

Class of 1990 D.A.M. Column Submission

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What a weekend! Give an enormous rouse to reunion chair (and outgoing President) Kate Griffiths Harrison and the entire committee for putting on a fantastic reunion. Old friends, new family connections, great food and drink, some bittersweet words of wisdom from President Wright and sweet sounds of the Aires all set in a place that's so special. In just 6 (short?) years, we'll be back on the Hanover plain for our big 25th. (By then, rest of the guys will be bald.)

After five years of silent service as your co-Class Secretary, we thought we might take a few moments and update you on our musings, as many of you have repeatedly asked in your update emails, phone calls and letters.

Brad Drazen has been augmenting his life as co-secretary of the class with a job as morning anchor at the NBC TV station in Connecticut. His alarm goes off at 2:45am, 5 days a week. That gets him to work at 3:30 to prepare for air time at 5:00. The schedule provides an otherworldly sense of constant fatigue, but also plenty of time to spend with family. Brad and his wife, Lauren (Dwartz '92) live in West Hartford with their 3 kids: Noah, Max and Liv. In between coaching or driving to baseball, soccer, swimming, basketball, youth theater, Odyssey of the Mind, dance and guitar, he still manages to get a little golf and hoops in himself.

Still eligible with no children, Bill Levin gets 3 more hours of sleep per day than Brad and lives in Charlestown, Massachusetts, 3 blocks from the Bunker Hill Monument. As we write, Bill is preparing to leave his position at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, where he has served as an administrative dean for the past 8 years. Remaining in Boston, Bill will be returning to the corporate ranks for a product management role at Thomson Reuters. Bill also manages almost seventy units of residential and commercial real estate in the Boston area for his family. Outside of work, Bill serves as Vice Chairman of the Board at Park Street Kids and School, a private nursery and elementary school in Boston's Beacon Hill neighborhood. He spends quite a bit of time chasing his 2 nephews in the Berkshires, where his family has a home.

It has been an honor to serve you for these past 5 years and we deeply appreciate all of your contributions and updates to make this column strong. We look forward to reading the future columns written by our newly elected co-Class Secretary, Rob Crawford and Walt Palmer. You can reach them at robertlcrawford@yahoo.com and walterpalmer@web.de. We could not be leaving the column in better hands.