

DOC HOUSE GETS A MAKEOVER

CLASS OF '69 HONORS THEIR PAST BY PRESERVING THE FUTURE

DARTMOUTH ALUMNI ARE enthusiastic supporters of every aspect of the College. Besides supporting the loftier pursuits of academia, alumni are driven by our profound sense of place to upgrade our basecamp to the world.

One of the most ambitious examples of this, an extensive renovation of the Dartmouth Outing Club house on the north shore of Occom Pond, is in progress right now.

The original DOC house was constructed in 1929 as a gift from the Class of 1900 and heralded as "a new hub to this Hanover winter."

The house is described in the June 1930 Dartmouth Alumni Magazine as "a low, rambling type of architecture of stone and wood, admirably suited to express the spirit of the Outing Club." It has served Dartmouth alumni, faculty, staff, and local residents as a social gathering place for nine decades, but now shows significant wear and tear.

In a bold leadership move, the Class of 1969 is funding the cost of the entire project as its 50th reunion class gift-the largest in the history of Dartmouth College. A membersonly campaign to raise \$3 million to underwrite the project has secured or pledged nearly 90 percent of the goal by 185

A ROOM WITH A VIEW **Moosilauke Ravine Lodge** hosts more than 4.000 overnight stays each year. Four bunkhouses, funded by alumni classes, welcome trekkers at the end of the day.

Class of 1965 Bunkhouse Opened June 2015 5 alcove rooms; sleeps 26 total; 2 woodstoves

Class of 1966 Bunkhouse Opened June 2016 4 family-style rooms; sleeps 20 total; 1 woodstove



Class of 1967 Bunkhouse **Opened June 2017** 3 rooms; sleeps 22 total; 1woodstove

Class of 1974 Bunkhouse Opened June 2014 4 alcove rooms; sleeps 30 total: Unheated

classmates. The class hopes to celebrate with the community at the dedication of a newly renovated DOC house next year, likely at Homecoming 2021.

Several years ago, the original Moosilauke Ravine Lodge was replaced with an entirely new structure, funded completely through philanthropic giving. Contemporary upgrades, such as a highly functional kitchen, expanded indoor spaces, and improved accessibility features affirm the lodge as a facility designed for a 100-year lifetime. Generous class gifts have also expanded the visitor amenities, including a lodge crew building and four bunkhouses, funded respectively by the classes of 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1974.

All gifts for these projects support The Call to Lead Campaign, embracing the belief that students learn and lead through connecting with our beautiful New England

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