MORE FUL-FILLING THAN YOU EVER COULD DREAM (EDS).

Want to share your Dartmouth memories? Send them our way! (to neesha@alum.dartmouth.org) In the next issue – Studying at Dartmouth and Memorable World Events, 1992-1996.



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### **Reunion Is in the Air!**

Don't look now, but we're just about a year out from our 20th Reunion. Our class cluster ('94s-'96s) will be hosting the 20th Reunion in Hanover in June 2015. Our committee will be planning events for the whole family and expect further details in the months to come. Don't miss the opportunity to reconnect with classmates and visit campus to relive the good old days. Our committee is still in formation, so if you would like to get involved with event

planning, regional or affinity recruitment, or otherwise, please contact our Reunion Chair Justin Heather at justinlheather@yahoo.com.

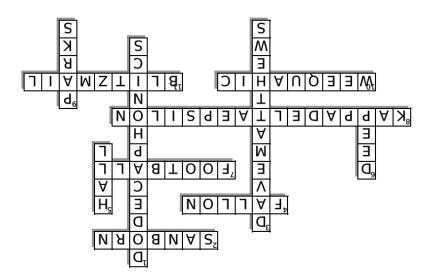


Is June 2015 too far off to reconnect with the Big Green? Join or plan one of our mini-reunions. This past year, our classmates (along with other classes) have planned mini-reunions in Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, and Orlando.

Additional mini-reunions will be held later this year to make sure everyone is in the spirit for next year's big 2-0! No mini-reunions in your area? Plan one. Want some advice or suggestions? Feel free to contact Justin or any of our class officers.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year in Hanover and/or in one of our regional mini-reunions!

Solution to Crossword Puzzle



March: Dartmouth ranks second on Forbes columnist Matt Schifrin's list of 50 private colleges that have "a track record of producing alums who come out in droves to donate money to their schools." This is the second year of Schifrin's list, which he says "ranks colleges by the median amount of private donations per student over a 10year period. The idea is that the best colleges are the ones that produce successful people who make enough money during their careers to be charitable and feel compelled to give back to the schools that contributed to their success."

April: President Philip J. Hanlon '77 accepted an anonymous gift of \$100 million, the largest single outright donation in the College's 244-year history, which also includes a 2-to-1 challenge to double the investment's size to \$200 million. Coming in the first year of Hanlon's presidency, this powerful endorsement launches a broad vision to advance Dartmouth's teaching mission at the forefront of scholarship in a rapidly changing higher education landscape. Dartmouth is moving to strengthen its faculty, nurture a new generation of emerging scholars, and fortify an innovative interdisciplinary approach to teaching and research.

**April:** The Center for Surgical Innovation (CSI) opened at the Dartmouth-

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Hitchcock Medical Center. The value of medical research is why Keith Paulsen, Thayer's Robert A. Pritzker Professor of Biomedical Engineering, and Dr. Sohail Mirza, chair of Dartmouth-Hitchcock's Department of Orthopaedics, worked together to create the CSI, the nation's first surgical facility dedicated to translational research. Paulsen, CSI scientific director, and Mirza, CSI medical director, will oversee research that combines Thayer expertise in biomedical engineering, imaging, and computation with clinical expertise at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and Geisel School of Medicine—research that uses the CSI to test new approaches in the operating room, such as complex real-time image-guided surgical procedures. The CSI mitigates a major limitation for researchers: a lack of operating room time and space for the clinical studies on animals and humans that must be carried out before any new technique or technology becomes standard practice. While various hospitals, including those affiliated with Duke and Johns Hopkins universities, have surgical centers dedicated to imaging research and innovation, the CSI is the only one where research won't have to compete with clinical care. Completely separate from Dartmouth-Hitchcock's busy operating rooms, the 12,000square-foot CSI is largely free from the

scheduling and financial realities that drive high-volume clinical surgical units. "The pressure to make this a profit center where patients need to get in and out won't be prevalent," says Paulsen.

**May:** The Dartmouth softball team captured its first-ever Ivy League Championship on May 4th with a 7-3 victory over the University of Pennsylvania at the Dartmouth Softball Park.

May: May 1st marks the 50th anniversary of BASIC, the computer language developed at Dartmouth by mathematics professor and future Dartmouth president John Kemeny, math professor Tom Kurtz, and a handful of Dartmouth undergraduates. "The program BASIC that was created 50 years ago was the start of opening up the world of computing to anyone who wanted to try it," said Joe Palca of NPR. "BASIC was the starting point." Dan Rockmore, the William H. Neukom 1964 Distinguished Professor of Computational Science, said, "People who absolutely never would have engaged with the computer before were now engaging with computers on campus. It spread so quickly that the telephone company had to start putting in new trunk lines in Hanover so that everybody who wanted to get on the computer could get on the computer."



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