

IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE

*Dartmouth College
Recognizes with Deep Appreciation
the Extraordinary Achievements of*

Thomas R. Beecher III '89

*2012 Treasurer of the Year
25 Years Out and Younger*

Tom, in 1997 you were honored with the award for Class Treasurer of the Year, 25 Years Out and Younger. Today, history repeats itself!

We could have honored you “just” on your brilliant fiscal management of the Dartmouth Class of 1989, especially given your dues participation rate of 39.78 per cent, but for you, this achievement was just a baseline. You needed to do more!

The events of the past year have been momentous for treasurers as a group. As the treasurers’ representative to the *Dartmouth Alumni Magazine* editorial board, you have been instrumental in the drive to end funding of the magazine from class treasuries. While both Sean Plottner and Martha Beattie have spoken in glowing terms of your outstanding work and insightful perspective, it is the words of your classmate Ellie Mahoney Loughlin that resonate most:

He's never ever going to take credit for anything. Even now, if you say that you've heard he's done a ton for the alumni mag, he'll say, "No, Martha Beattie and a bunch of other people did; I was just lucky enough to be in the room." Those of us who know Tom know that he is the room, not just in the room. But he'll never admit it.

Albert Einstein once said, “The world we have created is a product of our thinking; it cannot be changed without changing our thinking.” Tom, you have challenged us to change our thinking; you have challenged us to ask what could be done instead of just working within the confines of what exists. For that we present you with the 2012 Class Treasurer of the Year Award, 25 Years Out and Younger.

Vice President, Alumni Relations

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