

Summer days in Boston are filled with beaches, the Red Sox, the Cape and Islands and plenty of shellfish. I hope you have had a great summer and will savor the upcoming gifts of Fall.

I deeply regret to inform you that our classmate Carrie DeValk Chorzempa '90 died April 3, 2007 at her home after a long battle with colon cancer. Carrie is survived by her husband of nine years David, their two daughters Charlotte and Celia, her parents, many relatives, former colleagues and friends. Carrie was graduated from high school in Orland Park, Illinois and then earned a B.A. in Economics from Dartmouth. After her days in Hanover, Carrie received a law degree from the University of Illinois Law School. Prior to having children, Carrie worked as an attorney in Chicago. Carrie was known by her family and friends as a loving spouse and mother, a solid attorney, a caring soul and determined fighter in her battle with cancer. Speaking about Carrie's leaving her job as an attorney to be a stay-at-home mother, her husband David reflected, "It was a tough decision for Carrie, but there was never a moment's regret on her part. She cherished every moment and as a perfectionist, she put the same zeal into everything she did whether it was being a lawyer; a mother or just emptying the dishwasher." Classmate Kathy Heafey went to high school with Carrie and recently had run into her at their 20th reunion. Our next Class Newsletter will feature more extensive information about Carrie. We join David, Charlotte and Celia and Carrie's family as they mourn this great loss.

We received an exciting update from Nicholas Brown in London regarding his latest film project entitled "Climate Chaos" for BBC1, presented by Sir David Attenborough. Nicholas writes, "Its a two-part (2 hours) series about climate change. It aired in 2006, and has now won "Best of Festival" plus 6 other categories at the International Wildlife Film Festival. It has also recently been awarded the title of Best Science Program of 2006 by the European Broadcast Commission (Eurovision). And it won the Best of Festival grand prize at China's first ever environmental film festival in Xu Yi, Yunan Province. A version of the film aired on Discovery in the US starring Tom Brokaw. I was the film's director, and spent half a year filming around the world, from Australia to Brazil and Patagonia. For me, it is the culmination of 15 years of environmental filmmaking, and "Climate Chaos" has been the most important achievement in my career. Its broadcast has coincided with a sea change in the way climate change is viewed in Britain, both amongst the public and within the government. My follow up project for Discovery, entitled "The Energy Solution" was officially selected for the Telluride Mountain Film Festival in May '07, and aired on Discovery in the summer of 2007. The film looks at five new forms of energy." Whether on Netflix or the "telly", I look forward to seeing Nicolas' important work.

Here's an update about Homecoming in Hanover from our President, Kate Griffiths Harrison, "Homecoming is October 19 and 20 this year. We will have a spirited '90 contingent in the parade before the bonfire Friday and the third annual '90 tailgate will be going strong Saturday on the Sphinx lawn....come one, come all!"

If you get to Boston, let me know, the drinks will be on me.