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Dear Graduates and Friends of West Point:

Inappropriate behavior by cadets in the summer of 1879 finally pushed the Superintendent past his point of patience. Major General John M. Schofield pointedly assembled the entire Corps of Cadets on Monday, the 11th of August, and spoke to them forcefully.



Major General
John M. Schofield,
Superintendent,
1876-1881

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Young Gentlemen:

I am about to speak to you upon the subject of the treatment of New Cadets by their Seniors in the Corps. . . . The practice of hazing has prevailed in most, if not all, of the institutions of learning, both in this country and in England, for many generations. It has always been condemned by the more enlightened, and generally denounced by the regulations. Yet it has generally been tolerated as a supposed unavoidable evil which did no great amount of harm and some good. Like the institution of slavery, until recently tolerated in this country, because it had been inherited from our ancestors, it has even been defended by many on the assumed ground that it was rather beneficial than otherwise to the poor victims.

Enlightened public opinion throughout the civilized world now condemns slavery, both because it is a violation of the natural rights of man and because it is injurious to all concerned.

The venerable vice of hazing is of the same general character. It is a violation of the equal rights given by nature and guaranteed by law. . . .

The practice of hazing is both injurious and humiliating to its victims and degrading to those who engage in it. . . .

Like all vicious and illegal indulgences, the practice of hazing tends toward revolting extremes. In former times at West Point

it was confined, with rare exceptions, to comparatively harmless sport. . . . any approximation to degrading or insulting treatment was almost unknown. . . .

But by degrees, here as elsewhere, the poison seems to have spread and become more and more virulent, until now insulting and opprobrious names and epithets are applied to new cadets, and they are subjected to degrading treatment, such as no gentlemen can possibly justify or defend. . . .

The very foundation of civil society is mutual respect for individual rights. And nowhere is such mutual respect more strictly enjoined and rigidly enforced than in military organizations. Without it, tyranny on the one hand and disaffection and mutiny on the other must destroy the efficiency of an army. Those who wantonly inflict insult and abuse upon their inferiors and those who tamely submit to such treatment from those who may be placed over them, are alike unworthy to be the soldiers of a free country. . . .

The spirit which dictates hazing and its official counterpart, a harsh instead of a mild mode of imparting military instruction and enforcing obedience, is radically wrong. The best and most successful commanders of all grades are those who win the respect, confidence and affection of their subordinates by justice and firmness, tempered by kindness. **The discipline which makes the soldiers of a free country reliable in battle is not to be gained by harsh or tyrannical treatment. On the contrary, such treatment is far more likely to destroy than to make an army. It is possible to impart instruction and give commands in such manner and in such tone of voice as to inspire in the soldier no feeling but an intense desire to obey. While the opposite manner and tone of voice can not fail to excite strong resentment and a desire to disobey. The one mode or the other of dealing with subordinates springs from a corresponding spirit in the breast of the commander. He who feels the respect which is due to others can not fail to inspire in them regard for himself. While he who feels, and hence manifests, disrespect toward others, especially his inferiors, can not fail to inspire hatred against himself. . . .**

A veteran soldier sees but little difference between the different grades, from his own down to that of a junior cadet, and treats all with nearly equal respect. It would be well

for young soldiers to profit by such examples. The road to military honor will be guarded all the way by the hearts of those who may be your subordinates. You can not travel that road unless you can command those hearts. . . .

I have spoken to you, gentlemen, thus plainly because it is my duty as your instructor to make the matter as plain to you as possible, and my duty as your commander to leave you in no doubt of the requirements of the Government as to your future conduct. . . . I trust we now clearly understand each other and know what our line of conduct in the future must be.

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Schofield's complete address was somewhat longer and more direct than the portion reproduced here. As the subdued cadets marched back to barracks on that long-ago August day, they could have had no doubt of their Superintendent's deep displeasure. An excerpt from his remarks, shown in bold type above, has been passed down to generations of cadets as "Schofield's definition of discipline." It has long been required of plebes to memorize those words. Which is ironic if you think about it, for plebes are not the ones who violate such a basic principle of leadership. So, beginning this academic year we took steps to place Schofield's "definition" at a more appropriate phase of the cadet experience. Though still published in *Bugle Notes*, it is now the yearling—not the plebe—who is expected to know, understand, and put into practice Schofield's sage counsel; the yearling is now the one accountable for the recitation of its quoted portions as a step in the understanding of its intent. This constitutes a better fit with the developmental process of the Third Class, giving them ageless guidance for their role as team leaders for the plebes. We think General Schofield would heartily approve—though he might wonder that it took 111 years for his words to be put into practice.

Best wishes from West Point.

Dave R. Palmer
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
Superintendent



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Dear Fellow Graduates,

Homecoming has come and gone, but if noise and enthusiasm are any indication, the classes of '70, '75, '80 and '85 had a great time! A super football game and the best fall weather we've had so far didn't dampen the spirits of our grads, either. The Board of Trustees of your Association met in conjunction with Homecoming weekend, and the major subject of interest was the report to the Board by the **Long Range Planning Committee**. Roscoe Robinson '51 chaired the committee and gave the Board of Trustees an informational briefing on the committee's recommendations.

The purpose of the Long Range Planning Conference, held 1-3 June 1990, was to provide the leadership of the Association the opportunity to formulate the strategic directions which the Association should pursue during the period 1991-2002. Quite simply, the committee asked the question: what course should the AOG take over the next ten years?

Recognizing that the Association is now healthier (financially), and more active than it has ever been (with over 100 West Point societies), and communicates better with its members than ever before (six issues of *ASSEMBLY* each year), the committee also noted that great changes are in the wind, both for the nation and the Military Academy. To meet the requirements of West Point in the next decade, the AOG must change, too.

Based on that reasoning, the Long Range Planning Committee selected five major areas to represent those critical issues that needed to be addressed: fund raising; alumni relations; Washington relations; the relationship between AOG and USMA; and the management structure of the AOG.

I'd like to share with you the recommendations made by the Long Range Planning Committee to the Board of Trustees. Bear in mind that these recommendations have not yet been approved; in fact, I wouldn't be surprised if some are rejected and others changed. They will all be reviewed by the Executive Committee of the Association in January, and then presented to the Board of Trustees for a vote at the winter meeting of the Board in February. Here they are, arranged under the five major headings:

Fund Raising

The AOG should continue to implement the phased expansion of the fund-raising staff and program over the next five years, and continuously review the program to determine results. The long-range objective should be to raise \$100 million over the next ten years.

Alumni Relations

The AOG should establish a new AOG-West Point society relationship based upon a contractual affiliation between each society and the Association.

The AOG should establish, publish, and distribute to West Point societies, class presidents, and the Board of Trustees a "newsletter" that will address critical issues as they occur.

The AOG should encourage and assist USMA in the production and dissemination of TV/video tapes about West Point.

The AOG should investigate the desirability of establishing an electronic bulletin board system (EBBS) for use between the AOG and West Point societies.

The AOG should encourage the increased use of FAX facilities by/with the West Point societies.

The AOG should create a West Point Society Recognition Program for exceptional performance, e.g., general awards for use by societies in their programs.

The AOG should develop a program whereby junior members (first ten years after graduation) of West Point societies are recognized for exceptional achievement.

The AOG should establish a program to recognize distinguished alumni.

The AOG should take the following actions *immediately*:

- a. Request that the Commandant appoint a Cadet Advisory Committee to meet periodically with the AOG staff.
The purpose of the committee should be to improve interaction with cadets through sponsorship of cadet functions and the development of incentives for joining the AOG.
- b. Provide non-USMA tactical officers with information on the AOG.
- c. Explore increased Gift Shop price reductions at special times for cadets. (Ed. Note: cadets now receive a 10% price reduction on all purchases in the AOG Gift Shop).
- d. Establish an electronic mail link with USMA to enhance communications.
- e. Urge USMA to continue to develop, refine, and articulate a list of requirements appropriate to fund raising.

- f. On a trial basis, write a letter, over the signature of the President, AOG to all graduates in classes 15-25 years from graduation offering answers to questions on admissions to West Point for their children. The letter should be closely coordinated with the Director of Admissions.
- g. Consider retaining the AOG Gift Shop in the plans for the new alumni building.
- h. Increase the USMA/AOG speakers program for society use.
- i. Increase communications between the West Point societies and the parents clubs.

Washington Relations

The President of the AOG should establish a Washington Relations Committee consisting of 3 members, located in the Washington, D.C. area, with direct access to the Executive Vice-President of the AOG for support.

AOG/USMA Relations

The President of the AOG should establish a Superintendent's Advisory Committee to be used by the Superintendent as a "sounding board."

The AOG should encourage USMA to provide timely notice of upcoming local cadet activities and athletic contests, and in turn the AOG must ensure this information is disseminated to the appropriate West Point societies.

The AOG, in conjunction with USMA, must upgrade services provided to visiting alumni.

AOG Management Structure

Selection criteria for becoming a trustee should be based upon a statement, submitted by the nominators, of past accomplishments and of present intentions sufficient to demonstrate the willingness and ability of the nominee to make a contribution to the purpose of the AOG.

Board terms for trustees should be limited to three. After that number, a trustee could be reelected after a hiatus of three years.

The rule that upon 15 years service a trustee automatically becomes emeritus should be eliminated. "Grandfather" current Trustees Emeritus. After 15 years of service on the Board, a trustee may elect emeritus status.

Currently, trustees are elected from the AOG membership at large and from 5-year reunion classes. This should be changed to three categories of trustees:

- a. Regional trustees, based upon and elected from West Point society membership (15).
- b. Trustees at large (18).
- c. Class trustees—maintain current selection from classes having a 5-year anniversary during a coming year, with one-year terms, *and* set aside three class trustee positions for election from alumni within the first ten years after graduation.

The Executive Vice-President of the Association should be added as an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees.

The titles of the primary AOG staff should be changed from *Director* to *Vice-President*. Other salaried staff officers, subordinate to a Vice-President, will use the title *Director*.

The Long Range Planning Committee also recommended that Associate Membership in the AOG be offered to all officers assigned to the USMA Staff and Faculty; and that the President should establish two additional committees: Class Affairs and Strategic Planning.

I hope you will give serious thought to all of these recommendations. Those that are approved will do much to set the direction of your Association for the decade to come. I would appreciate your comments, positive *and* negative, concerning the Long Range Planning Committee's report, and any suggestions you may have at any time.

Sincerely,



Denis F. Mullane
President
Association of Graduates
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Letters to the Editor



Supports Strong Compulsory Core Curriculum

As one who had a USMA education back when the only elective was a foreign language, but who has pursued an intellectually demanding career, I support a strong compulsory core curriculum, as advocated in your July issue by Major Blackman in opposition to Colonel Hoy.

I am the *first* USMA graduate to be elected to the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) in 68 years.* I left the military nine years after graduation *not* because of any dissatisfaction with the Army as an institution, but rather because my qualities made me obviously more suited for scientific research—at which I've done quite well (much better than most of my Harvard contemporaries in science). Relevant to USMA, here is an extract from what I said in response to a 1989 NAS request for a biography, to include "major influences on my career":

"[c] 1944–48: The West Point educational system. The engineering & social science curriculum, grading in every subject every day, publication of grades every month on bulletin boards, and being compelled to help a . . . roommate inculcated good study habits and a strong problem-solving orientation."

When I survey the confused educational scene at UCLA and elsewhere, with the freedoms and alternatives and options offered students and faculty, I think back to the USMA curriculum and the implementation thereof: a balanced choice of subjects, laid out months in advance as to what would be taken when, everyone taking the same, ardent and focused instructors: you knew that you must study *every* night to keep up. It sure worked for me (as one ". . . often motivated by hedonism" in Major Blackman's words). As it should for anyone who later found he had to use his brain in an unanticipated direction.

William M. Kaula
Professor of Geophysics, UCLA
USMA 1948

*My immediate predecessor as a USMA electee to NAS was George O. Squier, Class of 1887, Chief Signal Officer 1917–1923.

Assembly Needs Improved Content

A recent trip to West Point for my 30th reunion and conversations with classmates prompt me finally to write this long-contemplated letter. I look forward to receiving each month's issue of the *Assembly*, but, in general, the only part I find of much interest is my class column. I assume that this information is of first importance to others also since the sections devoted to classes and obituaries comprise 70% of the magazine. Nevertheless, I always scan the articles, and, encountering little worth reading, month after month, I would like to convey my disappointment.

Most of us have attended other institutions and are exposed to their alumni magazines as well. In these publications one encounters articles devoted to issues which are of intellectual substance. In contrast, the *Assembly* is almost uniformly inward-looking and contains for the most part "news" stories about the Academy or the AOG. These pieces are virtually idea-free: cadets graduate and listen to a forgettable speech (printed in its entirety); alumni gather for reunions; somebody we never heard of retires; cadets go on a trip. Does anyone not resident at West Point care about this stuff? In a recent issue only the article by Larry Donnithorne concerning the Posvar Commission report raised any questions worth a moment's thought.

What makes this state of affairs disappointing is that among USMA graduates there are thinkers, writers, even poets whose work could fill the magazine with interesting material. By way of illustration, I enclose a poem by a classmate written as a biographical submission for our 30th reunion book. It is an example of a reservoir of thought and eloquence which I believe would be available to you if you would seek it out.

Perhaps you feel that you are only giving graduates what they want; you might even be right. (A letters column, encouraging reader response, would be a start in finding out.) Maybe also you are under some constraints from AOG about what can and cannot be published. I know I speak only for myself, but I know also that the alumni are a diverse group whose lives have taken many directions. I think you might consider whether

there is not room in the *Assembly* for some controversy, some originality, some *ideas* beyond the endless repetition of our commitment to "Duty, Honor, Country" (a motto invoked 13 times in a recent issue).

How about a survey of graduates about what they think of the magazine and whether they would like to see it changed and how? You might in this process find some writers out there interested in exploring subjects more enlightening than the Invitational Scout Camporee.

What do you think?

Gordon Livingston
Class of '60

"Biography"

The days came not easy on Winter's
lonely lines,
The granite sky, the northwind, the
warlike hills,
The heavy river intent upon only
the sea,
The praying trees upon relief,
And we, in our earnest pride,
Made grave before our time,
In grey lines, upon our singular lives.
There was laughter among us,
Uncertain joy among us,
But there were liberties, frivolities,
Youth's routine insanities, we never
knew,
And the splendor of other seasons
Ignored in pursuit of strife:
Hills of confetti recalling the life
songs of Earth,
Sequined, green-dressed, creation-
scented mornings
In which we labored our rigid drills,
Marched up ghost moths from the
grass
And trampled in the dew the dark-
ened paths
From that rejected beauty into war.

There remains now the brother-
hood, of which
But the highest to say . . .
Though infamous the price paid
To Death in stoic years'
Defense of our contingency in time
and space,
And reproaches to our militant fame
Who shared the equal doubt
And pain in unequal hardship,
Much love lost in suspended time
And thoughts foregone in praise of
being.

Some died,
Some, living, withstood in prosaic
mind,
Some in withered hope, in resignation,
Some indoctrinate, some inured,
some gratified, be it said—
But some did not.

In one of whom arose,
Out of fearsome journeys and broken
days
And dreams with demon battles,
Out of razed fortresses in untenable
places
And futures discomposed,
A forgotten self, sick unto death,
Deep in the eye of the serpent,
Madness,
And alone, ever alone in oblivion,
A purple landscape,
A mournful stream singing in the
black reeds.
There also, a presence, as of a be-
loved
Too rare to possess,
Courtied in the currents of one's will,
A unity, a dangerous affinity
For knowledge unknown, for absurd
conditions,
Unspeakable beauties in a twilight
view,
Where going bravely among in se-
cret name
He was healed,
And that one was me.

Frank D. Finn

As Dr. Livingston suggests, with over 22,000 Assembly subscribers a wide spectrum of interests are represented. Most, however, like him are interested foremost in their respective class columns. Our most recent survey (1989) indicated that after class notes, the next most read items are the obituaries and the Superintendent's letter. But the survey also indicated that other items—columns of the Dean, Com, and DIA; the society news; the bulletin board; and the feature articles are read by a majority of the subscribers. In general, the survey responses were very supportive of the present format and content of Assembly.

Keeping in mind that the purpose of the Association of Graduates is to further the ideals and promote the welfare of the Military Academy, Assembly endeavors to keep graduates current on the status of their alma mater, primarily through informational articles. This, of course, does not preclude material of

intellectual substance and/or of a controversial nature, and indeed not infrequently such material has been included.

Be that as it may, Assembly does appreciate Dr. Livingston's forthright letter which was placed on the agenda of the most recent AOG Publications Committee meeting. There will be further review of the content makeup of Assembly by the committee. We would also appreciate hearing from other graduates on this matter.

Editor

Army vs. Navy

I am very interested in Lewis Sorley's thought-provoking letter in the November issue of *ASSEMBLY*, and I think that most of our graduates share an interest in the question he raises: why do our male cadets lose to midshipmen so often?

Since moving to Northern Virginia from Garrison, NY, I have visited USNA a number of times and have concluded that today the Navy wants to beat Army more than Army wants to beat Navy. I mentioned this to a senior here at the splendid Fairfax retirement center. He said, "The late Dean BG Jerry Counts told me that in 1960."

Years back cadet athletes felt that *everyone* on the post was behind them in the struggle to beat Navy, that our teams were the Corps' teams. Is that true today?

Red Reeder
Class of 1926

Army-Navy Sports Competition

When I read COL Morris J. Herbert's questionable conclusions in his September 1990 *ASSEMBLY* article on ARMY-NAVY sports competition, I said to myself, "relax, don't get uptight, you're an outsider. Who in the USMA hierarchy would value your opinion?" Well, having read Lewis Sorley's concise challenge for objectivity on the part of COL Herbert in his November letter to the Editor of *ASSEMBLY*, I have new-found determination to lend further weight to his challenge of what I perceive to be faulty logic on COL Herbert's part.

Let us review COL Herbert's assumptions!

1. "the professionalism, leadership, and skill of our coaches is at least equal to that of Navy. In fact, in the area of

athletic administration and coaching ability, we believe Army to be the equal of any school in the country."

REBUTTAL—According to whom? This sounds more like the statement of the embattled chief of a failed savings and loan. In case the colonel has forgotten, "the buck stops here (at the top)." I cannot believe how belicose sounding the absolution of the Academy's sports leadership sounds. Further, the evidence contradicts the colonel. Consider the recent success of Army football after years of dismal results. Whatever talent Coach Young has recruited in the most recent years, he took 2-9 talent in 1983 and turned them into 8-3-1 talent in 1984. That's leadership, perhaps the missing element in much of the Army's sports program.

2. "The inescapable conclusion is simply that Navy, in almost every men's sport for the past twenty years, HAS HAD BETTER ATHLETES than Army."

REBUTTAL—I am not a colonel but I have been a corporate leader for over 20 years. A fundamental truth of successful leadership is to do more with your human resource than your competition/opposition. If we are to succeed as a company, Army or nation, it will be because our respective leadership groups have done an effective job training, directing and motivating the material available.

Even a superficial review of the credentials of an incoming USMA class reveals that the vast majority of the "new cadets" were varsity letter winners as well as class leaders and academicians. As the case of Doug Black ('86) reveals, the football staff ("equal to any school in the country") preceding Young's didn't even know he existed. The material is available. Young proved it!

In example after example, effective leaders make winners out of losers. Unfortunately, the message COL Herbert sends to our players of today and for the last 20 years is that they didn't measure up, at least as athletes, while the sports leadership did.

In closing, I cannot believe that at least 20 years of "The Long Gray Line" will not rise up to protest the self-serving drivel that COL Herbert has offered in defense of the Academy's sports leadership at the expense of the student athlete.

Ronald C. Dugan
Chairman
Rand Precision Optics

Senator Mike Mansfield Recipient of The 1990 Sylvanus Thayer Award

On 27 September 1990 the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy presented West Point's most prestigious honor to the former United States Senator and Ambassador to Japan, the Honorable Michael J. Mansfield.

The award, given by the Association of Graduates since 1958, is conferred upon an outstanding citizen whose service and accomplishments in the national interest exemplify personal devotion to the ideals expressed in the West Point motto, DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY.

The award is named in honor of Sylvanus Thayer, Class of 1808 and the 33d graduate of the Academy, who nine years later became its fifth superintendent. Serving in this capacity until 1833, Thayer instituted at West Point those principles of academic and military education, based upon the integration of character and knowledge which have remained an essential element of the Military Academy. He is acknowledged as "the Father of the Military Academy." Under his direction the United States Military Academy became the first technological school in America; and his curriculum, textbooks, and engineer graduates were in great demand among the nation's colleges and scientific institutions as they developed throughout the 19th Century.

The award was presented to Senator Mansfield at a dinner banquet in Washington Hall, attended by the Corps of Cadets and distinguished guests.

Following the meal, Cadet First Captain Doug McCormick welcomed Senator Mansfield and distinguished guests and introduced Lieutenant General Dave R. Palmer, 53d Superintendent of the Military Academy. General Palmer recognized the distinguished guests which included Mr. Denis F. Mullane, President of the Association of Graduates; General Carl E. Vuono, Chief of Staff, United States Army; General Edward C. Meyer (Ret) former Chief of Staff, United States Army; General Roscoe Robinson (Ret); Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester (Ret); and Lieutenant General John J. Davis (Ret), representing the Class of 1931, the class whose vision was responsible for the creation of the Thayer Award.

In his remarks General Palmer noted Thayer's extraordinary contribution to West Point and to the nation. The super-

intendent commented that while much of the curriculum and military training at West Point have changed since Thayer's day, the standards of character and the intellectual values which were Thayer's vision remain an essential element of the environment of West Point and the quality of its graduates. General Palmer then introduced Mr. Denis F. Mullane, President of the Association of Graduates, for the presentation of the award.

In his remarks Mr. Mullane congratulated the members of the selection committee and expressed the Association's appreciation for the bequest from the estate of Clare Boothe Luce, herself a recipient of the award, which provides partial funding for the award. Mr. Mullane then paid tribute to the remarkable achievements of the Senator with these words:

"I was a member of the committee that selected Mrs. Luce and was present when Mrs. Luce accepted the award eleven years ago. I remember her comments about the dedication and devotion of those who serve our beloved nation. Speaking to the Corps that evening she said, 'You are that happy breed, who have a cause in life . . . you know what you are doing and who you are doing it for. The path of Honor, Duty, and Country is a hard one, but a straight one . . .'

"Tonight we honor a man who, throughout a lifetime of service to our nation, has always known what he was doing and who he was doing it for. As for the path of honor, duty and country—he has traveled that path, earning the highest esteem and gratitude of his countrymen."

Mr. Mullane then read the citation, conferring the Sylvanus Thayer Award on Senator Mansfield.

In addressing the large audience assembled, Senator Mansfield directed his comments to the members of the Corps:

"It is a great honor for me to be chosen as the recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award. First of all, when I consider the names of those who have preceded me, I am unduly privileged to be listed with them. Second, it is because this honor is bestowed by those whom I respect so greatly—the graduates of West Point, men and women whom I have been proud to know and work with during my half-century of public service. And finally, it is because this award honors and remembers the Father of the United



States Military Academy, a descendant of the first immigrants to New England, a man who embodied both the virtues of so many other Americans—decency, common sense, and foresight—and the principles for which this Academy and its graduates have always stood—duty, honor, and country.

"What a man! We owe him so much and until recent years, recognized him so little. He took a fledgling institution of military training and turned it into the nation's first technological school. The foundation that he established at West Point, combining the finest military and technological education with the qualities of character and love of learning, has served our nation, and the world, well for over 175 years. Standing here in 1813, Colonel Thayer could never have imagined the role that his country, its armed forces, and the military academy that he directed would play in years to come. But it is a tribute to this great man that the academy that he helped build, and its graduates, have played—and will continue to play—such an important role on behalf of the security and development of our nation. I am honored to accept this award, named for Sylvanus Thayer. But more than anything else, it is this academy, which he did so much for, that truly keeps alive his many contributions, as a citizen and a soldier, to this country.

"They say that today the Cold War is over. But America's role, and the role of this academy, are not. Ladies and gentlemen, a world filled with opportunity and challenges still awaits you. We are

1990 SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD

CITATION

MICHAEL J. MANSFIELD

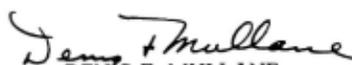
As a distinguished educator, public servant and diplomat, The Honorable Michael J. Mansfield has rendered a lifetime of outstanding service to the United States and to its citizens. Through his extraordinary contributions to our nation's decision-making process and by his astute diplomatic representation of the United States abroad, he has exemplified the ideals of West Point expressed in its motto, "Duty, Honor, Country."

As a public servant Mike Mansfield has served our nation in the highest positions of responsibility. As a member of the United States House of Representatives for ten years, he established a singular reputation as a leading congressional expert in foreign affairs. Elected to four successive terms as United States Senator, he rose to the leadership of that body, serving sixteen years as Senate Majority Leader, a post he held longer than any other person in the history of the Republic. His years as Senate Majority Leader were years of challenge and constitutional crisis. Throughout his career in public office, Mike Mansfield forged an unsurpassed national reputation for integrity, candor and love of country. He consistently supported a United States foreign policy based upon promoting and protecting the vital interests of the nation. He supported our nation's leaders when he believed that support served the national interest or advanced the welfare of the ordinary citizen. When in opposition, he demonstrated the moral courage to face controversial issues squarely, openly and with the highest ethical standards, thus earning the enduring respect and admiration of his fellow citizens.

As a diplomat, he represented the United States as a delegate to the Inter-American Conference, to the Southeast Asian Conference and to the United Nations General Assembly. Following his retirement from the Senate, he was appointed United States Ambassador to Japan, serving in that post for over eleven years.

Widely respected by the Japanese for his wisdom, knowledge, sensitivity and skill as a negotiator, he ably represented our nation's interests during a decade of rapid technological change and intense national economic rivalry.

Through his long and selfless service to his country, Mike Mansfield has made a significant and lasting contribution to the welfare of the United States and its people. His effective leadership, legislative skill and wise counsel throughout his career as a educator, public servant and diplomat exemplify uncommon dedication, honesty and strong patriotism, and are in keeping with the finest traditions of American public service. His willing and continuous response to his country's call to duty clearly symbolizes the values expressed in the motto of West Point. Accordingly, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy hereby presents the 1990 Sylvanus Thayer Award to the Honorable Michael J. Mansfield.


DENIS F. MULLANE
President
Association of Graduates

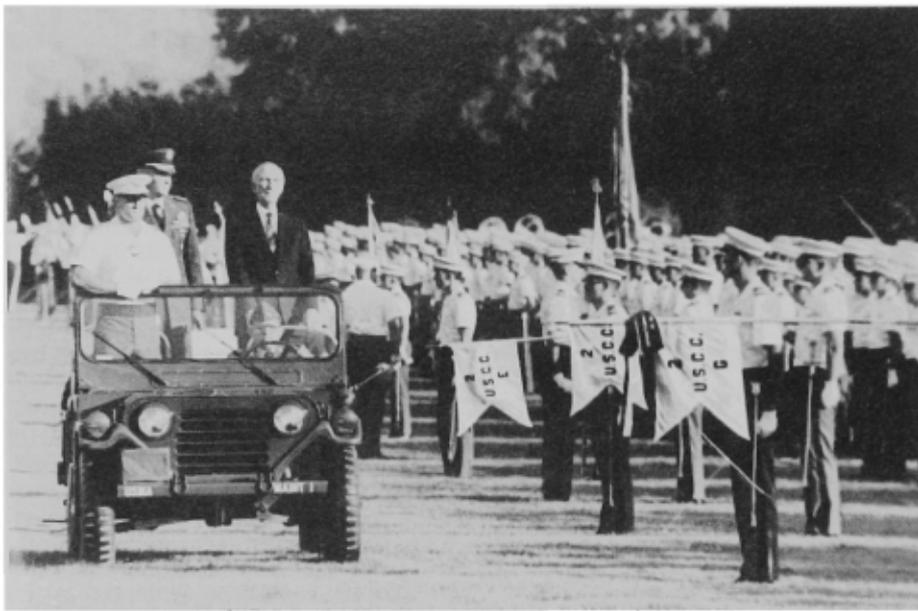


living in interesting times—the end of one era, and the beginning of another. Relations between the United States and the Soviet Union have improved—far more dramatically, and much faster than any of us could have predicted, even one year ago. We have witnessed the end of the communist empire in Europe and the triumph of Man's desire for freedom.

"But as the recent events in the Persian Gulf have demonstrated, the world is still filled with danger, and dangerous people. Over one billion people—one-fifth of the world's population—still live in poverty. The scourge of terrorism still is with us, as is the threat of nuclear proliferation. And while the threat of nuclear war between the two superpowers has subsided, men still fight each other today, by conventional means, on all five continents. No, America's work, and your work, are not done—not until the universal values on which this nation was founded—the common aspiration of men and women everywhere for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness—truly become universal in their application, and the tyrant's rule is replaced by political and economic freedom.

"You, who are enrolled here, are the recipients of a balanced education. You learn not only *how* to fight, but *what* you may have to fight for. Sylvanus Thayer knew what our young nation required—an academic institution to train the citizen-soldiers of democracy—military officers schooled not only in the art of war, but in the sciences and humanities. You represent every state, territory, and commonwealth of our Union. You include in your ranks 35 foreign cadets from 18 countries—a multinational assemblage surpassed in numbers if not esprit only by the forces now gathered in the Persian Gulf. Those foreign cadets deserve our special attention, since their experiences among you today are certainly laying the foundation for close cooperation between their countries and the United States tomorrow. And together, you will make all Americans proud of you. To the American cadets who have been selected to attend this institution, I say this: You, together with all Americans, have a shared responsibility to our country, and to the world. You must develop an appreciation of our past, an understanding of the present, and a vision of our future. To be a citizen-soldier working in the interests of our people as we approach the 21st century presents the same challenge to you that it did to those who came here before you—to ensure that our nation endures, that our people prosper and live in peace, and that our values, given to us by our forefathers, never perish.

"Today we face a new decade, and a new century, filled with challenge and the prospect of even more rapid change. It will call out for our best efforts, and our



Senator Mansfield "troops the line." Photo credit: John Barker

best people. They say that our young people today are part of the 'me generation,' and that the American people will not respond to a call for sacrifice, that we want it all 'now.' But when I look at these many young faces here, I know that this is not true. You know why you are here—to serve your country. If we expect our country to do more for us, we must first do more for it. If we do so, we will find, as others have before us, that the rewards will be many, and the disappointments few.

"I would like to discuss, to convey to you some of my thoughts on what is happening today, to see where we are going. In my life span I have seen the world change many times. I may not speak with authority, but I hope, perhaps, that I can speak with some understanding.

"The world has seen more changes in the past two years than at any time since the end of World War II. As I left Tokyo and public service in 1989, we saw the end of the Showa Era and the beginning of the Heisei Era in Japan, and the start of a new administration in the United States. Before the year was out, we saw the birth and, I hope, only the temporary demise of the dreams of democracy in China. We saw the opening of the Berlin Wall, the beginning of the end of the communist empire in Eastern Europe, and the call for independence in the Baltic States. The European community took another step towards eventual economic integration in 1992, and we witnessed the birth of a counterpart organization in the Asia-Pacific Region, APEC.

"1990 has seen these changes continue. America and its NATO allies declared that we are no longer adversaries with the Soviet Union. President Gor-

batchev met with South Korean President Roh in San Francisco. Free elections were held in Mongolia and Nicaragua. Nelson Mandela was released from prison. Our southern neighbor, Mexico, is undertaking a major transformation of its economy, and President Salinas has proposed a free trade agreement with the United States, to complement the one we already have with Canada. We saw Foreign Minister Shevardnadze and Secretary of State Baker stand side-by-side in Moscow and demand an Iraqi pull-out from Kuwait, and we saw the Soviet Union send naval forces to the Persian Gulf. And next week, Germany will be one nation again.

"In today's world, we can be certain of only one thing—these changes are going to continue. Once again, we are 'present at the creation' of a new world. What will it look like, and what will America's role be?

"Even before World War II ended, a group of 'Wise Men' were laying plans for the postwar era. As strong as America was militarily, they realized that a stable world order could not be based only on American military power, and that America could not—and should not—achieve its interests by acting on its own, or imposing its will on others. Yes, they saw a strong America—an America that was strong militarily, politically, and economically—an essential condition. But to them, as they surveyed the world in 1945, American strength was a given. As powerful as America was and as easily as we have imposed our ways on others, these Wise Men worked to create international institutions of both a political and an economic nature, where we could work together with other countries on an international and cooperative basis—the

United Nations, the IMF, the GATT, the World Bank. And as powerful as America was militarily, they also created a set of alliances, in NATO and with Japan and others, and worked to develop the military power of those countries.

"Contrary to today's assertion that we ignored our nation's economic interests or sacrificed them to military considerations, the economic component of this vision was a central ingredient. The Marshall Plan and Point Four, the IMF and the GATT—we recognized that a rising tide lifts all boats; that we, too, benefit from our neighbors' good fortune; and that the ultimate guarantor of a nation's independence and stability is not military might, but economic prosperity and political freedom.

"And above all this, we had a moral vision and a national purpose. Our goal was the defense of liberty, and the triumph of political and economic freedom. America stood for something.

"But as the years went by, we began to take a lot of things for granted. Just as other nations were becoming more prosperous, and more assertive, we began to turn from *internationalism* to *unilateralism*. Therein lies the great irony. When we were at our most powerful, in the first two decades after the war, we also were in our most cooperative and international mode, showing a decent respect for the opinions of others, and seeking their cooperation and support. But as others became stronger relative to us—economically, politically, and militarily—we started to try to change the world on our own, or blame others for our problems.

"Today we face a new world, and changes will continue to come rapidly. The best way for America to deal with it is to get back to basics. The principles that the Wise Men established for our nation two generations ago are even more relevant today. What are they?

"First, a strong, confident, prosperous America is a must. Militarily strong, politically confident, and economically robust. This is something that I know all of you understand well.

"Second, for America to remain the world's political and military leader, it also must remain the world's economic leader. And if the American people are to continue to enjoy the world's best standard of living, and secure the resources to solve our pressing domestic and social needs, we need a stronger, internationally competitive economy. Perhaps the single most important thing that America can do for the world—and itself—in the next decade is to get its economic act together.

"Third, America needs to return to internationalism, to a cooperative approach to world affairs, to utilize and strengthen our international institutions, to work with others and build political



Deputy Brigade Commander, Shaun J. Greene introduces the Senator to members of the cadet brigade staff. Photo credit: John Barker



Senator Mansfield addressing the Corps at the presentation banquet in Washington Hall. Photo credit: John Barker

coalitions. America still must remain the world's leader—there is no other choice—but what is required in the future is a new *style* of leadership, not a new leader. In this regard, let me say that the approach that President Bush has taken in the Persian Gulf crisis is the exact model of what we need. He deserves our praise, and our support.

"And finally, let me add my own fourth basic principle. To rephrase John Donne, 'no nation is an island unto itself; we are all a part of the whole.' With the development of high technology and instantaneous communications, and the shortening of distances between countries and continents, America is becoming one with the world, and the world is becoming a global neighborhood. And in the world of the future, this means that we Americans must recognize that we are not a 'European' country, or a 'North American' or a 'Pacific' country. Our interests lie everywhere. We must get to know each other better, to understand other cultures, religions, and peoples more knowledgeably, and to bring about a better degree of egalitarianism and mutual respect in our relations with people all over the world.

"As the world changes, so must America, and so must you. America's best days still are ahead; we still have places to go, and things to do, and promises to keep. And I know that we can continue to count on the young men and women before me, America's future leaders, to help us do just that.

"Thank you very much."

Following the Senator's acceptance speech, the Cadet Glee Club concluded the ceremony singing the *Alma Mater*.

Michael J. Mansfield was born in New York City on 16 March 1903. When he was seven years old, his family moved to Great Falls, Montana where he attended

local public schools. At the time of World War I he left school before completing the eighth grade, joining the Navy in February 1918. After ten months of overseas service, he enlisted in the Army and later, in 1920, he joined the Marine Corps, serving in the Philippines and China.

After leaving the Armed Forces he returned to Montana and worked for eight years in the copper mines as a miner and mining engineer. Since he had not attended high school, he was required to pass entrance examinations in secondary school subjects prior to entering college. In 1927 he enrolled in the Montana School of Mines and a year later he was admitted to Montana State University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1933. Remaining at the university as an instructor of history and political science, he continued his studies, earning a master of arts degree in 1934. Over the next several years he expanded his graduate studies, taking courses at the University of California at Los Angeles. He advanced at Montana State University to full professor of Latin American and Far Eastern history.

In 1942 Mike Mansfield was elected to the United States House of Representatives from the First Congressional District of Montana. During his five terms as a member of Congress, he gained a national reputation as a leading congressional expert in foreign affairs. In 1952, Mike Mansfield was elected to the United States Senate, serving in that body more than 24 years. During his tenure in office, he rose to the leadership of the Senate, serving 16 years as Majority Leader, a post he held longer than any other person in our history.

During his 34 years in the House and Senate, Mike Mansfield was called upon

to perform a wide variety of international assignments for the nation. In 1944, at President Roosevelt's request, he conducted a fact-finding tour of war-torn China. Throughout the next two decades Mike Mansfield represented our nation as delegate to the Ninth Inter-American Conference in 1948, to the Sixth United Nations General Assembly in 1951-52, to the Southeast Asia Conference in 1954, and to the Thirteenth United Nations General Assembly in 1958.

During the 1960's he performed special presidential assignments in West Berlin, Southeast Asia and Vietnam. Following President Nixon's historic visit to the People's Republic of China, Mike Mansfield was repeatedly invited by Chinese leaders to visit and confer on matters vital to the reshaping of the international relationship between the People's Republic of China and the United States.

In 1977 he retired from the Senate. Later in 1977, however, President Carter asked that he return to public service and appointed him Ambassador to Japan, where he represented our nation's interests for the next eleven and one-half years. In 1989 Mike Mansfield again retired from public service.

Senator Mansfield has received many awards and honorary degrees from a number of prestigious universities and colleges throughout the nation. In 1988 he was singularly honored with the presentation of the Nelson Rockefeller Award for Public Service.

In 1932 Mike Mansfield married the former Maureen Hayes. They have one daughter, Ann Mansfield Marris. Senator Mansfield maintains his home and office in Washington, D.C.

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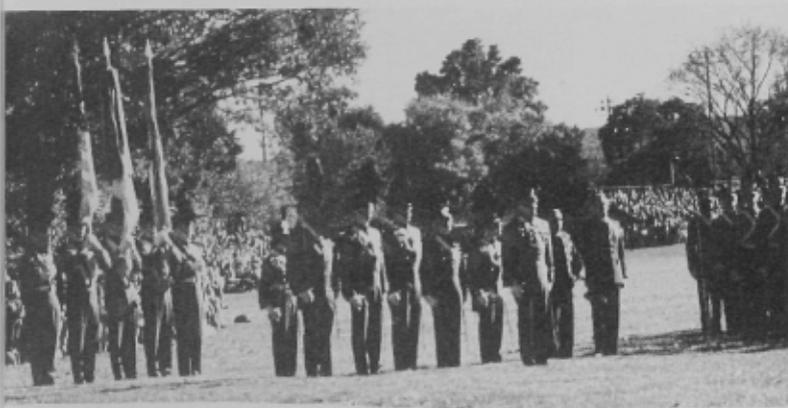
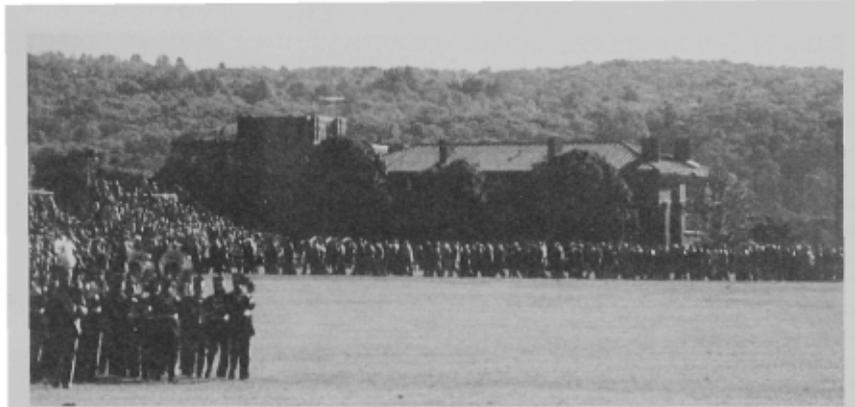
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Homecoming **1990** Alumni Exercises

Over 1100 graduates returned to West Point for Homecoming Weekend, 18-21 October 1990. Reunion classes present included 1970, 1975, 1980, and 1985. The Class of 1980 had the largest number returning with over 500 graduates. The oldest graduate present was Brigadier General Sherman V. Hasbrouck '20 who led the march across the Plain to Thayer Monument and participated in the wreath-laying ceremony.



1970 Homecoming

The Class of 1970 returned to West Point during Homecoming weekend of 18-21 October. We assembled 357 classmates, plus all the wives, family and friends. Events went exceptionally smoothly under Dins's leadership, with the assistance of the Reunion Committee, Mrs. Joan Emmer, and class aides MAJ Gary Gumm and CPT Dave Steer—we owe them many thanks. The celebration was continuous as we moved the party from one location to another during the four days.

We welcomed each other on Thursday at the dinner in the new Eisenhower Hall complex. Friday, we reviewed the status of our class fund, learned about the current academic, athletic and military programs, and found that even with all the changes, the Corps probably "has" not. We paused in our celebration to reflect upon the sacrifices of our 13 fallen comrades at the Memorial Service in the Cadet Chapel. The party moved off-post to the Meadowbrook Lodge, where it was difficult to interrupt our reunion conversations for something as relatively unimportant as food.

Participation in the Alumni Review brought back many old memories of marching on the Plain—but we were too many to permit a class picture of our assembled group. The Rabble Rousers punctuated our pre-game lunch in Washington Hall with the cheers and songs that would set the tone for the big game. And a big game it was, as Army beat the hell out of Lafayette, 56 to 0. We were hoping that two more touchdowns would show the year of our graduation on the scoreboard . . .

Following the Alumni Dinner/Dance on Saturday, the party continued into the wee hours with the Happy Daze helping us relive the plebe year Cullum Hall experience. Sunday morning came all too soon with brunch in Thayer Hotel. We departed satisfied that it was a weekend well worth all the effort, with revitalized friendships, renewed commitment for the future, and even sorrow that the experience had ended so quickly.—Delta Charlie Fox





1975 Homecoming



1980

Homecoming

On Thursday night an informal party was held at the train station. The weekend formally began on Friday afternoon, when the class gathered at the Old Cadet Chapel for a memorial service for our deceased classmates. On Friday night, we celebrated with a buffet banquet at the Sheraton Hotel. The dinner was excellent, and the buffet format allowed for easy circulation and conversation. Saturday morning came very early, with a formation near the library for the Alumni Ceremonies and Review. The slow walk to Thayer Monument, and the subsequent parade, were made even more pleasant by the clear, cool weather. Before and after the football game, the class held a tailgater at Howze Place. On Saturday night, Homecoming Weekend culminated in the AOG banquet, held in the familiar environs of Washington Hall. Sunday was a day for church, for brunch, for long walks and reflection, and for farewells. Many thanks are due to those who worked so hard to plan and implement the reunion activities.

William K. Wray



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Homecoming



Fall Reunions

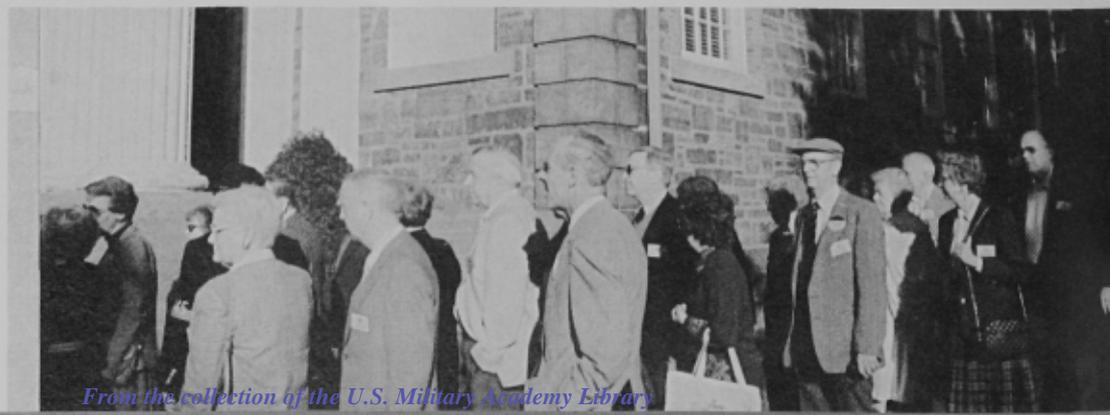
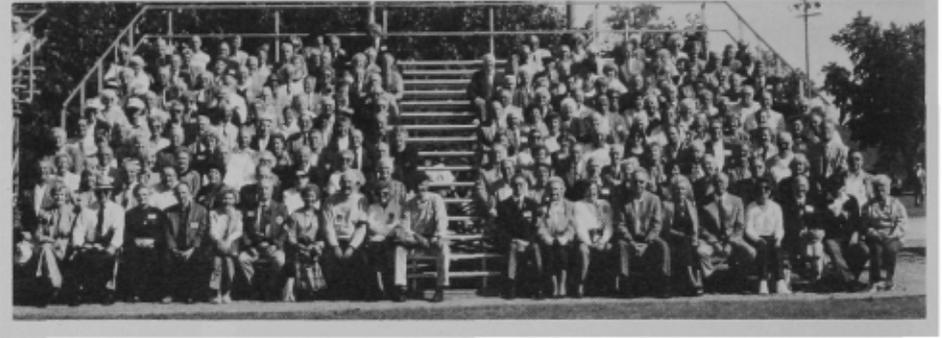
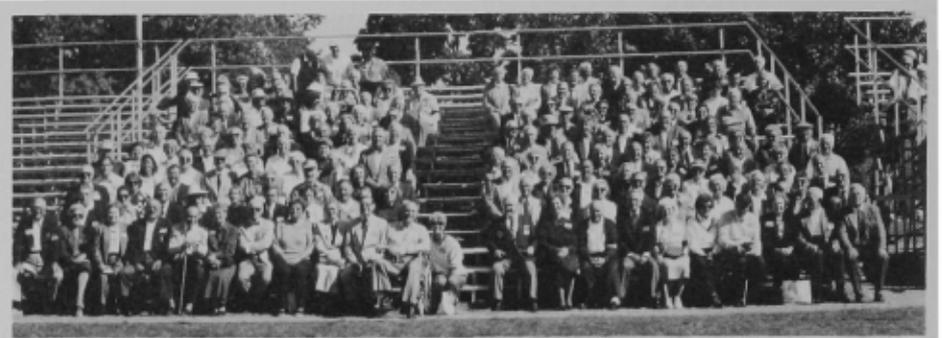
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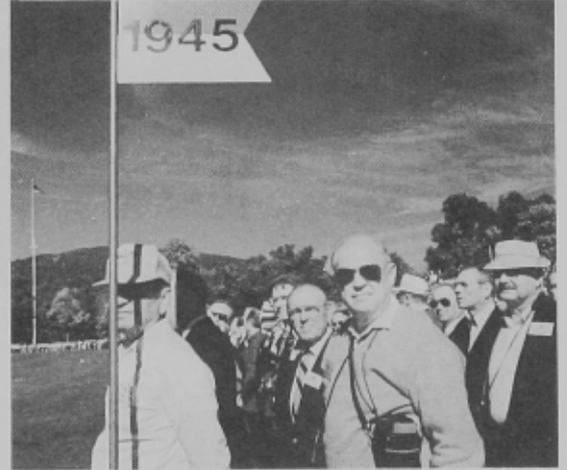
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The 1990 Reunion—The Class of '45's 45th! Wasn't it great that such a large and enthusiastic number attended: 196 classmates, 172 wives, 8 widows and 17 guests. The parties Thursday and Friday evenings and the banquet Saturday were times for exchanging 45 years of news, remembering old and lasting friendships, and greeting reunion first timers.

Saturday, spent at West Point, was a time for remembering at the Memorial Service the 207 classmates who have departed this life, for taking the salute of the newest members of the Long Gray Line as they passed in review on the Plain, for reminiscing about the duties of water corporal and other traditions of cadet dining while having lunch at the Cadet Mess, and for hearing once again the band and the cheers and even a "Beat Navy" at an Army football game at Michie Stadium.

A wonderful, nostalgic, and renewing time was had by all.





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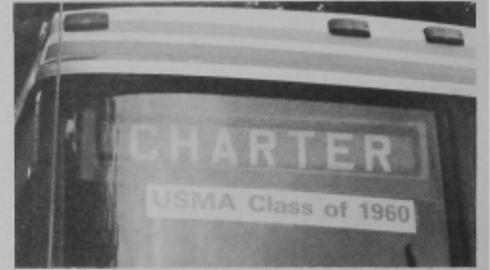
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A Time To Remember

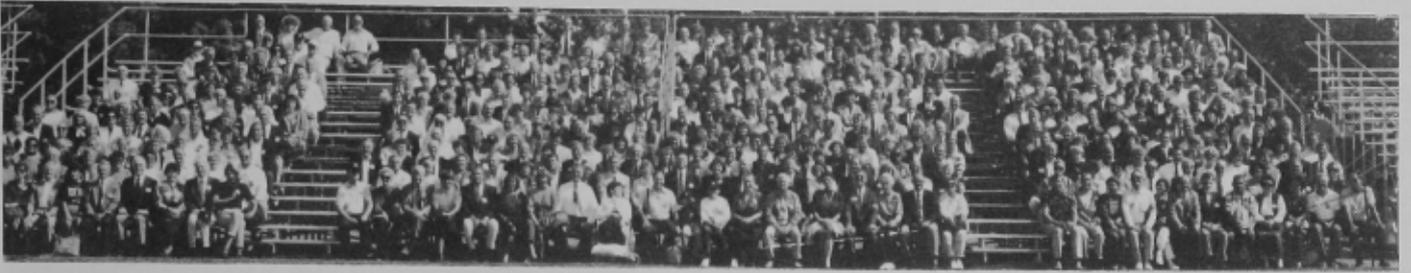
'60 in '90

The season was fitting. The air held the warmth of late summer, but the first leaves of autumn were beginning to turn as 240 members of our widely scattered class, their wives, and six widows (with at least three children of deceased classmates) assembled for three days of nostalgia and reminiscence in Rye and at West Point, 13-16 September 1990. It was, by general acclamation, the most significant and pleasurable gathering we have experienced in the thirty years since graduation. A number of participants commented that, with competition for promotions and assignments now in the past, the atmosphere was wholly one of cordiality and "mellowness."

We left full of memory and the passage of time. The final handshakes and the promises to "keep in touch" were heartfelt and we look forward, as we must, till next we meet.



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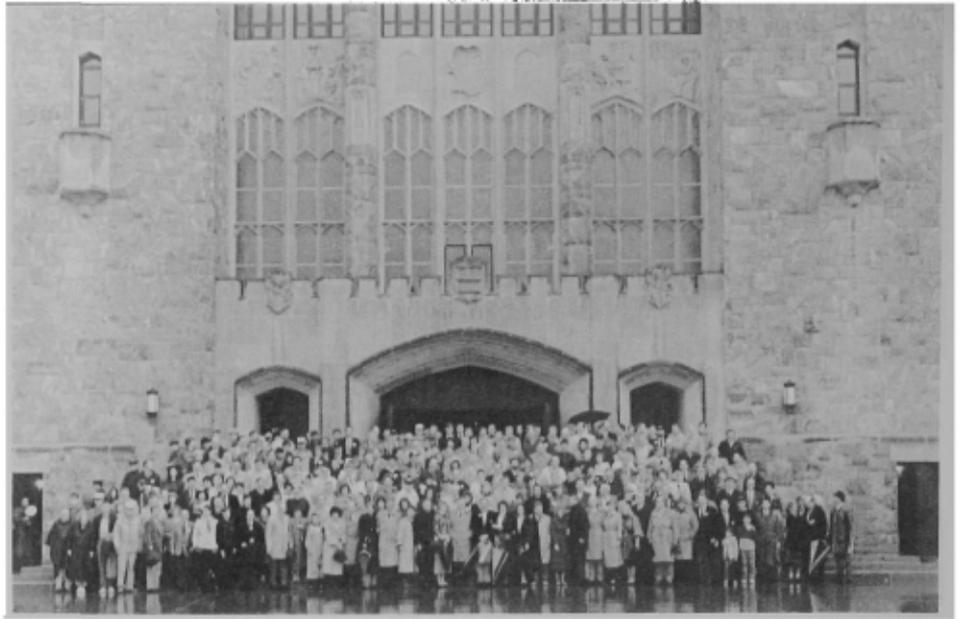


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1965

20-23 September



Walking the area is an excellent and honorable profession almost as old as the Academy itself. If one were to ask any gathering of graduates how many had worn stars—on their uniform collars, not on B-robies!—a few hands might be raised. But if one asked the same group how many had walked the area, the odds are that a majority would raise their hands.

Captain Alden Partridge is alleged to have devised unusual methods for punishing cadets who had broken various regulations. He is said to have forced cadets to ride a cannon, sitting on a tube for long periods of time. Another allegation is that he required cadets to march up and down in front of the other cadets wearing a placard indicating the offense being punished. Research does not substantiate these myths which apparently were alleged by four cadets during an 1816 Court of Inquiry investigating Partridge's supervision of Academy affairs. Partridge did confine to either the "light prison" or the "dark prison" for various offenses. Both were rooms in Old North Barracks which stood just north of the present Pershing Barracks. The light prison had windows and lanterns or candles; the dark prison had no light of any kind.

Punishment tours can be credited to Sylvanus Thayer. Prior to his superintendency, most cadet offenses resulted in trial by court martial, with sentences being approved by the Chief of Engineers, the Secretary of War, or the President, depending on the seriousness of the offense and the severity of the sentence. Realizing that this was inefficient and unfair to cadets, Thayer obtained approval from Secretary of War John Calhoun to restrict the use of courts martial to serious offenses. Minor violations of cadet regulations would result in demerits for offenders with certain violations punished by extra tours of guard duty, restriction to a cadet room, or confinement in the light or dark prison.

Not too much time passed before it became evident that imposing extra tours of guard duty had an adverse impact on cadets pulling guard on a rotational roster basis. It takes little imagination to understand a feeling of resentment by a cadet who found himself on guard as a duty requirement with another on guard as punishment. This led to a change in cadet regulations

rephrasing the "tour of extra guard duty" to "extra tours of duty." The 1866 regulations were even more specific, stating that this form of punishment would be "extra tours of duty (not guard)."

The logic—or lack thereof—in using extra duty for punishment is better understood when one realizes that this used cadet recreational time. Until after World War I, cadets enjoyed little un-

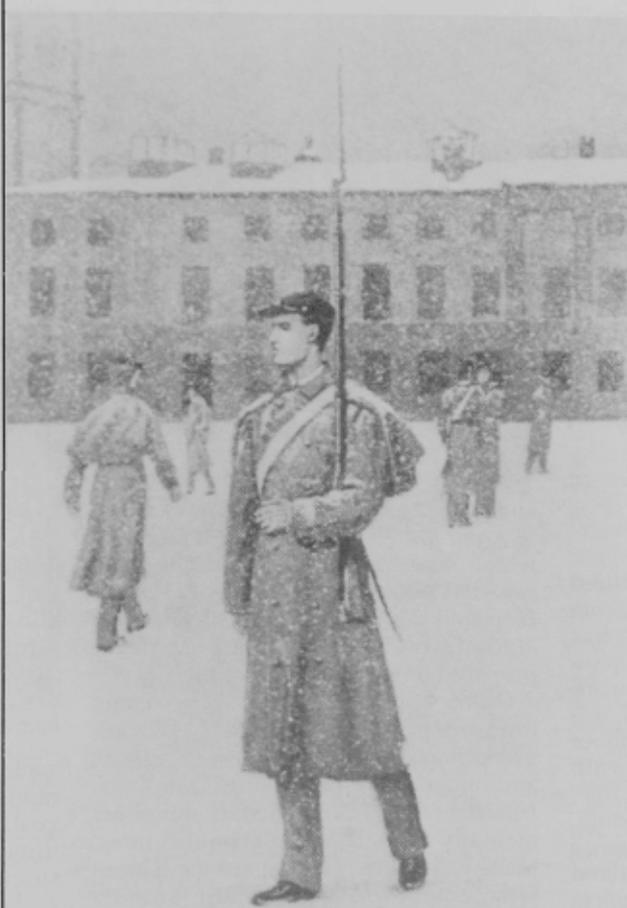
evenings to extra duty provided an incentive for cadets to follow regulations. Cadet letters from this period often expressed relief when extra duty had been completed and expressed intent to avoid future punishment. In the post World War II period, cadets undergoing punishment were not permitted to attend football games or other sports events and walked their tours instead.

Uniform for area birds has varied over the years. Initially, the only uniform issued to cadets was similar to today's full dress. Although a brown or bleached linen fatigue blouse and trousers were used for summer wear from 1819–70, punishment tours were walked in full dress. Overcoats were not uniform until 1828, and area birds walked between old North and South Barracks (north of present Pershing Barracks) fully exposed to the wind whistling down the Hudson valley. Rain capes of India rubber were not issued until 1849, and cadets on and off the area were often soaked by heavy downpours. The chasseur model forage cap introduced in 1861 was worn for all formations except parades and reviews, including punishment tours. Area birds walking tours in summer camp had a break in 1870 when white linen jackets and trousers were authorized for wear other than parades. The hat worn was a white "India helmet" with a spike, brass chain, and chin strap. After 1879, a gray fatigue jacket, which later was called "dress gray," became normal cadet garb. At times, the field or fatigue uniform was authorized for the area and khaki was used during World War II at Popolopen. In the 1940s, area birds were authorized to wear a knit cap during cold weather. As a normal rule, area birds have been required to wear a dress uniform over the years.

The location for walking tours has varied. Initially during the Thayer period, tours were walked between old North and South Barracks on the south edge of the Plain. Summer tours were walked either on the main street in summer camp or between the last line of tents and

the Fort Clinton parapet. After Central Barracks were built in 1851, tours were walked in the area of barracks on a large gravel area facing the barracks to the north. This was used exclusively until the increase in the size of the Corps in the 1940s and an increased number of area birds required both Central and

Walking the Area



"Enforced Tramp in the Area on Saturday afternoons," Captain Charles King [Class of 1866], *Cadet Days*, New York: Harper & Brothers Publishers, 1894, opp. p. 184.

by Colonel George S. Pappas, Ret.,
Class of 1944

scheduled time for recreation. Saturday afternoons and evenings were actually the only long periods with no official requirements. Sundays were filled with mandatory chapel attendance and an afternoon parade followed by call to quarters shortly after supper. Devoting several hours on Saturday afternoons and



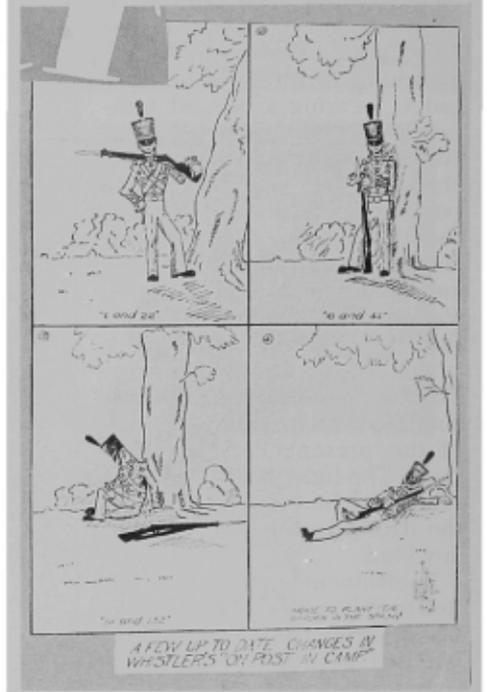
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"Extra Duty," *Views of USMA, West Point, New York*: Pach Brothers, 1889(?).



1944 *Howtizer*, p. 234.



from *Album*, Special Collections, USMA Library.

North area to accommodate cadets walking tours.

Cadets on the area have been required to carry their muskets or rifles. From time to time, this requirement was dropped. A 1907 photograph shows punishment tours being walked without rifles. Paul Berrigan, Class of 1927, remembers walking both with and without a rifle. At times, area birds walked with fixed bayonets as shown in an 1894 drawing by noted artist Rufus Zogbaum.

Time for walking tours has varied greatly. At first, extra tours were walked only on Saturday from the end of lunch to call to quarters just prior to supper. At times, relatively short tours were also walked every evening except Sunday. In the 1900s, tours were walked on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. Occasionally, area birds with a large number of tours to walk off were able to walk one hour between supper and call to quarters.

Walking the area may seem to be a waste of time to many—both cadets and the general public. Such is not entirely true, for some remarkable results have come from mental concentration while walking back and forth. Paul Reinecke, Class of 1911, stated that he wrote the words for the *Alma Mater* while walking punishment tours during the fall of 1908. "While walking" Reinecke wrote, "I tried to compose some furlough songs—

and soon began to tramp out the cadence of *Alma Mater* to the tune of *Treuliebe*, which was an old favorite." The song was first played at the 1909 Graduation Hop and adopted as the official *Alma Mater* in 1911 after organist Fritz Mayer prepared a better version of the music.

Other beneficial results have come from area birds. Several "specoids" with exceptional memories reviewed lessons and moved up in section standings. *Howtizer* and *Pointer* staff members mentally worked on their publications. Many cadet letters to femmes were mentally composed while their authors marched back and forth across the area. Several of such letters start with "As I was walking my extra duty tours today, I thought of what I would tell you in this letter."

Fellow cadets often felt sorry for the area birds. Letters from the 1860's tell of smuggling food into the north sallyport of Central Barracks and carefully passing it to cadets pacing back and forth. Often, a sharp-eyed Officer of the Guard apprehended the smuggler who soon joined the ranks of walkers. This same assistance took place even more often after the Boodlers was located in Grant Hall, only a few yards from the area formation.

Perhaps the most memorable event in the life of an area bird was the arrival of a visiting head of state. At some forgotten time, the tradition started of permitting

such visitors to request removal of all punishments in effect at the time of the visit. Approval of such a request was usually announced by the adjutant at supper, and the rafters would shiver and shake from the roar of approval from the Corps.

Many old grads would visit old Central Area to point the path of their punishment tours, telling friends or family that their path was at least two inches deeper in the concrete than the remainder of the area. Even *Howtizer* biographies acknowledged members of the area squad with an A.B. (area bird) or B.A. (busted aristocrat—a cadet officer reduced and placed on the area for a misdemeanor). Some of the yearbooks included photographs of the area squad—reclining on the stoops of barracks, exhausted after their tedious duty.

A future article for *Assembly* will describe some of the offenses that resulted in marching back and forth as a member of what is truly an ancient and honorable profession—walking the area.

“Personal Encounters” and the General Court Martial of Cadet First Captain Henry J. Borup

by Charles R. Isleib

“It is expected here [at West Point] that every cadet of any spirit and honor will always resent an insult offered him by another.” So wrote Cadet Tully McCrea to his sweetheart in 1861. In the 19th century cadets often confused ethical honor with bravado, and in a reflection of the code of dueling very often settled personality conflicts, disagreements, insults (real or imagined), and suspected cowardice by fights.¹ In addition, 120 years ago the War Department was making special efforts to recruit cadets from the former Confederate states, and by the mid-1870’s Southern-born cadets were more or less proportionally represented at the Academy. These Southern cadets, as they grew up, had seen poverty and hardships resulting from a lost war, and the generations-old “code of honor” among the upper classes in the South had made many males especially sensitive to insult or humiliation. Rough-and-tumble or fistfights (called “personal encounters”) between cadets were not uncommon. Hazing often provided incidents that developed into fights, even though Academy regulations forbade cadets from “striking, laying hands upon, treating with violence or offering bodily harm with a view to injure, insult, annoy, molest or harass each other.”²

The Academy authorities were unaware of some of these personal encounters and overlooked others, but in the 1870’s the administration decided something had to be done about the frequency and severity of the fights and the approval that the Corps seemed to confer on what the cadets considered a manly custom. Court martial records and the reminiscences of participants give us details of some of the most notorious of these personal encounters.

Ernest A. Garlington, born in 1852 in Newberry, South Carolina, was a senior at the University of Georgia when he was appointed to USMA in February 1872. His father had been a Confederate general during the Civil War and a prominent political orator afterwards. Garlington’s age, family background, and college experience probably made him more sensitive to what he considered personal insults or humiliations than the average younger cadet. Commenting on

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Cadet Ernest A. Garlington (USMA 1876) won a Medal of Honor, was Inspector General of the Army for 11 years and retired a brigadier general. (USMA Archives)



Cadet Fred Edward Smith (USMA 1876) was graduated into Infantry, resigned, changed his name to Graydene Smith, and died in Colorado in 1904. (USMA Archives)

his first fight as a plebe, with his roommate F. E. Smith of Kentucky, Garlington explains:

“We were very good friends, but he had a very annoying habit of mouthing a quill toothpick while studying. I finally became irritated and remonstrated; one word brought on another and we found ourselves under one of the iron bunks, Smith’s head badly cut, the wash stand and water bucket upset, the floor covered with water and blood. We mutually ceased, got up, shook hands, and the matter ended right there. I don’t think anyone ever knew of the affair except our classmate Sickel, who lived across the hall and came over to see what was up. Smith decided to exchange rooms with

Sickel, with whom I lived during the rest of the plebe year.”

In the spring of his plebe year Garlington let his temper get the better of him again with what could have been much more serious results. En route to Washington, DC to participate in the inauguration ceremonies for the President, the Corps boarded railroad coaches for the trip south. Two late-boarding third classmen, using profane and abusive language, demanded that Garlington give up his seat to them. Using his rifle as a club, Garlington responded by breaking several bones in the hand of one of the shocked yearlings, J. C. Bush. Though the authorities were not aware



Cadet James C. Bush (USMA 1875) was graduated into artillery, served in the Philippines, and was retired on disability as a major in 1905. (USMA Archives)

of this altercation (the injury was reported as due to a “fall”), on their return to West Point Cadet Bush challenged Garlington to a fight. Garlington writes, “I decided to fight him according to the code duello, still in vogue in my part of the country, and named pistols as the weapon.” Cadet Bush refused this, and they fought “rough-and-tumble” in a dormitory room, Garlington being awarded the decision on a foul.³

In September 1874 Garlington, now 2nd class and a cadet first sergeant, had occasion to order Cadet J. J. Brereton, 3rd class to change position in ranks at a company dress formation. Garlington’s fighting temper must have been well-known throughout the Corps; but Brereton took exception to Garlington’s manner of giving and repeating the order. After ranks had broken Brereton approached Garlington “in a threatening



Cadet John J. Brereton (USMA 1877) served with the 24th Infantry Regiment, was breveted from captain to lieutenant colonel for "distinguished conduct at the capture of San Juan Blockhouse—showed gallantry, coolness, skill and judgment—charged across the open field—into the enemy's trenches—took command of the battalion—was shot through the thigh, but remained at his command—." (USMA Archives)

manner"⁴ and demanded satisfaction. Garlington evidently ignored Brereton (who was smaller and four years younger) at first, but decided later to redress the matter because of what Garlington termed "the obscene and insulting nature" of Brereton's remarks.⁵ (That evening, after Call to Quarters, a classmate came to Garlington's room and told him exactly what Brereton had muttered in ranks.) Garlington describes what happened next:

"Cadet Brereton lived on the next floor above; accompanied by my room-mate I went to his room and found him seated at his table facing the door. I repeated the language alleged to have been used by him and asked him if he intended to apply it to me. He replied that he didn't know whether he did or not, and if he did he wasn't responsible to me. I then told him to stand up, but he did not, whereupon I hit him once or twice before his roommate grabbed me about the body. Brereton jumped up, ran out of the room hollering 'murder'; I broke loose and ran after him, but the subdivision inspector appeared and stopped the fracas. Next morning the Commandant called me before him; after hearing what I had to say in my defense, he said that no matter what the nature of the language used in response to a proper order given by me, my position as a non-commissioned officer should have prevented me from taking the matter into my own hands, that the Regulations provided ample means for redress, and I was put under arrest for 29 days."

Superintendent Thomas H. Ruger, upon the release of Garlington and Brereton from arrest, reduced First Sergeant Garlington to the ranks and ordered him "confined within the limits of the Plain until January 1, 1875."⁶ "This," Garlington wrote, "ruined my first class camp to



Colonel Thomas H. Ruger (USMA 1854), Superintendent USMA 1871–76. Ruger "never appeared outside his house except with dress coat buttoned to his chin, white gloves, and shoes scrupulously polished," according to one cadet. (USMA Archives)

which every cadet looked forward as the crowning good time of his cadetship."⁷ Brereton was ordered to "walk in the area of barracks equipped as for parade ten Saturdays, without commutation, from 2 pm until retreat, and confined within the limits of area of barracks for 30 days."⁸

In July 1875, at the summer training encampment for new 4th classmen Cadet Corporal C. M. Robinson, 3rd class, in charge of some plebe activities, announced that according to regulations he would report any first classmen who demanded that a plebe perform menial tasks for him. It had been a customary part of plebe hazing to demand menial personal services of the plebes, and the first class resented Robinson's going by the book and especially for his allegedly insolent manner toward his superiors (the first class). At a meeting of the first class it was decided to "cut" Robinson, and he was also challenged to fight his choice of three of the first class. Robin-



Cadet Henry J. Borup (USMA 1876) was said to be "of fine physique and soldierly appearance." He served as Military Attache in Paris and at Krupp Works in Essen, Germany, retiring in 1904 as a major. (USMA Archives)

son chose to fight Cadet First Captain Henry J. Borup, who chose Cadet Sergeant Eben Swift as his second. Swift, Borup's roommate during his senior year, described Borup's nature as he saw it:

"Borup's friendship to me was exhibited, in ways that I should have preferred to avoid. For instance, he did not put me on guard duty for the entire year. He did not falsify the Guard Roster, but would upset a bottle of ink on it so as to blot out my name and record. His tendency was always to recklessness. These things he told me with great glee and kept me in terror for fear that he would be caught.

"In the Robinson affair," Swift relates, "the first class went wild under the lead of the reckless element. Borup quite lost his head, but he assumed the role of running things, as usual."⁹

The fight was scheduled for Monday, 26 July, just after noon formation. From the unusual number of cadets falling out at the formation, the officer in charge suspected that something was up, called for a patrol of the guard, proceeded to the Fort Clinton area and suddenly appeared on the fort's parapet. The alarm was given and all attempted to leave without identification, but several were too busily engaged to escape. Garlington was among that number! He relates:

"Thus having violated my confinement east of the color line (his punishment for the fight with Brereton), the Superintendent added the following punishment: 'To walk, equipped as for dress parade, in the area of barracks on ten Saturdays from 2 o'clock until 10 minutes before the First Call for Retreat; and thereafter to be confined in light prison for twenty days.'¹⁰

Borup faced a General Court Martial. The unusual "choice of three challengers" was not brought out in the trial; Borup's defense was that the fight was simply part of the long-established custom of settling grudges by a "personal encounter." A series of fights known to the authorities but lightly punished or punished not at all were cited by the defense counsel to try to mitigate Borup's offense. The proceedings covered 50 pages. The Court voted 4 to 3 to convict, noting in their letter of transmittal to the Secretary of War that "Cadet Robinson appears to have done no more than his duty in the matter, and to have been subjected most undeservedly to a puerile cowardly persecution on the part of his seniors."¹¹ Cadet Captain Borup was sentenced to be dismissed from the service. The entire first class, excepting only the few who were absent during the altercation with Robinson, was put in arrest and the cadet officers reduced to rank. The sentences were approved by the Superintendent, Colonel T. H. Ruger. The third class also had a meeting and resolved to have nothing to do with

Robinson for one year, but the officers never learned of this.

Any sentence of dismissal was required to be reviewed by the President of the United States; President U. S. Grant approved the findings but mitigated Borup's sentence to reduction to the ranks. Borup graduated in 1876 as a cadet private and served until 1904 when he retired as a major.

Major General Eben Swift, ruminating about this affair years later, said: "Robinson was found deficient in his studies (and left the Academy before graduation). I have a suspicion it was caused by the treatment he had received. For my part, I have often been ashamed of my own participation in it. I have always



Cadet Eben Swift, Jr., (USMA 1876) spent the first 18 years of his life on the western plains, the son of an Army surgeon, and served 17 years as a cavalry officer in the Indian Wars after graduating from West Point. (USMA Archives)

congratulated myself on the choice of Robinson in selecting Borup instead of myself as an antagonist."

On 31 August of the following year, 1876, Cadet Privates J. H. Waters, 4th class, and R. W. Dowdy, 3rd class had a personal encounter, one that apparently was a knock-down, drag-out fight of considerable brutality. As a result these two cadets faced a general court martial and both were punished by confinement to the area of barracks for two months.

At this point the Superintendent, John M. Schofield, had had enough. When the outcome of Cadets Waters and Dowdy's Court Martial was announced, Major General Schofield posted the following notice:

Proper Mode of Settling Personal Differences

"The Commanding General takes this occasion to call the special attention of the Corps of Cadets to the subject of the proper mode of settling their personal differences.

"The civilization and refinement of the present age emphatically condemns personal encounters between gentlemen. A blow may be excused, though not

Principals in Some Personal Encounters

Date of Incident	Aggressor	Age	Native State	Class	Opponent	Age	Native State	Class
Fall 1872	Garlington, E. A.	20	SC-GA	4th	Smith, F. E.	18	IL-KY	4th
Spring '73	Cummings, A. S.	21	MI	1st	Bell, J. B.		KY	4th
Mar '73	Garlington, E. A.	20	SC-GA	4th	Bush, J. G.	22	CT	3rd
Spring '74	Hoyte, E. D.	23	AL	2nd	Wheeler, W. H.	22	WI	1st
Sept. '74	Garlington, E. A.	22	SC-GA	2nd	Brereton, J. J.	18	NJ	3rd
Spring '75	Dravo, E. E.	21	PA	2nd	McCaleb, T. S.	21	VA	1st
July '75	Borup, H. D.	21	MN	1st	Robinson, C. M.		MO	3rd
Aug. '76	Waters, J. H.		WI	4th	Dowdy, R. M.	22	MS	3rd

justified, if given in the sudden heat produced by a great affront; or it may be necessary for the summary punishment of an ill-mannered boor, whose insolence cannot be otherwise restrained; but gentlemen do not deliberately engage in pugilistic encounters.

"For many years it required great moral courage to decline a challenge to personal combat—courage of a far higher order than that displayed by the pugilist or duelist. But this is no longer the case. Enlightened public sentiment now sustains him who declines such an encounter and emphatically condemns him who engages in it. There is no longer any excuse for gentlemen who are amenable to the same social laws to resort to the uncivilized practice of settling their differences by blows.

"Personal differences between cadets, as those between officers and other gentlemen, should be adjusted by their mutual friends or be referred to a common superior; and he who declines, unless for very weighty reasons, to abide by the judgment of such friendly courts, and to make honorable amends for any wrong which he may thus be adjudged to have committed, puts himself beyond the pale of gentlemanly association.

"To batter and to be battered may display courage, though of a very low order, such as possessed by the lowest



Major General John M. Schofield (USMA 1853), served as Secretary of War for a year while still in the Army, 1868–69, recommended Pearl Harbor as a naval base, and was Commander-in-Chief of the Army 1888–95. (USMA Archives)

August 27th 1875.

In the within case of Cadet Captain Henry D. Borup, 1st Class U.S. Military Academy, the proceedings, findings and sentence are approved and confirmed. The sentence however is mitigated to reduction to the ranks as a cadet private, and a reprimand in the orders of the Post.

U. S. Grant

President of the United States.

Letter from President U. S. Grant (USMA 1843), overturning Borup's dismissal. Grant is said to have remarked that "we send them to West Point to learn how to fight." (National Archives, Washington, DC)

grades of men, but it constitutes no real atonement for a wrong. Frank apology and substantial reparation for any wrong committed constitutes the only atonement consistent with the honor and courage of a true gentleman."¹²

Serious fighting seemed to diminish for the next few years,¹³ but "calling out," or challenging to a fist-fight, occurred up to the 1940's.¹⁴ Hazing, often enough cruel and culminating in serious or even brutal abuse and fights, existed through the turn of the century and was one of Major General Schofield's most difficult problems as Superintendent.

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Bicentennial Steering Group Appointed

To Plan 2002 Activities



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To old grads, observing anniversaries of their graduation has become a tradition. For many years, Alumni Day was a part of June Week activities. No one ever forgets the sight of white-haired old men slowly leading the ranks of their juniors toward Thayer Monument, then in front of Washington Hall, or watching those old grads stiffen and straighten measurably as the Choir sang *The Corps*. The great increase in the size of the Corps and the corresponding increase in the number of graduates in younger classes has required a change in alumni activities during graduation week which are now directed toward classes observing twenty-, thirty-, forty-, fifty- and sixty- year anniversaries.

There is another event that has also become a West Point tradition: observing the founding of the Military Academy on 16 March 1802. Each year, countless graduates gather wherever they may to mark that anniversary and to silently renew their pledges of Duty, Honor, and Country. Fifty-year anniversaries have warranted special observances.

The Centennial

No special observance took place in 1852 nor was Founders Day observed annually until the Association of Graduates was formed after the Civil War. By contrast, special activities over a four-day period marked the observance of the Academy's centennial birthday in 1902. Monday, 9 June, was Alumni Day. The oldest grad present was John S. McCalmont, 1842. The alumni meeting in Cullum Hall included brief addresses by veterans of the Mexican, Civil, and Spanish-American wars. All of the speakers stressed the bonds of friendship which had not been weakened by conflict.

Tuesday was Field Day. During the morning, the annual athletic competitions between classes were held. In the afternoon, the Army baseball team hosted Yale. Graduation Hop was held that evening in Cullum Hall.

Centennial Day was Wednesday. President Theodore Roosevelt was received with honors before reviewing the Corps. An unexpected addition to the review was the presentation of the Congressional Medal of Honor for gallantry in action at the siege of Peking to plebe Calvin P. Titus. After a reception at the Superintendent's quarters, President Roosevelt was escorted to Cullum Hall by the entire Corps of Cadets, invited guests, alumni, the staff and faculty, and former cadets. A bronze plaque commemorating the centennial observance was unveiled. Both President Roosevelt and Secretary of War Elihu Root made brief remarks. Roosevelt stressed the contributions of graduates, including his statement that "the average graduate of West Point during this hundred years has given a greater sum of service to the country through his life than has the average graduate of any other institution in this broad land." He also commented on contributions made by graduates in fields other than the military.

After the Centennial exercises, Graduation Parade was held—later than usual—at 7:00 p.m. A banquet took place in the mess hall, followed by fireworks and an illumination of the post. The next morning, President Roosevelt presented diplomas to the graduating class. A luncheon ended the Centennial activities.

Not publicized at that time were alumni observances elsewhere. Two were mentioned in the Centennial volumes published in 1904. Graduates in the Philippines gathered in

Manila on 11 June for what was probably the largest meeting outside of West Point. Another, much smaller observance took place aboard the Army transport *Hancock* while crossing the 180° W. longitude. Thirty-four graduates assembled for a special dinner, speeches, and songs.

The Sesquicentennial

Fifty years later, graduates paused to mark the sesquicentennial observance of the Academy's founding. This was a far more extensive series of events. Realizing the need for careful planning, the Superintendent, Major General Maxwell D. Taylor, appointed a steering committee in January 1948 to "consider ways and means, outline policies, and draft the necessary plans" for the observance. The steering committee appointed many committees to develop special activities. In 1950 and early 1951, a separate Sesquicentennial staff of seven officers was ordered to West Point, four from the Army and three from the Air Force.

Sesquicentennial activities began with an inaugural in Washington Hall on 5 January 1952. Speakers were Thomas E. Dewey, governor of New York; Secretary of the Army Frank Pace, Jr.; General Lucius D. Clay, Class of June 1918; and Major General Ellard A. Walsh, president of the National Guard Association, who presented the Academy with flags of the various states and territories on behalf of the association.

The second major event was the presentation of a portrait of Robert E. Lee, Class of 1829, in his Confederate uniform, the first such portrait to be hung at West Point. Speakers were Lieutenant General Maxwell D. Taylor and former Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray. Representatives of USMA classes from 1881 (Major General Henry Clay Hodges) to the last man alphabetically in the plebe class of 1955 (Cadet Edwin R. Zemet) symbolically welcomed home a distinguished graduate whose portrait faced that of his opponent Ulysses S. Grant in his Civil War uniform.

Founders Day ceremonies were held on Sunday, 16 March. Special services were conducted in both the Cadet Chapel and the Catholic Chapel. Wreaths were placed at the Thayer statue and at Washington's grave at Mount Vernon. The Chiefs of Staff of the Army and the Air Force were featured speakers at a luncheon in Washington Hall.

The climax of the Sesquicentennial was the Jubilee Convocation in May. Original plans would have had academic representatives, members of the diplomatic corps, and graduates march from the center sallyport of Old North Barracks between a double rank of cadets to Trophy Point. A heavy downpour cancelled these plans, and the convocation was held instead in the Field House. An unscheduled highlight of the ceremony was President Harry S. Truman's surprise presentation of the Distinguished Service Medal to General Matthew B. Ridgway for his services as Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in Korea.

There were many other activities. A concert in Carnegie Hall featured the USMA Band, the Cadet Glee Club, and soloists Marguerite Piazza and Walter Cassel, and compositions specially written for the Sesquicentennial by noted artists. Other special music programs were held at West Point. Sesquicentennial publications and exhibits were prepared. A lecture series was another part of the observance.

Both the Centennial and Sesquicentennial anniversaries focused attention on the Academy. In 1902, newspapers and periodicals featured many special articles about West Point and its graduates. As a result of this information and the personal interest of President Roosevelt and Secretary Root, Congress supported a tremendous building program that resulted in almost a complete rebuilding of Academy facilities. New barracks, riding hall, administration building, chapel, quarters, and other buildings were built prior to World War I. Equally important, however, was the fact that many Americans for the first time learned much factual information about their Military Academy.

The Sesquicentennial also brought extensive media coverage. In addition to newspaper and periodical articles, radio and television covered all major events as well as including special programs about the Academy and its graduates. The favorable information did much to counter unfavorable publicity in 1951 concerning the honor scandal. There is little doubt that this effort brought support to Academy improvements in the years following the Sesquicentennial observance.

The Bicentennial

Recognizing the importance of the approaching two-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy, Superintendent Dave R. Palmer and the President of the Association of Graduates, Michael S. Davison, appointed a Joint Bicentennial Steering Group in November 1988. This joint committee represents a change from the action taken by the Superintendent in forming the Sesquicentennial Steering Committee in 1948. The reason is simple: the Association of Graduates at that time was not capable of planning and conducting the observance. It did not have a suitable staff, and it had few financial resources. Almost all of the Sesquicentennial events were to be held at West Point; there were few West Point societies to arrange local observances elsewhere.

There are differences in the composition of the two steering groups. The Sesquicentennial Committee included only one graduate, its chairman, AOG President Chauncey L. Fenton '04; all other members were assigned to the USMA faculty and staff. The Bicentennial Steering Group has several graduates and three Academy staff officers. William R. Raiford '52 was named chairman. Members include Colonel James N. Hawthorne, Director of Academy Relations; Colonel William L. Wilson '63, assigned to the Superintendent's staff; Seth F. Hudgens '64, Executive Vice President, AOG; Colonel Charles K. Flint, III '64, Director of Alumni Affairs; and George S. Pappas '44. Raiford as a member of the Class of 1952 participated in the Sesquicentennial events. Pappas was the Sesquicentennial assistant director for public relations.

The joint letter appointing the Steering Group specified a tri-part mission:

- a. Develop for Academy and Association consideration plans for the celebration of the USMA Bicentennial.
- b. Based on approved plans, propose specific Bicentennial programs and activities for Academy and Association consideration.
- c. Oversee and report upon, as appropriate, the execution of approved programs and activities.

At its first meeting shortly after being appointed, the Steering Group discussed the purpose of the Bicentennial observance, its possible length, and major events to be considered. It may appear that it was unnecessary to discuss the purpose; the Steering Group, however, believed that the USMA Bicentennial was more than the simple commemoration of the Academy's 200th anniversary. From their discussion came this statement of the purpose of the Bicentennial:

"To observe the 200th anniversary of the founding of the United States Military Academy by celebrating its contributions to our Nation and to the peoples of the world."

In discussing the length of the observance, the Steering Group considered many options covering periods from six months to several years. Four periods were considered most appropriate. The first started with the entrance of the Class of 2002 in July 1998 and ended with its graduation in June 2002. The second period considered began in January 2001 and ended in December of that year. The third period discussed was from Founders Day 2001 through Founders Day 2002. The last option extended from the beginning of the academic year in the fall of 2001 and concluded with the graduation of the Class of 2002. The Steering Committee concluded that the most appropriate length would be the fourth option covering the 2001-2002 academic year beginning in August 2001 and ending possibly as late as July 2002.

One of the reasons for restricting the observance to one year was the realization that the entire Corps of Cadets will be involved in almost every activity. An observance of more than one year would disrupt too much of cadet studies and other activities. Furthermore, the Steering Group decided that major events should be scheduled only in the period from 1 January through June 2002, a period paralleling the time devoted to the Sesquicentennial. Some activities will be scheduled in 2001 and July 2002, but these would have minimum requirements of cadet time.

During several meetings in 1989, the Steering Group developed a plan of events and activities to be sponsored during the Bicentennial period. From August through December 2001, the Steering Group recommended:

- a. a Bicentennial focus for academic events.
- b. special sports promotions and contests.
- c. a special Bicentennial lecture series.
- d. release of Bicentennial publications and books.
- e. special museum displays at West Point and elsewhere.
- f. special editions of *Assembly*.

Major events would be scheduled from January to June 2002. The events recommended by the Steering Committee include:

- a. in January, a joint resolution of Congress commemorating the founding of the Academy. Possibly an appropriate inaugural ceremony would be scheduled to take place at West Point on that day.
- b. in February, a special Washington's Birthday event would honor all of the individuals who contributed to the establishment of the Academy: George Washington, Henry Knox, Alexander Hamilton, Henry Burbeck, and others.
- c. also in February, a series of gala music concerts would be scheduled with concert orchestras in major world centers playing West Point music, including compositions written by outstanding composers for the Sesquicentennial.
- d. 16 March 2002 would feature worldwide simultaneous observances of Founders Day by graduates and their guests. These would be telecast by satellite. On this date, special commemorative stamps and coins are proposed to be issued.
- e. an Academic Jubilee Convocation, similar to that held during the Sesquicentennial, would be held in late April or May.
- f. the last event of the Bicentennial would be the graduation of the Class of 2002.

During July 2002, the Bicentennial staff will prepare its after-action reports. A special edition of *Assembly* will be devoted to the Bicentennial. Summer band concerts will be scheduled and West Point music over the years will be featured.

Consideration was given to publishing the 2000 edition of the *Register of Graduates* in 2002, a delay of two years. It was decided, however, that the *Register* should be published as scheduled in 2000 in order to provide its information to media representatives and academicians prior to the actual Bicentennial events.

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Concept for the Bicentennial and Beyond

(A Facility Plan for the Next Century)

by Colonel William L. Wilson, *Executive for Academy Initiatives, Office of Superintendent*

Major changes have taken place in the development of physical facilities at West Point since its inception. Early superintendents had considerable difficulty in obtaining funds to establish barracks and classrooms for cadets. The history of facility development does not follow a smooth, clear path. Rather, the development of facilities shows bursts of building and expansion followed by long periods of inactivity and even neglect of structures.

The purpose of this article is to describe the major aspects of the current concept for the facilities plan for West Point. Following the establishment of a strategic vision for West Point in "2002: Our Roadmap to the Future and Beyond," it was clear that a long-range,



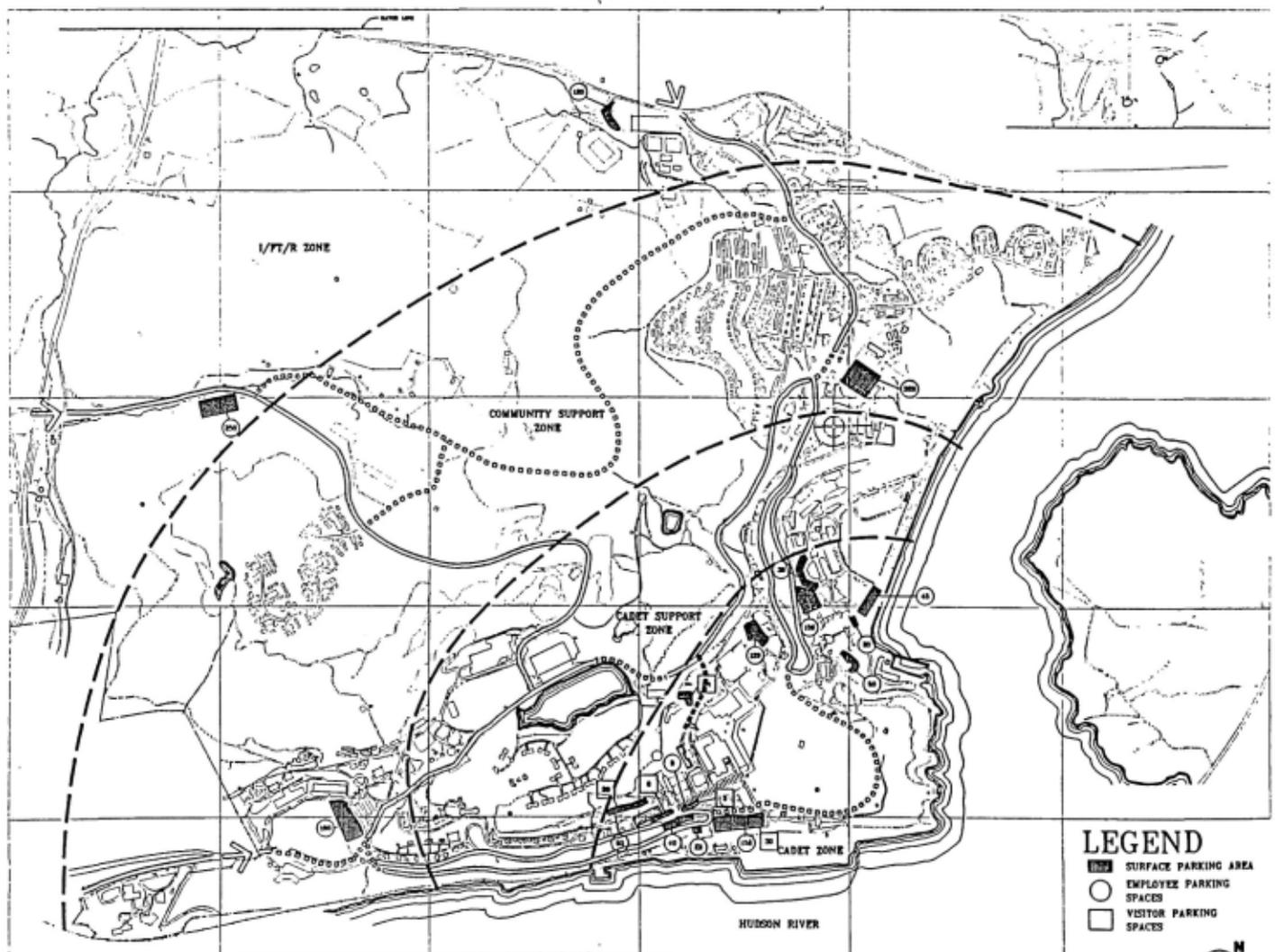
well thought-out facilities plan should be developed to support the Military Academy of the next century. This vision, termed the Concept for the Bicentennial and Beyond (CBB), began with a review of planning principles which had endured throughout West Point's history.

Some of the more important principles identified were:

- maintaining the Corps in one central area
- establishing cadet barracks and areas of training and education within a 10-minute walk
- maintaining the magnificent vistas and openness of the Plain
- using existing facilities and real estate optimally
- preserving the "West Point Scene"

After taking full stock of these principles, current, basic assumptions were established. At the time the CBB was established two years ago, these assumptions included:

- the Corps size will not increase
- the reservation size will not increase
- the cadet leader development program will remain essentially as it is



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- cadet summer training will remain on the USMA reservation
- tourism will increase
- USMA will phase out of operations at Stewart Army Support

Although the development of the Concept for the Bicentennial and Beyond has been recently established, it builds on the work of many planners and thinkers involved in the development of West Point. For example, removal of the Thayer Road extension across the Plain had been recommended since the 50's. Establishing an enlarged and more symmetrical Plain was part of the master plan recommendations in 1972. Re-routing traffic, removing athletics and returning the Plain, to an open, grassy area was discussed in the 1974 master plan. Specific areas designated exclusively for academics, visitors, community, and athletics were recommended in studies in the 70's.

Following a review of the planning principles and the establishment of the planning assumptions, it was recognized that the facilities at West Point had to accommodate varying populations of people. It was obvious that the cadet, staff and faculty, and soldier populations would require some allocation of the physical resources. In addition, cadet extracurricular and intercollegiate athletics require considerable space. The athletic fans and visitors attending activities offered at West Point require parking space for the transportation bringing them here. Tourism is on the increase, so tourists and people interested in West Point were included as a population needing space.

The result of this planning and review was the establishment of four zones. These zones are a recognition that activities have become congested and competition for space has been based on no clear planning. The CBB establishes the allowed use of land and facilities in each of the four zones. The zones are established as concentric arcs.

The innermost zone is established as the **Cadet Zone**, representing the traditional heart of USMA. In this zone, all cadets live and receive the majority of

their education and development. This is primarily a pedestrian zone and a goal was to eliminate all activities requiring large vehicular traffic. Guidelines for this zone are based on a 10-minute walk from one end to the other.

Moving outward from the Cadet Zone, next is the **Cadet Support Zone**. This zone comprises the activities supporting optional cadet activities and the majority of the cadet intercollegiate facilities. It provides space for those cadet activities which draw large crowds and vehicles. Parking areas are to be established in this zone, allowing visitors to park and walk into the Cadet Zone. A green, athletic field area is also emerging in this zone. The fields will eventually extend from the North Athletic Field to Michie Stadium, through Howze Field, down through lacrosse and soccer fields and on to a baseball and softball complex on Buffalo Soldier Field.

The third arc or zone is the **Community Support Zone** and includes staff and faculty housing and support activities. This zone includes the medical activities, children's schools, and shops which support the West Point active Army community.

The outer arc or **Industrial, Field Training, and Recreational Zone** provides a location for the activities required to support the operation and maintenance of the post, general warehousing, cadet field training, and outdoor recreational activities. In this zone the warehouses, shops, motor pools, and power-generating facilities will be located. Cadet field training is conducted in this zone and it includes the firing ranges and impact area. In addition to training grounds, the lakes, streams and forests in this area provide recreation for cadets as well as for the West Point community.

The issue of pedestrian and vehicular traffic has been an area of major concern for many years at West Point. In the 1940's the superintendent wrote an article assuring local communities that changes in the West Point vehicular traffic plan were not intended to dissuade visitors. Rather it was an attempt to lend some planning and management

to the growing problem of vehicles competing for highly limited space. The management of this issue continues under the CBB. West Point has three major entrances: Thayer Gate, Stony Lonesome Gate, and Washington Gate. These three entrances lead all visitors toward the heart and center of West Point. Under the CBB, the Cadet Zone is designated as a pedestrian area, with an expectation that all but the most essential requirements will be accomplished by foot. Those activities which draw large populations of people, such as the intercollegiate activities in the Cadet Support Zone, will be located in an area allowing vehicular traffic access to parking areas. Parking areas will be placed in the Cadet Support Zone which allow staff and faculty, tourists and visitors to park and then move to the Cadet Zone by foot or bus.

Clearly, we are not starting with the building of a new post. As a matter of fact, the average age of buildings at West Point is 47 years. If we were beginning with that new post, we could place the facilities in each of the zones as designated. As might be imagined, there are many activities located in zones dedicated to other purposes. For example, the commissary was located in building 667, a facility in the Cadet Zone. When extensive maintenance requirements occur and there is the opportunity to move activities into the desired zone, then movement will occur. The rule of common sense has to apply.

We have had the opportunity to move some activities. The commissary has moved out of the old location and into a new community center near Stony Lonesome in the Community Support Zone. The Library tennis courts were removed to restore portions of the Plain and provide playing fields. Traffic has been re-routed across Mills Road as the main thoroughfare. Little by little the concept is being developed into a plan.

Future articles in the *Assembly* will provide more extensive information on the activity and plans for each of the four zones.



Activities of Library Friends Generate Need for More Members

By Captain Aloysius A. Norton, USMS (Ret), USMA 1944

The cadets at West Point, from its earliest days, until perhaps the 1960's, received a textbook education. This education was focused, rigorous, and successful. It met precisely the needs of the military profession. However, there was little or even no use of the Academy Library demanded of the student. It was there for his use if he were interested in expanding his own knowledge. Assignments rarely, if ever, brought a cadet to the library. However, the library was used by the instructors and professors throughout its existence. Librarians were appointed as additional duty assignments for most of the library's history.

But, with the explosion of knowledge which has occurred in the last two generations, the library has grown in size and importance, markedly. Course work assignments in the library have been integrated into the curriculum. So different is the library today than it was thirty years ago that over half its budget is consumed by subscriptions to serials: periodicals, bibliographies, newspapers, annuals, journals, memoirs, proceedings, transactions of societies, and numbered monographic series. Some of the foreign serials can approach a thousand dollars a subscription. However, the serials alone contain the most recent knowledge about a subject. Such information may not appear in a textbook for two years or more.

The library at West Point is actually older than the Academy itself. During the Revolutionary War the importance of mathematics and military tactics to the

fledgling army moved the Continental Congress to tax the officers at West Point at the rate of one day's pay a month to purchase books for "a bibliotique" located in their midst. In time the library at West Point, thanks to the guidance of French allies, became the only engineering resource in the early history of the United States. The first engineering teaching facilities—Rensselaer's engineering department, Harvard's Lawrence and Yale's Sheffield—were conducted with Academy textbooks and usually staffed by Academy graduates.

From those earliest days the library always suffered from lack of funding (during the Mexican War donations alone supplied the addition of books), but today the cuts in budgeting have seriously limited plans for acquisition and service. General Palmer in the July 1990 issue of *Assembly* points out:

"The days of simply convincing Congress to appropriate monies to meet our needs are gone, probably forever. Nowadays, we must supplement appropriated funds with money from other sources, including profits we earn from several business ventures, help from 'third party' or private investments, and the contributions of donors. We could not sustain the current high level of excellence on appropriated funds alone."

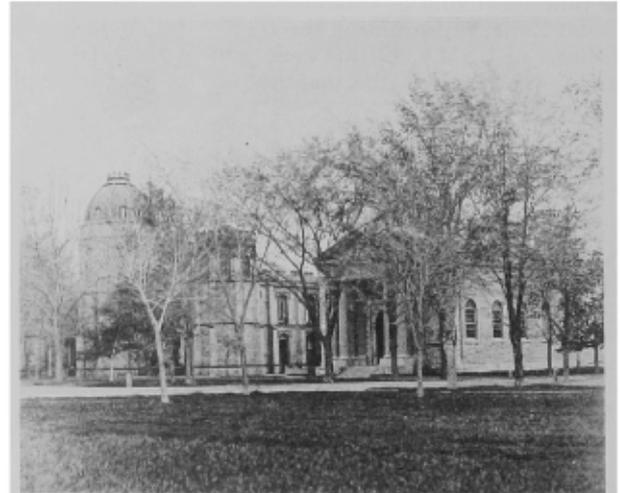
A few graduates in 1982 anticipated the need of support for at least one activity at

the Academy—the library. Over the years the library has acquired a treasurehouse of valuable historical items. Some graduates always were able to send manuscripts, books, or records to the archives of the Academy Library. But, three shortcomings were readily apparent in the collections: one, there were gaps in important places; two, many of the holdings had never been completely catalogued; three, scholars had not been directed to the materials to analyze, interpret, and publish them. Aware of the needs, this group in 1982 founded the Friends of the West Point Library on 19 February. There were 65 members, including a significant number of graduates of other institutions. An article in the 1 June 1982 *Assembly* explained the purpose of the organization:

"The aim of the Friends is to obtain original source printed and manuscript material for West Point, doing this directly by fostering an intimate acquaintance between the West Point Library and West Pointers and other sympathetic individuals who can contribute to the library's betterment and enhancement. The Friends seek to act as a bridge between the USMA Library and the many individuals who are interested in its activities. Through a semi-annual newsletter the Council of Friends will inform fellow members of new acquisitions by the library, changed emphasis in collection goals and other information pertaining to the operation of



"North front, Building for the Library and Philosophical Apparatus; constructed from the designs of Major Delafield, c. 1853. (Courtesy of Special Collections, USMA Library)



USMA Library and Chapel, c. 1870. (Courtesy of Special Collections, USMA Library)

the library. At the same time, the needs of the library in special collections, books, manuscripts, maps and other graphic material will be identified in the hope that graduates will consider offering all or part of their personal collections to the library. Because there is simply not enough space for the USMA Library to accept all material that might be offered to it, the Friends may also serve as a vehicle for explaining to potential donors both the limitations and the specific needs of the library."

The ready assistance of the Princeton University Friends assisted greatly in the formation of policy for West Point Friends.

With the founding of the Friends of the West Point Library, a steady, healthy growth in historical acquisitions has accelerated and brought letters, manuscripts, photographs, books and maps to the library's collections. Individual classes have realized the richness and needs of the library. Outstanding among these is the Class of 1950, whose gift made possible the preservation and re-binding of the Thayer Collection—the real glory of West Point's early academic history. Each newsletter attests to the concern now shown in meeting the needs of the library that ordinary funding could not do. Through persuasion, solicitation, and purchase, the Friends have added considerably to the special collections of 40,000 rare books, 15,000 maps and atlases, and over 250,000 manuscripts that deal with the history of the military arts, and the history of West Point and the early fortifications of the Hudson Valley.

Through the efforts of the Friends, the library now has a voice and an army to add to the collections of papers and letters and diaries of cadets and serving officers. One example of these acquisitions is the papers of the Holbrook fam-

ily, donated with an endowment in excess of \$10,000 to process and develop the collection. Now known as the "Helen Hoyle Herr Holbrook and Willard Ames Holbrook, Jr. Collection," the papers, manuscripts and letters span five generations of the old Army. The collection has already been catalogued and awaits the attention of scholars interested in the social history of the Army, all aspects of the Cavalry, the development of Army schools, and biographical material pertaining to significant military figures since the Civil War.

The Friends donated some \$6,000 to the processing of the 200 file boxes of the papers of George A. Lincoln, USMA 1929, which were being so extensively used by researchers that they needed sorting, cataloging and preservation.

Through the good offices of the Friends, the library has acquired the General George S. Patton, Jr. personal library. This outstanding collection, heavily annotated in many volumes by General Patton, will be classified and integrated into the Special Collections. It will be a source of reports and studies for years to come.

The Friends have also acquired for the library such items as a 1789 engraving, a copy of Baron von Steuben's Drill Regulations in an 1807 printing, and an 1812 orderly book of the 4th Connecticut Infantry.

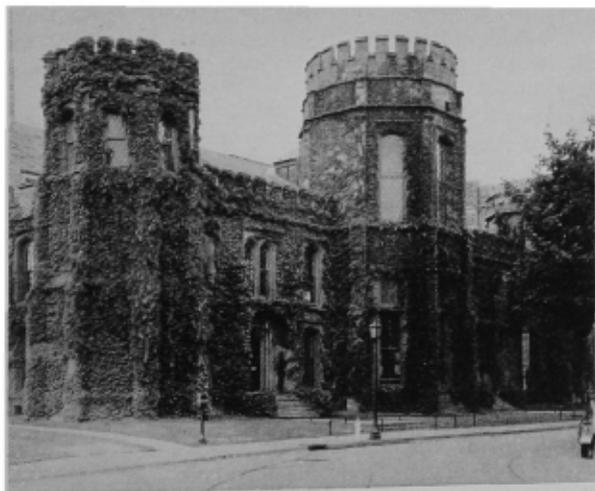
The Friends now conduct frequent auctions. These books come largely from collections donated to the Friends but not of use to the library. Most, of course, are duplicates of holdings. Cadets and officers at West Point and members of the Friends may make bids in person or by mail. The December 1989 auction of 475 books brought \$1,657.50 to the Friends' treasury.

Conceived in oblique fashion, the most ambitious project of the Friends now in motion is the research award and publication of *Ramparts*, a study of four centuries of fortifications from Europe to

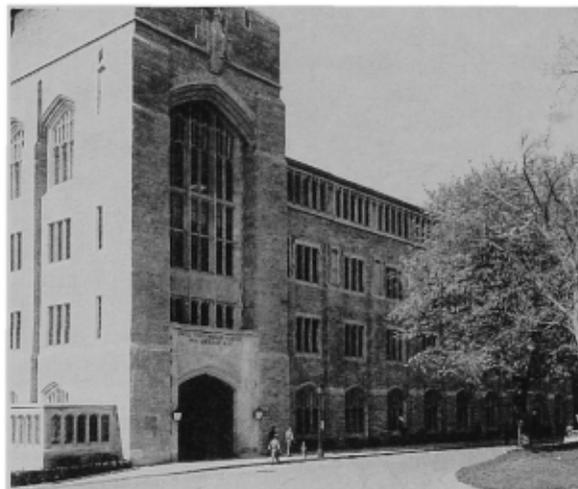
the American frontier. The project grew out of an idea for an exhibit of the library's extensive holdings of books, drawings, maps, and documents that trace the development of military fortifications. Gifts and purchases have made the collection one of the finest in the world. The earliest holdings were published in the 1500's. By degree the exhibit plan developed into a catalogue, then a book that will be heavily illustrated, and will make its appearance in late 1990.

There is no lack of inspiration or need for future scholarly products. What is needed most are volunteer scholars or money for research awards. Until now, very few graduates have been actively involved in military-arts research at the Academy Library. But West Point is about to produce a number of military biographers, and historians, and perhaps novelists. Friends' research awards will serve as a catalyst for volunteer scholars to propagate the treasures of the library. The process now begins with cadets. In 1990 the Friends awarded its first annual cadet Award for Excellence in Research and Writing, a prize of \$250 in books of the cadet's selection.

Off the northeast corner of the Old Chapel in the West Point Cemetery is a tombstone with the inscription, "NO ONE LOVED WEST POINT MORE." Each of us has his own way of caring for the Academy, none more important than another. Some give significant grants to the West Point Fund; some serve an entire career at the Academy; some avidly give support and presence to Army's athletic teams; some are Friends of the West Point Library. The Friends' activities have become so popular that members number some 400. But more are needed to sustain the work. The Friends ask for your membership donation of \$25.00, mailed to Friends of the West Point Library, P.O. Box 87, West Point, NY 10996. Membership will bring you two newsletters a year, and a copiously illustrated history of the Academy Library.



"Old Library," c. 1944. (Courtesy of Special Collections, USMA Library)



USMA Library today. (Courtesy of Special Collections, USMA Library)

Academic Limits

By BG GERALD E. GALLOWAY, JR., *Dean of the Academic Board*



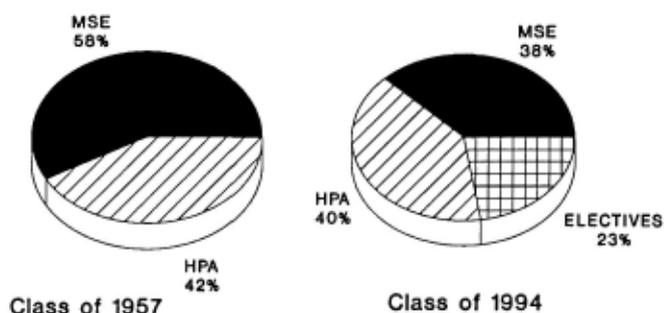
I recently received a note from a friend, writing as a distinguished old grad, to chide me about changes in the academic program that he perceived were causing it to stray from its mission to educate future officers. His base of comparison was the curriculum and classroom procedures of the forties and fifties, under which we all took the same courses regardless of previous education, in a "shared experience." We were graded frequently; we were sectioned by ability and carried a heavy academic load. He was especially concerned about the recent institution of majors. I would like to share parts of my response to him with you.

Dear ---:

It was good to hear from you and to know that you are still vitally interested in your Alma Mater and what and how it is teaching those who followed you in the Long Gray Line. Your letter indicated that, at least in your mind, we might, over time, have let the academic program of the Academy get away from those of us responsible for its stewardship.

Perhaps the most straightforward way to answer your question would be to compare a fifties program—the lock-step curriculum of 1957—and the curriculum in place for the Class of 1994, our most recent entry. I'll state at the outset that any detailed comparison will be difficult because not only has the basic subject material changed (the EE of 1955 is not the same as the EE of 1990) but so also has the length of classes (in some cases, 80 minutes to 55 minutes). The table does, however, generally capture the number of one-semester courses taken during both

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peared (7 courses); we spend less time on Math (2 courses) and some students will take three fewer engineering science courses. We have added Philosophy (ethics), Computer Science, and Terrain Analysis (a mix of earth science, remote sensing and cartography). We have added the requirement that cadets devote nine carefully packaged courses in a disciplinary field of interest to them—our study-in-depth component.

Yes, some cadets will miss solids, fluids and electrical engineering and design of structures—remember the moment and shear diagrams. But every cadet will take a five-course sequence that carries through the concepts of synthesis, analysis, and design that the faculty of old had hoped we would gain from our core engineering experience. Some will follow the path of old—essentially civil engineering—while others, based on their interests, will gain this experience in systems, mechanical, electrical, nuclear, or environmental engineering or in computer science. All will participate in a two-course engineering design experience. The three engineering science courses preceding a particular design sequence prepare cadets for that sequence. For example, cadets who take Civil Engineering begin with Statics and Dynamics followed by Thermo Dynamics and Mechanics of Materials. For cadets pursuing an engineering discipline in their depth component, the engineering curriculum will, of course, be much deeper—totaling as many as seventeen total engineering discipline courses, quite a load even when compared to days of yore.

The study in depth may be taken in any of 29 different fields (15 MSE, 14 HPA). If cadets are really interested in their fields they may take additional (1 to 4) courses to complete a major in one of 19 (11 MSE, 8 HPA) areas. To major, cadets must take the additional courses during the academic term or volunteer to take summer courses. Recognizing your immediate thought that no cadet would ever take "extra courses," I will simply observe that the average cadet takes 42.7 courses and that 76% of the cadets in the Class of '92 have chosen to major.

As you also may recall, in our day, even if you had taken a course somewhere else, you took it again at West Point. Today, cadets who can demonstrate success somewhere else in a subject area may validate (through special exams, AP exams) almost any course. While they still must take at least forty courses at West Point, the validations offer them the opportunity to take, in place of their validated courses, any of the approximately 400

Class of 1957			Class of 1994				
MSE		HPA	MSE		HPA		
Math	6	English	4	Math	4	English	3
Physics	2	History	3	Physics	2	History	4
Chemistry	2	Soc	3	Chemistry	2	Soc	3
		Sciences				Sciences	
Solids	2	Leadership	1	Terrain Anal	1	Leadership	1
Fluids	2	Psychology	1	Comp Sci	1	Psychology	1
Electricity	3	Law	2	Engr Sci	3	Law	1
Engineering	2	Foreign	4	Engineering	2	Foreign	2
		Lang				Lang	
Drawing	2					Philosophy	1
Hygiene	1						
Ordnance	2						
Topo	2						
	26		18		15		16
							Elective Depth of Study = 9 courses
							Total = 40 courses
							Total = 44 courses

periods and the pie charts the relative distribution of courses among HPA (Humanities and Public Affairs), MSE (Math, Science and Engineering) and electives.

As you will note, I have not included tactics (military science) and physical education courses, which although about equal in number (1957 to 1994), have dramatically (positively) changed in content.

A quick look will point out the biggest changes. Ordnance, Drawing, Hygiene, Topo, and one English course have disap-

electives we now offer. I was never impressed with the concept of making people repeat courses they had already mastered. It certainly didn't provide a level playing field for those who hadn't been to college.

During the summer, as part of the enrichment program (which will be the subject of another letter), cadets can normally serve three to four weeks as interns in an Army lab, take a special course at some other college, or take a course away from West Point under the tutelage of one of our faculty members (for example, the battlefields of the Civil War; geology field work in the Rockies; Arabic in Egypt).

We still have small sections, averaging about fifteen in the core courses. In many of the electives, the size drops to an even lower figure. Cadets are not sectioned strictly on ability and compete against standards rather than their peers. (In some courses, mostly plebe and yearling courses, cadets having difficulty are grouped.) As a result of the advice of the Borman Commission and the follow-on West Point Study Group, we did eliminate daily grading, believing that it fostered a "spec and dump" mentality. There are quizzes and Written Partial Reviews (WPRs) to monitor progress. Almost all courses require 4-hour Term-End Examinations which require students to integrate the term's total experience. Our assessment tells us the students come out with a much better grasp of the overall subject—the big picture.

What has all of this done? Yes, it has modified the curriculum. In reality, the cadets take about as many subjects as before, but some different ones. However, the focus of their program has been on both the "thought process" and course content. All get a thorough grounding in mathematics and the physical sciences. All learn the engineering thought process. All cadets are exposed to

different cultures, taught how to communicate effectively, and receive a more thorough understanding of the complex nature of the people they will lead. We make a strong effort to instill historical mindedness so that lessons of the past will not be lost on the future. We strive to instill intellectual curiosity and creativity in cadets, traits they shall surely put to use in the future. There are many more oral and written projects than we had and lots of opportunity for display of individual initiative. While they spend less time in class, I would wager that they spend considerably more time than we did on their homework and on their academic projects. I haven't found a cadet who doesn't believe he or she is carrying a heavy academic load. On top of all this, to graduate, cadets must have a C or higher overall grade point average. No more skating through with D's (2.0's) in all courses.

The statistics tell us that the majors program is successful—it has been here for nearly seven years and the grade point averages of cadets involved in their majors is significantly higher than the averages they earn in their earlier years. We still produce our Rhodes, Marshall, National Science Foundation, Olmsted, Wise, and Hertz Scholars. Our engineering majors, as a group, have a higher participation rate in the EIT exam than any other engineering school in New York State and our success rate overall is also tops. But most of all we can see that cadets leave West Point with a belief that they have profited by their experience.

No, I don't believe the new curriculum and the "new procedures" have thrown the baby out with the bath water. I think they have educated cadets better than we were and graduated officers ready to continue their intellectual growth.

Regards from West Point.

Korean War Veterans Memorial



The article entitled, "Eisenhower, the Korean War and a National Tribute to Veterans," which appeared in the November issue of *Assembly*, described in some detail the evolving design of the Korean War Veterans Memorial. However, the accompanying photo in the article showed the original design concept which, as

the text made clear, has been greatly enhanced as the current model (shown above) makes manifest. Particularly commendable is the manner in which the design has been harmonized with and made integral to the sweeping grandeur of the historic Washington Mall.

The COM Reports

By BG DAVID A. BRAMLETT, *Commandant of Cadets*



Having recently had the opportunity to speak to the AOG Board of Trustees and one of the reunion classes on the topic of the Cadet Leader Development System (CLDS), I thought I would focus this report on one key aspect that seems to be on the minds of many graduates—the Fourth Class System. Many have heard the rumor that West Point has done away with the Plebe System. Little could be farther from the truth. We had anticipated that there would be inevitable rumors, and we had hoped to keep many of you up-to-date with my “Interim Report” and “Final Report” that were forwarded to you. As these letters went to society presidents, trustees, BOV members, and others, we were counting on informal dissemination from those bases. That approach has been working well, but rumors persist. What follows below is an edited combination of both “Reports.” Those of you up-to-date can stop here; the remainder may find the following helpful.

At the outset, let me spike any rumor or suspicion that there is any inclination to water down the West Point experience. We believe it is vital to all developmental programs to aim for physical, mental, and emotional strengthening of cadets. Putting “iron in their soul” remains a fixture of the four-year experience. We are preparing them to succeed in a combat environment, and that environment is not stress free.

Our analysis of the committee reports [the three committees of alumni, staff and faculty, and cadets] revealed much common ground and many congruent themes. We used the chords of agreement to the extent possible as the basis for our evolving plan for implementation. Some of the committee recommendations were self-evident, suggesting immediate implementation. As a result, we directed some adjustments for implementation during Cadet Basic Training.

Other recommendations, which were more systemic in nature, warranted further discussion. Most notable was the observation of all three committees of the need for a four-year developmental system that looks beyond just the Fourth Class to direct appropriate attention toward the development of the upper three classes as well. This broader focus prompted us to review many initiatives and considerations for implementation during the academic year.

This effort is now finalized as the Cadet Leader Development System. The CLDS provides an organizing framework around which the four years of the West Point Experience is designed to achieve the Academy’s noble purpose. Its main sections articulate standards and principles which guide leader development across all four years, while individual annexes address the purpose, concept, and goals of Fourth Class, Third Class, Second Class, and First Class development, respectively. CLDS retains those features of the Fourth Class experience that have long marked it as tough and demanding [This year’s CBT resignation rate, which some identify with a tough CBT, remained on the five-year average.] More important, however, it specifically challenges each of the three upperclasses to assume more responsibility for development of their immediate subordinates, not just plebes.

While the CLDS retains most of those uniquely defining features of the Fourth Class Experience, it is not clear that leader development (for both plebes and the upperclass) is best served by retaining such features all the way to Graduation Week. The alumni committee, in fact, specifically recommended moving Recognition to a point “sometime in the spring,” so as to allow for a period of normalcy among all four classes prior to graduation. This recommendation received both serious and spirited deliberation. We believe the alumni committee—and many others who share their perspective—to be right on target. [As a matter of interest, we found that in the 1921-22 *Bugle Notes* the discussion of Recognition included the following: “The actual date of recognition is designated by the First Class. It is usually immediately after graduation parade.”] Accordingly, the date for Recognition will be set on/about the day prior to departure of the upperclass on Spring Leave. If, based on demonstrated manner of performance, the First Class feels the Fourth Class is deserving of Recognition at an earlier date (but no earlier than the start of second term), the First Captain can petition the Commandant to approve such action.

Publication of the CLDS and moving up the date for Recognition mark the most significant initiatives that have evolved from our year-long review of the

Fourth Class System. Other initiatives followed from those select adjustments approved for implementation during CBT '90. Based on our continued study and the CBT experience, we approved further adjustments for the academic year and incorporated them into the CLDS. Key features, many of which are policies that have been in effect for several years, are summarized below:

Posture/Bearing:

- 4th Class walk in erect, military manner at an unexaggerated march cadence.
- No pinging, squaring corners, or hugging walls, though 4th Class will move to the right when approaching upperclass cadets in the hallway.
- 4th Class do not talk to each other outside their rooms in the cadet area (except to perform duties).

Cadet Mess:

- All cadets sit “At Ease” [the stated policy for the past 10 years].
- 4th Class perform standard table duties.
- 4th Class may talk to classmates after performing duties.
- No Knowledge may be asked after “Take Seats.”
- Deprivation and/or restriction (of food intake) explicitly prohibited.

Knowledge:

- Traditional Knowledge learned during CBT.
- Monthly requirements reduced during AY to allow greater study time for academics.
- Some trivia eliminated (beverage preferences, box scores).
- 4th Class still say “Days.”
- 4th Class must be “familiar” with world/national events (memorization prohibited).

Discipline:

- One discipline system for all classes (USCC Reg 351-1).
- Use of 4Cs, 4Ds, 4th Class boards eliminated [the 2-1 is used for all classes].

Duties:

- 4th Class perform standard duties [laundry, mail, table, minute-calling duties].
- Emphasis for responsibility on chain of command.

Limits/Restrictions:

- Most traditional restrictions remain in effect.
- First Captain has authority to recommend early suspension based on 4th Class performance.

Customs/Courtesies:

- 4th Class still address all upperclass cadets as "Sir" or "Ma'am."
- Explicit prohibition against demeaning yelling by upperclass.

The USMA Policy Board discussed and approved these initiatives and adjustments on 31 July. CLDS will significantly enhance our ability to inculcate within cadets of all four classes those values, ideals, and principles that are integral to the exercise of effective lead-

ership. We are confident that it will achieve this end without sacrificing the rigor or the demand of the Fourth Class Experience. In retrospect, our year-long examination and review of the Fourth Class System has certainly been a meaningful endeavor of immense proportion. Coming on the heels of our year-long review of Honor and the two-year Institutional Self-study, it constitutes another critical piece to be emplaced in firmly establishing the model that will carry West Point into the year 2002 and beyond. It represents our blueprint for developing and providing leaders of character for the nation.

Two points are particularly worthy of mention as you share this information. First, there was unanimity among the committees and among all of us that the "character molding" portion of the four-year experience at West Point, to include Plebe year, should in no way be softened—as I said earlier, it must remain tough, demanding, and challenging. We do not intend to dilute the rigor, but rather to strengthen it. Second, the initia-

tives being implemented can ultimately be thought of as the next logical refinement in a leader development model that has been evolving over the course of the past several years. We owe it to our cadets and the nation to provide a developmental experience that is consistent with the highest standards of professionalism.

In closing, let me emphasize that the "plebe system" still exists and is found at Annex A in the CLDS manual. Previously, we had a separate manual for the Plebe System but nothing else for the upper three classes. Now we have a four class system that we have codified and formalized; it builds on the successful practices of the past and incorporates the advantages that accrue from "putting it in writing." In fact, most of the past "plebe system" is intact, embedded in a larger system (The Cadet Leader Development System) that establishes a roadmap for leader development throughout the entire four-year experience. We are confident that this refinement will strengthen the Corps.

Bicentennial Steering Group Appointed (Continued from page 29)

Although not a specific part of the proposed Bicentennial period, the entry of the Class of 2002 in August 1998 will be marked with special activities. As both the Centennial staff in 1902 and the Sesquicentennial staff in 1952 found, these anniversary classes are extremely proud of their designation. The Bicentennial Class will undoubtedly feel the same way and will take its own actions to observe the anniversary. It can be expected that the *Pointer* and the *Howitzer* will both devote much space to the events of that year.

The Steering Group has also adopted a logo for the observance, similar to that used for the Sesquicentennial. This logo will be used on invitations, special Bicentennial publications, stationery, and appropriate souvenirs.

To assist the Steering Group in preparing for the observance, Chairman Raiford has already appointed several sub-committees. Carl Ulsacker '42 has been named chairman of the Bicentennial Stamp Sub-committee. His committee will take steps necessary to obtain a US stamp to be released on Founders Day 2002. This sub-committee will also attempt to have special stamps issued by foreign countries as well as discuss the possibility of preparing commemorative non-postage stamps.

Thomas B. Dyer, III '67 has been appointed chairman of the Bicentennial Resources Sub-committee. He will be responsible for obtaining the financial resources needed for the Bicentennial events, operations, and other activities. Dyer will also assist the Steering Committee in preparing a budget and developing financial requirements for the observance.

To chair the Congressional and White House Liaison Sub-committee, Raiford selected Arthur E. Brown, Jr. '53. This sub-committee is responsible for liaison with staffs of the President and the Vice President regarding all Bicentennial events in which either may participate. The sub-committee

will also coordinate activities of senators and congressmen, including the issuing of the joint congressional proclamation on 7 January 2002.

Because so many events will be held at West Point and will involve the Corps of Cadets, staff, faculty, and military families, Raiford named William L. Wilson '63 to chair the West Point Bicentennial Celebration Team Sub-committee. This sub-committee is responsible for coordinating all activities occurring at West Point, including cadet participation, staff support, class reunions, athletics, food, lodging, escorts, transportation, honors, and parades.

To coordinate all musical events for the Bicentennial, both the band concerts at West Point and those throughout the nation, as well as worldwide orchestral events, Raiford has chosen Eugene W. Allen, former commander of the USMA Band, the U.S. Army Field Band, and the Army Band (Pershing's Own).

The Steering Group also plans to invite each graduation class, starting with 2001 and continuing backward to include all classes with at least one living graduate, to plan a class reunion at West Point sometime between August 2001 and June 2002.

Other sub-committees will be formed as required. In addition, it is planned to have a special Bicentennial staff appointed as the Bicentennial period approaches. In the meantime, the Steering Group plans to meet at least quarterly to develop and implement plans for the observance. Periodic reports will be made to graduates through articles in *Assembly*.

The Steering Committee requests that any graduate or cadet who desires to work on any committee or contribute to any aspect of the planning for the Bicentennial, make his or her wishes, ideas, or suggestions known by writing to the Bicentennial Steering Committee, Cullum Hall, West Point, New York 10996.

The DIA Reports

By AL VANDERBUSH, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics



Quite often, I have been asked by graduates and friends of West Point, "How can I (we) help in recruiting athletes for USMA's intercollegiate athletic teams?" My stock answer has been,

"Because of NCAA regulations, you may not recruit. The best thing you can do to help is to identify for us prospective student-athletes. We will do the rest."

Allow me to expand this answer so you can become more familiar with our recruiting process and understand your part in it, should you care to help (and we hope you do!).

In 1987, in an effort to eliminate recruiting abuses, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) passed legislation which delineated who may recruit high school athletes. It permitted athletic department coaching staff members to recruit but specifically prohibited others through legislation commonly called the "booster ban." This bylaw applies to all sports and reads:

"In Division I, representatives of an institution's athletics interests are prohibited from making in-person, on- or off-campus recruiting contacts, or written or telephonic communications with a prospect or the prospect's relatives or legal guardians."

Another bylaw defines a representative of the institution's athletic interests "as (1) any individual who is a member of the institution's athletics booster club; (2) has made donations to the booster club or to the athletics department; (3) is involved in any manner in recruiting prospects or in providing benefits (e.g., summer jobs) to enrolled student-athletes; or (4) is otherwise involved in promoting the institution's athletics program. Once identified, the representative retains this identity indefinitely."

The commonly accepted NCAA interpretation of the above bylaws is that alumni and friends of a university and college may not recruit.

What can you do, then, if you know of a top-rated high school student-athlete? You should call (see listing) or write the coach of that sport or Bob Thompson, who heads our Admissions Support Branch. You should provide the athlete's name, school and any other pertinent information.

Again, you may not contact the pros-

pect, the prospect's parents/relations, or local high school officials (e.g., coach, principal or guidance counselor).

Your lead will be followed up by our staff. In some cases, they might already have contacted the recruit you identified, but in all cases, they value your interest and support and will get back to you with an acknowledgment that they have acted on your information.

I mentioned in a previous column that Lieutenant Colonel Bill Schutsky (Ret), USMA '68, heads our Compliance Office. Bill's job is to coordinate and over-

see our efforts to comply with NCAA rules. If you have any questions regarding the propriety of an action pertaining to recruiting rules, feel free to write or call Bill at (914) 938-2796.

After the first few months as your Athletic Director, I can report that we continue to emphasize the importance of the development of our young men and women through competitive athletics and, at the same time, strive for a winning program—one in which we all can take great pride.

BEAT NAVY!

Sport	Coach	Telephone
		(914) 938-
Baseball	Dan Roberts	3712
Basketball, Men	Tom Miller	4301/2419
Basketball, Women	Lynn Chiavaro	2796
Diving, Men/Women	John Brandfield	3604/3928
Football	Bob Sutton	2323
	Ed Warinner	4111
150 Lb. Football	Bob Thompson	3113
Golf, Men	Jim Clevenger	3819
Gymnastics, Men	Doug Van Everen	3802
Hockey	Rob Riley	3711/4614
Lacrosse, Men	Jack Emmer	2429/3658
Pistol, Men/Women	Jack McJunkin	3653
Rifle, Men/Women	Ken Hamill	3661
Soccer, Men	Joe Chiavaro	5204/2420
Soccer, Women	Gene Ventriglia	4826
Softball	Jim Flowers	2523/4443
Swimming,	Ray Bosse	3604/3928
Men/Women		
Tennis, Men	Bob Detrich	3126
Tennis, Women	Jim Hawkins	4783
Track/Cross	Ron Bazil	2425/3008
Country,		
Men/Women		
Volleyball, Women	Bob Gambardella	2809
Water Polo, Men	Mark Pruiss	4207/3604
Wrestling	Jack Effner	3123/2969
ODIA Admissions	Bob Thompson	2325/3113/4136
Support Branch	Fred Borman	FAX 914-446-7157
	Dan Hammond	
Mailing Address: Coach _____		
ODIA		
West Point, NY 10996-9988		

News from the Societies



CHICAGO

Two of the WPSC's more popular events helped to usher in Chicago's "Gloom Period" (i.e., winter). The 3rd Annual Goat-Engineer Football Game was held on Saturday, 27 Oct. **Howard Parker '70**, and **Jan Schultz '73** again served as team captains, and an ample supply of ace bandages, beer/Gatorade, and oxygen tanks minimized the carnage. The post-game Beat Navy Rally was, as usual, the true highlight of the afternoon. Our annual joint event with USNA's local alumni was again held to view the ARMY-NAVY game. We again used Ditka's Restaurant as the local Sky-box, although as every year, only half of the attendees enjoyed the outcome.

For those outside the Chicago area whose travels bring you in this area on the weekend of 9-10 Mar, the WPSC will be hosting its annual Founders Day the evening of Saturday, 9 Mar. The location and guest speaker are still being confirmed at this time, but if you would like to attend, please contact **Mike Colbert '73**, at 708-297-1270.

—Steve Best '76

CINCINNATI

The Annual Business Meeting was held on 10 Oct. The officers elected for 90-91 were **John Capelli '80**, pres; **Steve Korach '69** vp; and **Rod Apfelbeck '85**, sec/treas. Besides enjoying the fine company and excellent dinner, a number of issues were discussed including upcoming events, career assistance, and how to more effectively market the society.

Upcoming events: The Founders Day dinner is scheduled for 10 Mar. **Dan Coles '75** has once again agreed to head the planning committee for this event. At the business meeting we decided to start a tradition of participation in the Summer Picnic sponsored by the WPPC. The parents club is active in recruiting candidates and would give some of these young candidates an opportunity to speak with "old grads."

Career assistance: given the occasional inquiries into employment opportunities in Cincinnati, we formed a committee to field these inquiries. Contacts for this committee are **Steve Korach**, at 513-984-1465 or **Ron Stock '62**, at 513-723-0839.

Membership: for any West Pointers who live in the area and want information about membership or the Founders Day dinner, please contact **Rod Apfelbeck** at 513-821-6159.

—John Capelli '80

CLEVELAND

Things have been relatively quiet since my last report three months ago. Vacations slow things down a bit. There is some excitement over the horizon, however.

Mark Klaiba '77 is organizing a second all-academy dinner dance. The first one two years ago was very well attended and in spite of our subtle prodding, our Navy and Air Force cousins have not picked up the guidon. So Mark is striking his best "follow me" pose to establish the event as a tradition.

Mike Fletcher '75 is setting up Founder's Day 91. Ours is scheduled on 9 Mar. The Com will represent West Point. In the new arrival category, we've welcomed back two members of '87 who were released from their obligations just before Desert Shield: **John Mitchell** and **Jim Byall**. Both are vigorously networking and several society members are assisting. The outlook for John and Jim is bright and they both will be assets to this humble group.

Finally, we plan to jointly observe the Army team victory over Canoe U at our 4th Annual Crab Roast. Pres **Merrit Bumpass '65** assures me that as soon as he recruits a project officer, we should have the most memorable A-N in recent years. But, by the time you read this, that will be history.

From the North Coast, BEAT NAVY!!

—Al Catani '69

D.C.

Our fall luncheon at the Ft Myer (VA) Officers Club on 5 Sep featured as guest speaker **MG Charles E. Dominy '62**, Chief of Legislative Liaison, Dept of the Army. Nearly 200 members and guests were enlightened by Gen Dominy's interesting remarks about Army-Congressional liaison. His views provided the audience a unique perspective of the "give-and-take" relations that character-

ize this liaison. His dynamic presentation was impressive to all.

During the luncheon, **LTG Willard W. Scott, Jr. '48**, Soc Pres, introduced the current members of the Board of Governors. They are Vice-Pres—**LTG Carl H. Cathey, Jr. (Ret) '55**; Exec Dir—**BG Michael J. L. Greene (Ret) '41**; Secy—**LTC James O. Younts III (Ret) '68**; Treas—**COL Howard M. Steele Jr. (Ret) '51**; PIO—**LTC Philip A. Farris (Ret) '46**; Judge **Eugene R. Sullivan '64**; **COL George P. Hubert '67**; **COL Barrie E. Zais '65**; **LTC Robert D. Wolff, USAR, '65**; **COL Robert F. Foley '63**; **MAJ Robert M. Metheny '74**; and **CPT Mark A. Zamberlan '81**.

Gen Scott informed those present that the next luncheon will be held in Jan, date and speaker to be announced. He also noted that Founders Day 1991 will again be celebrated with spouses at the Radisson Mark Plaza Hotel in Alex, VA. The date has been set for 16 Mar.

At its 7 Aug meeting, the Board of Governors voted to provide \$4,600 to the WP Glee Club for its planned trip to Washington, DC in Apr 91. The trip is planned in conjunction with the annual Cherry Blossom Festival and is being assisted by the local WPPC. The Board's approval followed consideration of a request by the organization for financial support.

Gen Scott has summarized the goals of each Board meeting: to review changes at the Military Academy; admissions issues; status of the society newsletter; progress on activities; and a treasurer's report. The next Board meeting is scheduled for 5 Dec at the Army-Navy Country Club, Arlington, VA.

—Phil Farris '46

EL PASO

The El Paso Society had good regular monthly meeting attendance during Jul, Aug, and Sep. Our Jul meeting speaker, **USMC Dep Cmdr JTF-6** from Ft. Bliss, **COL Tom Carter**, briefed us on the organization and activities of this U.S. Drug War TF. In Sep, **BG Richard Behrenhausen '61** newly appointed **JTF-6** Cmdr, gave a very interesting and welcomed discussion about the leadership styles and policies of the two most recent superintendents of USMA for whom he worked as chief of staff. Then in Sep our

society luncheon meeting members heard a presentation about United Kingdom Army officer assessions, education and training by LTC Keith Brian, UK Liaison Officer to the US Army Air Defense Artillery School.

The highlight of the qtr was the Society Annual Picnic held on Sat 6 Oct at the Ft. Bliss qtrs of the cmdr, MG Don Lionetti '61 and his wife Bobbi. A total of over 200 attended, including over 60 members of USMA Class of '90, who are students in the Air Defense Artillery Officer Basic Course. Others included retirees, active duty, families, including Desert Shield families, and members from our El Paso WPPC. We were welcomed by Society Pres MG John Oblinger (Ret) '53 and host MG Don Lionetti '61. We bridged many years when GEN James H. Polk (Ret) '33 told his favorite story about a birthday cake delivered for him during his new cadet barracks. The food, drinks, arrangements and a dynamite raffle were coordinated by LTC Casto '70 and his team of captains. COL Glenn Dyer (Ret) '59 handled membership activities as well as his usual treasurer's duties. Our picnic was in every way one of the most successful events of our society.

Our Oct regular luncheon meeting featured a sparkling presentation by Dr. Aaron Segal, Rhodes Scholar classmate of Pete Dawkins, and currently Prof of Political Affairs at the Univ of TX at El Paso. Dr. Segal gave a very insightful multi-dimensional assessment of the complex total situation in the Middle East.

—John Oblinger '53

LONG ISLAND

The WPS of Long Island held its first event of the 90-91 season on 19 Oct. Guest speaker at the dinner meeting was CPT Samuel Greenburg (Ret) (USNA '60), who is president of the Naval Academy Alumni Association of NY (NAANY, and no cracks, please). While the WPSLI focuses on Long Island, the Navy association has members all over the tri-state area. Greenburg shared some of the activities in which his association partakes, and there was general agreement that the two societies will endeavor to conduct some sort of joint activities where possible. Greenburg issued an open invitation for WPSLI members to attend his functions. Dave Gabel '65, WPSLI president, reciprocated.

WPSLI plans to conduct a stay-on-the-island Army-Navy party for those whom a trip to Philly is not *de-rigueur*. There will be a dinner meeting at the end-Jan time-frame, and our Founders Day celebration will be Fri 1 Mar at the Hofstra University Club. At this writing, we are happily anticipating the cogent comments of the Com as guest speaker. A

dinner meeting in May will wrap up the season, except for beach parties, golf outings and similar diversions to be held over the summer.

—Dave Gabel '65

NEW ENGLAND

RALLY! The cheer went up as the Old Corps Rabble of the New England area assembled at the Newton, MA Marriott and prepared to BEAT B.C. We were led in song and cheer by the Cadet Rabble Rousers and Rally Band. Later, the cadets mingled and chatted with us ('57 and '64 being best represented). The weather favored the Army as we took the field after our tailgate at Lyons Hall, thanks to Mark Grazier. Victory, however, eluded us despite our steady ground game. Future functions for the WPS of NE include a Nov luncheon and Scholar-Athlete Night in Dec.

—Ellen Groshelle '82

NEW YORK

Our 90-91 season began with the traditional football kick-off luncheon. Coach Young gave a rousing preview of his plans and hopes for the upcoming season. At the luncheon Coach Young publicly mentioned that this season, his eighth, will be his final as coach. Coach Young's guidance and philosophy of focusing on the next game over time has proven sound. I know we all want to thank him for his dedicated service over the years, and wish him honor and good fortune in his future endeavors. Al Vanderbush '61, the new Dir of Athletics, capped off the luncheon by updating us on the overall athletic program. Another highlight of the early part of our season was the Black Tie extravaganza aboard the *Intrepid* honoring GEN Colin Powell. Truly a soldier-statesman, GEN Powell's comments were both insightful and timely.

The new slate of officers elected this year are working smoothly together; however, the accomplishments of the society would not be possible without the dedicated efforts of the many volunteers who have "picked up the ball and run with it." To name just a few, Chris Miller '80 has taken on the task of Activities Chairperson, and although he's run into problems with the high cost of insurance for our skydiving trip, he's forging ahead on the white water rafting outing, complete with champagne brunch; T. D. Decker '81 has done a superb job creating a Graduate School Contact List (see more on this below), which is already proving to be extremely helpful to a number of transitioning grads; and John Delancy '82 has put together a formal dining-in for the full membership coordinating everything

from Mister Vice through cigars, etc. These are only a few of the folks who have contributed their time and energies. Many thanks go out to all, but we're always looking for more volunteers. Please call Jeff Friedel at (212) 902-1829, if you'd like to help.

In this era of a frustrating budget "crisis," it is inevitable that many qualified graduates will make the decision to leave the service to pursue other careers. In an effort to assist these grads, the society has updated its *Career Advisory Services* (CAS). The CAS has two tiers; a group of mentors who work one-on-one with an applicant, and a large network of graduates on the Career Advisory Contact List (CACL), who represent a wide range of industries and job functions. The mentors critique, guide and encourage the applicant throughout his transition. The advisory contacts are reputed businessmen and women in their fields who will provide information on specific industries and job areas and can be sources of job interviews and further networking. This service is available to all graduates and members of the society. If you are interested, please write a letter stating your plans and goals (include a resume if you have one, or a job history). Please *do not* try to call. Send your letters to Ms. Bonnie Brodgon-Beachler, Vice President, American Express (TRS), 770 Broadway—14th Floor, New York, NY 10017.

The *Graduate School Contact List* was designed to assist transitioning graduates who wish to pursue formal education at some of the nation's most competitive schools. It is a listing by school of society members who have attended or are attending graduate schools across the country. Such a list, tactfully used, will enable interested graduates to network and learn more about the environment of a particular school from alumni who have firsthand experience. Additionally, the coordination of school visits can be assisted by society members currently in attendance. This list is available to all current members. If you are not a member, you can easily become one by calling our membership request line (212) 879-7164 to request an application/data form. Please speak clearly and don't forget to leave your full address.

The remainder of the year will continue to be exciting. The formal dining-in and white water rafting are leading the way, supplemented by a provoking collection of speakers for our Distinguished Speakers Luncheon Program. I look forward to seeing many of you at our future activities and remember, Get Involved!

—Jeff Friedel '81

NORTH TEXAS

The West Point Society of North Texas (WPSNT) continues to have active participation of its members. And the membership is growing. Thanks primarily to **Driskill '52**, the society membership is at an all-time high. We now have almost 400 members.

The annual Eisenhower Award with medallion and \$500 was presented to Lark Montgomery, a counselor at Lake Highlands High School, during the annual Educators Luncheon. This program has been a real success and a vital part of the society's efforts to support the WP admissions effort. **Nowak '64** and his assistants have done an outstanding job in promoting USMA and obtaining well-qualified applicants to the Academy from the North TX area.

Under the able leadership of **Bolling '72** the WPSNT has established a Career Advisory Service to assist those graduates in the North TX area to identify job opportunities, obtain career advice or receive network support. Anyone wanting more information should contact **Bolling** or **WPSNT**.

On 13 Sep, Admiral Bobby Inman (Ret) spoke to a gathering of the three service academies at the annual Tri-Service Academy Luncheon. Admiral Inman spoke on the world geo-political situation of the near future. His remarks were well received and the luncheon was well attended by the WPSNT.

The WPSNT continues to field athletic teams to compete with Navy and Air Force in golf, tennis, softball, flag football and basketball. From a participation point of view it was a great year. **Divis '81** has been the prime mover in getting the Army teams organized. The latest event was the tri-service softball tournament won by Army. The Army team beat the Air Force and Navy by identical scores of 15-0.

—Kenneth King '60

PUGET SOUND

FAMILY PICNIC

Approximately 50 members and their spouses gathered for our annual family picnic on the last Sun of Aug at American Lake on the Ft. Lewis reservation. It was a pot luck affair on a sunny afternoon that enabled old members to maintain contact and to greet new arrivals to this idyllic region of the Great Pacific NW. In order to promote a closer relationship with the parents of current cadets all members of the WPPC were invited and those who could did attend.

Our thanks go to Pres **Ed & Patricia Trobaugh '55**, **Flip & Louise Fenili '43**, and **Corky & Pat Nordgren '53** for making all the arrangements for the enjoyable get-together.

BEAT NAVY!!!!

—Win Curley '41

SILICON VALLEY

The society continued its informal monthly luncheon meetings with a luncheon on Friday, 19 Oct at the Moffet Naval Air Station CPO club. **Jerry Witherspoon '60**, having attended his class's 30th reunion, spoke on the significant changes in the academic and training curriculum that have been taking place at West Point. At the time of this writing, the society's annual meeting will be held on 16 Nov, at which time new officers and directors will be elected. For more information on the society's programs, please contact **Tom Strehle '77** at (415) 361-7600.

On Saturday, 8 Dec, an Army/Navy football celebration will be held in conjunction with the WPPC of Northern CA at the Redwood City Elks Lodge in Redwood City, just south of San Francisco. Members of the WPS of San Francisco should also be joining us. Several large screen TV's will be available, as well as a buffet and open bar. For more information, contact the undersigned or **Bill Leahy** of the Parents Club at (415) 364-4772.

As a matter of interest, a committee has been formed in the San Jose area proposing that the new downtown sports arena being scheduled for completion in 1992 be named the San Jose Veterans Memorial Arena, in honor of all veterans. The committee, named the Valor Committee, has the backing of several veteran's groups and some of the local candidates for city council. Presently, there is no memorial to veterans in San Jose, which is the third largest city in CA. **Mikes Borques**, a Marine Corps Vietnam veteran, is chairman of the committee and spearheading this effort.

John Swenson '65 is continuing his course in American Film and Literature on the Vietnam Conflict at De Anza Community College (located in the south bay area). The class, which is held in the evening, has received an outstanding response, and a number of prominent guest speakers are scheduled. The course will be repeated next semester as well.

—Rodger Bivens '63

SOUTH TEXAS

The WPS of South TX hosted two luncheons at the USAA Towers in San Antonio. The first took place on 7 Sep with 135 attendees. Our guest speaker was Mayor **Lila Cokrell** who gave us an interesting speech on the close relationships of the city and the military over the centuries. She also related the close ties that her own family has had over several generations as "citizen soldiers." She herself was a **WAVE** officer in WWII. She graciously fielded questions from

the floor on matters concerning the citizens of San Antonio.

On 1 Oct, **LTG Dave Palmer** came to San Antonio to officiate at the opening of an Admissions Field Force office. The 100 attendees were enthralled by the **Supes'** remarks which traced the progress and changes which had occurred since 1977. His simile of the Academy as a storm buffeted ship when **GEN Goodpaster** assumed command and the changes that he and the subsequent superintendents achieved were noted. He felt that at this point there was a narrow window that existed that comes only infrequently that allows meaningful changes to occur.

Due to his predecessors' efforts and his own four years, it permitted improvements which should carry the Academy well into the 21st Century. Many anecdotes were related as to academic, athletic and Honor Code subjects. An extensive question and answer period ensued which reflects the intense interest that graduates still hold for their Alma Mater. **Gen Palmer** noted that our VP and Admissions Chairman, "**Buck**" **Griffin**, wasn't letting any grass grow under his feet by having him present five speeches in less than 24 hours! During his visit the **Supes** presented a plaque to **Churchill High School** officials commending them on having nine of their graduates currently attending the Academy.

—Joe Peisinger '54

UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA

The WPS of Upstate SC had an active summer. It began with a send-off picnic for new cadets and their families, in Cleveland Park, Greenville. Several society members shared their cadet and Army experiences with the future cadets and Army officers. Later in the summer, a society contingent attended a Greenville's **G-Braves AA** baseball game against **Hunstableville**. The minor league game was a lot of fun for several society families.

Fall arrived and with the fall came Army football. A group of Army supporters drove to **Winston-Salem** to cheer on the Army team against **Wake Forest**. The Army tailgate party and **Golden Knights Parachute Team** highlighted the day's activities. The society also held a fall golf tournament at **Carolina Springs Country Club**. Prizes were awarded for closest to the pin and longest drive as the group played a captain's choice best ball format. **Vance Hutchison '70**, **Reg Fadden '74** and **Pete Sellcek '77** were among the prize winners. Several upstate SC grads and their families travelled to WP for homecoming with their classmates. The classes of '70 and '80 were well represented.

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Bulletin Board



Flight Project Update

The Flight Project is nearing completion of the fund-raising phase and beginning the construction phase. As described in *Assembly* in February 1989 and July 1989 the project honors West Point's contribution to flight with a three-phase effort. The first is the Flight Memorial which honors all graduates who have died in flight. As shown in the accompanying picture, the artistic work of the statue is now complete. It will be erected near the Air Cadet Memorial at the north end of Lusk Reservoir. The second phase is the renovation and decoration of Arnold Auditorium in Mahan Hall. The auditorium was named for General Henry "Hap" Arnold, Class of 1907, ten years ago and now will be appropriately redone in Air Corps colors and with World War II flags of the numbered Air Forces that General Arnold led. Work on the auditorium is expected to be accomplished next summer. The last phase consists of exhibits in Mahan Hall and the Museum showing examples of graduates' leadership in flight and space.



MG Frankosky Jan '43, COL Frakes Jan '43, and sculptor Mr. Walker Hancock. Flight Committee gives final approval to Mr. Hancock's statue for Flight Memorial

Almost seven-eighths of the money required for the project has been raised, principally by individual contributions from graduates and friends of the Academy. Total cost of the project is expected to be about \$850,000. Brigadier General Robert F. McDermott, January 1943, is the chairman of the fund-raising committee.

West Point Grads on New Army BG List

The 1990 promotion list for Army brigadier generals has recently been pub-

lished. Of the 40 names on the list, 19 are West Point graduates! Their achievement is all the more significant when you consider that:

USMA graduates were only approximately 5% of the total officer accessions during the year groups covered by the promotion list, and

USMA graduates made up only 19% of the total number of Army colonels considered for promotion on this list, but

USMA graduates made up 47.5% of the colonels selected for promotion!

The Association of Graduates and ASSEMBLY congratulates these 19 West Pointers!

Robert F. Foley '63; Albert J. Genetti '63; Jan A. Van Prooyen '66; David L. Benton, III '65; Stephen M. Bliss '65; Edward G. Anderson, III '66; David R. E. Hale '67; Anthony C. Trifiletti '64; John A. Dubia '66; Orlin L. Mullen '65; Robert H. Scales, Jr. '66; John E. Longhouser '65; Joseph E. De Francisco '65; George A. Crocker '66; Thomas A. Schwartz '67; John G. Zierdt, Jr. '66; Walter E. Mather, Jr. '67; Larry R. Jordan '68; William L. Nash '68.

Applebaum and Wittkop Contributions to the AOG

Mrs. Dotty Appelbaum of Wilmette, Illinois has made a \$50,000 contribution to the West Point Fund to honor her son, Stewart M. Appelbaum, Class of 1949. A bench in memory of "Marty" will be included in the Constitution Park project soon to be undertaken. Constitution Park is the area between the Superintendent's garden wall and General MacArthur's statue.

Marty Appelbaum served five years in the Air Force following graduation. He then returned home to Illinois and entered the frozen foods business, becoming a partner in Penguin Frozen Foods. He also earned a law degree from the University of Chicago. He died in 1974.

COL Hilbert M. Wittkop, Class of 14 June 1922, donated \$250,000 recently. He chose to have his contribution split between the Flight Project and the Museum.

COL Wittkop was one of the earliest aviators and served thirty-one years in the Army Air Corps and the Air Force. He retired in 1953. He lived for many years in Victoria, British Columbia, but

has recently moved to Portland, Oregon. He turned 90 on 3 June and is the last surviving member of his class.

Coach Marchand Honored at Holleder Center Ceremony

On Friday, 12 October 1990, a portrait of the late Coach Raymond W. Marchand was unveiled during a brief ceremony at the Holleder Center, the new athletic center located next to Michie Stadium at West Point. Colonel Michael Allen was assisted by Mrs. Marge Bowley and Mrs. Marilyn Moore, Coach Marchand's surviving children. Coach Marchand was



Unveiling of a portrait of the late Raymond Marchand during a ceremony on Friday, 12 Oct 1990 at the Holleder Center. (Photo by Pv2 Oliver)

Army's beloved soccer and hockey coach from 1923-43 at the United States Military Academy.

AOG Announces Staff Opening: Director of Publications

Our current Director of Publications, Colonel Paul W. Child, Jr., is planning on retiring from his position on 1 Sep-

tember 1991. Consequently, we are seeking his replacement.

Although there are other responsibilities, the primary duties of the Director of Publications are to serve as the editor of *Assembly* and the *Register of Graduates*. Desirable qualifications include an advanced degree in English, journalism, or public affairs and/or professional experience in these fields.

The AOG offers a good compensation plan plus the many benefits of being an integral part of the West Point community. Because of the current structure of the Association staff and the nature of the position, a USMA graduate (1961-1970) would be particularly desirable. The Association expects to fill this position early in 1991 to insure an appropriate training period.

Letters of application should be addressed to the President, Association of Graduates, USMA, West Point, NY 10996, and should include a one-page summary of qualifications and any specific compensation requirements. Applications should be submitted as soon as possible. Additional information regarding the nature of the position and its requirements may be obtained by writing to Colonel Paul W. Child, Jr., USA Retired, Association of Graduates, West Point, NY 10996 or by calling 914-446-5800.

Update on Class Ring Replacement Pool

Does anyone know anything about LeVert (NMI) Coleman? There have been over 52 Colemans who have attended USMA, but so far we are unable to locate a relative of LeVert.

We have LeVert's class ring; he graduated sixth in the Class of 1899. Of the many class ring stories that have surfaced since the "crossleveling" program began, certainly this story is tops in interest. His ring was found by a young boy playing in the sand and gravel of a public construction project last year. A local jeweler opined that it had been worn only about ten years before being lost, which coincides with the period LeVert was assigned in the Eastern United States. His name and "USMA" is clearly inscribed inside. The young boy's mother contacted the AOG, who verified that it indeed was a valid ring, and who in turn passed the story to me hoping a valid claimant could be found. LeVert was from a long line of early Americans, the first arriving in Maryland in 1720. Included in his lineage were doctors, lawyers, judges, and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. Nothing is known of his marriage(s) or possible children. He was disabled in World War I, and died in New York City in 1953.

Since all members of the Class of 1899 have long ago joined the Long Gray Line, if anyone can shed light on the

family of LeVert Coleman, please contact Colonel Allan C. Torgerson (Ret) '46, Cove Creek, Box 34, Stevensville, Maryland 21666.

There is always great satisfaction in placing a ring of a deceased graduate, or an otherwise extra ring, with a classmate who has lost his original. At the present time, however, the demand far exceeds the supply. If anyone knows of a West Point class ring that is available, please contact Colonel Torgerson at the above address or call him at (301) 299-5499.

Grad Seeks License Plates

I am a 1977 graduate of USMA and have a hobby of collecting license plates. I collect all kinds, but I specialize in foreign plates and special events like centennials. I am hoping to get some tags



License plate of '77 grad

from the Mid-east or obscure places around the world. I will, of course, reimburse for any costs incurred.

Donald D. Jacobovitz
1563 South Lyons Court
Oviedo, Florida 32765

USAA Endows Equestrian Team

At the fall Board of Trustees meeting, MG Don Lasher '52 of USAA presented a check to Cadet Gary Jeter '91 for \$60,000 to endow the Cadet Equestrian Team. Cadet Jeter in turn gave the check to Mr.



MG Lasher '52, Cadet Jeter '91, and Mrs. Jeter (daughter of '08).

Denis F. Mullane, accepting for the AOG. Cadet Jeter is the president of the team and also is the grandson of one of the founders of USAA, COL William H. Gar-

rierson '08. Mrs. Jeter, daughter of COL Garrison and mother of Gary, was present for the ceremony, as was Mr. Jeter.

Ten Surviving Grads Saw Action in WWI

Seventy-two years ago this month, on 11 November 1918, the Armistice was declared that ended World War I. During the war, 32 West Point graduates were killed in action and 89 were wounded. Additionally, 59 graduates died of other causes than enemy action. The Class of August, 1917 with 151 members, was the hardest hit, with 10 classmates killed in action and 10 wounded. Today, there are ten graduates living who saw action in France with the AEF. They are Colonel Bird S. DuBois '12; General James A. Van Fleet '15; Brigadier General William R. Woodward '16; Major General Frederick A. Irving, April '17; Mr. Llewellyn B. Griffith, August '17; Colonel Henry C. Demuth, August '17; Mr. Everett T. Brown, August '17; Colonel William R. Gerhardt, August '17; Brigadier General Theodore L. Futch, August '17; and Brigadier General Horace Harding, August '17.

Lightweight Football is Undefeated!

Army's 150 lb football team completed an unbeaten season and won the league championship by defeating Navy at Annapolis, 35-7. The cadets scored four second-half touchdowns in extending their series margin over the Middies to 21-15-0. The season:

Army	35	Cornell	0
	31	SUNY-Albany J.V.	0
	42	Princeton	8
	21	Pennsylvania	0
	10	Cornell	3
	35	Navy	7
	169		18

Rugby Rolls on Unbeaten!

It's been a great fall season for the Army Rugby Club, with both the "A" and "B" sides undefeated. Actually, Army's "B" side, strong enough to qualify for a place in the Metropolitan New York league, has lost one league game—to the Army "A" side. Here are the scores of games played to date by the "A" side:

Army	36	Army "B" Side	0
	28	V.M.I.	0
	68	Hofstra	0
	65	Rutgers	3
	6	Glasgow Touring Side	0
	57	Fordham	6
	71	Merchant Marine Academy	0
	94	Fairfield	0
	425		9

Columbia forfeited to Army rather than play, and Navy also chose not to play the Army Rugby Club. All the points —9— scored against Army this season have been through penalty kicks (equivalent to a football field goal). Not one try has been scored against the Cadet ruggers. This means that the Army goal line has not been crossed—no “touchdowns” have been scored on the Army “A” side. The remaining regular season game with No. 1 ranked Air Force and the Eastern playoffs will be reported in our next issue. And, a victorious season isn’t the only honor Rugby has achieved this fall. Major Brian O’Gorman of the Irish Guards, Army’s head coach, has just been selected for promo-

tion to Lt. Colonel! Well deserved, Brian!

STOP PRESS! Army’s Ruggers continued to roll on, defeating Air Force 20-0 in the mud and rain at West Point on 10 Nov. Next issue: report on the Eastern Championship game against Harvard!

USMA CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF FOOTBALL

On Saturday, 3 November, Army celebrated 100 years of football by defeating Rutgers in Michie Stadium, 35-31. The final result left the Corps in better spirits

than the 24-0 loss to Navy on the Plain on 29 November 1890 that inaugurated intercollegiate football at West Point.

An invocation by Chaplain Richard Camp preceded the centennial ceremonies, and over 250 returning Army football lettermen were introduced at half-time. They spanned 72 years of Army football history, from BG Arthur Pulsifer, Class of November '18, to a few members of the Class of 1990. Pulsifer, at 95 the second oldest living football letterman, is headed only by Van Fleet '15, a starting halfback on the undefeated 1914 team.

See the upcoming March 1991 issue of *ASSEMBLY* for an article on the last 100 years of Army football.

News from the Societies (Continued from page 41)

Plans are in progress for four upcoming events. The society is expecting the majority of its 50 members for our annual Army-Navy party on 8 Dec, and for FD in Mar. Mar will also be the month when the society plans to assist Habitat for Humanity on the construction of a home in the Greenville area. Later in the spring, the society will begin challenging the local Navy grads to a team best ball match play golf tournament. Any upstate grads who have not yet joined the Upstate SC Society, but would like to participate in these events, are encouraged to become members of the best small society by contacting any board member: **Bruce Brackett '79**, **Chuck Baker '76**, **Pete Selleck '77**, **Chuck Sutton '80**, **Reg Fadden '74**, **Charlie Dionne '81**, or **Mike Ungar '80**.

—Mike Ungar '80

WISCONSIN

On Sun, 26 Aug we met at beautiful Lake Winneconne for a catered picnic. The weather was perfect which made it a great day for swimming, boating, softball and volleyball. **Ken Bush '67** did a great job hosting this event. Ken organized the picnic, took groups out on the lake in his ten-foot “schooner,” and guided all those that were brave enough through the famed Winneconne “Bat Cave.”

Chuck Wallens '51 is getting our Career Advisory Board off the ground. Chuck is coordinating our program to assist graduates seeking employment in Wisconsin. He provides information on the Wisconsin job market and also locates graduates in specific fields who have volunteered to provide career advice.

Our schedule of upcoming events includes an Army-Navy game party hosted



by **Gary Beech '59** and of course FD 91. Next year FD will be held on Thur, 7 Mar. Circle this date on your calendar now.

—Steve Rau '71

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BALANCE SHEET March 31, 1990 (With Comparative Totals for 1989)

	1990				1989	
	Operating Fund	Equipment Fund	Restricted, Endowment and Similar Funds	Agency Fund	Total All Funds	Total All Funds
ASSETS						
Cash	\$ 19,807	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 19,807	\$ 57,293
Accounts receivable	15,972	—	—	—	15,972	38,057
Inventories	184,180	—	—	—	184,180	155,150
Investments	450,726	135,420	25,394,234	814,648	26,795,028	23,403,638
Equipment, net	—	220,221	—	—	220,221	237,664
Other assets	1,445	40,000	—	—	41,445	—
	<u>\$672,130</u>	<u>\$395,641</u>	<u>\$25,394,234</u>	<u>\$814,648</u>	<u>\$27,276,653</u>	<u>\$23,891,802</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 6,353	\$ —	\$ 250	\$ —	\$ 6,603	\$ 21,258
Deferred compensation	—	—	—	814,648	814,648	713,066
Fund Balances	665,777	395,641	25,393,984	—	26,455,402	23,157,478
	<u>\$672,130</u>	<u>\$395,641</u>	<u>\$25,394,234</u>	<u>\$814,648</u>	<u>\$27,276,653</u>	<u>\$23,891,802</u>

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year Ended March 31, 1990
(With Comparative Totals for 1989)

	1990				1989	
	Operating Fund	Equipment Fund	Restricted, Endowment and Similar Funds	Total All Funds	Total All Funds	
Support and Revenue:						
Contributions	\$ 126,098	\$ —	\$ 2,051,127	\$ 2,177,225	\$ 2,425,033	
Bequests and grants	—	—	3,015,222	3,015,222	2,253,878	
Royalties	58,165	—	2,972	61,137	30,762	
Investment income and gains/losses on sale of securities	650,395	—	1,440,066	2,090,461	1,577,941	
Sales—gift shop	300,599	10,381	—	310,980	303,016	
Subscriptions and advertising	406,467	—	—	406,467	424,385	
Dues and memberships	27,345	—	—	27,345	24,720	
Other	32,686	—	44,902	77,588	192,198	
	<u>1,601,755</u>	<u>10,381</u>	<u>6,554,289</u>	<u>8,166,425</u>	<u>7,231,933</u>	
Expenses:						
Awards, grants and contributions	—	—	2,832,853	2,832,853	4,811,950	
Finance and Services	364,275	11,219	—	375,494	382,710	
Publications	472,075	11,207	—	483,282	495,994	
Gift Shop costs	281,819	978	—	282,797	300,925	
Development	400,285	11,504	—	411,789	341,492	
General and Administrative	196,241	2,599	2,552	201,392	191,063	
West Point Societies	94,915	1,012	—	95,927	95,132	
Preparatory Scholarships	32,362	341	—	32,703	42,346	
Other	69,244	3,523	79,497	152,264	90,456	
	<u>1,911,216</u>	<u>42,383</u>	<u>2,914,902</u>	<u>4,868,501</u>	<u>6,752,068</u>	
Reimbursement to Operating Fund of certain general, administrative and development expenses incurred on behalf of other funds	589,185	(1,971)	(587,214)	—	—	
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	279,724	(33,973)	3,052,173	3,297,924	479,865	
Transfers—board designated	(139,127)	39,127	100,000	—	—	
Net increase (decrease) in fund balance	140,597	5,154	3,152,173	3,297,924	479,865	
Fund balances, beginning of year	525,180	390,487	22,241,811	23,157,478	22,677,613	
Fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ 665,777</u>	<u>\$395,641</u>	<u>\$25,393,984</u>	<u>\$26,455,402</u>	<u>\$23,157,478</u>	

THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE EXTRACTED FROM AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. A COMPLETE SET IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

Report from the Classes



'15

COL E. DeTreville Ellis
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Beatrice Watson died on 16 Jan 90. Dora Small died on 4 May 90. The Class extends its sympathy to the families. Your scribe has the name and address of next of kin.

Helen Atkins has moved to 747 No Taylor Ave, Kirkwood, MO, 63122 to be with her son, Douglas Clark Atkins '45, and his family. Lucy Fox is well and not too far out of touch with things. She is still at the Conv Hosp in Menlo Pk, CA.

Mary Welby Cochran sends greetings and best wishes to '15. Her son, COL John H Cochran Jr Jun '43, visits her daily. Occasionally, he drives her out into the country and they have a picnic at a scenic spot. John's 70th birthday on 15 Aug brought most of the family together for a happy reunion.

Alice Mason is still recuperating in a local conv home, the victim of a heart problem. She is a little better, but not yet ready to return to her home. A neighbor takes mail to her. Marguerite Gilkeson recently visited RI and CT. She sends best wishes to '15. Robert Daspit Dwan, Jun '43, son of our Edward James Dwan, phoned me recently and sent greetings to '15. His son, a MAJ, is on duty in Korea.

Mary Tate sends greetings to '15. She recently had a nice visit with her family in VA. She is 90 yrs old, but gets around very well. Her neighbors are good to her. Also, she has a young woman from Trinidad who does practically everything for her.

James A Van Fleet said, to quote from his ltr of 28 Sep, "I am well and here on the ranch keeping an eye on my wild turkeys, deer and gators. Most of my groves were lost in last winter's freeze, and I don't intend on replanting anytime soon. Haven't made any trips lately, as, at 98, traveling is just too difficult. My grandson, James A Van Fleet III, is here with me from CO Springs and we keep fairly busy without ever leaving my desk. Best wishes as always to '15."

Satchie Naiden still enjoys her very active life. She sent best wishes to '15.

'16

Apr '17

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Aug '17

Jun '18

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There was a celebration at 15 Stillman on last 6 Sep, for that day was the 60th anniv of the wedding, in the Catholic Chapel at West Point, of Steve & Growley Gruhn. Son Tom, daughter Ruth Bryan & her husband Alan were here.

Ruth & Alan, both anthropologists at the U of Alberta, had attended in Aug, as members of a U of Wash gp, an intl conference at Lake Baikal in central Siberia. They had spent 4 days in Moscow. Their tales were very interesting.

Nov '18

MG C. H. Chorpening
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During the two mos since my last notes not much news has been assembled but, for a welcome change, no sad news has been rep.

By ltr and postal card, Art Pulsifer has kept me well informed about his plans for attending the "A" celebration at the Point on 3 Nov when Army plays Rutgers. Needless to say, Art is really pumped up about the trip. At 95 with his many physical handicaps, he has the willpower and desire to attend this great occasion. The Class is proud of you, Art! He has given me quite a few details

about the celebration and ceremony but, since the ASSEMBLY will have a complete story on the event, I will not include more here.

In a ltr to Wannie which he forwarded to me, Felix Usis gave an acct of various physical difficulties, but he is still carrying on and requested certain Class info which Wannie sent him. I had a pleasant telcon with Felix and suggested that he subscribe to ASSEMBLY, which he agreed to do. I cannot suggest too strongly that every classmate do the same, as well as our Class widows. It is the only way to keep informed about the few of us left, as well as read the Class notes of other classes where you will find info on younger friends of yesteryear.

Our pres, Bryan Evans, sent me a ltr in which he made some quite flattering remarks about my work as scribe. His remarks were appreciated but I know that he is massaging my ego to be sure that I will continue to carry on. Also, I gather that Bryan is cutting quite a swath with the widows at the Fairfax.

In several telcons with Lucy Bowman, she advises that she is slowly getting adjusted to the lifestyle of the Fairfax—quite a change from a house on the Pacific where she & Frank had lived so many yrs to an apt on the East Coast.

No other info on Class widows except the 7 that are here in San Ant. Both Lella Dunkelberg and Marietta Piland have recently visited Peg Smith and Janie Knudsen in the nursing home, and they are still getting along quite well. Marietta is now on a New England tour observing the gorgeous foliage. I keep in touch with the other 5 widows here by tel and I see Lella quite often. Yesterday we attended a mtg of the WP Soc of So TX at the USAA Towers where Dave Palmer, the Supe, was the speaker. All of us appreciated his remarks and explanations of why and what changes at the Point have been made in recent yrs. After listening to his remarks and answers to the many questions that were asked, I am satisfied that the Corps has not gone to the dogs since we left 72 yrs ago, but that it is in excellent shape.

Chief Brimmer checked in with his usual fine and informative ltr. His 95th birthday was celebrated with about 100 of his local friends at a party given by his daughter & her husband. Chief says his joints seem to need oiling for some aches

which he thinks some call arthritis. But he is busy putting up storm windows and doing other household tasks in order to keep the old pump going.

One of the most recent noteworthy events in the life of your scribe was being able to secure a 4-yr extension on his driver's license. He is expecting his daughter Anne and family here for several days to help him celebrate his 93rd birthday.

'19
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El Cajon, CA 92020
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First, an apology—I regret the misspelling of the last two names in the caption accompanying the photo which appeared in the '19 Class notes in the Sep 90 ASSEMBLY. They should read **Don Shingler** vice Shindler and **Sydney Gould** vice Sidney. Please note the corrections for posterity's sake.

Velma Bennet's recent move to the Grayson Sq Health Care Ctr in San Ant left **Alex** to live alone. He does very well with a friend to chauffeur and a grandson available to help with chores. Two other classmates who live alone also seem to be doing very well at this writing. **John Hardin** has a housekeeper and his daughter, **Nancy Sumner**, lives nearby. **Bill Regan** has friends who "look after" him.

Sybil Faine still suffers from the effects of a hip broken when a truck knocked him down about 10 yrs ago. **Billie's** health problem(s) remain undiagnosed so she is being referred to yet another specialist. We hope this is the one who has the answer! Both remain active no matter how they feel, attending church regularly and occasional social events. **Don Nelson** is fighting a valiant battle as always against overwhelming health problems. He & **Paula** appreciate long-time friends and fellow offs from Signal Corps days who have been most attentive.

Hei & Ann Heiberg are on the move again. They have bought a condo located 5 mi from their daughter, **Heide Pinckney**, in Greenville, SC. Expect to be able to rep their new address in the next issue, after a scheduled Nov move. **John Denny** still thinks his convalescent hosp is a good place for napping, but does not complain when interrupted by **Eunice's** daily visits!

Phil Lauben, who is legally blind, takes full advantage of the Library for the Blind Program operated by the Library of Congress. Cassettes and disks of a wide variety of books and mags can be obtained by mail. Any local library can furnish information about this marvelous program which is also helpful to family members who sometimes have limited time and voice for reading aloud, as **Irma** can attest.

George Dillaway states that he & **Con-**

nie are doing well considering. . . . After 11 yrs his lens implant shifted and the only remedy was to replace it with a new one. He is recovering from that surgery while **Connie** struggles with her back problem. On a more joyful note, he is anticipating the birth of his 6th and 7th great-grandchildren in Oct.

At this writing, the AF Foundation had just completed its wk-long annual mtg in which **Mildred Stearley** and **Viv Hamilton** were active participants at AF Vil in San Ant. Viv sponsored and entertained a delegate from Reese AFB. Mildred spoke to the gp after a performance of a play esp written for the occasion about AF wives. Unfortunately, at the last event, the AF Foundation banquet held on 12 Oct, Mildred fell and broke a hip. She was taken to the Wilford Hall Med Ctr, Lackland AFB, TX where she currently remains as of this writing. We hope for a successful and speedy recovery.

Viv gave their church, St George Episcopal, an electronic system for the hard-of-hearing which is installed without wiring. Receivers which can be checked out at the church allow the hearing impaired to participate fully in the services. We congratulate Viv on her most ingenious and thoughtful gift.

Mary Bassett enjoyed a nice visit with **Helen Kanaga** and her sister, **Lois Irving**, in late summer. As a supporter of the Foundation to Assist Teachers, I attended a reception at the Casa De Las Campanas ret complex which incl a tour of the facilities and model apts. As many '19 classmates & widows live in such establishments, I was eager to visit one. I'm sure each has a special ambience of its own, but if the "Casa" was at all typical, I was impressed with the architecture, decoration, and services provided. **Helen** graciously asked me to stay for dinner, which we enjoyed with her delightful and interesting table companions.

Herb Jones visits **Anabel** daily in the nursing home where she is temporarily confined (in Oct) because of injuries from a fall. We all hope that she will be able to go home soon. **Herb** rep that **Dorothy Ferenbaugh** and **Gertrude Taylor** seemed fine, as he had dinner with them the very day we spoke. **Conchita Sorley** was away on a visit to see her sons and their families.

Fred Marlow had nothing new to rep. Even **Lynne** had not taken any trips lately, but he's sure she is planning one. Until next time, take care.

'20
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With great sadness I rep the death of **Crump Garvin** on 5 Sep 90 of intestinal

cancer at his home in Lenbrook Square Ret Home, Atl, GA. He was buried with full mil honors at the Marietta Natl Cemetery in Atl. **Crump's** distinguished WWII service included CS Americal Div on Guadalcanal; CS 24 Cps T-S (DSM-2LM-2BSM) on Leyte and GEN **MacArthur's** return to the Philippines and on to Okinawa, Japan. After 45 mos of war service overseas, he was returned to 7Ar in Atl. In the Korean War he was CG 2 Log Cmd Pusan Base 50-51 (DSM-2CR). His numerous service ribbons contain 10 battle stars. He was a mbr of the Joint Mission to Spain for establishment of American bases there in 53. Surviving are his wife **Ollie**, sons **Daniel** of Norfolk and **Ford** of Miami, daughter **Kathleen (Kakii)**, wife of Ret COL **George Handley**, USA of Beech Mtn, NC; 13 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. We extend our deepest sympathy to them.

Ollie Garvin is recuperating from a fractured hip at our 70th reunion and is now on a 4-prong cane which she hopes to discard in a few wks.

This yr's balloting for election of 3 of the 7 mbrs of the Class Governing Comm resulted in the re-election of **Hasbrouck**, **Hinds** and **Samouce** for two yrs until 30 Sep 92. On 27 Sep a mtg was held at Class Pres **Rehm's** home for election of Class offs and transaction of other Class business. Present: **Rehm**, **Samouce** and Class Statistician **Anne Holle**. Subject to objection by absent mbrs, the current offs were continued for another yr until 30 Sep 91: **Rehm**, pres and treas; **Samouce**, VP and scribe; and **Routheau**, secy.

Anne Holle has returned home after over two mos at **Walter Reed**. She is still getting therapy on her burned right hand and amputated fingers 3 times/wk and is working hard learning to use her left hand in place of her right.

Inadvertently, **Ruth Chitterling** was not included in the list of living '20 classmates, wives and widows in the Sep 90 ASSEMBLY. Latest news comes from daughter **Betty Jane** & husband **LTC Bob Kren '46 (Ret)**. **Ruth** is in a nursing home in good-to-fair health. In Dec 85 she suffered a broken hip from a bad fall and now wears a brace. She gets about slowly on a walker or scoots in a wheelchair. She enjoys playing bridge and knitting laprobes and teaches others to do it. See her snapshot nearby on her 90th birthday 8 Jul.

Kay Burns returned late Sep from a trip to beautiful Switzerland. **Elton Samouce** had another very hard fall 27 Sep, breaking her left thighbone (femur). She returned from the Natl Hosp for Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation 8 Oct to the Nursing Care Clinic of the ret home she & **Duke** live in. She cannot have the left foot touch the floor for 6 more wks.



1920: Ruth Chitterling on 90th birthday 8 Jul

'21-'22

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My wife **Hazel** died 23 Sep. She was buried at the Acad cemetery. We first started dating in 1920 and were married by Chaplain Wheat in 1923. Just before she died we celebrated our 67th wedding anniv. On 25 Aug Hazel fell and broke her leg. She spent two wks in the hosp and two wks in a rehabilitation ctr. Her heart finally stopped beating and she died peacefully, no pain.

Bill Lawton told me that **Mark McClure** died on 30 Sep. Mark is survived by a daughter. On behalf of the Class I extend to her our sincere sympathy.

More sad news. On 23 Jul **Connie Marcus** died. Connie had been troubled with diabetes for several yrs. She was finally placed in a health care unit of a ret home called the Remington, where she received excellent care. She was cremated and her remains were placed in the Ft Rosecrans Natl Cemetery. On behalf of the Class I extend **Morris** and his family our sincere sympathy.

Another classmate joined the 90 Club. **Wes Yale** celebrated his 90th birthday on 6 Oct. Congratulations Wes and here's wishing you many more.

Meps Smith had moved to Augusta, GA to be near her son Perry Jr, who ret a MG in the AF in 86. Perry grad from the Acad in 56. Meps is very happy in her beautiful nursing home. Meps' granddaughter married a son of one of Perry's classmates, COL Jan Verfurth.

Ginny Klein spent the summer as usual at her summer lake cottage, Hague, NY. Ginny's son **John** and his family had a cottage next door to Ginny's and, with the visiting of the rest of the family, a most enjoyable time was had by all. On 15 Sep Ginny and her son & his wife attended the opening of the football season at WP. But that is not unusual for the Kleins. They have always been ardent football fans and attend the home games at the Acad.

Myron Leedy's daughter **Daisy** wrote me that Myron celebrated his 93rd birthday on 29 Aug. Several mbrs of the

family gathered for the celebration. Myron's grandson **Harry** returned from Korea and another one from Denver, CO. Also, her other daughter **Charlotte** was present. Congratulations Myron, and here's wishing you many more birthday celebrations.

"PD" **Lynch** wrote me that he had been in touch with the **Taylors** and that **Janet & Bob** are rocking along with no change in their health, just hanging in there. "PD" has received numerous favorable comments about his book, *Views of the Early Bird*, such as "it's great, fascinating and entrancing. I enjoyed every minute of it." Copies are out for review including **ASSEMBLY**, but it is yet too soon for a reaction. Peggy's son **John** has been called to active duty to fly C-141's in connection with problems in the Middle East. He is a writer and just finished a novel, *Final Approach*. Peggy was on vacation with several friends to Italy.

Freddie Hein's address is PO Box 12523, San Ant, TX 78212. I wrote to Freddie at that address but so far I have had no reply.

Cort Schuyler wrote me that **Helen** is suffering from congestive heart trouble, but they are still enjoying life.

Pat Strong's widow has moved to a ret comm. The address is 29 Grey Moss Ct, Savannah, GA 31406, tel: 912-921-8029.

Diddy Taylor now resides at Knollwood, Apt #306, 6200 Oregon Ave NW, Wash, DC 20015.

While at WP, I visited Olmsted Hall. I was disappointed in that I did not see our Oriole Class emblem on display. I inquired at both the museum and AOG and no one knew anything about our emblem. At the end of our 65th reunion I asked the officer who was assigned to us to return the emblem to the AOG but evidently he did not do it. I think the museum should show something about the Class of '22. We were the only class that entered the Acad that did not wear gray uniforms upon entering. We were the first class to publish a newspaper, have a Class emblem, to be the first class for two yrs, and have buildings named after our classmates, **Olmsted** and **Taylor Halls**. If anyone has any info about our emblem, please write to me.

'23

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A contribution of \$250,000 to the WP Fund by **Witt Wittkop** places him among a gp of less than 80 whose record surpasses \$100,000, according to a ltr Witt received from the Supe in Aug. The extraordinary gift has been divided equally between the Flight Memorial Proj and an endowment for the WP Museum. The Supe also invited Witt to

the Army-AF game on 10 Nov and a chance to see the sites for the 3 parts of the Flight Memorial Project, but Witt regretfully had to decline the invitation. Despite his age, Witt is feeling "fragile." Actually he never should have reached 90, since at age 11 he fell out of a tree and landed on his back on a stake. He describes his WP physical: "One [dr] concluded the exam by passing his finger down the deformed and badly discolored lumbar region with 'Hm-m-m-m. A bump, eh?' 'Yes sir. A bump.'"

Although by his own acct, Witt "slid into WP and flying by the skin of my teeth," his "passion for flying verged on dissipation and...cmd was always a highly stimulating challenge." Having no children and only affluent nephews has made his gift to WP possible. At present he is serving as a sponsor for some good Canadian friends who want to immigrate to the US.

Ken & Laura Sweany enjoyed the summer with visits from their children and grandchildren. **Joe Smith** writes that he and **Anna Perle** were luncheon guests of **Ruth & Wendell Johnson** at the Fairfax Army ret comm at Ft Belvoir. Al-



1923: Wendell & Ruth Johnson (front row) and Anna Perle & Joe Smith

though confined to a wheelchair, Wendell receives splendid care and support. Ruth has arthritis but keeps mobile with the help of a battery-powered vehicle. Joe found them "comfortably established" and was impressed by the community and all of its amenities.

This summer I wrote to **Carmen Guevara** to ask if she knew anything about the death of **Joe Garcia**. She replied, "We never saw him after they were released from concentration camp. Later we heard that the Japanese 'conquerors' made him governor of his province, Nueva Ecija.

"After the war in 45, we met his wife **Dolores** in Manila, and this was her story: after the Allied landing in Leyte in 44, **Joe** was picked up by the Japanese **Kempetai** in the gov's mansion in Cabanatuan, the capital of Nueva Ecija. He told his wife that if he did not return in 3 days, she must go to Manila and look for him and this she did. But she never found nor heard from him. Everyone

concluded that Joe must have been executed by the Japanese, like thousands of others."

Carmen & Santiago last saw **Dolores** 20 yrs ago when she came with her son-in-law to DC to visit the Army Mutual off. She was living in Canada with her daughter **Cristina**, a dentist, and her family. Another daughter, **Milagros**, is a doctor in Manila, and a son, **Joe Jr**, also lives in Canada.

Carmen spent Aug with daughter **Carmen** on a 15-day bus tour of Italy, Austria, Ger and Switzerland, the highlight of which was the Oberammergau "Passion Play." She rep that **Santiago** is "ok—nothing wrong except old-age problems." **Robbie Robinson** writes that he has those problems too. In addition to 3 strokes, **Robbie** has been struggling with cancer of the prostate.

Bob Smith informs us that he & **Mary** feel lucky to be living in Rosemont Gardens where the care is superb. They are in pretty good health after celebrating the big 90. **Abner McGehee** has also found the ideal ret. He & **Alice** evacuate the AZ desert in May and move to their two acres on Methodist Mtn near Salida, CO, just east of the Great Divide. They're up at 7500 ft with a gorgeous view of the AR River Valley. "All day we look at 4 or 5 peaks over 14,000 ft high!" They are having fun improving this property and have welcomed over 30 visitors already, both family and friends. They move back to their Green Valley home in early Oct. **Abner** hears from **Pat Patterson** x-'23 who left Plebe Heaven in Jan 20. Ret and living near Ft Monroe, **Pat** stays healthy working out at a fitness club 3 times a wk.

Dan Chandler, **Bill Craigie**, and **Battle Horton** will be interested to learn that the Japanese have purchased several Pebble Beach courses they once played. **Dan** and **Bill** played in the Crosby when **Bing** ran the tournament; and **Battle** played when the green fee was reasonable. Today it's \$150.

One of our more active classmates, **Jack White**, writes that he & **Alice** "have been very busy harvesting fruits and vegetables. I have 43 varieties of apples . . . and a dozen varieties of pears." They are both well and looking forward to their first great-grandchild. **Jack** also offered us in CA half of his rain. **Jim & Edwina Evans** spent the first 3 wks of Jun visiting daughter **Gail** & her English husband who live just south of London. They then took a 12-day Baltic cruise with time in Russia, and are planning a visit to Mexico at Christmas. Although one son is recovering from heart-bypass surgery, both **Jim & Edwina** are well and enjoying life. After over 40 yrs as a consultant mech engr with some 2150 commissions during that time, **Jim** ret in 85 and is looking forward to our next reunion.

Also on the road again is **Marge Rich**, this time with **Isabelle Norstad**, to Ireland and Britain for two wks in Sep. **Marge** sends news that **Katy Lawrence**, **Charlie's** widow, is in the SA area but rarely goes out. **Katy's** address: 208 Sharon Dr, San Ant, TX 78216. **Marge** also rep that "**Punky**" **Jameson** visited her son **Lewis '49**, who works for Rand and lives in Pacific Palisades, CA. **Punky** talked to **Miriam White** (**Chick's** widow) who heard from the **Craigies** that they are enjoying West AF Vil. **Eleanor & I** have been on the move, too. In late Sep we spent a long wkend visiting son **Mike** at Notre Dame, where the Holy Cross Fathers have taken another Jesuit on the faculty. **Purdue** has a good football tm but ND is awesome. ND used 74 players. Also visited our oldest granddaughter and her family in Chicago.

I received from **Genevieve Gjelsteen** the sad news that **Herb Enderton** died on 24 Aug at Casa de las Campanas in Rancho Bernardo, CA. She enclosed a newspaper clipping that described **Herb's** career and various activities since ret. **Ken Sweany** made the usual contribution to the WP Fund in his memory, and **Bill Craigie** has expressed the condolences of the Class to his children. **Herb's** wife **Marion** predeceased him in 80.

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Howard "Tom" Malin has sent us the following news just to let us know that the West Coast Thundering Herd is still "alive and kicking." They had their periodic get-together in Santa Cruz recently, this time hosted by **Mike & Eleanore Buckley '23**. Those present included **Martha Conrad** and daughter-in-law **Diane**, **Mae Coombs**, **Jule Justice**, **Pat Stebbins**, **Leonora Tandy**, **Gen Marvin & Joan Floom**(parents of **Diane Conrad**) and **Tom Malin**. **Gwen Malin**, **Betti Van Wyk**, **Betty Stephens** and **Margaret Kielty** were absent because of illness. **Tom** mentions that he became 90 on 18 Aug. After cocktails at the **Buckleys'**, the party went to **Mike's** golf club for a wonderful lunch. They plan that **Betty Stephens** will host the next party at her home in Pacific Grove in Feb.

Word has been received that **Sammy Samouce** was taken in Aug to the Mt Vernon Hosp in VA, suffering from "congestive heart failure." He is progressing nicely but does not walk easily. He has no end of stories of his active duty days, particularly those about his playing on GEN **George Patton's** polo teams.

The annual Class party was held at the Westchester in Wash, DC on 4 Oct. A total of 23 classmates, wives, widows and friends were in attendance. Follow-

ing a cocktail hr (cash bar), a superb luncheon was served.

We regret to announce the death of **Katherine T Vaughn**, who passed away in El Toro, CA on 2 Aug. Private services were held in El Toro, with arrangements under the direction of the Neptune Soc.

Kate Mason Lancaster Massaro, also known simply as "**Nugie**," passed away on 28 Aug. Graveside services were held on 30 Aug with interment in the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cemetery. Death came suddenly with no suffering or prolonged illness.

Hazel Massey died on 25 Aug in San Ant. After services in the St Pius X Catholic Church on 27 Aug, she was buried in the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cemetery.

Louise Mary Kane Hincke, also known simply as **Mae**, passed away on 21 Aug at the Sibley Hosp in Wash, DC. Death came suddenly with no suffering or prolonged illness. After graveside services, she was buried in the Arlington Natl Cemetery on 27 Aug in a gravesite beside that of her son, **John Jr**, who died in 81.

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A ltr from **Mrs Wayne W Lambert** informed me of the death of her father, our classmate **Dwight Harvey**. **Dwight** died of a stroke on 14 Sep 90 in Bainbridge, GA and was buried on 16 Sep in Eastern Shores (Episcopal) Chapel Cemetery, VA Bch, VA. He had been visiting his daughter & son-in-law, **BG Wayne W Lambert (Ret)**, and seemed to be doing fine until his stroke. **Dwight** is survived by his wife, **Elsie**, 3 daughters, 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

MG Bill Gillmore died on 19 Sep at his home in Carmel, CA. Funeral services with full mil honors were held at the Ft Ord Post Chapel on 25 Sep, after which his ashes were buried beside his wife in the Ft Rosecrans Cemetery in San Diego. At the time of his death, **Bill** was Honorary COL of the 7th Div Artillery at Ft Ord. He is survived by two daughters, **Mrs Frances Maroun** of Pebble Bch, CA and **Mrs Florence Ellsworth** of Oakhurst, CA, one stepdaughter, **Ann Erlebach** of Vancouver, BC, 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

A ltr to **Haydon Grubbs** from **Mrs Robert F Seedlock** of Falls Church, VA, wife of **Bob Seedlock '37**, rep that her sister, **Virginia**, widow of our deceased classmate **Claude Black**, had died in Savannah, GA of a heart attack in May. She had not been well since **Claude's** death in 86.

As a result of a telephone conversation with **Ms Eugenia Dunn** of McLean, VA,

daughter of **Henrietta Liwski**, I learned that Henrietta was in WRAMC. She entered the hosp for corrective surgery on her hip. Because of the original fracture and oper, one leg was slightly shorter than the other. With her willpower and determination, I feel sure that the situation will be corrected.

Red Newman had a pacemaker installed in Aug. He has also had some minor problems with his eyes and feet. But because of that Newman grit and determination, he is still going strong.

Heidi & I celebrated my 90th birthday with a family reunion at Lake Tahoe, CA. There were 4 children, 12 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren, as well as appropriate spouses in attendance. I met two great-grandchildren and the bride of one grandson whom I had never seen before. The AOG inadvertently contributed to the occasion by sending me a beautiful "This is Your Life" type packet just in time for my birthday. I recommend this type of celebration for any classmate reaching age 90.

As the Class dwindles in size (we are now down to 25 living classmates), it is occasionally necessary for me to telephone classmates or family mbrs. I would appreciate it if ea of you would send me a postcard listing your tel number. And, if you added a note saying how you are and what you are doing, it would help.

'26

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Don Booth claims that he & **Ro** are in fair shape when one considers their ages. His ltr includes a clipping in regards to 4 WP Tacs, all CPTs, who had been awarded master's degrees in a new program running at the Academy and named after President Eisenhower, who had suggested that the program be established there. Additional details are in the 1990 *Register*.

HELP!! **Herx & Sally Baxter** have disappeared, possibly having wandered too close to a black-hole horizon and have been sucked in, never to appear. At any rate, the brave lads in blue will not or cannot deliver mail to them at their last-known address in West Chester, PA. So if anyone knows their present location or has any suggestions on finding it, please let the scribe know.

Scotty Gross, widow of classmate **Boone**, now lives with her sister, Lucille Knoke, 15 Lotus Pl, Asheville, NC 28804. Scotty is quite helpless, having suffered two strokes plus a smashed hip. Her mind, though, is clear and sound. So please add her to that list of '26'ers and collateralers whom you support through an occasional ltr.

The dignified and stately person you

see in full academic array is **Oka Wade** as he prepares to join the throng of distinguished individuals (PhDs, Bishops, ex-soldiers, assorted educators) assembled to honor the installation of MG (Dr) Joseph L Fant III '51 as pres of Marion Mil Acad in Marion, AL. COL Edward M



1926: Oka Wade as he waits to join a processional honoring the incoming pres of Marion Mil Institute

Bradford, USA (Ret), kindly sent on the photo and added that Oka & **Jessie** were fine; Oka rode his golf cart a mi each way to coffee daily (presumably a kaffeeklatsch).

Jeffrey G Smith, address uncertain now, is researching the life of his grandfather, classmate **George A Smith Jr**, KIA in 45 in Ger, and asks for help on this project. So if you have any reminiscences of George, either during cadet or service life, please send them on to the scribe who will see that the grandson gets them.

Comes now a report from **Ben Thurston** sketching the pitfalls and pratfalls he encountered during a do-it-yourself trip through Central Europe in Sep. He met his sister in Munich and the two went on to see the Passion Play in Oberammergau. They had magnificent seats (5th row, ctr in the playhouse of 4000 capacity) thanks to a lively Ger operator who offered a deal much superior to anything the US travel agents had to offer. Ben claims that of the 3 PPs he has seen in Oberammergau, this was easily the best. Remarkable that a remote Bavarian vil every decennium can put on such a gorgeous spectacle involving more than 2200 of its 5000 inhabitants. Ben then recounts that the two next popped over to Budapest to savor some of that alleged joie de vivre and famed élan of the "Freedom Fighters." What a mistake, he admits. The two found Budapest dull, dismal, dirty and supercharged with small-scale chiselers and cheats. One expects a certain amount of such-like activity directed at tourists in any country, but Ben and his sister found it esp outrageous and widespread in that Workers' Paradise. According to Ben, his last two contacts with Hungary and with Hungarians were sadly disillusioning. Because Ben used the Eurail pass gen-

erously in swanning about Europe, he had to take an early, early train from Budapest to Vienna and discovered a disgusting scene in the former's Hauptbahnhof. There the floors were filthy, seldom cleaned and much of the space covered with sleeping wretches, some few in sleeping bags though the great majority were stretched out in their ragged clothing with no other covering. Then on the train an enterprising waiter in returning change from a payment went all out to convince Ben that 200 Forints (Hungarian currency) were the same as 250. However, a happy stay in Vienna erased some of the dismay built up in Hungary. There Ben met a granddaughter who is Dean of Students in Montpellier Univ, France. He admits he got an extended round of museuming and of Mozart before she left. And he found that glorious city more crowded than he had ever known it, with accommodations scarce and all prices high, quite a contrast to conditions he had observed a few years back. But we weren't a debtor nation then.

By the time this set of notes reaches you, gentle reader, the Christmas season with all its glitz and hype will be in full frenzy. So to the Class of '26 and all its collateralers, the scribe sends hopes that the remembrance of the birth of Our Lord Jesus will fill your hearts with love and joy and that the coming year will bring you happiness and great good.

'27

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A nice note from **Robert Wohlforth**. Bob resigned shortly after grad to follow his passion for books. He has been commuting from Ridgefield, CT to his NY book publisher's office for 58 yrs. He can be given credit as one of the founders of "The Friends of the WP Library." He also claims to have lived in the same house with the same wife for 60 yrs.

'28

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Some more San Ant news: **Ruth Butchers** wrote to us saying she had taken a 2-wk rest from the Aug heat when she went to Cloudcroft, NM with some friends. Also, the sad news is that **Mary Ann Willette** died on 21 Aug and was buried at Ft Sam. Her daughter, Sue & her husband Sam Hopper, of Herndon, VA, were there for the funeral. **Ned Sirmyer** called to say that **Skip Harbold** had been sick and could no longer perform the duties of Class pres. So he asked for someone else to take over these same duties. **Dave Traub** has accepted this

responsibility. Here's his address: #20 Crumite Rd, Loundonville, NY 12211. We hope Skip is feeling better by now.

Up this way, with beautiful autumn weather and cool nights, things have been busy. Ed Richards '56 and our daughter Pat drove **Julia** & me up to Burke, VA to celebrate my 86th birthday with our oldest son, Maury Jr '56. Son Charles & Jane, plus their two children, Mike and Meg, drove up from VA Beach. They had a big patio party in their spacious backyard with 27 of the Cralle-Richards clan there. Before returning home, we got together at the Ft Belvoir Off Club for lunch with **Merce & Mabel Walters, Jean Barnes, and Karla (King) Harrison**. See the pic below.



1928: Julie, Karla, Jean, Maury, Merce and Mabel

A Class widow, who wants to remain anonymous, would like to give her husband's ring to some classmate who has lost his own. Anyone desiring this ring can give me his name and I will pass it on.

Tom Wells, on one of his annual visits to the mainland from HI, stopped over here for a 3-day visit and a round of golf. We always have lots of reminiscing together since he was the best man at our wedding at Schofield Bks almost 57 yrs ago! When he left here he was flying down to Tampa, FL to see **Buck & Kitty Wiley**. From there he was going to TX and then CO before heading back to Oahu. That's all for now. Please keep those ltrs and pics coming for our next news. Have a happy holiday!

'29

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It was wishful thinking that few corrections would be needed NOW in the 1 Sep Class Roster. Two classmates and one widow were deceased before it went to the printers. Five were returned as "undeliverable" (as the move was made before Aug 89) and two others were forwarded. As of 15 Oct, we have 61 classmates and 108 widows living.

Please make the following corrections in the roster and "pretty please" send in

any other corrections and don't depend on someone else to do it.

Classmates Section:

3. **Chauncey Bennett** died 25 Jun and is to be interred at WP, date not yet determined.

9. **Bob Cook**, 1620 Mayflower Ct #310, Winter Park, FL 32792.

16. **Doug Dwyre** died 15 Aug and was interred in the Natl Cemetery, Presidio of San Francisco, 20 Aug.

30. **Henry McKenzie** lives at 5034 North Forest Dr, #5207.

33. **Ken Nichols'** phone no is 301-656-2072.

52. Delete the reference to "**Ginger**" under **Fenn Sykes**.

Widows Section:

5. **Dee Dee Armstrong's** phone is 703-799-3821.

6.5. **Anne Bennett**—Same address as #3 in classmates' section.

10. **Kitty Buchanan**—460 S Marion Pkwy, # 1451 B, Denver, CO 80209.

13. **Della Caraway** died 24 Sep. Grave-side services and interment at WP 12 Oct.

23.5. **Eleanor Dwyer**—San Jose, CA.

56. **Judy Lindsey**, 8592 Roswell Rd #147, Atl, GA 30350; phone: 404-552-3112.

57. **Mary Lowry**, 416 E 8th Ave, Tallahassee, FL 32303.

63. **Ginny Mace**, 6824 Wing Lake Rd, Birmingham, MI 48010.

70. **Marion Montgomery**, deceased some time in 89.

81. **Beth Person**, 525 Estates Pl, Longwood, FL 32779.

98. **Thelma Taylor Russell**, 10 Turtle Creek Apt 3, Charlottesville, VA 22901.

Geographical Section:

AR (2) Mrs **Wilson—Rogers**

CO (6) Mrs **Buchanan—Denver**

DC (9) Delete Mrs **Buchanan** and Mrs **Caraway**

FL (25) Mrs **Lowry—Tallahassee** and Mrs **Person—Longwood**

GA (3) Delete Mrs **Russell**

MD (13) Delete Mrs **Person**

MN (0) Delete Mrs **Wilson**

MS (3) Delete Mrs **Montgomery—Gulfport**

NY (5) Change Mr to Mrs **Bennett**

VA (11) Add Mrs **Russell (Taylor)**, Charlottesville

Would appreciate any information about **Marion Carr, Desiree Huglin** and **Ella Thompson**. **Lou Quill** helped out on **Thelma Russell**.

Paul Thompson and COL **Paul Child** (AOG) have been circularizing both classmates and widows who are non-subscribers to **ASSEMBLY** with some success.

With the help of **Billy Greear, Jim Stephenson**, and **Slim Vittrup**, I've been doing some further checking up on and comparing health care at various ret ctrs. Two obvious conclusions are: "it is complex and it is expensive." Another con-

clusion is that you're likely to get burned by saying "we're not ready for it yet." Remember when you are ready for it, you may find what you want is unavailable because you will not be able to pass the physical exam (or if they do accept you it is likely to be at a greatly increased rate). In any case, whether it is in a "ret ctr" or health or nursing home insurance, they all have restrictive "fine print." The Sep issue of the *Retired Officer* has a sampling of about 45 "ret ctrs" and their addresses. Both **Marriott** and **Hyatt** are going into ret facilities in a big way, some service-oriented and others not. From this survey it appears that more '29'ers (5) live at **Knollwood** (Army Distaff Hall) and the Army Ret Comm in San Ant than any other ctr. Four live at **The Fairfax** near **Belvoir**; two at the **Mayflower** in **Winter Park**, and **Pinecrest** in **Largo, FL**. Singles are at the **USAA Towers, AF Vils I and II**, and **Walden** in **San Ant**.

Paul & Josette Thompson are back from a mo in France. Before he left he sent me his copy of the *Annual Report of Distaff Hall* which all members receive. With the change of name, they are expanding their facilities and converting small units into ones suitable for couples. The Army Distaff Hall, I've always felt, showed the way to Army ret ctrs in much the same way that the PA Turnpike led the way for the interstate highways. **Paul** commented on the high average age (84) at **Knollwood** (it's 83 here) and **Della Caraway's** many activities (favorably). There were two other interesting enclosures, one from the Pres AOG covering some changes in the "Plebe System," and the other a refutation of relative costs of obtaining 2LTs from WP and ROTC. The first is in line with recommendations of the AOG Comm headed by **Sam Walker '46**, former Commandant at WP and VMI Superintendent. The Comm issued a directive which requires training and planning to emphasize the continued devel in leadership by all 3 of the upper classes and not concentration on the plebes. There is to be less "poop" to memorize; ALL cadets sit "At Ease" and deprivation of and/or restriction of food intake is explicitly prohibited. "Recognition" will be in the spring—probably the day before upperclassmen depart on spring leave.

It's impossible to do justice to the 16-page report of "**Doc**" **Bahnsen '56** and **Tom White '67**, both ret BGs, highly decorated Armor aviators who served 2 tours in Vietnam. It discusses some of the distorted thinking and remarks made by Senators **Glenn, McCain** and **Nunn** which has resulted in a 6-yr (ours was 4) Active Duty Service Obligation. [The report is also applicable to articles in the *Armed Forces Journal*, edited by **Schermer '54**] comparing costs of WP and ROTC grads. In one table the cost of

running WP (in compliance with GAO requirements) is \$200,000 per grad and \$185,000 for each of the 8000 ROTC grads of whom only half are on active duty. Another shows that, based on US Dept of Education 89 report, 5 of the top non-federal univs, Cal Tech, MIT, Johns Hopkins, Univ of Chicago, and Stanford received more federal funds than the Air Force or US Mil Acad. Nine of them, if my arithmetic is correct, received over 10 times more federal funds than the AF, WP, and Navy in 1985-86. While about 25% of WP graduates leave the service after their ADSO is met, their service after 20 and 30 yrs is higher than from other sources. They were only 2 to 4% of the original pool, but of the 90,553 still on active duty in all grades, WP supplied 29.2% of the Gen; 13.9% (Grades O1-O6) and an overall average of 14%. Apparently all the longer ADSO will do is make the recruiting of outstanding candidates more difficult as many of them who accept a 4- or 5-yr obligation may be reluctant to sign up for 6 yrs. Gen Milton '40 drew a similar conclusion for the AF Acad in his article in the Sep 90 *Air Force Magazine*.

Paul also enclosed ltrs from Jack Crary and Larry Bork. Jack & Toni have had to give up going to the mtns and find that a ret ctr is the answer. Larry listed even more cruises and jobs than those I mentioned in the last notes. Their 10-yr-old granddaughter has lost both her parents and is with Larry & Betty each summer. Frequently their grandson and other granddaughter join them. Sally, the older daughter, is Girl Scout Dir for GA and S AL.

Lois Stephenson is recuperating from her hip surgery and, as this is being written, she is still using a walker, but when you read this she should be using her cane. They and Ann Hornor were the only '29'ers in the large group who attended a WP dinner in USAA Towers. Their daughter, who attended our 60th, was there for a short visit. Speaking of reunions, did you note that '30 had a very successful reunion with 27 classmates, 20 with wives and 7 widows? One of our residents attended her 60th at Wellesley (with about 1/3 of her class) while her husband was going to his 60th at Harvard. We all agree these 5-yr reunions are not only fun but are very worthwhile.

Lou Quill has had a very painful summer with her arthritis raising Cain. While it was a "compression fracture" rather than arthritis, Dorothy has followed with a painful fall season. Hope she follows Lois' schedule for a cane! We did one part of it for Jean, who also attended our 60th, came down to help out even though she had her leg in a cast (as did Dorothy at our 60th). Helen Wilson has moved to AR and is living with her bachelor son. Her daughter, 4 granddaughters (all engr) and great-grandson

are all nearby in Beaver Falls. Billy Greear is taking full advantage of the bird hunting but finds the weather is hotter than his shooting. Still golfing 3 times a wk and now and then beats his age. Slim Vittrup at the first anniv party of the Fairfax was recognized as their best storyteller. I can certainly understand why and add my and the Class' congratulations. Betty & Pat O'Hara are scheduled to be back from an early Nov trip to CA to be there for Elizabeth & Steve Lane's first child's arrival. It's fortunate they have a good "catsitter," for their relatively new Siamese rules the roost most of the time. Mary Lowry rep her son Dexter and two daughters doing well in the San Fran Bay area, and Thelma Russell is enjoying her daughter in Charlottesville.

Just before the deadling for these notes, I received a copy of the memorial services for Doug Dwyre. There was an etching of the Catholic Chapel at WP on the front cover, and the Acad Crest on the back. Chuck '60 & Betty were Eucharistic ministers and several other mbrs of the family (5 sons, 14 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren) participated in the services. The Class has made a memorial contribution to the WP Fund. A similar one has been made for Chauncey Bennett and for Della Caraway to Knollwood, as her sister requested. Her heart attack hit during the night after a visit to Walter Reed.

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If any of you who bought copies of the 60th Reunion Class pic would like the names of those shown, listed as they are seated, drop me a line; no charge.

The week of our Reunion culminated in grad for 895 members of the Class of '90. One of those grads, LT Joel E Roberts, is from Keystone Heights in central FL. The local paper, *The Monitor*, for Sep 6, congratulated Roberts and included the following:

"It is of special note that Joel's graduation took place at the conclusion of week-long activities that included the 60th Reunion of the Class of 1930.

"During Joel's final year at WP, he had the honor of wearing the cadet sabre of BG Phillip Frederick Kromer Jr, USMA Class 1930. Mrs Francis Kromer, formerly of Melrose, entrusted Joel and his parents with the sabre, cufflinks, and other mementos of Cadet Kromer upon her retirement to Washington, DC. Cadet Roberts and his mother visited Mrs Kromer last summer while he was assigned in Washington." Our congratulations to Fran for this most thoughtful gesture, of which we are sure Phil would approve, and which will add lustre and

continuity to the Long Gray Line.

Near the end of the Reunion someone said, "this reunion is so successful, why not have a mini-reunion 2 1/2 yrs hence, at some central location such as San Ant?" Our Pres Pete King heard about this recently. He has decided to bring this idea up for discussion at the fall luncheon 2 Nov at Ft Myer. Results will be in the Mar 91 ASSEMBLY notes. Charlotte Brisach told me that she had heard from a no of people on this subject, and that all reaction is affirmative.

Paul Ruestow, MG USAF, died of a brain tumor at his home in Jax, FL on 10 Aug. Paul's tumor was such that he decided to dispense with all treatment. Clara was thus able to keep him at home from the time of the diagnosis in early May until his death. Interment was at Arlington and was well attended by family, friends, and by classmates. The ceremony was beautifully handled by the USAF and the ceremonial personnel at Ft Myer. A lovely reception followed at the Adm Bldg at Arlington Cemetery.

Paul graduated into the Corps of Engrs, but was assigned to the Air Corps in 36. In 47 he transferred to the USAF when it became a separate service. His career was largely in the logistics field, his last command being CG of the Middletown Air Material Area in Middletown, PA. He is survived, in addition to Clara, by a daughter, Claire Telecki of Malverne, LI; two sons, George F of Annandale, VA and Edward G of Boulder, CO; a sister, Belle Whelan of Malverne; and a brother Norman of Desert Springs, CA. Our hearts go out to Clara, who was married to Paul for 55 yrs, and to his family.

For two yrs now I have been trying to identify a mbr of the Class of '30 who attends Founders Day at Ft Bliss every



1930: Mr & Mrs William A Burget, USNA '30, at Founders Day 89, Ft Bliss, TX

yr. I Finally found the address of COL Landon A Witt, a mbr of the WP Soc at Ft Bliss, and sent him the above pic. He finally solved the mystery. This pic is of a US Naval Acad grad, William A Burget, Class '30, & his wife, who are invited every yr by our soc at Bliss. My most sincere thanks to COL Witt.

John Guthrie wrote 27 Aug about his

tape of the Reunion, and the possibility of a mini-reunion. All tapes have been sent as of 10 Oct. If you do not have yours, please notify **Charlotte Brisach** at once. If you want to order a tape, it is still not too late. Send \$15.00 to Charlotte at 9920 Tartan Ct, Vienna, VA 22180. Back to John; we will advise ASAP about the mini-reunion.

Tony Janairo wrote a very nice note to me on 27 Aug with his thanks to the Class and to **Charlotte** for the beautiful decanter given to him at the Reunion for his film work covering Reunion activities. He also wrote to Charlotte. Tony also said that he is applying now for the same job at our 65th!!

Isabelle Norstad wrote a very sweet ltr 28 Aug with her thanks to the Reunion Committee, and to ask for a copy of the Reunion tape. She emphasized that her grandson Christopher was impressed by WP, enjoyed the parade immensely, and, above all, appreciated the tour given him by two cadets. Isabelle added that she learned that MAJ Tensfeldt & Mini are from Tucson. She has kindly invited them to lunch with her at her home in Tubac at Christmas-time, while they are visiting her parents. This is a very hospitable move by Isabelle. The Tensfeldts did everything in their power to make our Reunion a success.



1930: 60th Reunion: Charlotte Brisach, Site Mitchell, Mary Howze and Marguerite Stoughton



1930: 60th Reunion: Red Timothy, Win Sisson, Ham & Mary Howze, Bob Porter, Isabelle Norstad, and Hank Royal

In the Wash area, **Bill Carter** has undergone two cataract oper, and a minor

injury to his back due to a fall. He can now read again, and is able to get around quite smartly. His Sally is busy working on a piano recital to take place in the near future. **Bill Whipple** was in town recently and had lunch with Bill C. Bill W is still playing tennis, and is still working for money. He is in the water supply and resources field. More power to you & Alice, Bill.

Bill Harris is still bedridden in Carrol Manor in nearby MD. His physical condition is no better; he remains very weak. However, his morale is high and he is fully alert. He is definitely enjoying the football season.

I talked to **Louise O'Keefe** about **Dick** recently. She assured me that he is fine now. This was a delightful surprise. We hope to see him at the next Class luncheon.

Frank & Eleanor Waldrop moved back to town from TN about a wk ago. Frank told me he still has the get-well card he received from the Reunion folks, and treasures it. In addition to his other troubles previously rep, he has had at least one aneurysm to deal with. He is currently reading WWII history and enjoying it. He feels such works reaffirm more than ever Scott's Fixed Opinion!! He plans to attend the luncheon. Eleanor, he assures us, is in fine shape, and in complete command.

Sis Deuhring is still going downhill slowly, according to **George**. So far, no real help for her has been found. We can only hope that a Christmas miracle will take over and help Sis.

Ned Moore is still in a wheelchair. He told me he has good days and bad, but his morale is still high; he enjoys football; and is still abreast of our fast-moving world. He & **Vivian** are planning to sell their home in FL next door to that of **Shirley & Dave Baker**. Ned plans to make the luncheon without fail.

I had a delightful chat by phone with **Tillie Wright** recently. She spends most of her time in bed, some of the time in a wheelchair, and occasionally is able to go for a car ride. She classifies herself as an invalid, BUT she still has her former sparkle, and her morale is very high. She has started her Christmas shopping, with the aid of catalogues. Tillie rep that **Pete & Betty** were in town, Whitestone, VA, recently and had dinner with **Sterling** at the home of mutual friends Sam & Teal Hurd. Sterling is planning to make the luncheon.

Our Pres **Pete King & Betty** send their best wishes for a safe, healthy, and joyous Christmas to all our classmates, wives, and widows. Let us all share the memory of the true meaning of Christmas, and thank our Creator for all our many blessings. To which **Mary & I** add a most sincere Amen, and a Happy 1991!!

'31

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For starters, here's an interesting rep from **George Hartman**. "We travel a great deal, particularly in Mexico or other places that have good fishing. Also, we have a piece of property in the Baja, which probably is one of the last frontiers not jammed with people. The Guadalajara area, where some time ago we lived for about 9 yrs, now is overrun with people. In 59 when we first went to 'the Pearl of the West,' there were about 490,000 people; now there are over 5 million, and the once-clear-as-crystal air is now polluted to the point where one can't see the mtns most of the time. The world is going to hell. We now live in CO, 32 mi west of Pueblo in the mtns in a rather sparsely populated area. Our house is in the San Isabel Natl Forest, and, though we are right on the highway (96), we have deer and at times bear in our front yd. And we do have Hardscrabble Creek, next to the highway and in our parking area, with trout. Our only problem is that we are at an altitude of 7,000 ft and at times it is too much for an old fud to be very active. . . . PS—wild turkeys too."



1931: 6th Co Beast Detail: Fletcher, Strother, Blanning, Cardell, Woodward, Bogart, Easterbrook, W Krueger and Guenther

Be on the lookout in the next issue of **ASSEMBLY** for an article presenting significant extracts from a ltr written in 66 by **Dick Watts** to **Jim Baker**. The ltr presents a unique perspective of one of our ex-classmates to another—a nostalgic view of what the Academy means, esp to one who lost the opportunity to achieve his aspiration to be among its grads. Dick's ltr came to our attention as an enclosure to his reply to **Clyde McBride** regarding the reunion. We have his permission to publish it in **ASSEMBLY**.

Johnny Davis continued his fine performance as Class rep at the annual Sylvanus Thayer Award ceremonies when, on 27 Sep, he was at WP as the AOG honored this yr's recipient, the

Honorable Michael J Mansfield. Johnny & Wilma, together with Ted & Nina Parker, were seated at the same table in the mess hall with the honoree and rose to the applause of the Corps when the Supe introduced them as being from the Class of '31, originator of the concept of the award. Mike Mansfield's speech to the cadets focused on what they will be faced with after grad. It was delivered with that astounding use of clear language for which he is known, and, coming from one with such a distinguished career of 55 yrs of service to his country, was roundly applauded.



1931: Davis and Parker with Mike Mansfield and cadets

At this writing, John & Eloise Hansborough planned a Nov visit to Morocco, with their date of arrival coinciding with the day 48 yrs earlier that he waded ashore initiating the No African campaign. In Mar, their schedule calls for attendance at a reunion in El Paso of the 33rd FA Bn which John commanded in 1949-50. It was last Mar that they were in San Mateo, CA for a reunion of the Philippine Scouts. Ozzie & Allison Tyler paid a visit last summer to Georgia, Ukraina, and Russia, 3 of the Soviet Union republics. The most unusual feature of their tour was a collective farm, a reminder to them of one they had seen in Communist China. Their primary impressions were of the Hermitage, "Swan Lake," and the Moscow circus.

Peggy Lindsey, wife of Seiss Wagner for 32 yrs until his death, lost her second husband of 20 yrs on 6 Feb. She has looked at some ret places but feels she's not quite ready to matriculate. In and about Atl she sees Bill & Ella May Woodward quite often, but not so often, Corney & Lottie Lichirie since they spend much of their time farther south in FL; and, although she doesn't see Ginger Mitchell much, the two keep in touch. Ken & Jean McCrimmon took a 10-day fling at AK in Jun, encountering crystal-clear weather that gave them a great view of Mt McKinley. The 80-90 deg temp at Fairbanks, however, provided ample reason for their satisfaction with their San Fran Bay climate. Incidentally, their first great-grandchild, April Melendez, was born in Santa Rosa

on 21 Apr. Bill & Betty Chandler's grandson, John, will grad from USNA on 29 May, producing a situation a bit too close to call for their presence the last two days at our reunion. Their oldest grandson, Eric, grad from Northwestern this yr and in a mo married—just like his old granddad did. Meanwhile, battered by 3-digit TX heat last summer, Bill had an alibi for his golf.



1931: Bob Lee and Doc Strother

Rosamond Davis, widow of Hoy Davis '33, gave an outstanding dinner party in her beautiful home on 23 Sep in honor of Swede & Jo Carlson, newcomers to Rossmoor, Walnut Creek, CA. Guests from 4 classes thoroughly enjoyed renewing old friendships. Composing what '30's Bob Cron characterizes as a spirited gp, those present were, from '30, Ed & Jo Berry, Bob & Elnora Cron, Fred Klinke, Bob Lancefield, Wayne Sisson, Marjorie Bartlett, widow of Roy, and Janet Blanchard, widow of Paul; from '33, Bob & Lillian Tripp, and from '34, Bud & Helen Buehler. Dan Callahan is active with the American Legion in Nashville, esp with its Boys prog in TN. He continues to keep up with that prog in FL where, along with Academy reps, he stresses the value and honor of mil service. He also outlines the space prog and the important relationship of R&D to def and the economy. Dan & Mary's daughter, Marguerite, will receive a master's degree in nursing from Case Univ this Dec, qualifying her as a nurse practitioner.

Rod Moore rep back to Walter Reed on 10 Sep to undergo a repeat performance on his right knee. The oper was handled by Dr Hopkinson '74. Later Rod took up residence for the time being at the Sleepy Hollow Nursing Home to go through the throes of physical therapy. Not to be outdone by Rod in the utilization of Academy grad surgeons, Wilma Davis had a cataract removal and intraocular lens implant at Walter Reed on 2 Oct by Dr Thomassen '72. Frank Bogart, LTG USAF, says that ASSEMBLY is his & Mary's primary means for keeping up with the Army, since their home base, Pensacola, is a Navy enclave. "Twas not always so," he continues. "Ft Barrancos was a beautiful Coast Artillery post.

However, the voracious naval air station has now engulfed it. Mary's father served a rare 3 tours there, and it was my first station out of WP." We are very sorry to learn that on 6 May 89 Dick Danck suffered a stroke, followed by complications, and, on 10 Jan 90 fell, breaking a hip. He is now at home and gaining strength. All our best wishes are with him and Lucile. Moppy Perry has joined the "oldest-grad-present" club through his presence at last Apr's Founders Day dinner at Detroit. His football game companion in the middle great lakes region, Les Kunish, had a slight stroke in Jul. Pat Carter rep Bill Train's passage through CO Springs on his way to another golf tournament. Chet Ott, on an abbreviated (two mos) residence in Wash, was one of 14 participants in our lively quarterly Class luncheon on 14 Sep at the ANCC. Longing to return to the more accommodating climate of OR, he & Virginia pulled up stakes and retraced their steps to Portland.



1931: Steinbach and his three grandsons

As of 5 Oct, there are 84 individuals signed up for our 60th reunion. Time is growing short to the 1 Jan deadline for Thayer reservations. Should anyone experience difficulty with the hotel, advise the AOG. In connection with your travel plans to WP, it may be of interest to you that Amer Airlines has some flights into Stewart AFB.

After long illnesses, our highly respected and much admired Pack & Fay Pachler died in Gainesville, FL in Aug, Fay on the 6th and Pack on the 30th. Memorial services for Fay were held at St Joseph's Episcopal Church there on 9 Aug. Last respects were paid at her burial in Arlington on a beautiful day, 14 Aug, by mbrs of the family and by Johnny & Wilma Davis, Bill & Fran Dick, Warren & Margot Hoover, Clyde & Georgia McBride, Lucy Troxel, and Tricky's sister, and Curly & Marion Wilson. A requiem mass was celebrated at Ft Myer for Pack. The celebrant of the mass was his Bronx grammar sch classmate who also was his Berlin Cmd chaplain. Pack was buried beside Fay on 5 Sep, another beautiful late summer day. In attendance, besides the Packler children and relatives, were Andy & Dee

Adams, Johnny & Wilma Davis, Fran Dick, Warren & Margot Hoover, **Don Little**, Clyde & Georgia McBride, Lucy Troxel, and **Pass & Marion Passarella**. Of special note was the presence of an 8-person (7 men, one woman) Honor Detachment of uniformed VPI cadets in respectful memory of Pack's tour as Commandant of the VPI Cadet Corps.

Reportedly the youngest, at 33, to be promoted to BG since the Civil War, **Ted Timberlake**, commander in WWII of "Ted's Traveling Circus" (the 93rd Bomb Gp), lost a valiant fight against cancer at the Hilton Head Hosp on 3 Sep. He was buried on 6 Sep at Six Oaks Memorial Pk, Sea Pines Plantation, Hilton Head Isl, SC. **Jake Smart** attended the funeral. About 40 friends, Ted's son and two daughters were there for a simple mil service. Ted was a founding mbr and pres of Sea Pines Golf Club. He was one of our outstanding athletes, esp in swimming, where he set many records that stood long after our grad. His survivors included a great-great-grandchild.

Address change: the **Otts**, 2221 SW 1st Ave, Apt 1921, Portland, OR 97201.

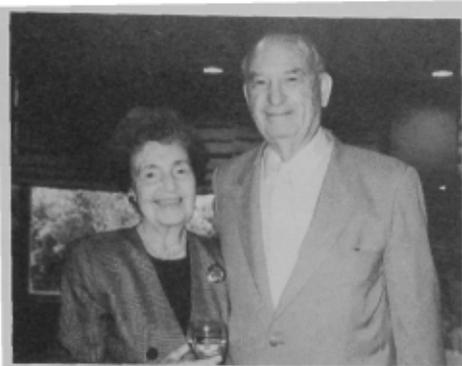
'32	BG Kenneth F. Zitzman
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THE POWER OF THE PRESS! Chris Dreyer wrote that he had just been phoned by Bob Warner, a HS classmate whom he hadn't seen nor heard from in 65 yrs. Here's the story.

Bob's nephew, James M Warner '67, wounded in Vietnam, later served in Ger and resigned after his obligatory tour. He took a degree in architecture and was subsequently selected to redesign the Visitors Center at WP. He showed his dad the Jul issue of *ASSEMBLY* because a view of the Visitors Center was on the cover. While dad was browsing through the mag, he noticed the pic of 5-mos-old Fred Dreyer in the '32 column, "Look, ma, no hands."

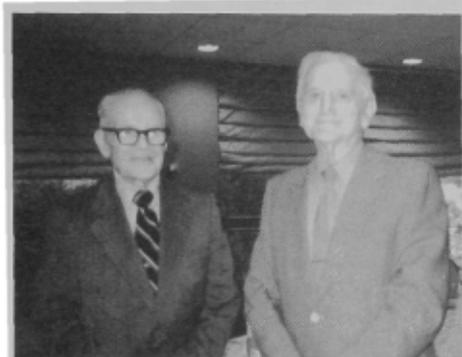
He got in touch with his brother Bob who phoned Chris and told Chris that he lives down the coast from him at Laguna Beach. For the past several yrs he has played in the Cal Seniors Golf Tournament at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club. Every time Bob putted out on the first green, he was within 150 yards of Chris's home.

THE WASHINGTON, DC MOB. Pop Duncan wrote that he and Latrelle timed their visit to spend a few days with **Joslin Morris** at her digs in the Fairfax at Ft Belvoir so that they could take in the monthly '32 luncheon at Ft Myer. Pop and Latrelle were godparents of **Luke & Joslin's** offspring and the relationship has remained close over the years. Pop reported that Joslin is doing fine and that staying in the guest rooms at the Fairfax



1932: Pop & Latrelle Duncan

gave him & Latrelle the added pleasure of being with our several classmate couples who live at the Fairfax; seeing them frequently and having meals with them. Pop ended with the supreme compliment for the Fairfax: "We'd be with them if the Fairfax were in Atlanta."



1932: Dick Hunt and Farmer Jamison

Dwight Beach wrote, "At Farmer Jamison's order I made the Class luncheon at the Ft Myer Club. Jamison, **Lyon, Woolnough, Gillette, Horner, Sundt,**



1932: Essie Baer and Bobbie Sundt

Abell, and **Bill Davidson's** son, **Beach**. All with their wives except me. In addition there were 15 widows present. It was great to see them all. . . ." Dwight closed with another of his gassers which I shall blue line before the ed does.

OUT OF TOWN VISITORS. In one of their periodic swings around the country, **Jack & Rick Coffey** stopped off in San Ant to stay in a guest room at the Army Ret Comm where **Landon & Liz Head** live. Jack & Rick took Landon, **Pat** & me to dinner and a long evening of BS at La

Fonda, an outgrowth of the Original where I and many other classmates had our first authentic Mexican dinner in 32. Both food and BS were up to the old standards.

The next day, **Jack & Rick** took off to spend the day with **Birdie Huggins** at her home "up the road a piece" in Kerrville. Birdie showed them a new ret complex there that was right on the button. "Truly a beauty spot on a bluff overlooking the town," wrote Jack later. Their new address: 2027 Balmoral, Kerrville, TX 78208. A visit from the **Coffeys** always suits me to a T.

FINAL FAREWELLS. Fran McElheny (Mrs Dan '36) phoned from Maitland, FL to give the sad news that **Bill Ellery** had died of a stroke the day before in a hosp there. Our deepest sympathy goes to **Shirley**. She & her first husband



1932: Bill & Shirley Ellery

had been friends and near neighbors of Bill & his first wife for years. In 87, sometime after each of their spouses had died, Bill & Shirley married and moved in together. You will always be one of our girls, Shirley.

Just after I mailed the copy for the last issue to the ed, **Connie Booth**, widow of Bob '30, phoned to say that **Betty Metzler** had died at her home in Picayune, MS after a long siege of wide-spread cancer. Betty never married again after **Johnnie's** brief, brilliant career ended in 51; she lived her life out in Picayune. Their children, John E Jr, with wife Beverly, and daughter Lucia, Mrs Charles Ray, have lived in Picayune for the past several yrs and Johnny Sr has recently been moved to the family plot there.

It's been a long time since 1930 when halfback **Johnnie** carried the football all over the field for the Engineers in their first win ever over the Goats in the annual Thanksgiving Day classic. If anyone wants to get in touch, John Jr's address is PO Box 146, Picayune, MS 39446.

ONLY YESTERDAY. **Archie Lyon** sent me a yellowed clipping of an AP dispatch from Honolulu dated 25 Jan 1936 which gave the news of the mid-air collision in darkness over Honolulu which killed **Bill Beard**. It had good photos of **Bill, Mary**, whom he married in

San Ant at the completion of flying school, and their toddler, Mary Susan.

Archie also included a copy of the speech **Bus Wheeler** gave at the AUSA's George Catlett Marshall Memorial dinner in 69. It's as appropriate today as it was then, esp the last sentence which starts, "the overwhelming mass of our tough, proud and loyal servicemen deserve the best from all of us. . . ."



1932: Archie Lyon with Dick & Helen Hunt in background

And it was **Ruth McCawley** who sent me the nearby pic of **Archie Lyon** reciting from memory, with feeling, "A Toast to the Flag," 4 stanzas, 26 lines, at a '32 luncheon on Flag Day.

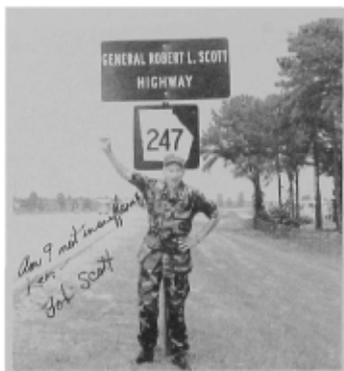
Bill Powers sent a clip from the *NY Herald Tribune* dated 27 Nov 1930, headlined "Humble Pie Goats' Thanksgiving When Engineers Win in Football." It stated, ". . . never before had the Engineers won the annual game until today." Of the 22 in the starting lineups, 7 are still with us.

Bill keeps busy. He has made a big castle (7' x 8') for the local elementary sch as well as a trestle bridge which is a copy of the first one he built as a 2LT. By popular demand of the kids, **Bill** is now working on a model of a suspension bridge.

THE FAMILY SEQUOIA. **Dick & Helen Coiner's** son, **Bev**, is a big wheel in the Alamo Grand Prix Assoc which **Bev** organized 2 yrs ago. I attended the first twister through the streets of downtown San Ant and have followed up on the succeeding ones via TV. I am pleased to rep that no one has been killed yet.

AT RANDOM IN QUONDAM. A birthday party for **Mary Cain** at her son **Jim Jr's** in Cincinnati was attended by son-in-law **Andy** and grandson **Tom**. Young **Tom** is a grad student at U Mich, which is sending him to England to give a paper to the Soc of Chem Engrs or equal. It doesn't surprise any of us who remember that his granddaddy **Jim** was a pro in the classroom as he was adept on the hockey rink.

HE'S NOT BEHIND A PLOW! Occasionally, I get the urge to write fiction but then I hear something about **Bob Scott** which gives me the chance to write



1932: Bob Scott thumbing his way through to the Mid-East

something that is not so restrictive. **Bob** is a growing 82-yr-old boy and has volunteered in no uncertain terms for a.d. as a crew member in the Persian Gulf. At present he is on hold awaiting appt from higher HQ with battle dress and equipment, ready to go.

TOMORROW, THE WORLD! **Merle Jr '62**, son of our late classmate **Merle Williams**, is bustin' out all over. With 2 DFCs and 14 other medals for service in Vietnam, he ret in 86 and went with **McDonnell Douglas**. He has just started his own co, **Williams Environmental Systems**, as an independent distributor of filters for air and water purification which are manufactured by **National Safety Associates**. **Merle** is in VA now, is looking over TX and other states and will be in Europe in 3 mos. Not even a good 5-cent cigar is needed more than air and water purification throughout the world today.

NOW HEAR THIS! I'm not a gee-whiz kid, as most of you know. But the talk that the Supe, **Dave Palmer '56**, gave at a WP luncheon here in San Ant recently was the best I have ever heard. He told where WP was, where we are now and where we are going. He said that WP is 4th in the no of Rhodes scholarships, behind the Ivy League big 3 which started yrs before we did, which I already knew. But he also told about the **Hertz** fellowships and **Marshall** scholarships in sci and engr'g for doctorates in the phys sci. We're 3rd and 4th in those behind MIT and Cal Tech, with the aforementioned Ivy Leaguers nowhere in sight just as these two engr'g sch are no where in sight for the Rhodes.

In closing, the Supe commented on the country's investment in WP. Top flight offs are produced by WP and the excellent ROTC system, and our country needs the products of both. But for the record, it costs less to put a person through WP than it does through ROTC.

I thought of that day, almost 63 yrs ago, when we reported in to WP, I was being worked over by a trio of first classmen and one of them asked, "why did you come to West Point, Mr Dumbjohn?"

"Because it is the finest institution of

higher learning in the United States, sir!"

Their mouths opened, but no sounds came out. And nothing has happened since to change my opinion.

Well, that's it for another issue. Merry Christmas, send news, mit pix.

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To assist our readers' perspective: Now that *ASSEMBLY* comes out 6/yr, these notes are written in early Oct for the Jan 91 issue, which should reach you by Christmas. So, Merry Christmas! Somehow it's hard to realize that we have entered the 90's decade, which for us also means entering our 80's decade—Hey! Stop the clock! All this is happening too quickly. . . .

It has seemed logical of late, again for reasons of perspective, to begin our notes with some mention of the current natl/intl scene. Your scribe, having been away from Wash for a mo, returns to find little change: We're still in a pickle in the Middle East and can only hope that wise decisions have been and will be made; at home the politicians continue to juggle economic balls, with potentially harsh implications for many Americans. Has anyone of them yet proposed that our political leadership set an example by reducing (rather than increasing) their own emoluments before legislating financial sacrifices for others? When such a man appears, he'll have my vote.

Sep blew cold winds upon our Class of '33, sending 4 of us to our Next Destination, wherever that may be: On 10 Sep we lost **Bob Thompson**, who died quietly at home of heart failure. **Bob** was buried in Arlington Natl Cemetery beside his first wife, **Lucy Lee**, with full mil honors and with several DC area classmates as honorary pallbearers. He is survived by his second wife, **Margaret Kolls**, and his daughter, **Marsha Fancher**. (And see **Cubbison** below.)

On 11 Sep **Ted Conway** died at St Anthony's Hosp in St Petersburg, FL of cancer. Memorial svcs were held at MacDill AFB, Tampa. Later his ashes were interred, together with those of his son **John** (see **Boswell** below), with full mil honors in the Natl Cemetery at the Presidio of San Fran. Besides **Eleanor**, **Ted** is survived by their two daughters, **Laura Nason** (Buckingham, PA) and **Ruth Williams** (Indianapolis); 4 grandchildren and a great-grandson (AK, remember?)

On 15 Sep we lost **Kim Otto**, who died at their home in Annapolis of heart failure following a bout with influenza. Memorial services were held in St Andrews Chapel (part of the Naval Acad Chapel). Her ashes are to be interred in the Cemetery at WP. Besides **Sam**, she is



1933: Sons of '33 in Class of '60: Tripp, Totten, Hagan, Stilwell, Chapman, Remus, Lincoln, Breit, Chapman, Elder, Gates

survived by their sons Steve (Locust Valley, NY) and Bill (William S, '66, now an MD in Boca Raton, FL), and daughter Ann (now living with Sam in Annapolis); 4 grandchildren; and a sister.

On 26 Sep Stan Lonning died at San Anselmo, CA of cancer. His ashes were interred with full mil honors in the Natl Cemetery at the Presidio of San Fran. The **Tripps, Boswells, and Pete Clainos** were present. Memorial services were held at Christ Episcopal Church in Sausalito. Besides **Effie**, Stan is survived by daughter Toni Lonning of Lake Oswego, OR; 3 grandchildren; two brothers and two sisters. (See photo of Tripp.)

"Our times are in His hand. . .," wrote Robert Browning. One of your scribe's most difficult and painful tasks is to rep the passings-on which in the natural course of events happen to us all. We've seen enough by now to understand something of the shock, the heartache and loneliness which are the lot of those left behind. By our count, some 130 of the original 347 who graduated in '33 are still living; but very possibly there have been some unreported deaths of which we are not yet aware. To the families, and particularly to the surviving spouses of **Bob Thompson, Ted Conway, Kim Otto, and Stan Lonning**, the Class extends its deep sympathy, its hope that you may be comforted and that you will keep in touch with us. We are your friends!

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"Five hrs ago," **Jim Boswell** writes, "**Ted Conway's** funeral services were held at the Presidio of San Fran cemetery. Present were **Eleanor**, their two daughters with husbands, a no of ret offs,

the Sixth Army Dep CG and the Class of '33, represented by **Bob Tripp** and myself. . . . There were two chaplains, the post chaplain and a civ related to the family; a firing squad, and two airborne-type soldiers who presented Eleanor with two folded flags. Two urns were interred, one with Ted's ashes and the other with those of their son John (a Vietnam veteran who was killed at 30 yrs of age in a free-fall parachute accident in 77). On authorization from **Lincoln** via **Hurlbut** I presented a wreath, which was one of the two floral displays at the ceremony. Eleanor and her daughters expressed heartfelt appreciation to the Class."

"The other day," writes **Don Cubbison**, "**Marsha Thompson** called to tell me of her dad's death. **Bob** and I were plebe roommates, Marsha is my god-daughter and Bob was my son Chris's godfather. . . . I won't make it to his funeral; **Molly** & I make few trips these days. "Next morning I finished a leisurely breakfast and finally reached the last pg of Section B, *St Pete Times*, and saw **Ted Conway's** obituary. I talked with **Eleanor** (we had known ea other as kids at Leavenworth) and she said everything was under control—her daughter, a Survivor Assistance Off and helpful neighbor were on hand—no additional help needed. She cited a statement which I've heard and firmly believe: 'Growing old isn't for sissies.' What a loss to our Class in the passing of these two! "A note for our *ASSEMBLY* col: our grandson, **Johnny Cubbison**, is in USMA '93."

Welcome word from **Chuck Dunn**: "I think it's about time that I get something into *ASSEMBLY*. Here goes: things go right well for me, thanks to daughter



1933: Chet & Tommy Dahlen at sea

Dana Lee Walker & her husband Harry (USNA '59). Around-the-clock practical nurse helps me do those things which my several small strokes would make difficult. Wheelchair and walker are not the best transportation! Best regards to the Class." Thanks, Chuck!—good to hear from you.

"Sorry I didn't make your Aug deadline," sez **Bill Fletter**, "but I didn't get *ASSEMBLY* until monthend. Enclosed is some material on **Lyle Bernard**: (1) an 84 ltr from him in response to my question, 'What did you tell Georgie Patton in that pictured conversation (in our 50-yr book)?' (2) excerpts from a 3d Div reunion booklet that **Fred Zierath** gave me because they concerned Lyle." [All above are good reading but too long to cite here; we'll try to use them in Lyle's *ASSEMBLY* obituary.] A day later Bill forwarded a clipping from the *St Petersburg Times* on **Ted Conway's** death. "Sure hate to see him go," wrote Bill. "We all must, sooner or later—but he was something special!" The Fletters' own news? Continuing travel: "A wk's fishing trip into Canada, returned with our limit of 24 nice trout. Then a wedding at Long Beach, and a wk in MT. In Nov we start a 6-wk trip to Argentina (Iguazu Falls and Bariloche); board the *Royal Viking* in Buenos Aires for trip around the Horn for a land tour over the Andes and the lake country in southern Chile. PS: How do you stand being in the same area with that bunch of posturing, carpetbagging Congressmen?" (See start of these notes, Bill.)

We had a lively telechat with **Maggie**



1933: Hurlbut's party, Honolulu: Andrews, Tubbs, Doleman, Hurlbut and Hallock

Frame: "Jakey's taking a real estate course in Boston; Marsha's in Tokyo, where her husband (Ret COL RC Johnson '60), a VP of Raytheon, heads Raytheon off there." Maggie said she'd been to CA in Jun for wedding of a niece and plans to attend a reunion of Marty's B Troop, 93d Cav in FL.

Word from **Pat & Rita Guiney** is that they have now completed their move from the house we all knew so well in Highland Falls. New address: PO Box J, Hummelstown, PA 17036; tel: (717) 533-4142. Hummelstown is near Hershey, PA, where their son-in-law, (Ret) COL Dr Ken Hooper '72 & daughter Margie live. H-town is also known as an antique car center. The Guineys' attractive home in Highland Falls is up for sale. They hope Pat's condition will improve in the new environment, where Pat is under instructions to get in shape for the 60th. "I'll do my best!" he promises.

"Vienna great as usual," postcardulate **Hurly & Polly Hurlbut**, from an up-the-Danube, down-the-Rhine tour. "Budapest fantastic. On to Ger and the Rhine tomorrow. '33 represented by Hurlbuts, **Dorothy Johnson, Marge Ryan** and daughter Jeannie Farrell—23 from US-MA overall, plus a few lesser institutions. . . ." Latest Hurlabout caper: Polly tripped on the golf course (now, how do you trip on a *golf course*?) and chipped her pelvic bone. Hurly, undismayed, rep that for the time being he's no longer a golf widower.



1933: The Kings in 1942: Harry, Patsy, Billy and Gracie

Gracie & Harry King are back in Wash, fit and rested after their Mainiac summer on Bailey Isl. While there they were visited by (among others) **Roy Reynolds** and the **Sparrows**.

Another move: **Moon & Anne Mullins** new address is 4590 Knightsbridge Rd, Columbus, OH 43214. Tel: (614) 459-6549. [We found this out the hard way when, passing through Columbus, I tried to call you, Moon, and got nothing but busy signals.]

Sam Otto's beautiful obituary for **Kim** told us much we didn't know about that lovely, gracious and gentle lady. A 50-yr mbr of Kappa Kappa Gamma, she studied at the U of MO, the Ringling Art Sch,

the Chicago Art Inst and Heidelberg Univ. She was the winner of the Damen Preis at the 5th Rallye Gamundia, a motor rally in Schwabisch Gemunde, Ger. She was a second reader at the First Church of Christ Scientist in Annapolis and a former VP of the Naval Acad Women's Club. "The (memorial) services were conducted by a mbr of our Church," wrote Sam. "He was also a Naval aviator in the Pacific in WWII. . . . The service was a renaissance—buoyant and with an upward vector Kim would have wanted. Many of those present said that they had never before attended a service that they could leave with such a lift in their hearts. . . . Our grandson (son of our son Bill '66) is now a first classman '91 in Co H-2." Our hearts go out to you, Sam—and we share your pride.



1933: Lincoln '33, Lincoln '90 and Lincoln '60 visit hall named in honor of Lincoln '29

June & Bert Sparrow have just completed a 30-day, 3400-mi swing in their 89 Olds, with visits to elder daughter Virginia Smith and family in CT, **Harry & Gracie King** in ME, younger daughter Kathy Cotton and family in PA, son Bert and family in MI, cousins in Kalamazoo and Dayton. Highlight of this hegira was our 56th anniv at son's lake cottage in Gaylord, brightened by news of the arrival that day of our first great-grandchild Kellie Nicole Eldridge, to Va's eldest daughter Lisa & Rick, in Bristol, CT. So now it seems we should head for New England again. Your scribe, a bit dazed to find himself married to a great-grandmother, has been reminded that, if he makes it, he'll turn 80 next mo. . . . "Backward, turn backward, O Time, in your flight!"

"**Stan Lonning** had suffered from cancer for almost two yrs," writes **Bob Tripp**, "and it finally caught up with him. **Jim & Pat Boswell, Lylia** & I represented the Class at the memorial services. Lylia's mother also attended, as she had always appreciated Stan's unfailing friendliness and courtesy on the telephone (so much in character for him) when he called to arrange our wklly golf game. Stan was a fine person, one of our better classmates, and a most enjoyable golfing partner who will be sorely

missed. "**Effie** was a constant support for Stan during the difficult two yrs of his illness, and they shared a number of happy yrs together.

"**George Van Way** called from OR to say he was sorry he couldn't get down for the funeral services. He's trying to lure me down to the Carmel area to get some of my money on the golf course.



1933: '33'ers golf at Carmel: Senter, Ely, Leslie and Van Way

"**Rosamond Davis** is still a bundle of energy and active in a no of music groups. She has an attractive home just outside of Rossmoor, a ret comm which she left because their restrictive rules on noise inhibited her musical activities. Three cheers for Rosamond! She gave a party recently for some of the WP people in the East Bay to meet Swede & Jo Carlson ('31), who have just moved to Rossmoor from San Ant.

"My middle grandson, Don, is with the 101st Abn in Saudi Arabia, chafing a bit at the inactivity but not yet eager to go for the alternative. I guess a lot of us feel the same." Thanks for the splendid ltr, Bob.

CLASS MATTERS

Scribenotes. Your scribe has finally acquired an "Answer Call" service, which means you can call to leave messages, request call-back, etc, when he's out. Please use it! We hope when this reaches you that you will already have sent in something for the 1 Dec notes. If not, Merry Christmas anyway and please atone by 1 Feb and all succeeding *even-numbered* mos!

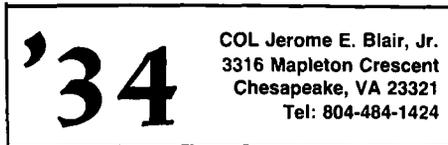
Navy Lunch. Though it'll be over when you read this, we want you to know that the DC Group is hosting the Navy on 29 Nov with every intention of denuding them of any money they're rash enough to bet on the game. BEAT NAVY! (Our monthly luncheons, by the way, are normally on the last Wed of ea month; out-of-towners esp welcome; call **Jack Schmelzer** 72 hrs before at (703) 534-8026 if you possibly can.)

Pages for the WP Memory Book. A recent ltr from COL Flint, Dir of Acad Advancement, states that checks made out to "The West Point Fund" or to "Class of 1933 Gift Account" will qualify to establish a page in memory of some-

one, in the memory book; however, contributions to Class Administrative Accounts do *not* qualify.

Perpetual Maintenance of Class Gifts to USMA. Pres **Abe** has now transferred funds totalling \$40,000 from our '33 WP Fund Gift Acct to the Acad's Consolidated Investment Fund (CIF). By written agreement, this assures perpetual maintenance of the Sheridan Memorial and of '33's Clock-Sundial Area.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Marjorie Rustberg lost her **Rusty** this past Sep in Brownsville. Class prexy **Cy Betts** sent condolences and the Class was represented at the funeral. For an obit I quote the dedication by James Hickey of his book to Charles Thomas, and Army mutual friend: "An honest soldier and dear friend of the long evenings, he waits across the river, his sword sheathed forever, hearing the sad bugles of the longest evening of them all." Rusty's roommate put this requiem in our *Howitzer* about our perennial boner of the red comforter: "Rusty wouldn't be the least unhappy under blooming daffodils; he would always be lying down." Rusty's mil service extended through 1981, maybe our last classmate to wear the uniform, for after ret, he organized the ROTC at his old HS and remained on duty there. He said his most satisfying mil service was the award of the Medal of Honor in WWII to one of his soldiers, the saddest was as cmdr of the farewell ceremonies for Douglas MacArthur in Tokyo. His happiest were those moments spent with his beautiful and brilliant wife **Marjorie** and their two children, whose lives he embellished with grace and good humor.

This from **Ginger & Burt Bruce** in response to Cy's charge to "keep those notes going to the scribe." "Enclosed you will find an article about my taking my electronic organ to play at the health care ctr here at the Fairfax. Burt had his second cataract oper (rt eye) in Aug, the first was the rt eye last Nov. I still see double but after I get my new glasses I hope to see things normally. At that time, I will also receive new glasses for organ playing and I hope to resume swimming in the Fairfax pool." Burt's successful recovery is of concern to all of us.

Martha & Joseph Lemual Johnson request, "Please note our new address: 4483 Tanglewood Road, Pegram, TN 37143, tel 201-662-1525. We have been six mo in this house which we built with the help if a few sub-contractors. We performed most of the simpler tasks, and our daughter Mary and son Joe pitched in, too. Joe is in his 21st yr as professor of

mathematics at Rutgers U. Summers he spends in Europe teaching at the univs, including his alma mater, the Sorbonne. Mary runs a domestic employment agency which supplies nannies in northern VA to those who can afford them. Our grandson just graduated from St Johns in Annapolis. We have granddaughters in col. In addition to working on the house, Joseph preaches recycling, a pet project for over 30 yrs." He typed his ltr in caps because a hand is bandaged over a wound received playing carpenter.

Marion & Bill Moorman have moved to VA from CN. Their correct address is in the roster sent to everyone by Ken, Hon Secy. In a ltr he typed without a single error, Bill gives explicit directions to their new home, including a rt turn past three swimming pools, and left at a lake with swans. That tells a little about their neighborhood. They invite us to come for a visit with or without calling; they'd love to see us.

Stacy Gooch writes for himself & **Natalie**: "We were delighted to have the wonderful **Wilmeths** stay with us in Albuquerque this spring. Our only regret is they stayed only one day each way; on the first he left his raincoat, and one day when they returned. Later we had a Westours cruise to AK on the Rotterdam, Holland America Line. Stacy celebrated his 80th aboard. One of the shore trips was Sitka. Nat's grandfather, Gen Charles H Tomkins, was sent to Sitka by Pres Grant as a 'hardship tour.' The Gen was x-1851 and was the first off awarded the Medal of Honor. As a 2LT Cav, he made a brilliant attack on the Confederate forces at Fairfax Courthouse. The Gooches plan to attend 100 Yrs of Football and Other Sports wkend. It was during the halftime of the Army-Rutgers game, and all of the letterman marched on the field. On the way up we plan to visit our daughter and granddaughter in Minneapolis. On the way back we visit Taos Ski Valley NM where Stacy is 'Ambassador,' spreading goodwill and helping the more desperate skiers."

Dudley Wilmeth writes for himself & **Frankie** flying on a C-5 aircraft from Rhein Maine to Dover, DE. "I know when I get home there will be no time to write, so I'll do it now. When our UK trip was expiring, I said, 'We'll never be back again, and we've never seen East Ger. Why don't we go?' Frankie said, 'You go. I'm going home.' She made the right choice for both of us. I don't understand German so I had a rough time with train schedules, platform nos, menus and other logistics, but I muddled through. I visited 10 cities: Sassnitz on the Baltic, Dresden in the South, and Erfurt in the SW. It's not like W Ger where everyone knows some English. E Germans were forced to take Russian but didn't take English! They did not like it; they didn't learn it. The E Germans are nice; so are

the Russians. I never encountered a sourpuss. The whole country is under repair. Scaffolding is the sight most seen in every city and now the scaffolding is in need of repair. Dresden is a beautiful city although we tore it up terribly trying to knock out the ballbearing factories. The Nazis had moved them there for the very reason they did not think we would do it. [Dud gives in his ltr a thorough rundown on E German cities, complete with anecdotage peculiar to the region. Before you visit either of the Germanies, get in touch with our peripatetic reporter. He continues.] A hot meal is being served on this C-5 at 1 a.m. Excellent service, plenty of room—with only 29 passengers, each has lotsa space to stretch. Instead of a pic I always send a thousand words, which is worth more than."

Bill & Peggy Craig have moved from Stuart to Palm City, FL. Their new address and zip: 1140 SW Chapman Way, 34990.

Nancy & Moon Northam confide: "We recently returned from two wks in the Soviet Union, a tour conducted by Vantage and sponsored by AOG. Most of our party were grads '34-'58. The tour guide was top-notch, as was the group to travel with. I was the oldest on the trip, our son-in-law the youngest. The youngest grad along was Bill Serchak '58, who, when we were introduced replied, 'Sir, I was born in '34!' That was bad enough but I had to show my age at all of the climbing of stairs. By the way, we have received the announcement of the 'Jewels of the Caribbean Cruise' by the AOG. If a lot of classmates attended this cruise, we could shelve the criticism of reunions that they offer too little time to catch up."

The following ltr is from **Stilson Smith**, who at the time was at the Peninsula Rehab Ctr, Lomita, CA. It stirs sentiment beyond our control. Some words are grossly printed, some in sprawling angular ltrs, but all are correctly spelled. "Can't write much, as I don't have full control of my fingers. I have been in hosp since Apr suffering from a rare disease known as Guillaume Benet Virus, which attacks the central nervous system. Paralyzed from the waist, but have fair control of hands and arms. Was in Kaiser Hosp for 3 mos and in 3 rehab ctrs since. Saw **Dale Huber** once and get ltrs from him occasionally. Last I heard, he was also in hosp with heart problem. Regards, Stilson." I am sure that is a heartfelt "regards" to all of your guys and dolls. It comes with some ltrs capital like the man who wrote it, and some ltrs small like the amount of time we all have left.

I just met Douglas Alan Cohn '68 via his long article in Eastern newspapers and my quickly-placed long distance phone call to him in Burke, VA. Before

WP, he was a Civil War buff. As a plebe, he tutored first class in the subject. Graduated, he was wounded so severely in Vietnam that he was discharged with disabilities. In the article he gave a brilliant critique of the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) documentary, "The Civil War." He is considering our invitation to the mini-reunion as discussant and tour guide. And now that we are on the subject of the mini, hear this.

At a recent mtg of Team VA in Williamsburg, I was shocked to hear **Bill Moorman** tell the mgt of Colonial Williamsburg that the median age of our group is 80! No matter how you define "median," that is o-l-d. We all show the effects of 80 even if it is a few mos away. **John Dieffendorf** comm mbr acknowledges the ravages of the full life: his knees are practically on strike.

Ken Cunin rep on sick call via phone that his ticker is alright after the last of his close calls, but he is 10 lbs low on the weight chart, and his stamina is returning slower than he'd like. He takes a siesta after ea meal, watches sports TV from his easy chair, and is reading *The Red Phoenix*, a novel about the re-breakout of war in Korea. That could be a thriller, ea side using the latest weapon systems, technology and logistical capabilities. At-a-way, Ken. Be prepared for the Pres' call for volunteers, but first work on recovering your short game on the golf course.

Mary Baker, who baked those gorgeously delicious cakes for our WP reunions, would appreciate any photos you may have of the cakes, etc. This beautiful lady is the widow of **JO**, who died in 63. Living in Highland Falls, Mary is our special representative with the Acad. At our fiftieth, Mary gave ea of us a poem, handsomely calligraphed . . . "For the Finest of the Corps! You Gallant Officers of 1934!" That's Mary Baker: beautiful and wonderfully one of us. If you were not at our 50th or otherwise did not get a copy of Mary's ode to '34, drop me a line for a copy.

I beg to remind friends of '34, widows and classmates of the Flight Project being constructed at WP honoring all West Pointers who served their country in the air. The sculptured monument will stand partway between the Chapel and the stadium. The museum has a large new gallery devoted to them, and calls for appropriate memorabilia. And there is Hap Arnold Auditorium in Mahan Hall. Donations to all or any part of this great project may be sent to the AOG.

Soon you will receive details of the mini-reunion planned for Colonial Williamsburg and Tidewater, VA, Tues, 5 Nov through Thur, 7 Nov 1991. That is no mistake. We have selected 1991 as halfway between major reunions. You have selected Williamsburg because Team VA invited you. Set aside those



1934: Team Virginia: Marion Moorman, John & Janet Dieffendorf, Jerry & Muff Blair, Pete & Evelyn Ward, and Bill Moorman at the Williamsburg Lodge

dates, and plan a 2-3-wk visit to VA. Ft Monroe is planning a welcome for the first class to fire the 8" howitzer. Yorktown battlefield tours are conducted by Park Service rangers familiar with the disposition of forces and the strategic factors which gave victory to the Americans. Here we will see in historic tableaux the beginnings of the nation. Here were born the greatest leaders in war and statecraft who ever existed. Team VA will cater to whatever your interest: opportunities for private meals, informal functions, self-service snacks and bar, learning experiences in every cultural climate, with the thrill of being in The Cradle of the Republic. I may be censured, even censored, for using the word, but Williamsburg has become a natl mecca. Competing for your time will also be: the NASA Visitors Ctr, where they still show the vertical wind tunnel where we first saw a spinning airplane. The Mariners Museum, the Casemate Museum, the Army Transportation Museum, and 5 James River plantations are all within 10 min of your hotel.

Foss & Tom Foote reminded me that son Fred Foote MD, US Navy and selected for promotion, is sr Med Off aboard the *USS Gunstan Hall*, giant amphibious hauler, which just picked up a combat load of US Marines and has joined Task Force Desert Shield. We'll fly the colors and a big yellow ribbon for Class son Fred Foote.

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Your scribe was sidelined 17 Sep from knee surgery—total replacement—so these notes were compiled in haste during a post-op program; bear with me! The surgery was superbly performed under civ auspices by Dr Keith Markey, WP '66.

This corner is gratified by the high volume Class responses (input!) for the last quarter; I trust this is a trend-setter and the level will be maintained.

For openers and "mood" reading, a Class vignette. Picture the 1927 World Series, the Yankees vs the Pirates at Forbes Field, Pittsburgh. An enterprising 13-yr-old issues himself an "Annie Oakley" atop a low wall in right field. The umpire calls "time" and instructs the burly New York outfielder to "get that kid off the wall; he's holding up the game." Both complied. The burly Yankee was none other than Babe Ruth, and the "kid" our own **Chuck Symroski**. Many yrs later when the ballpark was razed, Chuck & Ann retrieved a cluster of 3 bricks as a memento to the disciplinary action meted by the immortal "Bronx Bomber."

The Class would like to recognize our (relatively) recent matrimonial occurrences—since the 50th, as starters. Four such pairs attended the recent 55th and were warmly introduced and welcomed by all; we feel that sincere acquaintance was established. Yet, 87 classmates (plus "x" widows) were not able to attend and we feel they also would like to know our latest distaff members. **Caesar Frank Fiore & Jane Schumacher Mock** (Phil's widow) were married in 87, their friendship dating back to 36 when Phil and Frank were 2LTs at Ft Bliss. At that time, the (now) Jane Fiore and **Marge Rutherford** were roommates at Stanford Univ, and, following Jane's introduction of Marge to Frank, a 12-day courtship and marriage followed. A wonderful 49-yr union was sadly terminated with Marge's passing in 86. Also, as we all know, Phil answered the LRC in 83, leaving Jane a widow. Marge's infinite wisdom and foresight—and plea to Frank—closed the circle which originated when Frank gave Jane to Phil, Jane gave Marge to Frank, and Marge gave Jane back to Frank—a 100% happy turn of events.



1935: Kay & Allen Foreman

Allen Foreman & Kay Galbo were married in Nov 86 following the loss of their respective spouses some few yrs prior thereto. **Marjorie** Foreman (Al's first wife) and Kay were collegemates at Indiana U and the Foreman and Galbo families formed a closely-knit foursome dating from the mid-40s. Al & Kay, although well-settled in Kane, PA, are not averse to a southern relocation if the

winter turns unbearable. Of the two unions cited, the common denominator is immediately apparent; ie, early, life-long relationship, AND, in the case of Jane & Frank, the continuation and perpetuation of the '35 ties set by **Jim & Connie Kimbrough** and **Sid & Jackie Spring**. In Jul, the Kimbroughs were in Scotland for the British Open; Jim played 4 courses while Connie "castle-hopped."

From **Bud Russ**: in Jul, the 82nd Abn Div Assn mag, *The Paraglide*, published an article on **Rube Tucker** concerning honors bestowed on him by a wreath-laying ceremony at his gravesite, Beaufort Natl Cem, SC. **Helen** attended and two Tucker sons, plus COL Nix, current CO 504th, and an honor guard, firing squad and bugler. The detail was completed with cadets from The Citadel, where Rube was Com Cadets, and a Marine det from Paris Isl. A chap of the 82nd Abn Assn was named for him. All the Class is fully aware of Rube's incomparable WWII combat record; that he organized and commanded the 504th Pcht Regt from "Day-One"; that he led the unit into action and made 5 combat jumps into France and Holland. He was decorated with two DSCs, SS, BSM, and the PH. It is my belief the Dutch erected a monument to Rube and the 504th soon after WWII (verification?). It is a fact that the book and film, *A Bridge Too Far*, were based on the exploits of the 504th.

Bun & Routh Wilby extend their invite to "Dixie Plantation House." It's a true ante-bellum number (1835) after 4 major restorations—to include indoor plumbing! Class visitors are assured southern hospitality (without bed/breakfast), a tour of Bayou Teche and its clearing after Civil War battles. The latter is the subject of a book by Routh due for publication this Dec.

Jane & Bill O'Neal observed their big 50th anniv in 100% family fashion, hosting their 2 sons and families on a Mexican Riviera Cruise, followed by the sons reciprocating with a week's stay at a resort in Sedona, AZ. Bill & Jane are happy to rep they have overcome severe physical problems (mentioned this col last yr)—are fully optimistic and enjoying life to the fullest. Bravo; a wonderful outlook. We're with you.

Carmon & Rosalie Rogers had as house guests over 2-4 Oct **Ducky & Dottie Farnsworth**. Their spring visit was a totally Class matter—Reunion; this broadened to include their host of friends in the MD, VA, and DC area. (Scribe observation: trust next "Mini" received full exposure as an agenda item!)

Bill Lapsley's granddaughter, Michelle Jordan, was married to David Carpenter in a beautiful sylvan-setting ceremony in Carmel Valley, CA. Bill attended and rep that the celebration



1935: At Bill Lapsley's granddaughter's wedding

covered the best part of 3 days, culminating in departure of the couple for a Windjammer honeymoon in Tahiti. Both follow the acting profession and make their home in NY.



1935: Walt Bryde, Mary & Ray Firehock, Margaret Bryde and "piping" friend

Walt & Margaret Bryde and **Ray & Mary Firehock** toured Scotland in Aug, right off embarking on a 3-wk Elderhostel program at Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Sterling, covering such subjects as Scottish castles, Roman Scotland and the Edinburgh Festival. They even got to Lock Ness but the monster didn't favor them with an appearance. The Brydes flew home but Ray & Mary extended to visit friends in London and Sussex. **Marie & I** got "cabin fever" in Aug and went to Sacramento (plus Reno and Tahoe) to visit our Mike's brother-in-law. We called **Kelso & Jean Clow**



1935: Fred Cummings and "catch-of-the-day," 38-lb king salmon off AK 16 Jul

and were promptly on the receiving end of a luncheon invitation by them—to be



1935: (Rear) Kelso Clow, Ed Ferris and Tom Gillis; (sitting) Billie Gillis, Marie Ferris and Jean Clow

joined by **Tom & Billie Gillis** at the Presidio Golf Club. Much chatter, (some?) gossip and laughter dominated a delightful lunch, followed by a drop-in on **Bernice Means** by the Clows and **Ferrises**. Bernice is doing fine in her smaller, more manageable apt; she's an avid walker; the Embarcadero's her "beat." All's well with Kelso & Jean, and she and Billie Gillis continue as our preeminent lady golfers. Tom, despite his Bastogne-injured feet, is looking forward to a "mini"—"if nearby!"

Milt & Irene Taylor visited with the **Mil Koehlers**—our own Dutch's eldest brother—in their Canadian summer place for 5 days, returning home via Pittsburgh for a visit with daughter **Connie**. Milt was honored at a Fairfax gala as "Mr Woodworker Nonpareil," and presented a set of tools to support the distinction. From The Recovery Room:



1935: Milt & Irene Taylor and Marguerite & Mike Bowyer: a 53-yr friendship and still growing at the Fairfax

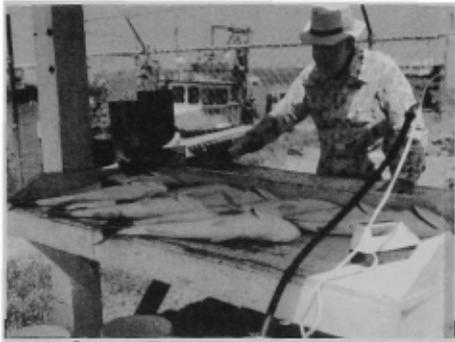
Harry Lemley checked in with the news that he is doing fine—*At Last!* The trauma that he's experienced the past two yrs surely entitle him to a "Super-Survivor" status. Beginning with total knee replacements (both!) in 88, gallbladder surgery became necessary. Recovery progressed nicely, then small-cell lung cancer appeared; the latter being inoperable, a long period of chemo/radiation ensued; he's happy to rep situation now in remission. He walks a mi ea day, and regrets missing the 55th, but became necessary when his daughter had to can-

cel at 11th hr. Lastly—"I'm looking forward to the next Mini." **Bernie Water-**



1935: Dottie & Deke Moore aboard Sir Fran Drake's *Golden Hind*—as neither passengers nor crew

man, following successful treatment for sub-dural hematoma (previously rep), had a pacemaker installed in Sep. **Harriet** rep that he's home and making slow, steady progress toward recovery. For a morale booster, **Bernie**, **Bud Russ** had a pacemaker installed—then *removed!*



1935: George Eckhardt and a red fish catch

A note from **Bob Tucker** that he & **Ronnie** have moved to a ret comm adjacent to Colonial Williamsburg; address: 3800 Treyburn Dr, No 211-D, Williamsburg, VA 23507, tel: 804-221-0770. He states **Ronnie** is holding up OK despite treatment for a diagnosed liver cancer condition. **Harvey Bower** brought us up-to-date with a plea: please amend current Class roster to list his wife as "**Eleanor**;" is now and always has been. The "**Amelia**" is our late classmate **Dick Bauer's** wife. He fears longtime friends will conclude he's remarried!

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Perhaps we crowed a bit too loudly in our Nov notes about having "NO negative news!" Early this past Sep, 3 of our finest left us. We are deeply sad to state that **Bill Sibert** died on the 8th; **JP Stone** died on the 15th; and **Henry Katz** on the 20th. Bill had had a long heart-lung sickness, major surgery, and other com-

plications. He was buried in Arlington next to his father and mother. A great assortment of classmates attended Bill's last formation: sister **Kay** & husband **Bruce**, **Julie Abrams**, Class godson **George Sibert**, **Bob Breaks**, **Chaffins**, **Ted Clifton**, **Dawalt**, the **Evans**, **Hanekes**, **Kieffer**, **Nadine Kingman**, **Layne**, **Lynch**, the **O'Briens**, **Ridge Smiths**, **Swains**, and **Sally Safford**.

Henry Katz was highly regarded at Duke and had been a prof emeritus. His health deterioration had been proceeding for yrs. His final resting place is WP. **JP Stone** expired from cancer and we believe it was not of long duration.

A short while back **Bill Ellis**, the Navy's '36 scribe, wrote a ltr describing one of his classmates—**John Oseth**. What was the coincidence is that his sister—**Jane Kelly**—was here playing bridge when the missive arrived.



1936: Your scribe visits the AOG Publications staff: Linda Berman, Asst Editor; COL Paul Child '52, Editor; Phil Gage; Monica Sullivan, Obituary Asst; and Trish Sarubbe, Circulation Mgr

In early Sep your scribe & spouse tripped to WP for a few days. Besides visiting the offs where AOG and **ASSEMBLY** operate, we invested a few hrs in the Library and the "'36 archives" on the 4th floor. But most of our education about the state of present Acad affairs came from **Doris & Dave Hiester**. They also provided us with info concerning the elimination of hazing, of plebe memory, of shouting by upperclassmen, and providing of high cash salaries for cadets, of freedom for some upper classes to leave the campus from afternoon to taps, etc. The **Hiesters** also rep that their granddaughter, **Deirdre** & her husband are already in Saudia. Also **Gene Patterson's** daughter, **Rebecca Kmet**, who with her husband are Navy Reserve offs, are expecting they may be ordered to the Mid East.

Dave Chaffin's latest (10 Oct) reunion figures are like this: 168 have replied. Eighty replies indicate attendance, including 63 couples. Twenty-eight bus riders have said they'd like to travel up from DC to WP. Of 66 widows, 13 plan to attend.

Louis Chappellear wrote that there has



1936: Lest you've forgotten, this is *your* tree. It's 55 yrs young and stands between Cullum Hall (at left) and Off Club (the area of the base is about 55 times larger than when we planted it!)



1936: The **Fergussons**, **Millers**, **Chappellears** and **Gages** in Pacific Grove, CA

been a mini-reunion the end of Jul at the **Jones'**. Those present were the **Chappellears**, **Finkels**, **Miles**, **Persons**, and **Terrells**. In Oct Louis, **Marge**, and daughter **Betsy** motored up to Pacific Grove where they met several times with the **Fergussons**, **Millers**, and **Gages**. **Ben Davis** wrote that he & **Agatha** travel very little. One reason is that she's had a hip replacement.

We were absolutely pleased beyond words to receive a full two-pg ltr from **Bill Hay**. It's the first from him since his stroke (we think). And it was well worth his effort: he claimed it took two hrs and 53 minutes to type (that's just a wee bit longer than it takes your scribe to punch out two pps). Bill states that his accommodations are on 4th floor of a building housing 145 people. He has a living room, bedroom, and kitchen. He's served two meals a day—he says you choose which two. His quarters are situated halfway between daughter **Stasia** and son **John**. He stated he was extremely pleased with a phone call from **Larry Laurion**. His address is Devonshire Apts #470, 1700 Robin Lane, Lisle, IL 60532; tel 708-241-4762. Bill says he's going to try to get to the 55th at WP. **Natalie Hahney** wrote that "**Ev**" has had several strokes and this is the main reason they won't be at the 55th. So sorry! **Clark Hosmer** saw **Bill Sibert** in Aug and thought he was improving. That same mo he was out west and visited **Liz** &



1936: The Landrums' lavish lunch at San Antonio

Bill Steele. Then took Larry Gunn (Jim & Ginny's AFA son) to dinner. We talked with Ted Janof who has had a quad by-pass; Marcelle had had several heart attacks. Jane Kinard Dellinger says she & Wayne are planning to go to the 55th. Hank Lind was at home. He declares he lives a "circumspect" life. He is always at home, does gardening, keeps his weight in check, and lives in beautiful Monterey's Sea Side.

If memory serves, Jim Landrum made an inconsequential phone call in early Aug. This led to an absolutely perfect luncheon at which 99% of Texan '36'ers attended. In fact, upon queries it was found that the San Ant classmates enjoy ea other so much that probably few to none will come to the 55th! So it might be stated that your scribe unwittingly is responsible for damaging the 91 reunion at the Acad! Here are those who attended the beautiful spread at the Parklane Towers: the Bodines, Bev Combs, Davis, the Dunns, Gages, Grothaus, Flo Jakle, the Landrums, Mary Michaelis, the Morrises, Partridges, Bev Powell (Eleanor couldn't make it), Romlein, Rutledge, the Torreys, Eunice Tyler and Peg Vincent. Larry Laurion has written several times. In Jul, congestive heart failure hit him again; he says this makes 4 in church and two outside. It was necessary that he go to hosp this time. There are reunions around the Fairfax all the time. Recently, Hosmer, the Crawford and Waters have been there. The McElhenys have written several times, and in addition to some already mentioned, they have visited with Peg Klock, Clyde Lane, and the Kerkerings. We received two long ltrs from Adel Schrein. Also heard twice from Pat



1936: Some of the '36 Wash society: the Dorlands, Hanekes and Waterses

Simpson, who has moved out there in beautiful Rancho Palos Verdes. Pat, incidentally, is a Vassar undergraduate from Class of '45. She also reminds us that Charlie had a father in USMA '11 and a grandfather in 1884. Charlie Stewart has moved to 17452 NE 40th Place, Redmond, WA 98052—phone is same.

Clint True says he's going to a reunion with his WWII gp, then on to Mexico. The Waters were in Wash in Aug. They have their Taylorville, IL home up for sale and hope to move to either AZ or TX when it's sold.

'37

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Too late for the last col, I received a note from Howard Smalley with the sad news that Hope Amos died 9 Aug. A malignant brain tumor was removed in Jun and she was reported to be recovering slowly but she lost the battle. We enjoyed the pleasure of her company at

the Williamsburg reunion and offer our heartfelt condolences to Bill and his family.

At the 17 Aug luncheon we had an even dozen—Byroade, Duncan, Gildart, Griffin, Hoska, Hyzer, Oden, Palmer, Shive, Teeter, Unger, and Wilhoyt. Finn announced that he had received word from the AOG that our classmate, Dr Charles F Mitchim, died 3 Aug is Winona, MS where he was a practicing optometrist. He started to his office that morn but, not feeling well, returned home where he had a fatal heart attack. Mitch barely beat the age limit for entrance to USMA, was a star man and joined the CE after he washed out of Randolph. Two yrs before the Acad he had graduated from Delta Jr Col. After ret in 62 he received his doctorate in Optometry from U of So Cal in 65. Finn wrote to Lucille expressing condolences from the Class. On the ride back from the luncheon with Bob Gildart I learned that his grandson, Walter Wright, worked out a neat deal with Renssalaer Poly whereby he is taking the first semester of his jr yr at the U of Melbourne, Australia. After that he will have a 2-mo vacation to see the world down under. All this at no additional cost. At this time he is on semester break, biking the environs with a gp of his Aussie classmates. Walter's major is engrg and mgt.

Also on 17 Aug the Smalleys set sail from San Fran to AK on that luxury ship *Crystal Harmony* that the Prentisses inaugurated recently on her maiden voyage.

On 22 Aug I received a call from Jim Skeldon with the sad news of Jane Richards' death the night before, after a long illness. Services were held on the 25th at St Stephens Church in Belvedere, CA. Gus Prentiss sent flowers on behalf of the Class. We extend our sympathy to Dick for their tragic loss.

With Mary cheering him on, Kelley Lemmon swam in 6 events in a Masters' Meet in TX recently, winning 4 firsts and 2 seconds. He didn't break any records but when he does they're his own. While there, they visited with Sally Mercado in her USAA Towers apt and had cocktails there with Pudge & EY Burton. They also stayed at the guest qtrs at AF Vil 1 and visited AF Vil 2. Then they went to Houston for a visit with the McDowells, who took them on a grand tour of that city, including the McDowell real estate offices run by son Brion McDowell and his partner. George is sr consultant. We learned that Sally Mercado celebrated the sale of her San Juan condo by going on a London binge with her cousin.

The Fraziers returned from San Fran, 21 Aug. While there they had lunch with the Smalleys, who live near the Fraziers' son in Mill Valley. Pat talked to Mary Edwards by phone. She was in the hosp and was returning to her home. She will



1937: At the Smalley house: Peg & Howie with Pat Frazier

have a live-in companion. She has physical problems but high spirits. **John** talked to **Lee Martin** on the phone. He spends his time reading and watching television with the old folks and misses the gang back in Washington.

On 24 Aug we enjoyed a cocktail buffet with classmates and friends at the **Wilhoys**. I learned that **Alie Connor** still loves St Croix. She rented for a yr after Hugo and then bought another wonderful house on the east end of the isl and is still fixing it up. In between visits to family in the states she is busy selling real estate.

A postcard from **Carmen Clagett** rep that they had a wonderful time in Europe. They loved the Ballet Folklorico de Budapest—difficult steps, costumes so beautiful and colorful, dancers' faces so beautiful and young, the youth orchestra with violins. They enjoyed Hungarian goulash at its best. They will not be on the Bermuda cruise as both are scheduled for surgery. She sends their love and prayers to the Class. You & CT also have ours.

More sad news. On 31 Aug I received a call from **Joe Chabot's** son that his father died that morn while mowing the lawn at their summer res in Whitefield, NH. He was buried at WP after a requiem mass in Holy Trinity Chapel. **Bonnie** was very much impressed with the ceremony and arrangements at WP, and esp proud of the 5 young men in their Army blues—her 3 sons, all grads, and two grandsons in the reserves. Her sons are COL Brion V '60 (Ret), LTC Joseph L '71 and MAJ Edmund L '74. What a fine contribution Joe & Bonnie made to the service of our country! Joe was a top golfer and spent much of his time in that pursuit at their summer and winter homes. With her 3 sons, 3 daughters and 9 grandchildren, **Bonnie** will not be lonely. She is thinking about Indian R Ret Comm near Patrick AFB, FL. For an interesting acct of the Chabot clan see Joe's biog in **Scott Hall's** excellent 50-Yr Book.

The **Halls** returned from Kennebunk where they did their art things, **Ann** her watercolors and **Scott** his wood sculpturing. Due to the press of other business

Scott completed only one work of art this yr, a beautiful pair of cranes, and has only snapshots to prove it because it was snapped up by an enthusiastic customer at the art exhibit, much to the disappointment of neighbor **Barbara B**, who had her eyes on it.

In early Sep we dashed to Nashville in time for the birth of our 14th grandchild, **Paul Blumenkopf**. He weighed in at 9lb 11oz. Mother **Frannie**, grandma **Fran** and baby are doing just fine. **Paul** helps redress the ratio which is now 8-6 in favor of gals. His sister **Rebecca** is 7 yrs his sr. After the excitement died down, I had lunch with **Bob Van Volkenburgh** at the beautifully restored train station which is now an excellent restaurant. Prior to that, the sage of Nville took me on an extensive tour of the city and its beautiful suburbs, including the fancy Racquet Club where **Jean & Bob** swim and work out. It had everything. That evening **Fran** & I had cocktails and a bull session at the VV estate. During his tour as Mil Adv of the TN NG, they liked what they saw and ret there in 66. They entered easily into the life of the comm. **Jean** received her master's in library sci and spent 15 yrs in the city and county library system while **Bob** became spec asst to the pres of the regional gas utility. Both are still active in comm affairs and enjoy having daughter **Jessie** and family nearby.

Because of the above diversion I missed the DC WP Soc luncheon of 5 Sep at Ft Myer OC, but **Trapper Drum** arrived sans reservations and redeemed my ticket. Others attending were **Frazier, Oden, Prentiss** and **Gildart**.

On 6 Oct I received some news from **Marge Hines** in Charleston. They had just returned from the Rebs Annual Reunion in Gulf Shores Resort, AL which was put together by the **Barksdales**. Others attending were the **Van Volkenburghs, Eubanks** and **Sloans**. They golfed, swam, dined and wined. During a luau **Shirley** did an authentic hula. **Randy & Marge** also took in the Army-Wake Forest game in Winston-Salem where they saw the **Metzes** and **Jack Tolson**. The **Eubanks** are still at their Sullivan Isl home which has been repaired after **Hugo** severely damaged it. They plan to move to their apt at Fleet's Landing, FL the end of the yr. **Marge** said that they spent 6 wks last summer in New England, during which they had her mother's ashes buried with her father, COL **Chas Anderson Walker II**, who was buried at WP in 1943. He was in the same class with **Bob Gildart's** and **Day Surles' fathers**. **Marge's** mother passed away just short of her 100th birthday.

Just after that fonecon **Dottie Graham** called to compare notes with **Fran** on wardrobe for the Bermuda caper. **Eph** & **Dottie** are fully recovered from their

accident.

We had a full table at the Sep luncheon—**Byroade, Diercks, Duncan, Frazier, Gildart, Green, Griffin, Hall, Hoska, Hyzer, Palmer, Polk, Prentiss, Shive, Teeter, Unger** and **Wilhoys**. **Finn** read a note of appreciation from **Bonnie Chabot**. This is the first we had seen **Jack Polk** since he changed his status: "I made a great step forward and joined myself in holy wedlock with **Sara Rossel**, the widow of **John Rossel**, Class of '41." His new CP is Owl Hill, 1950 Trappe Church Rd, Darlington, MD 21034, about 15 min from I-95—and the latch key is way out.

Two of our Class children had weddings on 29 Sep. The **Byroades'** daughter **Linda** was joined in holy matrimony with **Kenneth Griffin** in Our Lady of Mercy RC Church, Potomac, MD. A reception was held at the Congressional CC and as of 5 Oct, they are honeymooning at St Johns, V Isl.

Mette Parker's daughter **Viveca Davidsdotter** was wedded to **Daniel Edward Corey** at the Sherman Library and Gardens in Corona del Mar, CA. Details next time after **Mette** has returned.

The next day at the Bethesda Navy OC we helped celebrate an important event in **Gus Prentiss'** life. On that very day he reached the 3-quarter century mark. There aren't many more left to join this distinguished club. Most of the Class & wives were there with their many other friends. After his son **Keith** led us in a toast, **Gus** happily related some of the important milestones of his life: at 25 he was at flying sch and later at Ft Thomas and worried about the future; at 35 he was in Korea and worried about the future; at 45 he was starting a new career and worried about the future; at 55 he was worried about getting two children through col; at 65 unemployed; now at 75 he has nothing more to worry about. As he put it in his biog: "Oh Lord, don't give me anything more—just let it last a little longer." In the Wash area you can occasionally glimpse **Gus & Corinne** touring in his trademark **Caddie** conv, top down, a happy couple.

After some gentle nudging from **B Spengler, Delk Oden** submitted the following acct of summer activities of the Fairfax contingent. Many thanks to both of you.

Fred & Isabel Clarke went north for the summer. At Newton, MA they attended the wedding of granddaughter **Jennifer Clarke** to **Lorin Hitt** whom she met at Brown. When the young couple left on their honeymoon to Bermuda, the sr **Clarks** drove to New Hampshire for a visit with children, **Linda** and **Pat**. The remainder of the summer was spent at Ocean Grove, NJ in **Isabel's** grandmother's old home.

Marge Bailey took a large 5-bdrm house on Delaware Bay for two wks, had

up to 20 children and grandchildren at one time, ferried across to Cape May, NJ, saw lots of sailboats, and had a blast!

Betty Spengler flew to CO for a family reunion with her 3 surviving sons and their families. She remains very active in the life of the Fairfax, serving on the bd of the Army Ret Res Foundation, Potomac, is resident scribe for the Fairfax publications, is active in the Pohick Church, and teaches the ladies how to make beautiful bracelets with beads and safety pins. She is a "doer!"

In the living rm every Mon and Thur 5 pm, **Jean Palmer** holds forth on the piano at "happy hr" and a sing-a-long for about 20-30 residents. **Bob** always assists her by carrying her heavy satchel of music to and from. During the session, he chats while smoking his pipe and sipping his martini.



1937: At the Fairfax: Pat Callahan, Pete Hyzer, Bob Palmer, Randy Hines (visitor), Betty Spengler and Lynn Harris

Pat & Trixie Callahan continue their travels. In early Oct they flew to Atl for the baptism of one of Pat's grandchildren, then drove to New England for a two-wk tour of the leaves. Pat is the res expert teacher of bridge.

The Class of '37 has more residents at the Fairfax than any other class from WP. We are also the most active class. Then, on 2 Sep, in celebration of the first yr of oper, mgt put on an awards banquet. No guests were permitted. Res were met at their apt bldg or cottage doors by long white stretch limos. Our mgr, Will Brucker '65, greeted us at the door of the comm ctr. Guests already in the dining room watched on the big screen, enjoying the glamor of their friends' star-studded entrance. Cocktails and wine were on the house. Following a delicious dinner of steak and lobster and flaming Cherries Jubilee, Will Brucker emceed the presentation of awards. Thirty-six awards were given, among them: **Bob & Jean Palmer**, the first residents to move in; **Pat Callahan** received a rubber shark as an award for his bridge skills; **Jim Duncan** as the most avid golfer; **Betty Spengler** received two awards, one for most athletic female and one as best-all-around female; **Pete Hyzer** was best lap swimmer and **Delk Oden**

best male entertainer. These awards were voted by the residents prior to the banquet. Our Class did well in the awards competition. Living on the 3rd floor, too few people had seen **Peggy Oden's** balcony. . . or, I think she would have won that award.

As soon as I receive my copy of ASSEMBLY, I first look over the '37 column to see how many mistakes the editors have found, then at adjacent columns for news of friends, and finally settle back to enjoy the wit of fellow scribe of '67. I was sorry to see his valedictory in Sep ASSEMBLY—he is ret. However, I recommend you retrieve your copy and read it.

I've saved this news for last so as to give you the latest. On 3 Oct **Wil Wilhoyt** had a stroke. He was rushed to the Georgetown U Hosp where his condition was stabilized. The prognosis was very gloomy at first, but he was able to sit up and eat after having been in the ICU for 5 days. He returns home today, 12 Oct, with no apparent damage from the stroke.

'38

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On 15 Aug our classmate, **Philip Feffer**, died at Baltimore, MD, and AOG informed us 28 Aug of his death. During Jul 88 your scribe contacted Phil by tel, obtaining his home address for our rosters, and informing him about our 50th Class Reunion. He was then physically in poor health, unable to drive, and his wife had died during 86. His daughter, **Phyllis Cook**, and his granddaughter took him places by car. After disch from Army in 1942 he worked as an automation consultant and as an engr for Glenn Martin Co. He told me that he valued his USMA cadet experiences as some of the best yrs of his life. We regret the delay in rep his death, and that another classmate has joined the Long Gray Line.

On 8 Sep **Nevin Howell** died at Sharp Memorial Hosp in San Diego. There were no memorial services and he was cremated. At his request, his widow, **Lenore**, will distribute his ashes at sea. By ltr from Lenore, "Nevin's death resulted from complications after surgery on 1 Aug 89 for cancer of the pancreas. He made a truly remarkable recovery and was able to enjoy a cruise in Dec and Jan to Hong Kong, Bangkok, Bali and Singapore. We were disappointed not to have a Singapore Sling at the Raffles Hotel, closed for renovation, but all else was perfect. Then in Feb we bravely fulfilled another long-time wish with a cruise to Rio de Janeiro for Carnival—noisy and somewhat boring—but the girls at Ipanema were certainly NOT! His many grieving friends here are going

to celebrate his birthday 28 Oct in his home where he was happiest making people laugh. 'A man of wit and grace' he was, who brought 'smiles and warmth wherever he went' and great joy to everyone he touched. We lived this past yr with hope, Nevin's strength, courage, and amazing humor always brightening our lives. Nevin & I thank the Class for the contribution to the Amer Cancer Soc." Nevin is survived by his wife **Lenore**, son **Edwin**, two grandchildren, stepdaughter **Evelyn**, and two brothers. His classmates and many friends sympathize deeply in mourning his death.

From **Shirley Lotz**, "We got to Gainesville 25 Aug in time to join the other '38'ers, **Mary Jacunski** and the **Sherrards**, for lunch. Hosted by their daughter **Susan** and **John Jr** (USNA '65), the **Colemans'** 50th wedding anniv celebration was that night at the club with some 100 people for a beautiful sit-down dinner with a dance band and live vocalist.



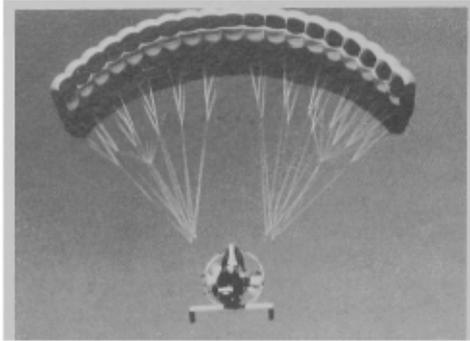
1938: JB & Pat Coleman at their 50th wedding anniv, 25 Aug

John J & his wife, Barbie, granddaughter, **Betsy & husband** from NC and grandson, **John III** from William and Mary were there; also daughter, **Susie**, husband **Jerry** and their 3-mo-old baby. Other family there were **John's** younger brother, **Bob '39 & Clare**, **Pat's** brother, **Jesse Green '46**, plus cousins by the dozen, nephews and nieces, and many friends from the Gainesville area. Classmates & wives there included the **Sherrards**, **Riordans**, **Mary Jacunski**, the **Skaers**, **Langfords**, **Lotzes**, **Bromileys**, and **Barnards**. The evening before the party, while the **Colemans** were entertaining relatives at **Melrose**, **Dave & Mecchi Sherrard** hosted the classmates & wives at dinner at their home on the golf course of the Gainesville Golf and Country Club. Early the next day, after golf for some, the classmates gathered again at the **Sherrards'** for a rousing game of croquet and for lunch at **GGCC**. Sun after the anniv party on 25 Aug the **Colemans** invited about 45 guests and their hosts to a brunch at their lovely home on **Melrose Bay**. It was a memorable wkend for all.

From **Ed Bailey**, **Sequim, WA**, 29 Aug, "As I do not play golf, I could not



1938: Langford, Bromiley, Lotz, Barnard, Skaer and Sherrard, 25 Aug



1938: Ed Bailey soloing in paraplane, 27 Aug



1938: Ginny Isbell and Alice Stilwell at Isbell home in Anchorage

celebrate my 76th birthday by shooting my age. However, a couple of mos later, a better solution appeared in the form of a paraplane buzzing around our place. So, let it be recorded that on Mon, 27 Aug I left home at 1300, took the course, and returned home at 1900, having soloed—the only way one flies a paraplane. Our AF classmates may not think this is a big deal, but they do not have the memory of being one of the 165 washouts from the 190 flying cadets of the first underclass at Randolph Field in 32. This is a record of '38 doubled at 76! Another activity keeping the Baileys from slipping into senility this summer was unexpectedly trading Old Becky of happy memories and 76,000 miles plus for a new 33-ft trailer. There was some muttering in the ranks, but no mutiny, when everything that had been so carefully packed in the old trailer had to be moved to the new one of completely different configuration. After a 6700-mi shakedown cruise, we are glad that we switched."

From **Harvey Barnard**, 25 Sep, "In early Aug **JB & Pat Coleman** spent a wk with **Peg & me** in our time-sharing unit in Sapphire Valley, NC—we had a great time there with the girls shopping, while John and I walked, swam and ate. On the way home **Peg & I** had dinner with **Castex & Petie Conner** in Macon. They are fine." On 30 Aug the **Stilwells** departed for a 7-day cruise from Vancouver to Anchorage. They were celebrating their 52nd wedding anniv. While in Anchorage they visited **Jim & Ginny Isbell** and had lunch with them. On 22 Sep, **Dick & Alice** hosted a delightful cocktail buffet and an enjoyable evening in their lovely home for local classmates, wives and families. Attending with wives were **Brown, Lewis, Miller, Mrazek** and **Voegtly**. Other guests were **April Adams, Chavasse, Dupuy, Harrington, Schmidt, Bill Smith, Mary Missal** and her son, COL Joseph B (Jay) '64. Jay and his son are now living nearby in N VA and Mary is appreciative of having them here. Another guest was Margaret Norris, a

long-time friend of '38, who arranged for our monthly luncheons at the Pentagon for many yrs. Since her ret from the Pentagon, she works with a pvt firm in the same N VA bldg as Stilwell Associates. We enjoyed our visit with her. Kent Schmidt and his daughter dance at a MD Metro station every Fri PM. During Aug the Harringtons had a family reunion. Mike, Pam, and Cindy came with their families. Donna and her family live in N VA. Tracy and Dorothy have two grandchildren in ea of these families. Both were able to participate fully in the various activities. At the Stilwells, **Jim Mrazek** discussed with us the planning for a 91 mini-reunion which he & **Thelma** were doing. There appeared to be a consensus that the mini should be during the fall of 91. **Dick Stilwell** indicated that the location of the mini should be subject of further discussion before the Oct Class luncheon. On behalf of '38'er guests, **Bob Brown** expressed our appreciation to **Dick & Alice Stilwell** for hosting in their home the May luncheon and this cocktail buffet enjoyed by everyone. During 8–29 Oct he & **Anne** will visit relatives and friends in Santa Fe and El Paso.



1938: (Standing) Coleman, Lotz, Barnard, Bromiley, Mary Jacunski, Langford; (seated) Pat Coleman, Shirley Lotz, Helen Skaer, Peg Barnard, Edith Bromiley, Dave Sherrard, Natalie Langford and Ken Skaer, 26 Aug

At age 76 **Paul Davis** signed up for a wk at a camp for novice runners in OR. Although he had not run for 25 yrs, he won the first race he ever entered. After returning home he wrote a lengthy article about the camp, entitled "On the OR trail—My Initiation as a Master Athlete." While at the camp he started as a walker and ended as a jogger, doing 100 meters and alternating with 200-meter walks. On 4 Sep the *Wash Times* in DC rep his activities in more detail. Paul, **Cliff Riordan**, and **Ed Bailey** are setting fine examples for us laggards!

Per telecon with **Shirley Lotz, Frank & Dorothy Sturdivant** celebrated their 50th wed anniv at a tea dance for over 80 guests in Greenwood, MS. Their son and grandson joined with other musicians playing for the dance. '38'ers attending were the **Coiras** and **Lotzes**. Son Tommy and daughter Jane and their spouses hosted a brunch the next day for out-of-town guests and close relatives. That evening Frank & Dorothy invited relatives for a supper at their home.



1938: The Lotzes, Sturdivants, and Coiras at the Sturdivant 50th wedding anniv

From Hugh Wallace, San Ant, TX, 1 Oct, "Jeff & Babbie Irvin attended a reunion in CO of his Mtn Inf, seeing Pat & Bob Works, who was also in the same outfit. Jo Ryan's great-grandfather had come from Ireland, so some 32 descendents in the USA flew over for a visit to the home hearth in Tipperary, then followed an extensive tour of the rest of Shamrock Land. Later Jo went to CA to visit her brother. While there she visited and had dinner with GEN Curtis Lemay. She was quite happy to have been able to be with him shortly before his death. Among the guests of Elizabeth Sawyer for a delightful buffet dinner were '38'ers Kieffers, Irvins, Wallaces, Bayers, and Mona Preuss. Merrick Bayer is talking of moving from his large house to a smaller one-floor place. Maturity is creeping up everywhere. Now for the Wallaces—accompanied by Swede & Eleanor Ohman '37, and Sybil Atkins, an AF widow, we traveled by car to Presidio, TX and then by bus to Chihuahua, where we boarded the Chihuahua and Pacific RR, ending up in Los Mochis near the Pac Coast. This rail line is an amazing engring feat, taking some 90 yrs to build, carving its route along sheer cliffs, boring through mtns (86 tunnels), bridging over 40 streams, rivers, gullies, chasms, with twists, turns looping back on themselves, switchbacks galore, and crossing the Continental Divide 3 times. Along the way was most rugged and awesome scenery. Half-way we stopped overnight at lodges and hotels, going and coming, in order to visit the Copper Canyon. This is said to be bigger than the US Grand Canyon; whatever, it is beautiful and awe-inspiring. Quite an exp! It was not an easy trip, but more than worthwhile. At one lodge we had oil lamps for light, but plenty of hot water for cleaning up, so everyone was happy. Good food throughout and lots of margaritas!"

On 2 Oct from Bill Strand, San Ant, TX, "On 7 Sep, the luncheon of the WP Soc of So TX (WPSST) was attended by '38'ers the Artmans, Bayers, Strands, Skaers, Mary Kelley and Evelyn Hartman. San Ant Mayor, Lila Cockrell, was

the guest speaker. During 10-17 Sep the Bromileys visited San Ant's mil ret facilities. On 12 Sep Ken & Helen Skaer hosted cocktails in their USAA penthouse suite and dinner in the Towers dining room for the Bromileys, Strands, Mary Kelley, and several other friends residing in the Towers. Dick & Edith also attended the grad exercise for one of their granddaughters from Basic Mil Training at Lackland AFB. Mert & Jean Singer flew to Istanbul and embarked on a two-wk Danube river cruise. Their return trip included a bus mtg for Mert in Boston with R & D Associates. Mert still keeps busy as a staff mbr emeritus in that org, which pioneered meals ready to eat now being used by our troops in the Middle East. Debbie & George Artman welcomed their first grandchild on 26 Aug—a girl, Kimberly Michel Leck, born by their daughter, Pamela Leck of New Braunfels, TX. All including grand-ma & grandpa are doing well. George & Debbie have a way to go to catch up with some classmates already great-grandparents. The Skaers returned from a two-wk trip to Canada on 30 Sep. They flew to Seattle and joined a bus tour of the scenic northwest, including Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper, and Vancouver. Ken says the weather was perfect and the sights were awesome.

"On 1 Oct WPSST had a luncheon at USAA Towers. '38'ers attending were Mert Singer, Ken Skaer, Evelyn Hartman, the Artmans and the Strands. USMA Supe, LTG Dave Palmer, gave a most interesting presentation on the current status of USMA and answered questions by the old grads."

While the Mrazeks were reconnoitering in late Aug for a suitable site for the 91 mini, they were luncheon guests of Tom & Aggie Sibley at the elegant Williamsburg Inn. Having lived in that area for some 10 yrs, the Sibleys offered valuable suggestions for a mini, should it be held there. Thelma & Jim also had a pleasant visit with Bette & Harlan Holman at their home in Hampton. In the evening the Holmans had the Mrazeks to dinner at the Yacht Club. On 8 Oct the Mrazeks met with Art & Jane Smith to discuss proposed locations for this mini. They are closing in on plans to hold a mini in historic VA next Oct.

Many thanks to fellow scribes Wallace, Strand and Mrazek, and to others who have contributed to this col. News-worthy info or pics from all sources are appreciated.

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The Class of '39, active in WWII, Korea and Vietnam, now finds some of its mbrs involved in the Persian Gulf, di-

rectly and indirectly. Late Sat night soon after invasion of Kuwait, Dutch Kerwin got a call from GEN Vuono, CS, asking him to attend an early Sun am briefing in the Pentagon. At the mtg with the sr DA staff and Army Secretariat, a 5-hr run-down of the proposed call-up of the Reserves was covered. End result—Dutch was given an office, secy, other assts, and asked to help in the mobilization. Soon followed 12-14-hr days and a jet plane to various CONUS stations. Very interesting, esp from personal viewpoint; eg, how does a \$200M+ atty with family and a \$1MM home etc with mortgages subsist on a MAJ's pay? Dutch rep that, considering large nos and distances, the mobilization went quite well, with outstanding responses from both active and reserve standpoint. (The Class should be proud of Dutch's contribution.)

In addition to having a son (CG, 24th Inf Div) and grandson in the Persian Gulf area, Bill & Mary McCaffrey drove down to Ft Stewart to say "Godspeed." In Bill's words, "I am the honorary COL of the 15th Inf. The 3rd Bn, the Color Bn of the Regt, is organic now to the 24th Inf Div. I visited with the men of the 15th as they loaded out. The troops in the Army are remarkable young people. I don't think we have ever had such quality in the ranks, at least during our yrs of svc." Also from Bill, "Lou & Bettye Kunzig celebrated their golden wedding anniv on 25 Aug; all children and 5 grandchildren were present. Bettye's mother also lent charm to the occasion by coming all the way from TX." And still more, "Walt Higgins' progress since his coronary incident is encouraging. Medics do not recommend surgery, but he is on a prog of pills and controlled exercise. With continued progress, he is expected back on the golf course."

Art Allen in telecon rep that Jim & Lucile Muir, good friends for yrs and en route to Boston, stayed with Art for a few days in Sep. We commented to Art that he must have enjoyed their co to which Art's emphatic reply was, "tremendously! And you know I can put up 5 in my establishment!" Also, the med and assistance attention set-up for him is apparently working reasonably well.

Carl Buechner, preparing obituary on Tom Smith, asks for input from those who knew him well in pre-cadet or cadet days, or during active duty. Anecdotes or stories would help; send to Carl's FL address. Carl also proposes a "Most Traveled '39'er" award be established with Chuck Medinnis as the front-runner. But Carl is a challenger, having even seen Antarctica in 88. Unfortunately, visa problems forced cancellation of the AOG trip in Jul. Any non-smoker needing a roommate on double occupancy trips, contact Carl. (Has any other '39'er been to Antarctica?) Include Carl

on list of avid skiers—at least once a yr, that is, plus his standing challenge to **Dan Minahan** on the slopes. After 6-bypass heart surgery in 86, Carl is under orders to walk two mi a day but fudges with skiing and mowing. He adds that open-heart surgery is not nearly as rough as the restricted diet and the endless, mountainous paperwork! He divides his time between Winter Pk and Cape Cod, using the auto-train N and own car S in order to visit friends in Dixie.

Motorhoming with **Charlie Kepple** (move aside, Chuck and Carl, here's a real challenger): 5-wk tour of the Pacific NW, esp natl pks incl Dinosaur in UT and Glacier in MT; then mini-reunion with **Nina's** son's family in Spokane; Cascade Mtns, Olympic peninsula, and cruise through San Juan Isl; Mt Rainier and Mt St Helena natl pks; OR coast; Crater Lk; desert and home (like horses returning to the stable). He had heard from **Earle Lerette** in MD, whose two daughters have moved there from DC to help care for their parents. In Sep, the Kepples were scheduled to fly to Dubrovnik and Istanbul, followed by a cruise of Greek Isl and then to Athens, but, due to the Persian Gulf crisis, Charlie cancelled this "to the everlasting chagrin of Nina; I thought it prudent, but she was disappointed."

And still more motorhoming: **John & Dottie Carpenter** spent Jul motorhoming in the W mtn states and the rest of the summer in NC. John received a ltr from **Johnny Olson** in San Ant, who is writing a history of the US Army in Australia 1941-42.

Motorhoming, Chap 4: **Vern & Louise Gilbert** attended in Sep the 45th reunion of Vern's 104th Timberwolf Div in Seattle. They travel in a well-stocked and comfortable motorhome with a microwave and VCR. But reunions in midwest and east consume excessive energy levels. Vern at my request was successful in locating a son of **Jack Meals** for family info re Jack's obituary. In doing so, Vern contacted '39'ers in San Fran area—**Bo McCutchen** in E Bay who rep that **Dick & Lorraine Wolfe** in Marin County were visiting in NE; **Matt & Bel Smith** with word that Matt's health problems caused him to miss the Big Red One Div reunion; and **Dave Nanney** in Palo Alto, who with **Lucy** continue to be ea other's helper. (My thanks to all who tried to help in this search.)

Ed & Pat Kurth again spent two mos in London this summer. Thinking that others might be interested, either personally or vicariously, I asked Ed for some tips. Herewith, a few very brief ones (for more, ask Ed): 1) rent a one-BR flat for L350 a wk; compare with L150 per night in a non-deluxe hotel; 2) consult Theater Guide and other attractions (museums, art galleries, excursions etc) for 'OAP'

(old age pensioners) matinee and other special rates; 3) US Embassy—decent bar, cafeteria, and Riggs Bk to change money; 4) 7- and 30-day passes for buses and underground cut trans costs more than half. Take extra passport-size photo; 5) Tate Gallery is worth several visits and has great restaurant; 6) plus many other hot tips on where to eat and buy. (Thanks, Ed.)

Kurth also added that **Bob Rogers** moved into the USAA Towers in San Ant in mid-Sep and that **Gayle Lampley, Jack's** widow, was planning on entering later that mo .

Herewith, Chap two of "A Co in Brit Isles." (First, a question: what's wrong with following narrative?) **Pappy & Betty Myers** traveled through the Brit Isles for 28 days and 17 hotels in Aug-Sep—"a long haul but worth every bit." First, a day of sightseeing in London, then Hampton Ct, Stonehenge, Bath, and Cardiff for a few days in Wales; beautiful, green Ireland for 9 days incl Blarney, Limerick, Tralee, Galway Bay, Donegal, northernmost Eire and Dublin; ferry to N Wales, Scotland as far N as Isle of Skye and Inverness, Loch Lomond and Loch Ness but no sight of the "monster," the impressive highlands plus a malt whiskey distillery, and Edinburgh; York, Coventry, Churchill's grave, and of course, Stratford, and return to London for a super dinner, a musical, and flight home. (Answer to query: Pappy goes to Scotland and doesn't play GOLF??)

Chesty Evans planned to be in San Ant in mid-Oct for an AF reunion with **Bill Smith, Tom Whitehouse**, and other AF types. **Phil Davidson** missed it due to a prior commitment, an AFA symposium in CO Sprgs on the Vietnam era. Returning, **Donna** & he planned to stop in Lubbock to see **Ray & Cissy Brownfield**.

From **Bill & Mary Martin** in Aspen comes word of a '39 mini-reunion in Santa Fe incl **Milt & Jean Adams, Tom & Anne Whitehouse, Bud & Mary Ann Stocking, Rocky & Jean Crawford, Jim & Mary Emma Knapp, Walt & Nancy Brinker**, and **Fritz & Anita Fredericks**. (**Huey & BJ Long** and **Bill & Nina Smith**, who normally attend, could not make it this time. Bill admitted that the Army influence of Fredericks and Brinker on a gp of old AF cronies added to the enjoyment.)

Frankie Joe & Lydia Kobes, after doing both coasts from USMA granddaughter to the **Fraser's** 50th anniv and realizing that they really are westerners now, are trying to see local points of interest. The pic shows them with the **Maxwells** at entrance to Colossal Cave—39 mi of underground passages; remark: "needless to say, we took the short tour."

Vic Johnson visited son Steve and new grandson in Atl but found time for a "spurt of golf" with **Bob Schellman**, who



1939: Frank & Lydia Kobes and Nancy & JB Maxwell at Colossal Cave near Tucson

adds, "Vic is doing well indeed after the drs treated him for early cancer. Vic & **Corinne** live in a beautiful home in Savannah. We manage to get together when I visit my sister there." Other news: **Ed & Ann Hoopes**, returning to Athens from a few wks this summer in the Carolina mtns, stopped off for a tel visit. And NOW, saved intentionally for the end of Bob's rep, **Helen** & he were scheduled to have their 20th grandchild presented in Oct!! (With due respect to skiing and world traveling, now there may be a real record! Any challengers?)

Another golfer is **Curly Edwards**, who in Jun 89 ret completely from his civ position at W-Patt AFB and has been "trying to get organized ever since—a little traveling, visiting relatives, and a lot of golf, though very poorly compared to a few yrs ago."

From the Blue Grass, **Bill Buster** is involved in—what else—racehorses. His "Sallyport Sal," however, with expenses doubling income, had to be sold. Latest ventures: a two-yr-old filly and a yearling filly probably to be named "Barrage" (sire is "Cannonade"). (Bill, the Class of '39 waits expectantly at the pari-mutuel window! And how about "Time on Target" as sure winner?) **Bill & Mildred**, during their annual visit S last winter, had dinner with **Joe & Dotty Kingsley** in Naples, visited **Carl & Ethel Wohlfeil** in Charleston ("who regaled us with their hair-raising acct of riding out Hurricane Hugo"), talked to **Page Boyer** in Beaufort (**Freddie** was golfing), and were unsuccessful in Savannah in reaching **Vic Johnson**. Later Vic rep on a possible Med Sea cruise with the **Ed Hoopes**, planned for Oct!—?

Ed Kirby-Smith telephoned, rep good health and considerable activity, esp engr-related and attuned to the Univ of the So, promised a ltr for next issue, and asked about pic size etc in these notes. (Answer herewith for all—B & W reproduce better, any size, but color photos are OK but none from papers or mags. Be sure of sharp focus, clarity, and good contrast. Identify all people, L to R, but don't write on back. Ea pic should have a grad or wife. I'd like to break up lots of prose with photos here and there. In

limited experience so far, we've been able to do so, but not always, and not in this issue. So, please include photos and let me judge. Thanks.)

With **Frank Mildren's** death 14 Sep at Johns Hopkins Med Ctr in Baltimore, our Class has lost a distinguished mbr. He was buried at the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cemetery with full mil honors in a highly-fitting ceremony attended by all San Ant classmates in town; Phil Davidson participated by reading the Cadet Prayer. In Frank's note in May to your scribe, he commented on **Audrey** and his move from Lady's Isl, SC 2 1/2 yrs ago, but due to vascular problems he had to give up golf. Our sympathy goes out to Audrey and their family.

'40

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I heard from **Red & Dony Gideon** that I didn't tell the whole story in my Sep notes. Their grandson, William West Gideon, was indeed an honor USAFA '90 grad and a grandnephew of **Chuck & Edie Noble**. The rest of the story is he's also a grandnephew of WW West, 3d, '39 and a 5th-generation svc acad grad, following FC Gideon, Jr, USAFA '66, **FC Gideon** '40 and Al Lane Jan '43; WW West '05; and DS Stanley 1890.

Steve & Betty Morrissey wrote from their Highlands, NC summer home that they were sorry to miss the 50th, but made up in part for this by having **Chet & Mary Edith Freudendorf** stop by to give them a complete report.



1940: The Morrisseys and Freudendorfs, Highlands, NC

Bill & Kathy Porte continue to set records for end-to-end trips. They wrote, "following the 50th, we had a grand tour of Rome, the Holy Land, Munich, and the Passion Play at Oberammergau. We've just returned from a motor trip through England and another visit to eastern Europe, where the rebuilding—of polit systems as well as infrastructure—is truly exciting. After the new yr, we'll evade the rainy season in N CA by spending a few wks in ea of HI and FL. In May we plan to be in CO to visit old

friends and to go to the grad of our grandson, RA Purinton, Jr USAFA '91. He's our family's 4th generation svc acad grad, following Purinton USAFA '66, **Porte** '40, and Griswold '10."

Bill went on, "we recently visited **Ned & Doris Flanders** at their beautiful home on the NV shore of Lake Tahoe and told them about the 50th. They're doing very well despite Ned's reduced mobility with Parkinson's disease. Before we left them the next morn, Ned used his walker to give me the grand tour of the estate, most of which he has built with his own hands."

Shortly after the **Portes'** visit, **Ned Flanders** called here to say he was sorry to miss the 50th, but he can't travel quite that far just now. Ned went on to say that **Doris** does go on trips now and again and that he puts up at the nearby VA hosp while she's away. Ned then noted diplomatically that **Doris & he** had gone to considerable effort to attend the Carmel mini in Oct 88, yet his appearance had gone unmentioned in my notes. Ned's right; I promised to do better hereafter.

Frank Devlin called last summer to say that **TJ Wells** '28, E Co's Tac for our 4 yrs at WP, would come from his home in HI to visit DC in early Oct and wanted to see as many as possible of his former cadets. Frank canvassed E Co from '37 through Jan '43, the classes that served under TJ, and assembled a sizeable gp that TJ entertained at a memorable luncheon 3 Oct. Thus, TJ hosted **FJ Clarke** '37; **Beverly, BR Brown** and **Damon**, '38; **JL Collins** and **Kerwin**, '39; **Abbey, Cassibry, Devlin, Fisher, Kent, Maedler, Mayo** and **Mendez**, '40; **Fletcher** and **JO Green** 3d (F Co), '41; **Vogel** '42; and **Lowry, Pritchett**, and **Schofield**, of Jan '43. Turns out that TJ



1940: E Co, Class of '40, flanking TJ Wells '28

added the F Co file, **Jog Green**, to the gp because his father (**JO, Jr** Apr '18) had been TJ's Tac. **Bill Beverly** came up from NC and **Jim Maedler** from NJ; **Syd Fisher** was in town from Scottsdale, AZ. No one tried to b-ache any old skins; we told TJ he'd been hard, but fair. TJ spoke of some of his tribulations as a Tac, but gracefully implied that none of us present had given him any trouble at all. It

was a grand opportunity for us to thank someone who'd pointed the way.

We were upset to hear that **Jim & Barbara Maedler** had a walloping auto accident on one of NJ's thruways late last Jul. It was one of those nightmares where the car in the right lane swerved into the space in the ctr lane that Jim was using, so that, after awesome acrobatics, Jim ended up in the left lane opposing a moving van that had lots more authority than he. Happily, neither Maedler was injured.

In early Oct, **Bidwell & Criss Moore** hosted the annual Sun brunch for classmates & wives in the DC area. This affair, which has been going on since 69, is becoming traditional. This yr's edition had been postponed from this past spring so it wouldn't interfere with our 50th. About 45 came to the ANCC to chat over a bloody mary or two before brunching. **John Burfening** used the opportunity to present **Thad Nosek** with a well-deserved plaque attesting to his sterling performance as our 50th Reunion Chm (**Olive Rosen** took this photo the last night of the Reunion).



1940: Jean & Thad Nosek, about to close the 50th Reunion

Kermit Dyke told the brunchers that **Freddie White** had just been presented a green jacket by the ANCC and honored as the Club's "man-of-the-yr." Kermit also announced the next DC area Class brunch will be in the springtime on Sun, 5 May. Mark your calendar and, if your plans bring you near the DC area then (and we hope your spouse will come along), give Kerm a ring at 301-326-2649 so he can add you to the reminder list.

I'm sorry to rep a couple of items of bad news. First, **Bill Kintner** relayed a rep from **Steve Bagstad** '70 that his father, **Chuck Bagstad**, had died in Dresden, E Ger on 22 Aug, apparently of a heart attack. **Chuck & Ruth** had been visiting another son in W Berlin and were touring in E Ger when **Chuck** slumped over and died. **Ruth** had some difficulty getting **Chuck's** body home from W Berlin to Ft Worth, TX. The always-helpful staff at Army Mutual Aid wired funds to the **Bagstads'** Ft Worth bank acct and then arranged for the Red Cross in W Berlin to cash **Ruth's** checks.

Chuck was buried 31 Aug at Greenwood Memorial Pk. We send our deep sympathy to Ruth, who can be reached at 3809 Lawndale Ave, Ft Worth, TX 76133.

Next, calls from **Dick Shagrin** and **Wing Jung** rep that **Hal Brown** had died on 22 Sep while en route with **Terry** to Biak, Indonesia. Hal & Terry had just started a trip to the S Pacific to revisit some air strips built in WWII by Hal's 874 Engr Avn Bn. Terry said Hal apparently died peacefully in his sleep of cardiac arrest about 1 1/2 hrs out of Honolulu. Their plane continued to its next scheduled stop at Biak, which was the first of his air strips Hal had planned to visit. When the plane's pilot heard of this, he radioed ahead to Biak. The Indonesian armed forces were waiting there to help when Terry's plane arrived. They took Hal's body to the local hosp, insured that the authorities made the proper documentation, took care of Terry and gave her a place to rest, and even built a special coffin for Hal. In short, they couldn't do enough for the Browns. Terry was on the next plane to US with cargo space for Hal. Hal was buried, with full mil honors provided by a Ft Lewis honor guard, on 28 Sep at Bellevue, WA. In addition to classmates from the WA area, **John Burfening** went from the DC area for the services. We offer our condolences to Terry, who may be reached at 7003 SE 32d St, Mercer Isl, WA 98040.

'41

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Attention, all men in this co street: *Gold '41* is "on the road!"

The press run is scheduled for early Dec which means delivery by Christmas. There will be four blank pages in the back so that you can add souvenir documents of your own choosing. Also, you may want to include some of **Bud Thompson's** excellent pics. Almost 500 books have been paid for and the contributions will reduce the commitment for the discount from the Class Fund.



1941: Potter Campbell, Dr Steve Plume III, Chief, Cardio-Thoracic Surgery, Dartmouth and Curt Chapman

Mike Greene has ordered 600 books, so Business Mgr **Mal Troup** plans to push the mktng at mil libraries and other potential targets. Let him know if you know of a potential buyer. Empirically, in the yrbk business, after such books are distributed, there is a demand for another 10%.

HATS OFF to our first second-generation BG selectee, **Walter E Mather, Jr '67**. He cmds the 1st Bde, 24th Mech Inf Div presently on alert at Desert Shield.

Joe Gurfein called to ask me to rep that reservations for Big Fifty are at 265 and counting. He is hoping that it will be 350 in May. There will be another ltr with further details out before Christmas.

Hank Bodson wrote **Mal Troup** to assure all that we would not, repeat *not*, be commuting to WP in school buses. We will ride in air-conditioned coaches.

Mal & Alma Troup had an elegant dinner on 24 Sep for Mal's old roommate **Al Snyder & Mary**, who were guests of honor. Al was en route to an AF reunion in Reno. Other '41'ers present were **Tom & Jean Co. bin**, plus Tom's lovely daughter **Cynthia & Max, Mary Gauvreau** and your scribe, who was honored with a birthday cake.

It is again my painful duty to rep two more casualties. **Nan Dessert** passed away on 17 Sep after an agonizing diagnosis of pulmonary fibrosis. **Kenny** can be reached at 3627 McCurdy, Montgomery, AL 36111. And on 29 Sep, **Johnny Richards** died suddenly at his home of a massive heart attack. **Laura** can be reached at 622 Pullman Pl, Alexandria, VA 22305. John was buried at Arlington with 9 classmate pallbearers in attendance: **John Deane, Mike Greene, JOG Green, Barney Woodruff, Brad Smith, Charlie Fletcher, Spec Powell, Joe Reed and Walter Woolwine**. Laura rep that young Jack '64 kept the whole ceremony right on target.

Gold '41 will have some fillers that were borrowed from a precious copy of *The Pointer* in my files dated 14 Mar 1925. It was the Benny Havens number which rep that the grand old man, who could have been a '41'er, died in Highland Falls on 29 May 1877 at the age of 90. In that issue was "a list of famous men's skins, extracts from punishment lists, 1838-58." Example: "Sherman, WT—Discharging his musket—12 Jun 39—Punishment, One extra tour of Sat guard duty."

Mike Greene wrote to 20 Class widows who had not ordered copies of *Gold '41*. Five ltrs were returned "address unknown"—**Agatha Fowler, Blanche (Cummings) Johnson, Dori Kercheval, Jeanne Matheson and Edith Torgerson**. We would appreciate a fix on the addresses of these ladies if any of you know where they can be reached. Three said they would like a copy and they will be given a book. There were no responses



1941: Herb & Rose Stern visit Al & Louise Hayduk at beautiful Vail, CO

from 10 of those addressed; however, their ltrs were not returned to Mike. They are **Jeannie Ball, Louise Barney, Ms Bruni (Aliotta), Wanda (HL Adams) Causey, Pat Cooper, Mary Molesky, Mary Ann Moore, Margie Redmon, Benita Theisen, and Ms Zarembo**. We are certainly not trying to hassle those ladies who, for their own reasons, may want not to reopen old wounds. However, based on experiences with widows who had not heard of the book or had forgotten about certain deadlines, some were delighted to have someone contact them on the subject. They not only remained interested but they expressed great gratitude for having been apprised or reminded. So, if you know any of these gals and feel like doing so, give them a call to make sure that illness or some other distraction will not leave them out.

Fred Baker sent in a report on the second "G" Co Mini at Williamsburg, 26-30 Sep, co-hosted by **Fred & Gerri Baker and Walt & Midge Mather**. Attendees: **Roy & Kay Kelley, Mike & Eileen Greene, Stan & Buddy Ramey, Johnny & Wanda McIntyre, Ruth Adams, Marion Camp** and friend **Carla Rosenthal**. Among the highlights were a



1941: Ruth Adams, Kay Kelley, Eileen Greene, Roy Kelley, Johnny McIntyre, Gerri Baker, Buddy Ramey, Fred Baker, Stan Ramey, Mike Greene and Marion Camp

cocktail party bash at the Bakers and tours of Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, and battlefields of Yorktown and Carter's Grove Plantation. The ladies took particular pleasure in visiting the world-famous Pottery. A frequent

infiltrator during the reunion was **Johnny Brooks**, who was attending a simultaneous reunion of his old fighter group. A surprise was in store for all when the guide for Carter's Grove Plantation turned out to be **Wally Clement** (another "G" Co file of '40 vintage). Other guests included Ensign **Luke Tonachel**, grandson of the Rameys and **Ruth Adams'** daughter **Kathy & Dr David Miller**. The **Kelleys** have offered to host next yr's reunion in New Orleans.

Judy Tucker, **Bob Rosen's** daughter, wrote to thank me for the input to the last issue with the pix of her two handsome sons. She has begun the process to have **Bob's** remains interred at WP. She & her husband plan to be at WP for the AF game on 10 Nov. They also plan to participate in the Big Fiftieth with us.

Bob & Jo Kramer rep that he is back on the golf course with no more pain in his back. Jo said, "Good news is that **Connie Lawson** was operated on and the drs removed a cancerous node and a benign node from her liver. That's very hopeful. **Lynn Callaway** is in the hosp for tests. We're off to NC to visit **Bob's** sister."

POTPOURRI: We are more than delighted to re-establish contact with **Peggy (McClure) Johnson** at #1 Colony Point Dr, 3C, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. **Dick Kline** wrote to say, "the current **ASSEMBLY** lists by class all those who donated goodly sums to the AOG. I was struck by the long list of donors from classes ahead and behind '41 on p 48. We are put to shame with our outstanding penury." **Bob Johnson** wrote to rep that he & **Beverly** had just bought new rings from **Baily, Banks and Biddle**, who have the original dies. He quoted the price for his at \$995 and for her miniature at \$515. Write to **Bob** at 2193 North Ave, Chico, CA 95926 for further details. **Pat Tansey**

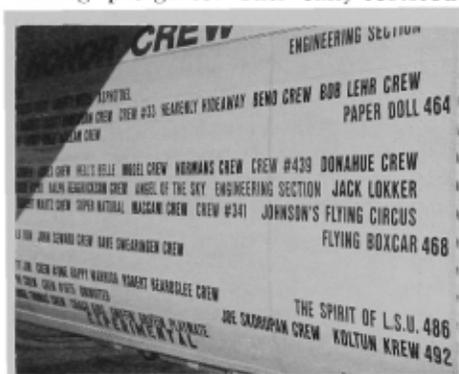


1941: Gen WR Woodward '16 and Petey (Woodward) Gordon

wrote to say how much he & **Justine** enjoyed the DGMGT golf this summer. **Poopie Ellis** wrote to rep **Nan Dessert's** passing and that he is back ushering at church after last yr's ordeal. **Ed Rowney's** off address is Suite 500A, 1000 16th St NW, Wash, DC 20005. **Tom & Jean Corbin** are off to his bomb group reunion in the UK. **John & Dottie Henschke**

organized and hosted a reunion of the bomb group that John commanded in the SWP. **Gregg McKee** is about to depart on another of his fabulous China excursions. Besides **Mickey**, **Doris Mullane** and **Cleo Powell** will represent the Class wives on the trip. **Bill & Jerry Brier** are touring the E Coast at this writing and **Andy Evans** is on a visit to the UK. **Jack & Muriel Christensen**, who survived the CA earthquake a yr ago with severe damage to their lovely home, decided on a get-away-from-it-all vacation to Puerto Rico in Oct, only to be greeted by—you guessed it—an earthquake! Note two address changes: **Edwin W Brown**, 16 Norfolk Drive, Maumelle, AR, 72118; and **Bob Keagy**, 1644 Duskfire Place, Tucson, AZ 85737.

Before the AF Acad Falcons got busy beating HI on 8 Sep, the beautiful "All American" B-24J overflowed the stadium during pre-game. This fully-restored



1941: The beautifully restored "All American" with **Jack Lokker's** name inscribed on the Bomb Bay doors

Liberator carries the tail markings of the 465th Bomb Gp in which **Jack Lokker** and I served in Italy. **Jack's** 781st Bomb Sq, having made a significant financial contribution to the aircraft's restoration, subscribed to having his name added to the recognition list on the bomb bay doors.

A call to **Petey (Woodward) Gordon** corroborated the fact that **Hunter's** dad, **Gen WR Woodward '16**, will be 100 yrs old next Aug. Perhaps we can send him a 21-gun '41 salute from our Big Fiftieth. A recent note from **Bob Detwiler** rep that **Dick Travis** has an inoperable tumor on his pancreas; my call to **Dick** confirmed the rep; his anguish is worsened because of **Tad's** dependence on him, being confined to a wheelchair with MS. **Dick** can be reached at 6304 Bannocks, San Ant, TX 78239.

'41's SUGGESTED PRAYER LIST: **Connie Lawson**, **Dick Travis**, **Wally Lauterbach**, **George McIntyre**, **Woody Garrett** and **Marion Camp**.

By the time you read this, we will be "entering the traffic pattern" for the Big Fiftieth landing. Sir, there are 162 days until the Class of '41's Reunion. Y'all come; stay well and God Bless.

'42
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As in a 30's movie, "it just don't seem right to me to be wishing you all a Merry Christmas before Halloween is here—but such is reality with a 15 Oct deadline for a Jan col! Maybe it would seem more appropriate if I were a merchandiser! Anyhoo, we are indeed hoping that your holidays are heartwarming and that the New Year is generous to you and yours in every way.

A note from **Carl Ulsaker** back in Aug that son **Jonathan** had his plt of tanks (24th Div) aboard ship awaiting departure for Saudi Arabia. May he be as fine a soldier as his dad—and as lucky, if the shooting comes! The Class picnic at **Jim & Norma Cockrells'**, under the aegis of **Floyd Robinson**, was the usual success. The new format with the guys providing the provender made for a better-than-average feast. No word on attendees, other than **Howie & Barbara Burris** being caught between their usual hectic journeying. **Jack & Mary Barnes** have completed tours with the Reserve O's Assn, his on the Resolutions Comm, hers as Chaplain of the ladies organization. They're still active with CIOR, having enjoyed the last mtg in Calgary and planning for the 91 event in Paris. They'll be in our area in early Nov after a cruise to Mexico—and we'll be at the next golf gaggle at that time! Never fails!

A call from **Bill & Mary Gernert** in late Aug. Our **Sue**, **Roger** and **Christopher** had been out that way and ended up being far more than just sheltered by those two! In fact, **Bill** noted that even I was easier on his gin than my son-in-law! **Jack Deane** and **Joan Michel** also visited—but not simultaneously, **Caroline!** **Bob & Hancel Evans** were expected, with her bouncing back from an infection-induced hospitalization. And **Betty Clay** had been back for a long look at their beloved old homestead!

Thanks to **Helen Standish** for knowing of our concern and passing along the news that **Jean Voegeli** was unable to handle that last hospitalization, and left us on 8 Aug, just as I was writing about her troubles. The accompanying obituary outlined all of the wonderful accomplishments of that very unhandicapped lady. Would that we could all do as much for those around us as she did. **Clyde Clear '50**, at **Bette Lou Plott's** request, wrote that **Jean's** oper was for ovarian cancer. She seemed to have handled it reasonably well, but was never quite able to recover.

Big Tom—need I add **Rienzi** !?!—wrote that **Rita Blair** had had a gathering of her sons from Japan, FL and NY, with local '42'ers included in a party. Many tall tales about **Bob** left the offspring with a new appreciation of dad! **Tom** was

to be back east for a recruiters' conference at USMA and to see their son in Jersey. He & Clare are already planning



1942: The Deacon at P-rade at Ft Shafter (with their old quarters in the background)

for the 50th, although she has some hip repairs in the offing.

Fran & Polly Roberts enjoyed Aug in Scandinavia with the US People-to-People golf team. Next yr to the Orient. Fran is already into planning for 91 golf gagles at Sea Isle and Williamsburg.

A fun note from **Andy Low** commending **John & Jean Baker** for the Castine clambake, exclaiming over **Jack & Caroline Deane's** new place up that-a-way, still drooling over the **Hunter-Caruthers** Eastern Shore Bloody Mary and crab salad luncheon and remarking on **Crit & Kitty Crittenberger's** courage in having a warm-up for that feast the night before! Enclosed was a clipping regarding the visit of a completely restored B-24 (Andy's WWII machine) to the Quonset RI State Airport. His contribution to the restoration led to his being invited to escort the plane on the way there for a two-day visit. The article recounted some of Andy's POW experiences, including the 10-day, 91-mile hike (well, it was the Army Air Corps, you know!) sponsored by the Germans in an effort to avoid the POWs' repatriation. Andy & **Helen** were off for two weeks in Switzerland plus a side trip to Oberammergau to see the Passion Play. He sez that since he doesn't even buy green bananas any more, he figured that they'd best not wait for 2000 AD to see the play!

Pete Flor Cruz came through when most needed—as you can tell by this skimpy col—with some news and snaps from the Wives' Picnic. Their daughter Cookie is now flying UH-60s in med-evac support of the 82nd Abn in Saudi Arabia. Most appropriately, as she was getting airborne at Pope AFB, Pete & **Juanita** were attending Mass at Belvoir! The theme of it and the day's scriptures was that the evil in the world must be faced up to, and the communion hymn "Be Not Afraid" began "You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. . .!"

A subsequent note from **Pete** with the news that **Jack Ryan's** widow **Anne** had died after a long illness. Interment was



1942: Westy in front of the camera for once, no doubt advising Hess on the next shot!

beside Jack in Arlington. He was full of praise for the above-the-call support given to **Bill Crosson's** widow **Anne** by **Chuck Bortell** and **Crit Crittenberger**, enabling her to get all the necessary business underway before returning home. The bonds of '42 are good! He wanted me to extend special thanks to those of you who responded to the emergency appeal of the USMA Catholic Chapel. Cookie's first ltr announcing her safe arrival was at hand—an arrival spiced by a 5-hr bus ride to a land destination that was at least 20 min from the airport! Plus ça change, etc! She had been the stuckee by being named "Stick Leader" to shepherd a mixed bag of 20-odd personnel through the drawing of weapons, flak vests, nerve agent antidote, etc, etc. No doubt a great sigh of relief when all were finally aboard the 747.

Ray O'Neal alerted me to the fact, and **Ink Gates** sent a program of, the dedication of **Stapleton Park** at the Electronic Security Cmd at Kelly Field on 28 Sep; it is in front of the Hq and features a statue of **Carl**, who ret as cmdr of the USAF



1942: Hostess Nancy and happy beneficiaries Dodie & Jackie



1942: Other hostess May with Mary Ann, away from the madding crowd

Security Service which provides comms security for the aerospace forces. What a nice way to give well-earned recognition. The gang turned out in goodly nos to share the occasion with **Louise**. Visible in the snap Ink sent are **Al & Fay Ward**, **Ted & Millie Marks**, **Lynn & Frank Koisch**, **Margaret Bolton**, with a trace of **Don** as background, **Ink & Esther Gates** and **Bud & Cald Ryder**. **John & Peggy Heard** are hiding in the left center!



1942: The stalwarts join in honoring Carl

A reasonably recent AUSA newspaper included a pic of Civ Aide to the Secy of the Army Harry Wald. Those of you who enjoyed the marvelous mini at Caesar's Palace in Vegas will recall that he was the one responsible for the TLC we received. Nice to know that despite our carrying on, he's still supporting the mil! **Bill & Liz Seifert** wined and dined **Matt & Rita Redlinger** and **Fly & Dimi Ely** at their hacienda. Among the (no doubt many) in-depth discussions was one on the need for a required sch course in "How to Interpret Reports from the Media!"



1942: Fly and Larry with only one drink between them!



1942: Fly travels 3,000 miles to be pictured with Matt and Bill

Yes, we did get to NC, and yes, we did have some cool evenings. However, we also had some hot days with more than a fair share of rain! We also got to enjoy **Frank & Lydie Clay's** wooded retreat in that beautiful area. They left before it could become habit-forming to go home to baby-sit some grandchildren (their story!). We went to Asheville to see the Vanderbilt house, and even one who is not an aficionado of such found it magnificent. In closing, sorry to rep that although I read and reread the *Forbes* list of the country's wealthiest, I found nary a one of you included! Pity!

Jan
'43

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A call from **Tut Frakes** down in AL on the evening of 12 Oct relayed the tragic news that **Alice McDermott** (McD's

wife) had died at her home in her sleep earlier that day. According to the obituary in the 13 Oct edition of the *San Antonio Express-News* and the USAA News, Alice had been ill for some time and was being treated for cancer. The *Express News* eulogized Alice as a "social and civic leader involved in many facets of life in San Antonio" (eg, the Cancer Center Council, the Southwest Foundation Forum, the Ronald McDonald House, the San Ant Symphony League, and Project ABC), as well as "a very understanding wife who spent a great deal of her time with her husband at the numerous functions he attended in connection with his work." To which McD added, "Her love was the foundation of my success and the success of our family. She was the glue that held everything together and made it possible for me to do the things I wanted to do."



Jan '43: The late Alice McDermott, RIP

A first-hand account of Alice's funeral Mass at St Matthew's Catholic Church and burial in the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cemetery on 15 Oct was provided by **Bob Fiss**, who had just returned home that wknd from a trip to Chicago (where **Barbara** was attending a mtg of the Am Compensation Assoc, of which she is the treas) and promptly flew out to San Ant. According to Bob, the suddenness of Alice's death came as a great shock to McD, their 5 children and 13 grandchildren—the youngest of which (Baby Alice Gwin) was her namesake. Henry Cisneros, the former Mayor of San Ant, delivered an eloquent eulogy at the funeral, and our classmates **Jack Daye**, **Tut Frakes**, **Bill Starnes** and **George Sykes** were among the honorary pallbearers. The funeral procession to the cemetery was so long that it seemed to Bob Fiss that a significant percentage of San Antonians was involved. The McD family has requested that expressions of sympathy in memory of Alice be sent to the Cancer Therapy and Research Foundation, 4450 Medical Dr, San Antonio, TX 78229. Our deepest sympathies are with you, McD.

Meanwhile, congratulations are in order for:

• **Bill Knowlton**, whose fine article entitled "Forget Interservice Strife, Mil-

itary Now Stresses Jointness" appeared in the 25 Sep edition of the *Los Angeles Times* shortly after Michael Dugan '58 was relieved as the AF Chief of Staff by the SECDEF. In this article, Bill cites the Capstone Course at the Natl Def Univ for trng new gens and admirals in the basics of "jointness"—a course in which Bill is actively involved as a Senior Fellow.

• **Jim (J) & Jean Cobb**, whose daughter, Justine, was married to Thomas Glover in Atl on 1 Sep. Speaking of Atl,



Jan '43: Lunch at the Biltmore estate outside Asheville, NC with Boots Minckler and Jean & Jim Cobb

you should have received a flyer from **Bob Bullard** requesting info on your commitment to attend our next mini-reunion in the "Azelea capital of the South" on 11-14 Apr. So, pick up your pen, fill in the blanks and send the questionnaire back to Bob.

• **Buck Stahle**, who has been made a life mbr and trustee of the Dwight D Eisenhower Society and was involved in the planning and preparations for the 4 days of events that commemorated the centennial of Ike's birthday on 14 Oct.

• **Joe Riccio**, whose housekeeper advised **Pat Wardell** (our Class secy) that, although he has some health problems, he's still "quite alive and kicking!" Keep a-kicking, Joe!

• **Maryellen Lowe** (Dave's wife), who joined our "hip parade" contingent with hip replacements in Jan and Aug of 90 and is now "better than new."

• **Dave & Barbara Barger**, whose daughter Ann was married to Hurst Hanning in San Fran on 6 Oct; they will reside in Cambridge, MA.

Among our recent international "jet-setters" were

• **Ed & Dot Bennett**, **Bill & Mary D Starnes**, and **Ed & Betty Lue Lowry**, who flew to Scotland to play golf on such famous courses as Tunberry, St Andrews and Gleneagles where you walk, not ride, to get around. Ed was delighted to rep that his 6-mo-old knee replacements "responded nobly." Then Ed & Dot went on for a whirlwind, 4-day visit to Ireland, where they played a round of golf at Ballybunion, stayed overnight in an old castle and fulfilled Dot's long-time wish



Jan '43: Ed & Dot Bennett and Mary D & Bill Starnes "wind up" for their golfing tour of Scotland



Jan '43: Bill & Mary D Starnes, Ed & Dot Bennett, and Ed & Betty Lue Lowry ready to "tee off" at the "golfers' mecca"—the Old Course at St Andrews, Scotland

to kiss the Blarney Stone. At that point, Ed came home while the "indefatigable Dot" flew to Geneva to visit their daughter, Gail, whose husband is stationed there as a mbr of the US START negotiating tm.

• **Joe & Nancy Benson**, who flew to Paris with the George Bensons '45 and then drove a 12-passenger mini-bus to La Rochelle on the coast where they settled down in an elegant apt just a few blocks from the beach. From there, they



Jan '43: "Jacques" & Cecily Wood get together with Nancy & "Jose" Benson for "café au lait et croissants" at the old port in La Rochelle, France

visited Utah Beach, where Joe landed with the 7th Armd Div on 10 Aug 44, and Omaha Beach. On 1 Sep, they were joined by "Jacques" & Cecily Wood, who had flown to Milan in mid-Aug and

then motored through the Italian lake country, Switzerland and France in their "trusty Renault 19" to La Rochelle. According to "Jacques," they are still getting settled in their new home in AF Vil West, but are thoroughly enjoying the "country-club life."

• **Lee & Kathy James**, who flew to Ger with a local (Huntsville, AL) gp to see the Passion Play at Obermmmergau and then toured Italy and Greece.



Jan '43: Lee & Kathy James looking fit and trim on a Gulf beach at San Deston

In the interest of keeping your roster of classmates & their wives up-to-date, here are a few major changes (ie PCSs):

• **Al & Elaine Hughes** moved from El Paso to 12 Country Club Vil, Pueblo, CO 81008 to be near their younger daughter, Debbie.



Jan '43: Don & Louise Wilbourn and Pete & Anne Pavick bid farewell to Al & Elaine Hughes just prior to the Hughes' "PCS" to Pueblo, CO

• **Don & Dawn Thompson** sold their townhouse and moved nearby to Apt A-124, 7505 Democracy Blvd, Bethesda, MD 20817—they even kept the same phone no.

• **Ed Bielecki's** new address is 435 Creek Crossing Rd, Vienna, VA 22180.

• **Jim Kelleher** departed from Fayetteville, but his new address is unknown.

And to these, please add the following corrections to the new addresses previously published for:

• **Ted & Marge Seith**, 1800 Old Meadow Rd #612, Mclean, VA 22102, and

• **Frank & Billie Shaw**, 351 East Berger St, Santa Fe, NM 87501. However,

they have now started building their new home which they hope to occupy by 1 Mar. Meanwhile, they're planning a full family reunion at Christmastime.

In closing, **Frank Camm** has received a copy of a ltr from the Secy of the Army to the AOG approving the construction of our 50th anniv gift to the Acad (a Constitution park adjoining the Supe's garden), and work is already underway.



Jan '43: Jan & Harry Pritchett with Bob Bightler (from CA) after the 50th anniv parade of US airborne forces up Constitution Ave in DC on 7 Jul 90

Pete Grimm (editor of our 50th anniv *Howitzer*) also rep that much progress has been made in "personalizing" the Class history, selecting illustrations and preparing sample pages for review. According to Pete, a 50th Reunion section will be published as a separate, soft-cover booklet to be placed inside the back cover of this *Howitzer*.

<p>Jun '43</p>	<p>COL William W. Cover 3514 Country Hill Drive Fairfax, VA 22030 Tel: 703-273-8584</p>

The man in the red suit with the white trim will probably drop this on your doorstep just in time for me to say "Merry Christmas and Happy New Yr" to all. Going into the new yr, there are still 318 of us remaining (as of Oct 90). So—let's all remember to drink our cranberry juice, take our pills, eat only health foods (no cholesterol), do our daily walking and/or jogging, and, in short, keep that statistic locked in! I will, if you will.

The following info from Class Treas **Bud O'Connor** will be of interest to all of us as we continue our individual and collective support to WP. With the completion of the new Thayer Gate (see article by **Bill Glasgow** on p 45, Sep 90 ASSEMBLY) and the official transfer of the property from the Class to USMA by means of Class Pres **Lee Hogan's** ltr to the Supe, we have, in effect, closed that chapter in our Class annals called "The New Thayer Gate, Class of Jun '43." The small residual in our Gate gift act has been used for the correction of limestone discoloration and for final settlement of

Gate-related contracts. For *general Jun '43* needs in the future we have opened a Class administrative acct with the WP Fund; and it is recommended that your future donations for *Class purposes* be made out to "WP Fund, Class of Jun '43 Administrative Acct."

Our funds for the Gate were in the category of and designated as a Class Gift Acct. For this category of accts, individual classes and the Supe jointly make decisions. Now, the new *Administrative Acct* will give us the flexibility needed to address financially Class requirements both for large projects such as our upcoming 50th reunion and also for minor Class expenses such as postage and recurring publications. In the future, your contributions to the WP Fund may, of course, be made to the unrestricted, general fund or to the Class Gift Fund or to the Class Administrative Fund. With the successful completion of our Gate, which was the sole beneficiary of the Class Gift Fund in recent times, your contributions now will best serve *Class purposes* if designated for the Jun '43 Administrative Acct, over which our Class Pres has full "use determination" consistent with the basic policies and objectives of the AOG.

A note from **Dan'l Flannel Cullinane**, prompted by concern over my transient ischemic condition last Aug, informs that Dan'l has worked his way up to 2d VP of the Lion's Club in Temple, Tejas. In this capacity, he publishes a wkly newsltr. Call him for a subscription. He might give you a Class discount. Dan included a cryptic card he had received from **John Stockton**, writing from Campbell River, BC (Canada, that is). John & Rita seem to have left Miami in Jun 90 for So Africa, but wound up in Seattle instead, got sidetracked into a 5-day foray at Las Vegas, and then fled northward to what John proclaims to be the "salmon-fishing capital of the world."

Last time you'll recall, I trust, that this col described in detail the 18th and final summer splash party/picnic hosted out in the VA hunt country on 4 Aug by **Art & Barbara Surkamp** prior to their move to Melbourne, FL. For this event, a comm of locals had commissioned the Jun '43 master artist, **Howard Wickert**, to paint a farewell souvenir of these occasions for the Surkamps. This was done, and here, once more, are Art & Barbara, with aforesaid painting.

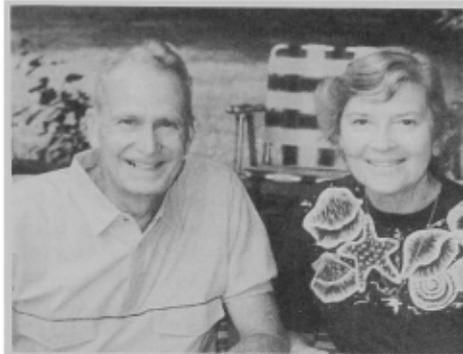
Of the many photos taken by **Arch Hamblen** at this party, a few appeared in this space last time. Now I have the opportunity to print a few more, dispersed herein.

In another shot, **Jack McGregor** captured the elusive artist himself.

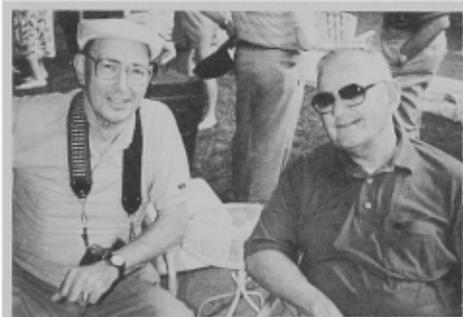
After a brief return to his old stomping grounds in the Wild West, the "Sante Fe Express" has come back to the Wash metro area. Yes, **Arch Hill**, like **Alan &**



Jun '43: Art & Barbara Surkamp, 4 Aug 90



Jun '43: Lemon & Kathy Blank



Jun '43: Jock Barickman and Bill Wilson



Jun '43: Howard Wickert with memo of appreciation

Lyn Jones and Bill & Teddy Wilson, is now ensconced at "The Fairfax." Everyone and the AOG please note his new address: COL (USA Ret) Ralph J Hill, 9110 Belvoir Woods Parkway, Apt 314, Ft Belvoir, VA 22060; tel (703)799-3862.

Founded in 1981 by veterans of the WWII exchanges of "angry iron" between US Army tank destroyer units and Wehrmacht panzers, the Tank Destroyer



Jun '43: Arch Hill with Harry Heintzelman

Assoc has told the story of these Army units; has successfully sponsored inclusion of the Tank Destroyer component in the Armored Forces Monument to be established near Arlington Natl Cemetery; has erected a tank destroyer bn memorial at the Armor Memorial Pk of the Patton Museum of Cavalry and Armor at Ft Knox, KY; has published a newsltr for assoc mbrs everywhere, and has compiled an assoc history book. During all this activity, the assoc's first VP and Wash liaison off has been none other than the incomparable **Quintus Atkinson!** Quint chaired the 89 reunion at Louisville for some 350 TD'ers and families, and made the arrangements for museum tours at Ft Knox, including display of an original, 1945 "near-mint condition" M-18 destroyer on loan from the Army Natl Guard of CT. Now, in 90, with its original objectives accomplished, the TD Assoc is standing down and "going out of bus." As it does so, our Quintus deserves a tip of the old steel pot for another great job well done. He will not lack for useful activity, for I understand he has become prog chm of the Herndon, VA Rotary Club (reminiscent of fellow tanker **Cullinane** and the Temple, TX Lions).



Jun '43: Nancy & Bud Rundell

From Reno, NV **Zoo Gorelangton** writes that he survived a "mild" heart attack last Aug, but is doing finely now. Good work, Zoo. Keep taking your pills as sched, and hang-in! He rep recently reading a book called *The Wolf Pack* by J Scutte, published by Warner Books. This is an acct of fighter pilots and aircraft in the Vietnam conflict. **Robin**

Olds is prominently featured. Zoo himself has written a multi-volume tome about "football, Hawaiian folklore, and WP." If you like these things, he says, you will like the book. However, he is having difficulty finding a publisher. In turning him down, one publisher said: "Can't use it. No sex or violence." Zoo then concluded his ltr with a complimentary word ("fascinating") for **Roger Hilsman's** latest book (see this column in *ASSEMBLY*, Sep 90).



Jun '43: Bill Roos, Alison Adams and Tim Doyle



Jun '43: Charley & Betty Benson

On 8 Sep, at the age of 35, Rick Romanek, son of **Hank & Betsy Romanek**, was married at Charlotte, NC. Among those present, in addition to Hank & Betsy, were **Mary Proctor**, **Bill & Janey Glasgow**, and **Arch Hill**. Our best wishes to Rick & his wife.

As you know, there is a long lead time between the scribe's submission of material for publication in *ASSEMBLY* and the mail-out of the mag. Formerly, this interval was 3 mos. With the new sched of 6 issues a yr, that interval drops to two mos. In addition, however, there was and still is an indefinite earlier interval from the time of occurrence of an event to its reporting to the scribe and, finally, to the deadline dispatch of his column to WP. For ex, in this space last time was a pic provided by **Dave Schwartz** of **Dave Galas**, **Clare Farley** and **Norm Pehrson** at a dinner party at **Chuck & Marilyn Dickensons'** home. Copy for this no went in early in Aug.

By last Jun, **Clare Farley**, who had been fighting phlebitis, learned that he had bone cancer. At mid-Aug, this con-

dition took a sudden and rapid turn for the worse. In the last wk of Aug, word of his worsening condition spread to many distant friends and classmates, and then, on 31 Aug, at 0230 hrs, Clare died. Following cremation, remains were transferred to WP. There, on 11 Sep, the funeral mass was celebrated at 1300 hrs at the Catholic Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity. The funeral party then moved to the WP Cemetery, where graveside rites were performed, along with full mil honors by the WP Band and a color guard and firing squad from the Post Mil Police. With **Jane** at this sad and solemn occasion were her children **Dr Patrick Farley**, **Mr & Mrs Brian Farley**, **Mr & Mrs Kieran Farley**, and **Ellen Farley**; **Clare's** sister, **Mrs Mary R Kelly**; her son, **John Kelly**; and **Jane's** sister, **Pat Buyers Kristjansen**, with her husband. Classmates present included **Alan Jones**, **Wally & Peggy Magathan**, **Bill & Nancy Malone**, **Bev McCanna Lovsnes**, **Bud O'Connor**, **Nick & Cynthia Parker**, and **Bill & Cecile Cover**. Mourned by family, classmates, and friends, Clare now lies in the WP Cemetery in close company with another famous engr, **Denis Hart Mahan**, whose grave is immediately behind Clare's. . . . **Jane**, for the time being, at least, intended to remain at the Farley home at 10320 Clusterberry Ct, Los Angeles, CA 90077.

From time to time I have mentioned our local Ft Myer Fri Class lunch gp known as the Jun '43 Chowder and Marching Soc. (**Wickert** calls it the "Thanatopsis Gp.") We had, on 14 Sep, a record attendance that was distinguished by a new local regular and a notable first-time visitor. For the info of all: we gather about 1245-1300 hrs on Fri's in the Lamplighter Rm of the Ft Myer Club. Come on in, and we'll drag up another table. On 14 Sep, our record gp consisted of **Cincinatus Atkinson**, **Arch Hill** (new local), **Alan Jones**, **Dick McAdam**, **Jack McGregor**, **Mo Mazingo**, **Bud O'Connor**, **Keith Pigg**, **Frank (Snuffy) Rhea** (first-time visitor), **Bill Roos**, **Hank Schroeder**, **Frank Wood**, and your's truly, **JW Krobar**.

The new 6 issues per yr schedule gives you a 50% increased chance to break into print with prose and pics, and of course, gives me a 50% increased chance to make mistakes. Be that as it may, let me close this col with an appeal for you to send me all your news so I have material to do 6 nos a yr! Our big news topic, the Great Thayer Gate, now belongs to the ages, and I can't work too much out of that anymore. Of course, I could just be a bit "creative." Do you remember, decades now long gone, the horrid, wicked scribe who once wrote about 39 lb babies, 3 ft long? I mustn't go that route, for it's too late to redeem myself by arts and painting. Thus, I must and do rely on you. And, a final word

about photos. Do strive for sharp focus, logical composition (don't cut people's head's off), and good, front or 3-quarter lighting (don't bounce your flash off chrome domes and glasses, if you can help it). As you know, the Class gp here in the Wash metro area is the largest such gp, and I tend to get more pics from them than elsewhere. Hence, I may be (?) said to have too many repeaters. Believe me, we all want to see your multiple mugs from the US at large. So, I say again, "Happy New Yr," and keep those cards and ltrs (and photos) coming in!

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COL Wheat allowed that the 3 legs of the stool of composition are Unity, Coherence and Emphasis. Unity is from being in my "'44 hold" basket; emphasis is on meeting my deadline. Coherence have we none in what follows!

Congratulations to **Don Carter, Jim Connell** and others who made the 90 annual Class Newsltr a whopping success! Although originally skeptical, I am won over by its broad reach and the deep response it has brought. Sent to all living classmates and widows and less space-limited, it better achieves the goal of broad communication of more news. Greater frequency and reaching friends in other classes are adequate tasks for these notes. Having vowed to avoid duplicating newsltr items, I thought I had a cop-out this time; but you have waxed from discursive to prolix since Jun. And we thank you for it!

Kay Susott writes that **Johnny** continues recovery from his 8 Aug 88 stroke, well enough to drive in Honolulu, but tires easily. Kay asserts his ability to think and give her direction is totally unimpaired!! In Jun they were in FL where they saw the **Hendricksons**, **Mary Emley**, **Charlie & Cathy Frock**, and **Dave & Polly Henderson**; thence to U IN for Kay's (25th??) class reunion and to Carmel to visit son **John Auld** and family. Son **Dr Dan** has worked with "hosps" for Cambodian refugees in Thailand since 79. Now he is med coordinator for all 20 camps for Cambodian and **Mhung** refugees. He has obtained US visas for over 30 orphans for Amer adoption and has brought out 10. The **Susott** family foundation, **WORLD FAMILY HAWAII**, in its Cambodian Project, has built footbridges for sch children, and has founded "THE COL JOHN L SUSOTT CLINIC FOR WOUNDED HEROES" and "THE KATHRYN CAMPBELL SUSOTT MD HOSP FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN," and is supporting the renovation of the **Phnom Penh** med sch.

Johnny Calhoun, up to see **Leeper** in MO, finds that his "USMA 44" license



1944: Dave & Polly Henderson, and Susott, Tampa

plate keeps getting attention from classmates *et al* due it. **Jane** was flagged down on I-20 by the **Pettigrews**. **Ted & Betty Altier** stopped for lunch with **Willie Burr** in Sep. **Willie** cooked because **Ginger** was in Italy touring doll museums and to inspect a new granddaughter in Frankfurt, proudly parented by former SC CPT Virginia Burr & MAJ Chet Taylor '76.



1944: Calhoun-Leeper axis, LA-MO

Doc Greaves, who grew up 8 mi from Yorktown, where it all ended, paid his first visit to the bridge that arched the flood, where it all began during a visit east. He & **Jean** saw the **McGuires**, visited **Marge Day** (Jean's NYC roomy 1943-44) and admired the Vietnam Memorial—powerfully moving. **Doc** signed off, hurrying to help son **Jim** evacuate Santa Barbara ahead of the brushfires.

Kern Pitts is still mayor of Southern Shores, NC but slipped off in Jun to win a golf bag as **Les Halstead's** mbr/guest in VA. **McAuliffe** and **Sullivan** look skeptical.

A postcard blitz tracks **Bill Miller** from



1944: McAuliffe and Sullivan with Mayor Pitts

Staser's Anchorage to a nearby world-class trout and salmon lake in AK to the **Farnes** in HI, the **Murrays** in CA and **Jim Bandy**, sporting new by-pass in Denver. Get well, **Jim**!



1944: Susott, niece, Farne and Miller

Our adored **Joan Porter** sent news of **Bill & Mazzie Stegers'** visit to CO Springs en route to Jackson Hole, and that of **Bob Armstrong**, who dined with the **Porters** and **McGlothlins**. **Bob's**



1944: McGlothlin, Steger and Porter

been riding volunteer shotgun with **Sally**, who's a Red Cross prof fund allocator and mgr at disaster sites such as **HUGO's**. I infer that **McGlothlin** may finally have found his calling—as caddy for **Akemi**, who was runner-up in the 90 CO Women's Amateur Assn Tourney—that is, provided he gives no advice. Otherwise, he has two grandsons who, if he's around them enough, will turn into wild catters of one sort or another. **Al Weston** came up to join **Porter** and **McGlothlin** for some golf at the CO elevation, which can add 50 yds to a drive. Meanwhile, **Joan & Fred** care for their mothers, both 94, who have separate homes down the block. (How blessed those ladies are!)

BRIEFS: **Harry Rodgers** has a grandson in the Class of '91! Comment from San Fran: "same old names keep cropping up in the '44 Class column." Comment from here: We tells what we gets: send some new ones! Class luncheon in Aug brought **Gordon** from CA and **Jim Patterson**, who has moved to the DC area. **Brigitte Gruenther** enjoyed the Salzburg Festival again this yr; travel-hater **Don** stayed home. **Audrey** is hap-

py at the 29 Sep birth of **Logan Starr Smith** to son **Todd** & wife in CA; so am I! **Barb Hayman** and **Frances Johnson** sported 5 fractures between them to two wrists and one knee cap in Annapolis in May. **Frances** therefore was unable to



1944: The walking wounded: Barb Hayman and Frances Johnson, Annapolis

hold back **CS** from becoming the 4 Jul Parade Marshal in Chatham, MA. (Where did they find a tank for him?)

At our 10 Oct Class luncheon, the presence of wives improved the scenery and conduct. There we welcomed **Natalie & Tom Mahoney**, who have docked their houseboat in Holland for the winter, and stopped by the **Maishes** en route to their home in HI; **Mary Alice & Joe Hale**, now of Annapolis, where **Joe** is a visiting prof at Canoe U; **Steve Farris**, back from his Nth summer of painting in Provence and Dordogne; and **Doug & Wade Kinnard**, who have a house in Richmond and an apt in Alexandria to accommodate **Doug's** presence on the faculty of the Natl Def Univ.

Gene Steffes and the Class offs have decided that the Class will *not* make a Class gift in 90 to the USMA Flight Proj. They wish, however, to acknowledge individual contributions of over \$11,000 by Class mbrs. Project Chm McDermott, Jan '43, points out that of 34,645 Army off combat fatalities in WWII, 24,119 were Air Corps flying offs.

We regret to announce herein the death of **Jack Trimmer** on 14 May 90 in Columbia, TN. **Jack** succumbed to a long bout with cancer. We extend our sympathy to his family and friends. **Carolyn** (Mrs John C) resides at 2927 Mere Dr, Columbia, TN 38401.

A large gathering of classmates and friends assembled at the Ft Myer Chapel as **Charles L Steel, Jr** was laid to rest in Arlington Cemetery on 19 Oct. **Charlie** succumbed to a heart attack at home in Little Rock, AR on 15 Oct. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to **Jan** and their family. His cherished friendship will be sorely missed.

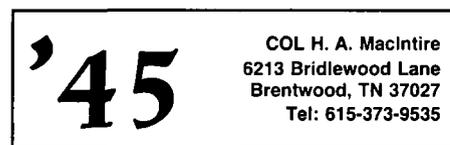
CLASS HISTORY. Further to remarks in the Annual Newsltr on this subject. The Class offs and the obvious local "fall guys" have registered no serious gas pains with the concept and working draft

outline for such a history. Our goal is to describe features of our lives and times as cadets, active duty offs and civs against the backdrop of the major events and headlines of our era. We hope to have write-ups of major and unique experiences in the active (and ret) careers of EACH of you. The working outline includes Origins—where we came from; cadet yrs; WWII to Korea, Korean War through 1960—to include early yrs of NATO-EUROPE; the 60's and Vietnam; the 70's Transition; New Horizons after 30; D-Day + 50. Nothing is concrete; materials made available will drive the structure. This will be the product of many writers.

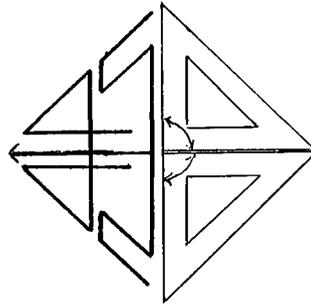
What's this to YOU? Exactly what YOU wish it to be! First: send us your best war, staff, screw-up or other "gee-whiz" tale(s). Second: answer questionnaire(s) which we plan to send to you that, collated, will profile the Class over the yrs.

What is this to ME and US here in DC? First, it is something we're WILLING to do, but none of us is short of projects and demands on his time. A mid-Nov mtg is planned to rough out an org, assign tasks and review a first draft of a data questionnaire for world-wide dispatch o/a 1 Feb.

Footnote: This history effort is intended for the benefit of and consumption by the mbrs of the Class of '44; it has no axes to grind. We have no goal to out-do prof writers such as the author of *The Long Gray Line*; don't get your hopes too high. Now, ante up and we'll deal! GSOYP,A!



Ted McLendon traveled over 12,000 mi from Australia, John & Peggy Murphy only 30 mi from Bedford Vil, NY, and between these two extremes, 390 more of us came from all over to join '45's 45th reunion. John Tyler and his comm thought of everything to make our activities run smoothly. When we arrived at the hotel in Suffern, NY, mbrs of the reception tm (Jim & Bette Root, Jean Bennett, Jim & Lillian Elkey, Bob & Barbara Guthrie, George & Cheli Jackson, Frank & Joan Kane, Mick & Mary-Jane McMurdo, Jim & Martha Rasmussen, Bobbie Tyler, and Doris Williams) were ready to greet us and hand us our packets, plus tote bags decorated with WP scenes for the ladies and white sport shirts with embroidered reunion logo for the men. The logo and the art on the programs was done by Bob & Gene Ives. The Ives' youngest daughter, Ameila, designed the WP scenes on the tote bags. Jim Elkey was John Tyler's special asst; Cal Boleyn, treas; Dick Groves, special arrangements; Tom & CB Maertens, hospitality rm; John Murphy, transpor-



1945: A thinking man's logo

tation; Bill Stewart planned the memorial service; and Hap Argo and Larry Jones were responsible for Class dinners. A salute to John Tyler and all comm mbrs for a job well done. Our thanks, too, to our Class aides, Nick Iorio, Jim Moughon and Peter McAnulty. They all helped us immeasurably.

Thur evening was our first event—a cocktail/buffet mixer. With plenty of good food, comfortable casual attire, and nearly 400 old friends in one large rm, a most enjoyable time was had by all. Fri morning was the time for our quinquennial Class mtg. There were two main items of business. First was a discussion of mini-reunions before our 50th at WP. It was decided to plan a MS River Cruise for 92 and a San Diego visit for 93. The second item was the Bd of Dirs proposal for a Class gift to WP at the 50th Reunion. The Class approved the following Bd proposal: raise \$300,000 from now until May 95 to endow annual maintenance of the Class' previous gift of adorning Eisenhower Hall and to endow 10 scholarship grants to support an additional yr of sch for highly motivated candidates whose scores were slightly below the cutoff for admission. More details on the mini-reunions and the Class gift will come to you in future Class mailings.

Fri eve was cocktails sponsored by our hotel, a call to dinner by the Hell Cats, and dinner sponsored by an informal dance with excellent danceable music.

Sat was our day at WP. Rev Bill Sibert presided at the memorial service, assisted by Rusty Heilbronner, Harriet Eyster Linnell, and Tom McCunniff. Bill's service was thoughtful, optimistic, and suited the occasion perfectly. After the service we had time to stroll around the cemetery adjacent to the Old Post Chapel. Then we all moved to the Plain. The men formed a line to assist in taking the review while the ladies sat in a reserved section of the grandstand where they graciously cheered us when the Class was recognized. After the review we turned to join the ladies in the grandstand for pics. I think we all noticed that our gals were stylish, cheerful, and really "pro." Aren't we lucky! After lunch in the Cadet Mess we bused to Michie Stadium. It was a beautiful, summer-like

day. We had an almost aerial view of the game from the second tier of stands. The Army tm led through most of the game until, in the 4th quarter, Duke's passes started to connect. Half-time entertainment: USMC Silent Drill Tm. Super!

Sat eve, back at our hotel, we had a banquet. The call to dinner was by the Cadet Pipe and Drum Corps. An after-dinner prog was provided by George Benson and friends. George had some fax'ed congratulations from a no of prominent people for the Class. These included GEN's MacArthur, Eisenhower, Bradley, and Marshal Joe Stalin. And there was a gp-singing of Army songs, and George told some classic stories. Everybody loved it. Thanks again, George, for adding so much to our reunions.

Special thanks to the 8 Class widows who were able to attend. We're so glad that you took the time to join us.

There were a no of special license plates advertising the Class: USMA-45 plates from GA, SC, DE and TN; WP-45 from NY; SINKNAVY plate from NC; PEGWAG plate from PA.

We all enjoyed meeting Bobbie Tyler, Prudence Arnold and Trixie Callahan. Jim Munson told me that Trixie is a USMA widow who had been married to Elery (Bud) Zehner '37. Pat met her as a neighbor in Belvoir Arms and the Munsons knew her in the early 60's when they served together in Argentina.

Now to other news. Marty Brewer passed along a flyer to me advertising the first Annual Champlin Fighter Museum Art Show held 5-7 Oct in Mesa, AZ. The flyer showed a pic of a shuttle launch painted by Wilson Hurley.

Ted Adair and his clan had a family reunion in mid-Jun and sent me a pic of 22 of them. Besides his 96-yr-old mother, Betty Lou, the pic shows his son, Larry '74, 5 other children, 12 grandchildren, a son-in-law, and a daughter-in-law. Son Larry was promoted to LTC in Apr and assumed cmd of 6th Bn, 41st Arty, 3rd Div, in Ger. Ted spoke to Ted Halligan recently. He's now back to work and has recovered well from his surgery.

Put Monroe sent the pic of classmates at a restaurant in Austin called "The County Line on the Lake." The occasion was the visit of Sen Mary-Jane McMurdo to her old stompin' grounds in Austin in late Jul and early Aug. She and her son, Keith, a MAJ in the Med Corps assigned in Ger, were in Austin to visit friends and see how the place had changed since her sch days and her wait for Mick while he was in Korea. Who knows, she might have contacted some local legislative people, too, so that it could be a business trip. Put had a rather extensive trip planned around his trip to the reunion with visits to MI and upstate NY before, and CT and DC area afterward. Put also attended the Natl Genealogical Convention in Arlington (6-9 Jun) where he had a nice visit



1945: Ted Adair and clan



1945: Orv Post, Mary-Jane McMurdo, Put Monroe, Bonnie LaBoon, Fran Post, Dick & Gina Crane, and Frank LaBoon, Austin, TX, Aug 90

with **Barney & Rosanne Broughton**, who also attended.

Al Thompson's daughter, Susan Hamby, wrote me a lovely ltr about her dad, who is suffering from Lou Gehrig's disease. It was diagnosed right after Al & Mary's attendance at our 40th Reunion. Until Aug, Mary had been taking care of Al at home at their place in Roseville, CA. In Aug, he was placed in a private ventilator hosp in Folsom, CA, where he is visited daily by one of his 21 children and grandchildren that are in the area. Al is mentally competent but can only communicate by moving eyes and eyebrows. He loves visitors and would value any of you stopping by to see him.

In late Jul, **Jim Edwards** masterminded a (sensibly) festive gathering. **George & Nancy Withey** (Pinehurst and NH) and **Jacque Glynn** (New Haven and coastal RI) were houseguests at his beautiful early-19th-century summer home on Cape Cod. **Jim & Nancy Munson** commuted from nearby Falmouth.

George gave the other two men a lesson on the links, leaving the ladies, after a typical '45 afternoon of chatter/sightseeing/shopping, to prepare and serve a gourmet candlelight dinner. The following day the gp drove to the Munsons' for dinner and summer theater. **Jim Munson** told me that in a corner of **Jim Edwards'** library he noted a plaque recording his induction into the RI Swimming Hall of Fame, a remarkable recognition in that his swimming achievements are not yet complete. In early Aug, he competed in 6 events at the World's Masters Championships in Rio de Janeiro. **Jim Munson** learned from the New England press that **Jim Edwards** had won a silver in the two-km saltwater race, a bronze in the 200 m backstroke and 4 lesser awards.

Warren Stumpe ret for the 3rd and final time on 31 Jul. He said his first ret was as a COL in USAR in late 70's. Then he ret from Rexnord in 87, where he was VP at the time that Rexnord was gobbled up in the "financial feeding frenzy" of the mid-80's. To save all the people of Rexnord's research function who would have been terminated, he sold the gp to Radian Corp and agreed to stay with the new co for 3 yrs. Now he enjoys golf and ret life, although he may do some consulting. **Warren** married **Lois Stout** on 15 Sep. They are making their home in Milwaukee for now, but plan to get some sun further south in the winters. **Ed Michalak** and **Nile Soik** are ret from Allen Bradley. Ed and Warren serve together on a Marquette Univ council. **Dipper Dallman** occasionally calls Warren from Grand Rapids, MI where he is still active with Merrill Lynch. **Dan Silverman** called to say that his dr had given him a clean bill of health from his recent

cancer scare—apparently the treatment was successful. **Fred Einsidler** called to say that he & **Mimi** will make Boca Raton, FL their winter home but will retain their home in Lawrence, NY. Fred is still very active albeit ret as chm and CEO of Butler Intl (Butler Aviation). Warren has been a friend of Norm Schwarzkopf (cmdr in Middle East) since he pulled a Mobdes tour in USMA Dept of Mechanics and Norm was there. Norm's father narrated "Gangbusters" on the radio before WWII. When Warren was pres of the Industrial Research Inst, Norm put on a great show and tour for a no of the technical leaders of America's major companies. It was at Ft Stewart in 85.

That our '45 family has lost 3 of its mbrs just came to my attention. **Sybil Spiller**, **Jack's** wife, died on 10 May 89. **Bob Pine's** wife, **Trina**, died in Jan 90. **Nancy Briscoe Comber**, **Jerry Briscoe's** widow, died 17 Aug 90 and was buried in Arlington on 22 Aug. We will miss them.

Don't forget to send me your news and pics.

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(180) The countdown begins for our 45th next fall. Hopefully all of you have received the Aug 90 mailing which included an initial form to register for the Reunion with the request for a \$50.00 per-person down payment. The mailing included a tentative sched and other pertinent info for you to understand what will be happening. The Great Gorge facility is located in rural Sussex County, NJ, off of State Rd 23 which leaves Port Jervis, NY off of I-84. If for some reason you have not yet received the poop contact **MG Calvert P Benedict** at 1216 Mottrom Dr, McLean, VA 22101 (Note: This is *not* the address in the latest 89 Register.) Registration will begin at 1400 26 Sep. Lets see a big '46 turnout.

I have just come back from the Duke game at which the Class of '45 was enjoying their 45th with beautiful and hot weather, but a not-so-hot end to the game. They were using the Holidome, which we used for our 40th. They also had lunch before the game in Wash Hall, which we plan to do this coming fall. **BEAT HARVARD!**

This article would have been very short, but **Jim Looome** mailed the news items you all note when sending in your \$2 for the *Washington Roster* and news of their gatherings. I received it just as I started to put this together. **Bob Ahlers** rep that his daughter got married in May and that he has moved to a new home, 12323 Chewning Ln, also in Fredericksburg, VA. We find **Dick Beckner** doing

well after surgery; he's up to a 3/4 mi walk without being excessively winded. Expects to have been over the effects of surgery by last Labor Day but had been restricted from lifting and driving until after his 6-wk check, which was after 18 Sep. **Dave Bryant's** son-in-law, Terry Clapp, was promoted to MAJ in AF on 1 Sep. **Buck Buckingham's** son MAJ (AF) C Lance, USAFA '77 is now on the Air Staff (Pentagon) in the Dir of Oper. **John & Dooley Callaghan** celebrated their 40th wedding anniv by sailing round-trip to Europe on the *QE II*, leaving NY on 30 Sep to tour in the UK, Ger and France before sailing back from Southampton 4 Nov. **Pat & Fran Crizer** joined **Ann & Jack Gilham** and **JoAnne & Ken Barlow** at Sky Valley, GA for a wk in Aug. **Bud Devens** rep that house no in *Register* should read "1936" and that CPT Thomas Devens '84 married Barbara Flowers at Ft Belvoir Chapel on 21 Apr. All 8 of his children are now married and he has 13 grandchildren. **Kathy Elder** rep that her second grandchild, Dane M Elder, was born on 21 Dec 89. He is the grandson of two deceased grads: **Jim Elder** and Morgan Mayson '56. Dane's parents are Keith & Victoria Elder, and his big brother is Blake Charles Elder. **Stan Fair** has moved to 133 Strayer Dr, Carlisle, PA 17013 as of last Aug. **Clint Friend** took a Danube River Cruise last May and states his kids live in FL, as he does, VA and MD, and all doing well. **Dan Graham** now has 10 grandchildren; the last two were born the summer of 90.

Dick Gruenther, who sits in front of me at football games, advises that he is about to publish a manuscript which documents the svc of **Lee Parnly** in SEA. It covers his yr in Laos (1960-61) under the CIA and his yr with 5th Special Forces Gp in Vietnam (1966-67). **CM "Bill" Simpson** and **Gene Deatrick** play a part also. **Marie** and the family have provided diaries and Lee's very personal papers. Son David Parnly is a co-author. **Hei Heiberg** wrote **Jim** that his daughter Karen was in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia with her husband Bob (LTC, USA) and were not due home until Jun 91, unless the balloon goes up. No further report. His son James is now in second yr of law sch at William and Mary. I don't know if I have already mentioned that **Sewell & June Johnson** were in New Zealand and Australia last Feb, so will say so now. This past Oct they planned to visit Scotland and their son Eric, who works in London. **Pete Jacula** rep he is fully ret and enjoying it. **Bob Kren** has a new PO Box #450, still in New London, NH. His son Jim will be architect supervising a Dept of Interior Pks Service Contract for enhancing security around the White House. I'm sure you're all aware that **Bob Lamb**, who also sits nearby at football games,

has ret from AOG. He & **Miriam** traveled on the Jul AOG trip to Russia with the **Ray Boyds**, **Dave Bakers** and **Dick Divers**.

Bob Lenzner had as house guests last summer, for a few days at the beach, the **Ray Thayers** and **Miller Robinsons**. Miller was working up a mini-reunion of Arty classmates in Nashville for the TN game. **Bob & Betty Malley's** son Bob Jr is teaching mech engrg at WP. Their son Gregg is in the Mid East as a Marine helicopter pilot. **Tom & Marilyn Reeder** spent some time in Berlin, Prague and Paris last Aug with two of their sons. **Bryce Poe's** daughter Susan married Scott Dickson on 4 Aug in Abilene and they will live in Austin. **Pat & H Lobdell** flew in to attend the wedding, as did Patsy Ehrlich and her son Bob. Patsy's husband Bob was x-'46, graduated '47 and passed away in 89. **Reub & Harriet Pomerantz** have their first grandchild, a boy, Ryan Pearlman, born 13 Jun 89. Reub says they live in Potomac, MD but spend more time in their Boca Raton home in FL. **Bob Richmond** now lives at 65 Woodlee Rd #C, Staunton, VA 24401. He & **Betty** are getting a divorce. **Bill Schneider** states that their sons are now having daughters, 3 in the past yr, and out of 8 grandchildren 4 are boys. **HH Woods** has asked us to provide spiritual and moral support to Bill as he lives through his son David's ordeal in KS. **Bob & Elinor Stewart** got all 3 of their children and 5 grandchildren together last Aug and managed to survive.

Effective 17 Sep 90, a new address for **Phyllis Tixier**: 7400 Crestway Apt 526, San Ant, TX 78239. She is moving to the Army Res Comm and believes she could be the first '46'er to take this step. From San Diego **Moe Weinstein** rep "Visitors welcome—golf and weather outstanding." He expects to be at Army-Rutgers game with **Tom & Babs McBryde**, who sit right behind me. **Moe & Mae's** other travels have taken them to FL, Puerto Rico, HI and AZ. **George Webb's** son-in-law, CPT Dan Cummings '83, has gone to Saudi Arabia; he has an Engr co in US Army. A new granddaughter, **Kendra Ann**, born 7 Aug to Karen (Wilson) & Tom Wiese in Dallas, TX, is rep by **Mint Wilson**. **John Wiss** rep that he is still teaching at Carnegie-Mellon Univ. He recently returned from a mo in Japan as a Fulbright Visitor and rep the place has improved since his tour there in 1952-54. **Allen Wood** provides us with an update on his children and grandchildren as follows: son Daniel, born 20 Sep 47, has two children: Kristin born 25 Mar 79 and Justin born 25 Dec 81; son Allen IV, born 14 Dec 50, is married but no children now; son Bruce, born 19 Jul 53, has two children, Christopher born 24 May 85 and Kyle born 11 May 90.

The following is info relative to the soc schedule of the Wash Chap of the Class.

These are Class functions, not WP soc functions. On Fri, 25 Jan there will be a Class dinner at the A-N Country Club hosted by C-1; the coordinators are **Jones** and **Joy**. On Wed, 13 Mar a Class luncheon at the Pentagon hosted by C-2; the coordinators are **Lawson** and **Welch**. On Fri, 24 Mar a Class dinner at Ft McNair hosted by D-1; the coordinators are **Futrell** and **Storm**.

I do not believe that I have rep previously the untimely loss of 3 of our wives: **Kay Dumas**, **Ruth Graham**, and **Pres Hall**. This was noted in **Loomer's** Aug 90 ltr. I wish to pass on to the husbands and other family mbrs our heartfelt sympathies.

When the new ship *Crystal Harmony* made its inaugural cruise from San Fran in Jul 90 to AK and Canada, 3 classmates & their wives made the trip through the Inner Passage. Shown in the nearby photo at the Captain's Farewell Party are **Hal & Margaret Hallgren** (who sent the poop), **Jack & Val Dayton** and **OD & Kathy Street**. In Sep, Jack & Val join **Steve & Squeak Conner** when the ship begins the first of a series of Trans-Canal cruises.



1946: Aboard the *Crystal Harmony*

A ltr from **Jean Saunders** included a photo of **Si Hunt** and **Ed Saunders** enjoying a superb wk of golf in Scotland in Aug. They played 6 famous courses including the old course at St Andrews where the photo was taken. They also



1946: Hunt and Saunders

played Royal Troon and Prestwick. The weather was beautiful. **Frank Lester** had also planned to make the trip, but they were all deeply disappointed that health

problems prevented his doing so. Jean also said that Ed has ret a second time—which reminds me to include a note from **Lou Elsaesser** to thank me for including info in a recent issue of *ASSEMBLY* about his wife's illness. He did wish to avoid any confusion by letting me know that his wife's name is "Jane," not "Jean" as I had rep.

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The receipt of few ltrs during the past 60 days (*ASSEMBLY* comes every other mo now) makes me write more about myself.

Raul Roca (Box 469, Queretaro, QRO 76000 Mexico) now has a FAX (463-431-38) in his Century 21 Realty job. He is sending me info on Mexican Natl tennis tournaments. I told him that if a major tourney is held in Queretaro, I will go down. He says that **Todd Mallett** lives in front of his "bungalito" and they are located within walking distance of the Jurequilla Golf and Tennis Club. Even if there is no major tourney down there, we (the tennis players (golfers?)) the **Faiths, Duquemin, Lynns, Haskins**, etc) ought to meet there for a mini.

I have just returned (1 Oct) from a series of US Natl Tourneys, the last one being in Knoxville, TN (clay) via Atl where I had a very enjoyable tel talk with **Bernie Abrams** on New Yr's Day (Rosh Hashanah) and a few days training tennis visit with **Patt & Duke Duquemin** in Roswell. Peter, their son, outclassed me one day; the score wasn't even close! Duke and I got to the second round when more experience beat us out. Earlier, I had gained the quarter-finals out in the Seattle Natl indoors with tennis friend, **Roger Downs**. See pic of first round victory in singles over **Frank Wolak '49**.



1947: Frank Wolak '49 and Al Geraci at Nat Indoors, Seattle, Aug

Joe Addison sent his second long ltr in 45 yrs to me recently. You might recall that he ret from Lockheed Missiles and Space Co in Sunnyvale, CA in 88 after 21 yrs with them. He also ret from the Army

Reserve in 83. But now he is working as an independent contractor designing and building new radio relay antenna systems for VOA in Morocco, Thailand, Botswana and Sri Lanka. **Laurie & Joe** say that they spend time now on a more-or-less regular basis in Santa Cruz at one of their rental properties. Joe is recommending projects for the Class to consider and complete for USMA for our 50th Reunion.

Betty & Bob Sattem have upgraded their residence to 6400 Braxton Pl, Centerville, OH 45459 (tel: 513-438-0200). From farm to condo—no more cattle, hogs, cats, dogs, etc for them. In fact, they are planning a trip to Bahamas in Nov, one of many I am sure. . . . The snow is appearing on the hills around Anchorage; the geese, cranes and ducks are flocking to begin their southward journey. **Bill Coghill** further rep that at



1947: Bill & Gerry Coghill with annual friends; Gerry caught the larger 65-pounder



1947: Bill campaigning for his brother

least 3 classmates with wives sojourned to AK this summer. **Mary Lou & Jim Edington** cruised up the AK coast; **Mary & Bill Mahlum** sailed up to Anchorage in a 4-masted sailing vessel; **Jane & John Mastin** motored up with 55 other trailers in an Airstream caravan. If **Bobbi & I** fly up next yr, I want to catch King salmon in the Kenai River that weigh more than I do. See pic where **Gerry** caught the 65-pounder; **Bill**, the 55-pounder! The Coghill clan is taking over AK and maybe providing potential USMA plebe athletic talent in baseball and golf. **Jane & John Mastin** returned from AK and then immediately flew East for daughter **Linda's** wedding. **Linda Lou** married **Jeffrey**



1947: Mary & Bill Mahlum at the Coghills', Anchorage, AK, 4 Jul



1947: John & Jane Mastin at the Coghills', Anchorage, AK, 11 Jul. Note unk local bird in rear of group, a Walt Disney initial penetration of AK



1947: Vi & Dave Hendrickson '49 and Jane & John Mastin, Dawson Creek, BC, Canada, Jul

S Lundberg on 15 Sep in Stratford, CT. More next time with pics on wedding.

Mike Maloney phoned me in late Sep in order to provide tel no in FL (Naples) for classmates to call to be invited to the now-famous Second Annual Naples Mini to be held on 4 Feb 91. Call Mike at 813-598-2071 or **Mal Wright** at 813-261-6815. We are pleased to hear that Mike's knee is almost back to normal after recent med attention. He & **Mockie** will be able to dance the Irish jig at next mini.

Tom Benson, Wayne Hauck and I are picking up any loose ends, Class projects or activities until re-election of Class offs occurs at the 45th Reunion.

Bill Reckmeyer has renewed his sending out of Christmas blessings in the summer again with individual pic of ea mbr of the clan. Most of the family are

doing well and are supportive of ea other. The 31st grandchild in the family, Elizabeth Anne Dunn, arrived 8 Jun.

Take care. Stay active.

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The holidays are over, the families and friends gone home and here we are in a new yr—the 43rd since grad—that should get your attention! Got some news from **Woe Enderle** who lives in the

desert south of Tucson—Woe said he couldn't make the San Fran gathering, but would have loved to see some of the troops who don't normally pass through his neck of the woods. Few know, but Woe and his brother are quite accomplished treasure hunters, but their enterprise is shut down now because of lack of "reasonable results," as Woe puts it. At one time they had quite a vehicle fleet—track vehicles, hovercraft, gyrocopters, ATVs, sandrails and 22-ft flatbeds to haul them around on—now that's sophistication! The **Schoenbergs** rep the last child has flown the coop, graduating

from NC State law sch, now admitted to the bar and working at the same law firm with his brother. Irv is fresh out of things to do now that he's finished with the Callaway reunion and has turned over the gavel at the Atl Kiwanis last fall. **John Bellinger** accompanied **Anne** to a West Coast mtg and rep that **Phil Day** was a fine host as usual, and while in the area they checked in with **Connie & John McEnery** at their lovely place on the Monterey Peninsula with its fine view of the valley and ocean.

The '48 Western Reunion in San Fran was a smashing success! In the words of one classmate participant, "... **Phil Day** and the West Coast gang outdid themselves. . . ;" that's high praise from this undemonstrative crowd. The reunion was choreographed by Phil and "treasured" by **Jim Sandman**; **Norm Robinson** was keeper of the bar and his erudite after-action rep states that among the Class of '48, at least, the rumors of the passing of the gin martini are false. Attendance totaled about 60 with some additional daughters, sons-in-law and others swelling the ranks, and thanks to **Jim McCray**, **Charlie Sunder**, **Osteens** and **John Egbert**, the accompanying pics are presented in remembrance of those doings. My thanks to Norm Robinson also for filling me in on the sched and the people who were present. Attendees included (in no particular order, but only how they came out on the registration list) **John & Connie McEnery**, **Jim & Sally (Adams) Brady**, **Lyle & Virginia Walter**, **Marianne Kiernan**, **Paul & Marie Weaver**, **Ed & Mary Carroll Nelson**, **Jack "aw shucks" Osteen & Pat**, **Hank & Lucille Stelling**, **Mike & Betty Tashjian**, **Merce Hughes**, **Phil Day**, **Kathy Meizen**, **Ed & Anna Marie Bertram**, **Bill & Patt Byers**, **Lee & Johnsie Doyle**, **Norm & Carol Robinson**, **Ash & "Happy" Foote**, **Charlie & Link Sunder** with daughter **Sue**, **Ed & Peggy Kritzer**, **Norm & Carolyn Lovejoy**, **Lowell & Elly Genebach**, **John & Sandy Egbert**, **Jim McCray**, **Jim & Patsy Blakeslee**, **Tom & Jo Hoffman**, **Jay & Lois Hatch**, **Stan & Corky Thevenet**, **John & Pat Withers**, **Jim & Barbara Sandman**, **Bob & Carol Pomeroy**, **Al & Austy Pabst** and **Bill & Carol Dougherty**. Joining in the fun



1948: 1st Regt, San Fran reunionites



1948: Thevenet leading 2d Regt San Fran reunionites in "prayer"



1948: The Doyles, McEnerys, Hatches and Patsy Blakeslee



1948: Marianne Kiernan, Pat Withers, Thevenets, Merce Hughes and John Withers

were John & Mary Delistraty '47 and Dick & Betsy Connell '49.

The prog was an inspired and varied one designed to give everyone a flavor of what's good about San Fran, with ample time set aside for renewing old acquaintances. It started on Thur afternoon with registration, refreshments and a barbecue dinner; Fri brought the rubberneck tour of the city with time for shopping and sightseeing followed by an attitude adjustment period before a Japanese buffet dinner, where **Pat & John Withers** donated two cases of Chardonnay from the wine country where they live; Sat the tiring revelers took the ferry to Sausalito across the Bay and set their own pace for sightseeing at the local annual Art Fair and (of all things) the Corps of Engrs Bay area model for tides, and shopping before convening for the evening toasting and Chinese dinner.



1948: The Weavers and Sunders on ferry ride to Sausalito



1948: A thorn between two roses: Sally (Adams) & Jim Brady and Jo Hoffman

Before many started their trips for home

on Sun, the reunioners enjoyed a champagne brunch cruise on the Bay and a "Beach Blanket Babylon Revue" at Club Fugazi. It is significant to note that no one was willing to tell me about this activity except to say that pics were banned and it's the longest running stage play in the US. Since I can't tell you more about this odd-sounding event, I'll just have to let your imaginations take over.

Link & Charlie Sunder's daughter Susan & husband joined several reunion events, following the bay tour in their motor and sailboat after having just returned from a 5-mo sail to and from Tahiti. The Sunders started their reunion 3 wks early with a tour of the Canadian Rockies, OR Coast, and northern CA. Modest Charlie Sunder won't tell you, but I will rep that he was honored by his local Lions Club for outstanding svcs to the comm; ask him about it. The list of sons and daughters deploying with our forces in the Gulf is beginning to lengthen. The ones I know about include **Paul & Marie Weaver's** daughter Ann as a pilot A/C of a KC 135 tanker; **Jim & Sally Macklin's** son Jeff is there with the 101st; and **Jack & Jean Doody's** son Mark arrived at Ft Stewart in time to load out with 24th Div—a few of us, Jack included, remember when the 24th left Japan for Korea 40 yrs ago.



1948: Norm & Carol Robinson and Sandy & Willie Bertram at San Fran regional



1948: Doyle, Sandy Egbert, Patsy Blakeslee, Jim McCray and Mary Carroll Nelson

Les Carter forwarded a change of address for **Reuben Anderson** to Los Angeles from FL; in the process he told of his & **Ginnie's** visit to NC where they



1948: Blakeslee, Egbert, Sandman, Foote, Stelling and Weaver

had dinner with the **Malletts, Babs (Wadsworth) & John Nelson**, and **Nancy Schless**. Nancy came down to NC from home in Carlisle, PA to stay with the Osteens and Nelsons. Apologies to **Cur-**



1948: Nancy Schless (ctr) with NC friends Babs Wadsworth Nelson, the Osteens and John Nelson

ley Mounger—in the last issue I made some not-so-sly comments about his role in the nationally-acclaimed Intl Ballet Competition in Jackson, MS. Now I find out that Curley was largely instrumental in raising the one mil bucks to bring the jurors and dancers for the competition to town. Now that's true comm svcs and indeed one of the "thousand points of light" and well-deserving of our plaudits, Curley!

Charley & Mary Horn dropped me a note on their recent activities and classmates whom they have been with recently; they traveled space A to Ger and England in Aug where they met up with **Kit & Glenn Wilhide** (the Horns sent along a nice pic of Glenn & Kit which I'll have to carry over till next issue). Together they took in Shakespeare's play *Love's Labor Lost*. After the play, Charley says he felt like he did in plebe English; that is to say, he didn't know what was going on during the play, but when it was over, felt sure he had been through a great cultural exp—we all (with the possible exception of **Flaps Capps**) understand that feeling, Charley. On returning home they had a short visit with the **Miltons** who were kind enough to furnish the taxi service to and from Dover, DE.

Once again, on behalf of all of those who enjoyed the San Fran gathering, I know you join me in extending our heartiest thanks to **Phil Day** and his "volunteers" for the splendid job they did. In the next issue there will be more pics of this great event. Now we cast down the gauntlet to any enterprising gp of classmates in either AZ or CO to step forward and begin planning for the next gathering of the aging veterans of the one and only "Animal Mgt" course and the first 4-yr post WWII class.

I am saddened to rep the deaths last Oct of **Larry Hoyt** in Reston, VA outside Wash, DC, and **Joan Tyree** in Pawling, NY. Our deepest sympathy and loving thoughts go to their families.

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You may recall an item and photo in the May 90 '49'er notes showing **Don & Brenda Swanke** at a luncheon in honor of their going to Kuwait for at least a yr. The most recent info, supplied first from **Arnold Winter** with follow-up from **Ted Swett**, is that both were taken to Baghdad where they were seen in late Sep. Brenda was eligible for evacuation but chose to stay with Don. One problem for Don is in obtaining certain blood-pressure-control medication. It appears that one shipment has been attempted through the US Embassy. Brenda's sister, in Monroe City, TN, gives high praise to the Dept of State for its efforts in keeping the families informed.

Some of the Wash bunch gathered at the home of **Allen & Audrey English** in

Annapolis on 8 Sep. It was a lovely day for the share-a-dish supper, and enjoyed by all. Present were **Art & Barbara Lee Kingdom**, **Charlie & Cindy Adams**, **Jack & Jeanne Carr**, **Hal & Adele Lombard**, **Ebba Jo Spettel**, **Gene & Ann Mechling**, **Wayne & Elaine Norby**, **Bob & Sally Springer**, **Kirby & Ann Lamar**, **Tut & Shirley Hendricks**, **Marc & Cynthia Jartman**, **Ted & Cay Swett**, **Al & Doreen Fagg**, **Barbara Peters**, **Bill & Flo Huber**, **Ed & Jan Townsley**, **George & Jean Hoffmaster**, **Web Ivy** and **Doris Pappas**, **Nene Hervey**, **Bob & Ann Black**, **Dave & Mary Lee Bolte**, **Dick & Lois Bowman**, **Bob & Wren Ennis**, **Harry & Ann Griffith**, **Phil & Mary Deane Feir**, **John & TC Magnotti**, **George & Elaine Sylvester**, **Nancy & Hill Dickinson**, **Lee & Trudy Surut**, and **Sachiko & your scribe**. Al later sent a gp photo from TC Magnotti, which shows most of the crowd. Web Ivy favored us with some of his piano-bar music. Pres **Ted Swett** made a speech recalling, among other things, that he and Al had commanded bns side-by-side in Vietnam, and presented our hosts, Al & Audrey, with a new Army-Mule welcome mat to greet visiting personnel from the Naval Acad.

With a little prodding, **Joe Guthrie** makes his first appearance ever in our Class notes. Joe says he must be getting old and sentimental to respond. Joe lives in Tehachapi, CA, and works for AV-TELL Flt Tst Inc as ch test pilot. He frequently flies F-40's, the old T-33, Sabreliners, and a collection of "bug smashers." He adds, "I must be the oldest guy around who is current and flying the F-4." Realizing that one "can't do this forever" he has set next summer for ret to a 120-acre ranch near Missoula,



1949: Ray Klemmer, Martha Pafe and Al Goering

MT—going from riding airplanes to horses. Joe says he sees **Punch Jamison**, who "must be the youngest-looking guy in our Class," and hears from **Tiger Howell** and **Bob Orem** frequently. His only complaint is "that damn Tiger usually calls at 7:00 AM Eastern time and wonders why I'm not up yet!"



1949: Leon McCrary and Tom Crawford

Bill Dirkes wrote to ask the Class Bd of Dir for approval for the 42.5 reunion in Jan 92. He got an enthusiastic response. **Dick Rosenblatt** is currently negotiating with a no of hotels before one is picked as the official Reunion Hq. Bill later wrote that **Bill Stemple**, Reunion treas, will be leaving Dayton for NJ in the spring. Bill says he can finish the work with the comm mbrs now available, but if there are other offers of help, they would certainly be appreciated. Contact Bill at Forestview Dr, Dayton, OH 45459.

The Wash bunch met for lunch at the Pentagon on 11 Sep. Present were **Ed Wilford**, **Ed Townsley**, **John VanderVoort**, **Ted Swett**, **George Sylvester**, **Orton Spencer**, **Bob Pfeiffer**, **Phil O'Brien**, **Wayne Norby**, **Joe Muckerman**, **Gene Marder**, **Kirby Lamar**, **Art Kingdom**, **Web Ivy**, **Bill Huber**, **Ed Howard**, **George Hoffmaster**, **Bill Hoffman**, **Harry Griffith**, **Dick Gillespie**, **Al Fagg**, **Hill Dickinson**, **Jud Conner**, **Jack Carr**, **Bill Bumpus**, **Dick Bowman**, **Dave Bolte**, **Ted Boland**, and your scribe. **Jud Conner** has written a humorous book entitled *Vermont from A to Z*. He says it is for sale only in the New England area. **Bob & Sue Pfeiffer** are going to Ger for



1949: '49'ers at Annapolis

their daughter's wedding to Andreas Fuchs. The couple plan to live in Darmstadt. **Bill & Ann Bumpus** had 21 children and grandchildren to their summer home at Ocean Pines, MD in early Aug.



1949: Cherry & Dick Henry

Dave Bolte led the mtg with a few jokes, none of which will be printed here. **Ted Swett** said that on pp 26-27 of the 3 Sep 90 issue of *Sports Illustrated* is an article on col football with an accompanying photo of **Bobby Jack Stuart** and **Rip Rowan**. **Ed Wilford** came in from Phila. He recently coordinated the first reunion of the AF Pilot Class of '50. He says it took 9 mos of near-full-time effort and promised to write with details (see below). **Ed & Billie Howard** plan a trip to Atl for a farewell party for their daughter & her husband, who are moving to Denver. Ed & Billie plan to visit them in Dec. **Hill Dickinson** is now working as a consultant for both IDA and RAND.

George Sylvester stated that the '49'er Lodge Fund has passed the \$50,000 mark. He again asked that ea of us designate some portion of our annual donation to the WP Fund as specifically for the '49 Class Fund to help meet our goal of an \$80,000 endowment. **Art Kingdom** said **Gene Mechling** phoned that he could not make the Sep luncheon. But Gene passes on **Dick Stauffer's** thanks for the parties for him in Carlisle, PA this summer. Pres **Ted Swett** appointed **George Hoffmaster** and **Dave Bolte** as nominating comm for next yr's Class offs and dirs. The slate will be announced at the Nov luncheon and voting will be in Jan.

Rigor Morton wrote that he & **Mary-**

anne had been to OH for the wedding of #3 son. All 3 boys and their 5 children were there and "it was a circus." The ltr was to note that through the continuing efforts of **Jim Schmidt**, it was learned that **Paul Hinckley** had died of cancer in Apr 84. **Rigor** has prepared an obituary for **ASSEMBLY**. **Betsy Finnegan** sent a note via **Kirby Lamar** that she has moved from Bethesda to 9615 Beman Woods Way, Potomac, MD, 20854. **Charlie Smith** wrote from Rio for some info. He says he's very happy to get **ASSEMBLY** or else he'd be cut off from civilization completely.



1949: Fell Wilford and Sally Cheever

A ltr from **Ed Wilford** was full of info on the first reunion of AF Pilot Class 50-D, held 2-4 Aug in CO Springs. USMA '49 attendees were **Charlie & Sally Cheever**, **Tom & Sandy Crawford**, **Clarice Dederich** (Bill's widow), **Jack & Alice Gillette**, **Al Goering**, **Jack Hammack**, **Jim & Mickey Hartinger**, **Dick & Cherry Henry**, **Gene & Liz Hustad**, **Punch Jamison** and **Jimmy Mitchell**, **Charlie (Red Dog) & Allyn Keffer**, **Ray Klemmer**, **Ed & Zoe Kostyniak**, **Milt & Tita Kramer**, **Dave & Link Krimendahl**, **Bob & Rae Makinney**, **Ab & Smitty Martin**, **Lee & Ruth Ann McCrary**, **John & Peggy Mione**, **Emil & Florence Nakfoor**, **Wanda Neef** (Frank's widow), **Willis (Bill) Newby**, **DD Overton**, **Basil & Martha Pafe**, **Stew & Carolyn Spragins**, **Jim Spry**, **Mike & Barbara Steger**, **Bill & Jo Ann Terrell**, **Ed & Fell Wilford**, **Jack Wogan** and **Barb Rennels**. Also attending were a no of USNA '49'ers.

A subsequent ltr from **Ed** included



1949: Jack Wogan and Ed Wilford

some photos of the reunion, shown here, taken by **Sandy Crawford**. In addition to the partying there were other events. **Jim Hartinger** arranged tours of **Cheyenne, Mt (NORAD)** and **Space Cmd Op Ctr** and ran a two-day golf tournament. Non-golfers had a choice of a special AF Acad tour, a trip to **Pike's Peak**, or a visit to an old mining town. All concluded with a banquet and **Big Band** (recruited by **Jack Wogan**) dance. The next 50-D reunion will be in San Ant, Oct 92.

The Wash bunch will meet for lunch at the Pentagon on 15 Jan and 12 Mar. Call **Art Kingdom**, 703-569-9360, for reservations and to confirm that the date has not been changed.

'50

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all of you! Here we are started into the last decade of the century and still going strong.

For your info, the 40-50 book was delivered to the printer at the beginning of Sep by **Laurie Eek**, after a lot of hard work by many people, but esp by **Jack Wagner**, **Laurie Eek**, **Lou Dixon**, and **Jane & John Fox**. Over 90% of the Class responded with pics and write-ups, often thanks to the persistent efforts of co reps and **Jack Wagner**. We will have a large spread on the 40th with pics contributed by 19 people. For those of you who ordered copies, they should be arriving just after the first of the yr. Any of you who still want to order, **Jack** will have a few extras on a first come, first served basis.

Our next get-together will be the mini-reunion **Lou Prentiss** is planning at Ft Leonard Wood/Lake of the Ozarks, starting 6 Sep at Wood, then shifting 8 Sep (Lou said that this is a correction from his flier) for 3 days at the lake. Lou rep that by mid-Aug he already had 171 responses to his mailing, with a third saying they plan to attend. With so much interest don't procrastinate when the time comes to sign up, since there will be a limited no of rms available. Nightly cost of those rooms now, by the way, is \$43 near Wood and \$85 at the lake, double occupancy. These are not firm costs yet with a yr to go. All in all sounds like a great time, thanks to **Lou's** efforts.

Got a nice pic of **Bill Baxley**, together with a notice of his appt as the first Dean of the Sch of Bus Admin and Comp Sci at Coastal Carolina Col in Conway, SC. **Bill & Carolyn** have been there with CCC since 72, after **Bill's** ret from the Army.

Another interesting article told of **Stan Reinhart** at WP receiving the charter for the Iota Phi Chap of Eta Kappa Nu, the electrical engr'g honor society. This chap is the first that WP has established as an honor society for a specific engr'g



1949: DD Overton, 24th jet ace—Korea



1950: COL William J Baxley, Jr

discipline. Stan, of course, ret this summer and he & Sally are enjoying a yr in England.

Also in England this summer, though only for 3 days, were Sam & Tillie Smithers. Sam ret from the law firm he was managing, so they decided to take one of the USAA tours. They had a glorious five days on the QE II, then 3 days of sightseeing, eating and play-going in London before returning on the Concord. Sam says that flight was a great exp in itself.

Speaking of ret, I had a good visit by phone with Bert Brady up in PA. He ret about 3 yrs ago and says he is really enjoying the chance to play golf.

Another card from our world traveler Mel Johnsrud took him and brother Sherm to ME, then on to visit brother Bernie in Dallas, up to MN, a quick trip back to DC for a pig roast, then out to Seattle. They certainly are getting their money's worth out of signing up with Continental/Eastern for a yr of travel. Rumor has it that they have enjoyed it so much, they are planning to sign up for another yr. It is certainly nice to get their newsy cards.

During the US Tennis Open Dave Pettit called about the unseeded David Wheaton, who was finally defeated in the quarter-finals by McEnroe. Dave got hold of Warde Wheaton to learn that the player was Warde's nephew and that Warde's son David was representing the family at the matches to cheer on his cousin.



1950: After a "delay" of 45 yrs!

One of the most interesting items came in a ltr from CJ Matthiessen out in

Monticello, IA. The pic shows CJ with the P-51 Mustang he flew last Jul, 45 yrs after his aviation cadet days. He was kind enough to send me a copy of his description of all that happened with that ride; fascinating. As CJ mentioned, Al Packer was a P-51 "driver" back in WWII and now lives near Marshalltown, IA on the family farm. CJ also rep that he & Dee were entertained by Lonnie Ann & Paul Vanture on their brand new deck in Alexandria, VA in Aug. CJ says Paul is a great cook and invigorating to visit, though Paul now speaks with the use of a vibrator, due to a laryngectomy.

From FL, Bruce Petree writes that he & Barbara are digging in even deeper, having been there over a yr. Malvene & Ben Lewis have about completed their home two doors down, with Malvene getting things in order in FL while Ben finishes up his work with Sverdrup. Marilyn & Clyde Spence stopped by in Jul after his ret from Marion Inst. From there Marilyn went on a genealogy trip to the British Isles and Clyde went back to OK. Elaine & Lou Dixon also pop in to see how their place is coming along across the lake, though they have not set a date to move. In Aug it was Tillie & Sam Smithers who showed up. Sam and Bruce sound like they need lighter golf balls, for they put a dozen into the ponds at Suntree. Another Alexandria, VA transplant, Pete Todsén, showed up after spending the summer in NC. Pete lives over in IRCC, where Woodie & Bill Aman and Joy Viskochil are. The Amans say they are having a great time down there, though they stay mighty busy—Bill was just elected VP of the local WP soc, by the way.

Joy does not spend her all her time in

FL. In Sep she hosted the '50 bridge gp at her place in Lake of the Woods, near Fredericksburg, VA. The mo before Dede & Frank King had the gang out to their place near Soloman's Isl, MD. Out there we even had rides on Frank's sailboat. The '50 bridge gp meets the 3rd Sat ea mo except Dec, under the guidance of Penny Philips. Anyone wishing to join in for a day or regularly, contact her or me. It is great fun, complete with potluck supper.

Another regular function, as we have mentioned, is the '50 lunch, the 3rd Wed at Tyson's Marriott. No reservations needed, just show up, as Frank Henning recently did after attending a reunion in VA Beach, VA of the 26th Inf Regt that was stationed at Bamberg, 1947-55. Also at the reunion were Larry & Jo Jackley, Ros & Mary Round, and Vern & Mary Quarstein. Frank, up from Atl for the reunion, came on to visit one of his children here in the DC area.

While the Spences have left Marion Inst, '50 has another link down there. Donn Hart, grandson of Rose & Lou Genuario, has entered the WP prep program there, expecting to enter WP next summer. Looks like a new generation will be following in our steps!

Speaking of generations, look at Marilyn & Al Romaneski's family. The pic was taken Aug 90 in Freiberg, Ger, where Marilyn & Al run a hospitality house for GIs under OCSC. All the family assembled for their 40th anniv: daughter Jo, sons Mark '76 and Peter with their spouses and children. Soon after, Jojo & Harry Coyle came by for 6 days in Sep en route to Milan and Sorrento; Peggy & Bob Wilson arrived 26 Oct.



1950: Romaneski reunion in Ger, 12 Aug

John & Eileen Jones had some of their youngsters off on vacation in Aug. While oldest son John Patrick had to stay at his job in Boston, younger son Jeff, who is a pilot with the AF in NM, and daughter Victoria, who is an engr at Huntsville, AL, joined their parents in the Virgin Isl for two wks. John says the food was just great, but that driving on the "wrong" side of the road left a lot to be desired. In fact, he had Victoria do most of the driving down there.

Had a long ltr from **Bob White** in Naples, Italy. Among other things, he mentioned there will be a big A/N get-together there, though he feels a bit outnumbered. The CINCAFSOUTH is USNA '57, but at least the C/S is WP '56. That day their tailgate party will begin at dusk and then adjourn to watch the action on a big screen TV at the club. He also suggested that some of the Korean vets in the Class may want to get together when the new Korean Memorial is dedicated in DC, so keep that in mind for the future.

Speaking of tailgate parties, **Robin & I** were lucky enough to visit **Faith & Morris Herbert** at WP in Oct, along with **Rose & Lou Genuario** for the Duke game, including the Class tailgate party before the game. Lots of regulars plus some new faces were there: **Florence & Jim Skove, Barbara & Hunter Passmore, Bob Luckese, Barbara & Kent Cooley, Loris & Ken Ebner, Doris & Andy Byers, and Will Henn**. In addition, two of our Class aides from the 40th dropped by: **Chuck Phillips** (Penny & Wendy's son), and **Charles Smithers**, Sam's cousin, with his wife Molly. After the game we had a short visit with **Wally & Jane Nutting**. Wally had slipped away from his Capstone duties in DC long enough to meet Jane, down from ME, for the long wk-end. **John & Ann Wickham** also were there, so John could participate in the 122nd annual presentation of bibles to plebes by the American Tract Soc.

Our new area liaison reps are working out very well. One of the advantages to me is the flow of material for the column. **Blackie Bolduc**, rep for TX/OK area, sent along a no of items that came out of the responses to his newsltr: **Mike Walsh** rep the marriage of his daughter Kathryn to Gregory Wagner in Jun, plus his son Michael was married to Virginia. **Ed Allbaugh**, after 3 daughters and two granddaughters, has now added a grandson, Bryce Charles McBratnie, thanks to oldest daughter Sandy & Shawn. Ed was pleased, after 8 yrs of helping with construction of the Comanche Peak power station, to see its Unit 1 come "on line." **Ed Gradoville**, nearly 5 yrs after bypass surgery, is fully recovered and plans to be at the mini-reunion next Sep. **Jan & Ed Batchelor** spent Jan to Aug this yr teaching at Worms, Zweibrucken, Berlin, and

Munich, giving them a great chance to see Ger. Both **Don Smith** and **Bill Berry** told of **Pris & Sam Nicholson's** teaching in China for a yr before returning to Austin, TX. Bill also said that **Chuck & Evelyn Osterdorf** are moving to a San Ant ret comm. **Phil Pennington** is with NASA at the Johnson Space Ctr as a supervisor of control systems.

Unfortunately, I have some unhappy news to rep. On 4 Jul, **Don Langren** died. He is survived by his widow **Mary**, who lives at 810 16th St, Onawa, IA 51040. On 21 Aug, "**Ace**" **Barker** died in Denver, CO. He is survived by his widow **Sharon**, whose address is 3111 Shaffer, Manhattan, KS 66502. On 12 Sep David Bolte, son of **Lorel & Phil Bolte**, died in El Paso, TX. **Phil & Lorel's** address is 10715 Oakenshaw Ct, Burke, VA 22015. I'm sure you all join me in expressing our sympathy to all these families.

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CLASS ACTIVITIES: Plans for the 40th Reunion, 26-29 May, are being formalized. Reunion highlights include Class dinner and dance, memorial services, '51 breakfast mtg, Alumni parade, presentation of the Class gift, and informal get-togethers. Costs have been budgeted not to exceed \$250 per person, exclusive of hotel accommodations and personal expenses. Costs include two cocktail parties with light buffet, luncheon at Wash Hall, cocktails and Class dinner, favors, bus transportation, and admin costs. **Sanderson, Hendricks, Ewing, and Byers** have provided their usual outstanding support for '51. Earliest possible notification makes their jobs much easier. Send your check in the amt of \$250 "x" no of attendees to **John Byers**, 8218 Chancery Ct, Alexandria, VA 22308. Also call the Sheraton on 1-800-44-PRIME and make your reservations at the new Sheraton Hotel in Mahwah, NJ (30 min fr the WP main gate). Ref the '51 reunion group to ensure \$90/day rate which is available up to 3 wks before arrival. DC Area Luncheons—11:30 am each 3d Thur of the month at A/N Club, Arlington, VA—**Bob Hyatt**, coordinator, tel (301)-320-5545. A joint USNA/USMA '51 A/N Game Luncheon is scheduled for 11:30 am, 4 Dec at Bolling AFB. This is a revival of luncheons initiated in the early 80s by **Don Zurowski** and **Bruce Meader**, USNA '51 but phased out after Don's death. Once again **Ab Webber** will host '51 at the Airport Hilton on 8 Dec with his pre-A/N game breakfast and post-game cocktail party. They're always great and the presence of Madge, Ab's mother, is a very special treat. On 20 Oct **John & Peg Byers** will host a '51 party

once again at their Royal Gallery in Oldtown, Alexandria. Without exception, camaraderie and enjoyment of their parties is further enhanced by the gallery's ambiance.

WEST POINT DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES. LTC Jeffrey McNally rep the first two lectures in this yr's series by GEN Goodpaster and Assoc Justice Scalia, US Supreme Ct, were very well-received. Approx 600 members of the Corps, staff and faculty and a large contingent of the WP community attended the lectures in Thayer Hall. Speakers interacted with cadets, faculty, invited guests and members of the Academy's Bd of Visitors during receptions and mtgs before and after lectures.



1951: A new face at the luncheon: (rear) Shillingburg, Hyatt, Dick Ryan; (front) Phillips

REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT—The SOUTHEAST. NC, SC: Ed Matney—Reg Rep, John Samotis—Dep; AL, AR, GA, LA, TN: George Meighen—Reg Rep, Barnett DeRamus—Dep; FL, Central and South America: Russ Walthour—Reg Rep, Fred Irving—Dep.



1951: Walthour and cohorts (Irving and Guyer) in Jacksonville

It seems that during each yr, one col input/yr is lost in the mail; unfortunately, this yr it was Ed Matney's. But Ed, with the originals as backup, made copies and fired a complete input overnight (George, I hope you're taking notes). Unfortunately, pics were lost; but maybe it wasn't too bad since one lost was of **Joe Clemons** and his restored 1946 US Army L-17 after an emergency landing in Winnipeg. Incidentally, each male mbr of the Clemons family, to include a

USMC/USNA son-in-law, is a pilot—look out, Cecil—you could be next. **Dave & Rita Carroll** are located in New Bern, NC where he is recovering from surgery to correct an aortic aneurysm. He is still involved with AARP as a tax coordinator/instr—last yr they assisted over 400 clients. The **Partains** are enjoying thoroughly their new home near Pinehurst, NC and many recent visitors—**Pete & Pat Clay**, **Jim & Kay Boatner**, **Bill & Del Bradley**, **Mary Tatum**, **Ted & Sally Atkeson**, and Ed's old roommate **Mike Davis**, sampled the warm Partain hospitality. With the quality of svc and user references, it could become a '51 highway stop off Route 95. In Sep the Bradleys made a hurried trip to DC and managed to see and talk to some very "old" friends to include the **Pendletons**, **Keeslings**, **Steeles**, **Boatners**, **Barbers**, **Dee Bohan**, and **Lefflers**. Good news for N VA—**Dave & Margaret Philips** moved to Alexandria in Aug; Dave also attended the Sep luncheon. **Ed & Joan Willis** still in Mathews, NC; Ed is still teaching, spending much time with 7 grandchildren and writing another book. During a recent trip to DC, **Bob & Cathy Prehn** managed to see **Bob & Tinky Hyatt** and **Paul & Sara Coughlin**. Pete continues getting rich in prop mgt while lovely Cathy, soon to be a star, recently worked in her 11th movie as an extra. **John Spach**, Winston-Salem, is involved in civic and volunteer work to include county zoning and planning, and teaching elderly to write. In Sep, **John & Doris Streadorf** visited New England and Canada and in Oct, **Gerry & Carol Reeve**; also, John plans to attend the Oct DC luncheon. **Ed & Herma Matney** are doing fine as usual—family is in great health and Ed is still a broker with Wheat. **Dick & Joyce Breakiron** are awaiting their first grandson—so say daughter Dawn's prenatal tests. Son Richard with USMA Econ Dept and wife Jan (both majors) in PE. **Bill & Audrey Malouche** are located in Columbia, SC where Bill is involved completely with **Michelin Tire**—recently completed hiring to support a major plant expansion and is now Plant Tng Dir. **Phil & Ann Reed** are at Green-

ville and head their own real estate firm. They, with **Seth & Joyce Scruggs**, attended Founders Day of Upper SC WP Soc where **Shy Meyer** was the guest speaker. **Penny Scott** rep traveling often—most recently to the Amazon; rep family really enjoyed Carlisle Spr Fling. The **Samotises** both still working full-time—John is a broker with Caldwell Banker and Peggy is dir of Buying and Merchandising with Round Robin Stores—also on SC Commission on Aging. John is also pres, Mid SC WP Chapter. The **Samotises** enjoyed a recent visit by **Phil & Irene Cuny**—say both looked great.



1951: The Scotts enjoyed Carlisle: Stan's daughter, sister Ann, Penny and Peixotto

George Meighen rep the **Pattillos** continue with a relaxed lifestyle in AL. Many guests at the lake plus their annual day reunion in Jul. In Huntsville, **Wayne Miller** rep the life of a do-it-yourselfer is both interesting and gratifying; he's now into woodcarving and also teaches. Wife **Charlotte** is on AL Bd of Planned Parenthood and with the Women's Political Caucus lobbying legislators on major issues. Recent cruises to Italy and Polynesian Isles had **Barnett & Betsy De Ramus** practicing lifestyles to which they could become accustomed. **Baron's** teaching of French



1951: Evidence of a visit to Winston-Salem; Matney, the Meighens

lit and Italian at B'ham Southern allows no break until the 40th. **Don Sheridan**, Stone Mtn, GA, rep he is now into gliders, along with **Loren Anderson** and **Bill Crouch**. Bill also does some sailplane flying and **BJ** remains active as a

Red Cross volunteer and really did a tremendous job during and after their area's big spring flood. **Tove Rawlings** rep all is well at the **Rawlings**; she remarried (an old family friend) and the children are very pleased. In addition, the **Rawlings Farm Resort** has been remodeled and is doing very well with children **John**, **Eva** and **Jan** greatly involved. Fortunately, '51 has many pleasant stories. **Joe Fant**, pres, Marion Mil Inst since 19 Mar temporarily lived in a dorm for several mos. His comment: "What an education!" Bored before taking his new job, Joe now says he is no longer bored. From AL, **Mike Simpson** says, while his health is spectacular, he says he can still get in as much trouble as he did in the past. He is still involved with waterfront property in AL and trying to build a fertilizer plant in Haiti and of his latest project, "Dream Girl, Inc." Mike says, "You may want to tell the guys I am in the mail-order bride business." **Harry & Marcie Lombard**,



1951: Love those saints!! Harry & Marcie Lombard

loyal supporters of New Orleans Saints, have to be overjoyed with arrival of **Walsh** at qb; I think **Geo Meighen** got a bet on the **Falcon's** game!! **Bill Owens** was inducted into the GA Egg Commission's Hall of Fame. A prominent mbr of the GA egg industry for many yrs, Bill has played important parts in dev of industry orgs, including the GA Egg Commission, a major state-wide producer sptd prog for promotion, education and research. Bill is the only the 4th person ever to receive the award. **Mike & Jenny Kowalsky** write that 90 has been an expensive med yr for them but very good for drs and dentists. While Mike came down with a massive infection in his abdomen in a routine hernia oper, Jenny needed extensive dental work. The good news!! Looking at their pic—the costs were worth it. **Geo & Ann Meighen** continue to travel throughout the NE, SW, MW, and SE. If he hasn't checked in with any classmate so far, wait; your turn is approaching. Their most recent visit to NC was not too joyful—Army/Wake Forest game; they commiserated with **Joe & Jean Rogers** and **Ed Matney**, who also attended.



1951: Only the best for Founders Day in SC: the Scruggs, Meyer, and the Phil Reeds

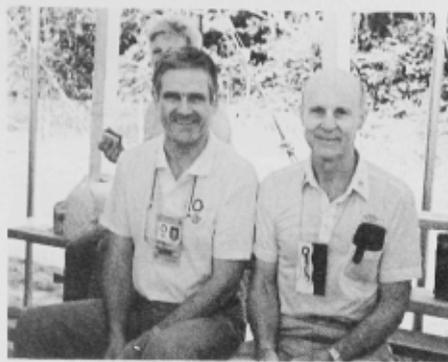


1951: An always-happy couple: the Kowalskys

Gil & Phyllis Stephenson in Columbus with Gil Dir, ROTC for Muscogee City sch dist. Garland & Jessie Owens rep a very slow yr from the heart of AR.

In FL, Russ Walthour rep that Pat & Marty Brian moved into a townhouse on Pompano Beach No of Ft Lauderdale, just a short run to Hillsboro Inlet Sailing Club Races. Marty continues as Ft Lauderdale's Water Oper Mgr while enjoying an artist's life. In Pensacola, Charlie & Ruth Knapp added two granddaughters in 89, now 7 with one grandson. They traveled to Ger for one birth, and saw all others, scattered from KY to TX to CA, during a trip W. Also drove N to Vancouver and took an inland passage cruise to AK. Rolly & Gerry Tausch claim routine lives but are busy with their Speakers Connection Intl Prog Bureau that incl the likes of Sam Donaldson and Geo Allen. Gerry is also chm of prof speaker tng for the Intl Platform Convention in DC. In Mar, Bud Conti relocated to Indian River Colony Club, an Off ret comm where "everything is done for you—maintenance, lawns, maids, etc etc. Even an O-Club I can walk to, plus tennis, golf, swimming, etc." Bud sings the praises of Howie

a great reunion with Fred Denman in Seattle at the Goodwill games. Both helped Guy Troy '46, pres, US Modern Pentathlon Assn, run the event. They with 8 other classmates joined the US tng sqd in 1951-52; Fred made the Olympic team and Halan Johnson an alt.



1951: A reunion in Seattle: Denman and Martin

After visiting the lovely Denman home with a view of Mt Ranier and overlooking Puget Sound, Jack & Evelyn returned to Gainesville to prepare for middle son David's Sep marriage. On St Pete Beach, Naomi Hardesty's now the proud grandmother of 4 and has been chm, Amer Cancer Soc in Redington Beach for 5 yrs. Also is busy with other charities-VP of the All Children's Hosp Guild and pres of its Beach Branch. In Jacksonville Geo Harman has good news and bad news: the bad—with age Shirley's polio symptoms are returning; the good—Geo's annual checkup for 87 kidney removal revealed no cancer recurrence and their mortgage was burned in Jul. Fred & Alice Irving rep two successful fishing trips with Pete & Pat Clay, one for trout and one for tarpon. Fifteen tarpon were landed up to 150 lbs, with the girls getting the big ones. Double blessings—on the same night in Sep that Fred Jr was married in Sarasota, the Irving daughter Torrey presented Fred & Alice with their first grandson in Richmond. After his retiring from Boeing in 84 and consulting in 88, Pete & Betty Thomas located in Hernando, S of Ocala, traveling often within the US and overseas. Most recent visit to Paris in Sep was much enjoyed. Along with 8 grandchildren, Pete enjoys golf and music while Betty is active in golf, bridge and vol work. Steve Watsey's responsibilities as VP, FL Power (purchasing, contracting, materials mgt, fuel supply), which are both challenging and demanding, can also make life very exciting. In Aug he & Marilyn spent a wk with Herb & Delores Roth at their "fishing camp" at beautiful Horse Isl in E Quebec; rumors say Steve caught both a 24- and 10-lb salmon while fly fishing. (Be careful how you mention the catches around Shy, Steve). During summer travels, the

Watseys also visited Steve's two sons, daughter and 2 1/2-yr-old grandson. Ray & Betty Tague continue their travels from Satellite Beach. Most recently to AZ with Jim Phillips in Huachuca for several hrs and with Wally & Norma Steiger for several days. They did slow down slightly in Jul when presented with their first grandchild, a delightful little girl by youngest son Kyle's wife.



1951: The Tagues and Steigers in Phoenix

In Jax the Walthours have had a busy yr: visits to the West Coast and Roy & Mary Ann Herte, to Camden, SC and Mary Tatum and Joe & Cecil in NC. Also, Russ & Shirley had Perry's sr yr at AL and Shelley's marriage in Nov. During Sep and Oct the Peixottos spent much time traveling; first to Albuquerque for their annual family reunion, then to NY for a wedding and a visit to the DC area for early Oct meetings with '51 Exec Comm to finalize 40th Reunion policies, plans and activities. NEXT REGIONAL SPOTLIGHT: MIDWEST. IN, KY, OH, WV: Dave Bills—Reg Rep, John Cousins—Dep; IL, IA, MI, MN: Chuck Wallens—Reg Rep, Jim Guyer—Dep; KS, MO, NE, ND, SD: Guy Jester—Reg Rep, Walt Johnson—Dep.



1951: The Derrick wedding party: Earl & bride, Mary C. Infante, and Marge & John

Peckham, a co-founder and #2 man at the comm, now sold out but buying land for 500 future homes. Since John Derrick ret they take advantage of travel opportunities. In Apr Antiqua, San Salvador in Aug for son's wedding (a civil svc took place 7 Jul in FL), and hope to fly to Ger soon to visit daughter who works there. In late Jul, Jack Martin had

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Don Richardson wrote to say that Barbara died 3 Aug in Houston, their home for the last 28 yrs. Funeral services were conducted at Westbury Baptist Church, 10425 Hillcroft, Houston, TX, 77096. Memorial gifts may be sent to the church, or to a charity of your choice. This will be sad news to their many friends. I knew Barbara as the young lady who wrote Don a long ltr every day of Beast Barracks.

Don Ross has had a tough yr that included two surgeries, one of which removed the front half of his left foot. He is much improved at this time, but has limited range. Betsy was a great help through the ordeal and her son was the assisting surgeon—he made house calls. Don sends regards to all.

Deryle & Jane Whipple have moved

to Perry, GA and taken up residence adjacent to the local country club. The handicaps are down and the spirits decidedly up. All are welcome to come by. Their address is 1218 Pine Needle Dr, Perry, GA, 31069.

The **Schroeders** and **Keifers** recently enjoyed an expense-paid trip to Hong Kong sponsored by their employer, Shearson Lehman Hutton. **Homer** is with the subsidiary firm of Robinson Humphrey. **Bill** writes, "The Shangri-La Hotel was somewhat better than GI accommodations during Vietnam R & Rs. Homer and I had trouble keeping the girls from over-spending, but otherwise. . . ."



1952: The Keifers and Schroeders in Hong Kong, Jun 90

Bill also rep that **Bill Linkenhoger**, his E-1 roommate, is now out of Mexico, where he spent 6 yrs. His address is PO Box 409, La Villa, TX, 78652-0404. He is in good health and is super fluent in Spanish.

Bud Lichtenwalter dropped by the Schroeders in Jul for a quick visit. **Bud** lives in KS and is still teaching. Finally, **Bill** saw **Joe Santilli** in Orlando, where, like the Schroeders, he & **Donna** are enjoying their grandchildren.

I received a call from **Foot Elmore** responding to my request in a recent col for current addresses. Being a pastor has the associated obligation to move to a new church whenever directed. The Elmore's now have a church in Wolfetown, but are expecting "orders" to move again. For the present, their address is Rte 1, Box 614, Stanardsville, VA 22973.

Dick Stanier called to rep on his new asgmt as an asst prog mgr with Gen Dynamics and his work in developing the Fox NBC Reconnaissance System. These vehicles are to accompany one of our deploying divs and have been painted the appropriate color (desert sand) for the mission. **Dick** and his staff responded in full measure to the urgency of the times (Aug) to meet the Army's needs. **Dick** & **Vonny** plan to attend all home games this fall, as usual, and look forward to seeing classmates there.

Ed Brown called to say he is ret from two positions he has held for the past 5



1952: Stanier and the Fox, an NBC Reconnaissance System

yrs: chm and CEO of Yankee Atomic Elec and pres, NH Yankee. The latter is the org formed to take over the Seabrook nuclear power plant and bring it on line, a formidable challenge, as people in the business and those living in New England can very well appreciate. Seabrook is now producing, having overcome a wide range of legal, technical, and funding demands of the most testing nature. Prior to taking on this task, **Ed** was pres, New England Electric. He & **Rosemary** now plan to leave their home in Lexington, MA and live yr-round in Waterville Valley, NH, a winter (and summer) resort that will fully satisfy their interest in skiing.

A no of us attended a Class luncheon at Ft Myer in Sep, our first stag gathering in recent times. **Sullivan** pulled it together with a "no speeches, no prog" promise. The large attendance included **Baker, Bartel, Benedict, Paul Brown, Claybrook, Coleman, Deverill, Keeley, Kenney, Kidwell, Lowder, McKnight, Dick Moore, Larkin, Malone, Moran, Paluh, Parks, Raiford, Rehm, Schandler, and Sullivan.**

John Sullivan has drafted a flyer for the attention of all skiers and winter party animals wanting to attend the 4th annual '52 ski reunion. This announcement is to be distributed to those who have already indicated an interest in attending and will be provided to all others who contact **John** [(703) 536-1692] or **Tom Cole** [(206) 456-8005]. The skiing holiday and reunion will be held the wk of 2-9 Mar 91 at Park City, UT. The plan is to ski every day in one or more groups and gather likewise for lunch and in the evening. One evening will be planned for the entire gp. As was done last time, call **Lynda** at Great Escape Travel in CO (1-800-525-3402) to make all your travel plans.

Looking forward to the 40th reunion (24-27 May 92), **Tom Rehm** and committee put aside the idea of a cruise ship for 3 good reasons: it was quite expensive, and the committee felt we should try to gather as many as possible—to some the cost of the cruise would be prohibitive; it requires the right ship to be available at the right time, and that was not easy to

arrange; and ship-to-shore arrangements at WP would be too time-consuming. (Perhaps a cruise may be a better idea for an off-yr reunion.) Accordingly, the Marriott Hotel at Tarrytown has been selected. It is the one place, of a dozen surveyed, that could take the whole Class. Moreover, it has the necessary support facilities and is reasonably close to the Academy and the NY airports. At the request of many, the prog will minimize bus travel and leave free time for renewing ties, touring, and informal gp activities. I will have more on the prog in future cols.

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Those of us who live in the Wash area have had a more than usually entertaining yr of Class social activities. A tip of the hat to those who have taken on (volunteered, or been volunteered) the tasks of setting up and carrying out these things. A combination of fortuitous circumstance, planning ahead, hard work, and innovative thinking led to a sched that has left a pleasant memory. One of



1953: Carol Bartlett, Jan Andrews, Bob Bartlett, Bill Harris and Ed Andrews at Wolf Trap

the reasons is undoubtedly that we had more "with wives" functions. I think it is great that, after 37 yrs of getting together, we classmates & spouses still enjoy being with one another. In May, we had the annual picnic at **Al & Pam Lindholm's**. In Jun, there was the well-attended lunch with wives at Potowmack Landing. In Aug, we had a block of seats at Wolf Trap for the Steve Lawrence & Eydie Gorme Show, preceded by dining under the tent—too elegant to be called a picnic. (I just looked up the spelling of Eydie in the almanac and was startled to find that she was born in 32. I had not realized they were our contemporaries.) There were the standard stag lunches in Sep and Oct. Finally, the A-N lunch—our regular get-together with Annapolis '53 & wives—is set for Dec. (Remember, although you subscribers receive this in Dec, I am sending it to the asst editor in

Oct. I keep reminding you of this time-warped because I have not gotten used to it myself.)



1953: Molly Fuller, Judy Benz, Marie Wubbena, Keith Born, Ed Andrews and Wanda Born at Wolf Trap

At the Oct lunch, the calendar for the first half of 91 was set. If any of you out-of-towners will be in the Wash area, plan on attending: 22 Jan—stag lunch, Ft Myer; 17 Feb—brunch; 26 Mar—stag lunch, Pentagon; 23 Apr—Tivoli Rest; and 25 May—the annual picnic at the Lindholms' farm.

Our condolences to **Bill Burkhart**, whose wife, **Jacquie**, died suddenly on 8 Oct at their home in Durham, NC. Services were in Durham.

We have, at the time this is being written, several classmates under med treatment: **Max Noah** was in WRAMC for prostate surgery, now at home with an excellent prognosis. **Bernie Hughes** is in WRAMC, undergoing tests. **Sparky Jones** is at home in NJ, recovering from a heart attack. **Whitey Miller**, Class secy, fell at a metro stop and broke a bone in his foot (got off on the wrong foot?).

We welcome **Nancy Gray** (**Lee Gray's** widow) to the Wash area. She has just moved here.

near where **Bill & Jo** own a condo—their home is in Albuquerque. **Dianne & Jeffrey** are making their home in CO Springs, where he works with a firm that does city/county planning. **Bill's** son, **Will**, CPT FA '80, is at Ft Hood in TEXCOM (Test and Exercise Cmd).

Bob Beveridge sent an update from the Philippines. He says that, as of 5 Sep, the US personnel are restricted to the bases. He says that he & **Joan** probably will be back here in time for the 40th Reunion.



1953: Bill Sifford, Ruth Miley, Hal Sarbacher, Jim Miley, Ruth Brain, Pat Sifford and Margi Delbridge at Wolf Trap

Ed Davis wrote to rep a TX-wide gathering of the Class in Austin over the wknd of 11–12 Aug. **Ed & Marilyn O'Hair** came from Lubbock, where he teaches and does research at TX Tech. He was recovering nicely from having a kidney removed two wks earlier. **Marilyn** runs a prog for troubled girls in a Lubbock high sch. They were concerned for their daughter, a flight surgeon who was on alert for duty in Saudi Arabia. **Max & Jane Murrell**, from Merkel, recently returned from a vacation in Spain that he won by selling a lot of cars at his Chevy dealership. **Steve & Julia Belgau** came down from Ft Worth, where they have been for the past yr. They also recently made a trip to Spain to visit her son. **Stu & Abbie McLennan**, from San Ant, had just returned from a clan gathering in Scotland. **Wally & Muriel Leland**, **John & Jana Nave** and **Sam & Joan Fisher** were also up from San Ant. (Dear **Joan** is my godmother, did you all know that?) **Wally** and **John** delivered a plane to Sweden in May, and **Wally** took the opportunity to tour Europe. **Sam** gives flying lessons in San Ant. **Dan & Patty Walker** were there from Ft Worth, and from Dallas came **John & Kathy Hall** and **Ray & Barbara Colvin**. Several had to miss: **Ed & Joan Coggins'** daughter was sched to be married to a LT at Ft Bragg on the following wknd, but he got Mideast orders and the Coggins rushed to Bragg for early nuptials. **Frank & Carol Drew** were also absent due to a daughter's wedding. **Tom & Jody Williams** were in Ger, visiting their USAF son-in-law, daughter

Kelly, and new grandson. Finally, **Art Cates** had to cancel to go to Houston to meet his wife, **Khung**, who was returning early from a trip to Malaysia. **Sandy & Hatsie Meloy** were able to attend part of the festivities. **Joe & Ann Williams** and **Ed & Betty Davis** were the organizers of the gathering. **Joe** and **Ed** still work at U of TX and regularly play racquetball together.



1953: (Clockwise around table from left) Jim & Ruth Miley, Judy & Dick Benz, Bob & Carol Bartlett and Russ & Barbara Groshans at Wolf Trap

At the Potowmack Landing lunch mentioned above, I got a copy of a recipe called "Death By Chocolate" that **Jackie Blastos** had given to **Bob Bartlett** for distribution. I am totally unauthorized to do so, but I offer a copy of this killer recipe to ea classmate who sends me a good address for one, or more, other classmates. If you can send me an address of a classmate who is not on our roster, I'll even send my autograph, suitable for framing!

Let me hear from you, and send photos.

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Bob Wells died in DC on 13 Sep after tumor surgery. He was interred at Arlington Natl Cemetery on 18 Sep after a service in Alexandria. Many classmates extended their sympathy to **Bob's** wife, **Elizabeth**, and their family. Our entire Class shares their grief.

On 18 Sep, Class Pres **Larry Skibbie** convened a mtg at his ADPA hq in Arlington. Present were 40th Reunion Chm **Jim Williams**, VPs **Frank Hart** (Attendance Chm) and **Jack Miller** (Gift Chm), Treas/Finance Chm **Doug Stuart**, Prog Chm **Jim Henry**, and humbly, your scribe. The main issue was prep for the 40th Reunion. A survey will be mailed in Jan to poll you on the Reunion: prog choices, spring or fall date, etc. Your responses will permit the comm chm to begin making commitments for transportation, lodging, meals, Class gift, etc. If you're missed, contact a chm. Talk it up



1953: Bill Horton and his daughter Dianne at her wedding on 21 Jul

A yr ago (Jan 90 ASSEMBLY), we had news from **Bill & Jo Horton** about attending grad exercises where their younger daughter, **Dianne**, received her MA in writing. He tells me that this yr they attended **Dianne's** wedding to **Jeffrey Hanson**. It was held in an alpine meadow in the San Juan Mtns of SW CO,

out there, considering weather (not whether), cost, convenience, distance, decorum, Plymouth Rock and the Golden Rule. This col will keep you posted, as the poodle said. Jack notes our Scholarship Fund is \$5K underfunded. When contributing, specify payment to Class '54 Scholarship Fund.

Frank Ianni in Wilmington, DE sent a clip from *Defense News* informing that **Ed Aguanno** is the new VP of bus devel for Atl Research Corp's Def Sys Div in Alexandria. Ed is responsible for the div's mktg, business planning, and new prog devel. For govt and industry, ARC produces solid and liquid propulsion systems, gas generators, and adv composites. **Ed & Vinnie** live in McLean. Frank is starting a career as a business prof.

The WP DC chap held its fall luncheon in Sep at Ft Myer. Present were **Bob Adams, Walt Evans, Don Gaston, Jack Miller, Mark Reese and Larry Skibbie**.

Dr Bob Downey from Braintree, MA received his PhD in continuing ed from Boston U in 85 and is Academic Dean of Quincy Col. He also serves as pres, Old Colony Council, Boy Scouts of America. **Marge** serves on the Council Exec Bd and is the first woman Wood Badge (Adult Leadership Devel) Course Dir in New England. Both were honored by BSA in Phila with presentation as the first husband/wife team of the Silver Antelope Award for distinguished service to youth. Son Michael is a chief petty off in USCG, stationed in AK with his wife and daughter. The Downeys often see **Jack Sulik** from Sharon at NE Soc mtgs.

Jack & Barbara Miller changed their venue, from Spring Grove, PA to Gaithersburg, MD. Jack works in Germantown, MD. **Bill & Skip Baldwin** have moved from Fairfax to FL. **Lenny Griggs** is with the FAA in DC, living in Arlington after leaving Chesterfield, MO, where he was dir, St Louis Airport.

Joe Palumbo from Copperas, TX phoned that he was at Ft Hood researching water purification units to support Desert Shield. The Class would like to hear more about any mobilization activities on either side.

Jim Ahmann in Vienna had his ltr published in *The Wash Post* commenting on the dismissal of AF C/S GEN Mike Dugan '58.

In France, a philosopher spent yrs developing a hypothetical principle for wise living that attracted world attention. Reclusive by nature, the learned dr avoided the public, thinking and writing while confined to his remote estate, or chateau. Inevitably, his concept became known as the Chateau Theory.

More anon anon. Thanks for all your help.

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With this writing, we are virtually only days away from the start of our 35th Reunion celebration at USMA. Current counts for those signed up to attend indicate about 250 people will be in attendance, with a total of about 175 classmates in that total. **Danny Dienst** has labored long and hard to set this entire prog up for us, and I'm sure my next rep to you will be filled with the excitements of that event.

In the meantime, there is plenty of news to be passed around that has made its way into the mailbox or come via those really neat calls I am privileged to get from so many of you. **Bill & Sue Carrington** sent a nice note in Sep to advise that their doorbell had been ringing rather regularly this summer in Oberammergau, since this is the yr of the once-a-decade presentations of the famed "Passion Play." From Bill's teaching perch at the Munich campus of the Univ of MD, he has the chance to see many of those old friends who course through Bavaria. Bill & Sue are now the proud grandparents of 15 grandchildren, with the score running girls-10, boys-5. What a joyous set of special treasures all those youngsters represent. This past academic yr was particularly rewarding for Bill, since he was named the Outstanding Instr at the Munich campus, most certainly a richly deserved recognition.

I rep last issue about **Don Hilbert's** ret in Jul, and since that great event, I have come across two great photos of the ceremony and reception at the Natl War

Col that followed. In addition to the great photo of Don and Carl Vuono, if you squint very hard in the gp photo, you will make out at least 20 classmates that helped Don & Chickie celebrate their graduation from active duty. With ladies and all, there were about 45 of us there.



1955: Don Hilbert and CSA Vuono at Hilbo's ret

Loo Crandall dropped a nice note from Bellevue, WA, where he & **Joanne** make their home, to advise that their young son Doug entered USMA this summer with the Class of '94, and they will have the chance to visit with him during the 35th. We hope to meet with Doug and all the sons and daughters of '55 during that gathering.

I have the benefit of two ltrs from **Dan Dugan** from his Patuxent River, MD home where he is one of those blessed individuals that still has the opportunity to fly as part of his work with NASA, and in particular to fly many of the testing missions for the very politically-enveloped V-22 Osprey Prog. Dan rep on the great times he had at the late Apr Class luncheon here in DC at a favorite Class of '55 watering hole, the Patowmack



1955: '55'ers & ladies at Hilbert's ret reception



1955: Gunderson, Gilpatrick, West and Fontaine at Class lunch

Landing Rest, which just seems to be a place that fits our needs when we gather to break bread. Dan rep having thor-



1955: Cathey, the Goldsteins, Gay, Troyan and West

oughly enjoyed seeing Tom West, Dick Fontaine, Carl Cathey, Bud & Dotty Goldstein, Dave Gilpatrick, Ray Gunderson, John Rudzki, Dick & Carol Baker, John Sloan, Dan Troyan, Dick Wargowsky, Ted Gay and Wayne Smith, most of whom you can see in the photos that Dan forwarded in his ltr. Dan looks great arrayed in front of the V-22. doesn't he? Thanks for the very nice ltr.



1955: Fontaine, Sloan, Wargowsky, Smith, Carol Baker and John & Jane Rudzki

Good old Godwin Aye-aye-aye Ordway forwarded a snap taken during the early Jun visit of Bob Camp and Pete Fikaris to Ski & Ute's lovely place near Monument, CO. Pete was in town from Chicago on business and Bob came down the rd a piece from his place in Littleton. Look like 3 heavy tipplers to me!



1955: Danny Dugan and Vstol friend



1955: Camp, Ordway and Fikaris in Ski's country

One of the great pleasures of this scribe activity is the fine support I receive from two very dedicated and active '55'ers in CA—Jack Viney and Bill McWilliams. Along with their lovely ladies, Marlowe and Ronnie, these two gents give us maximum coverage of the many and varied activities of our '55 brothers in and around L.A. As I hinted last issue, they did it again this summer with the 21 Jul mini-reunion, hosted by Jack & Marlowe in their Huntington

Beach home. A sun-bathed crowd of 15 '55'ers & ladies spent a beautiful afternoon and eve on the patio of the Viney acreage. I pass on the fine reporting that Bill and Jack did on ea classmate involved:

Chick Bossard: still batching it; living now in Santa Ana, and very interested in games of chance. As the eve's choral attempts indicated, one of the few present that could still carry a tune.

Ray & Celia Dax: Ray still with TRW; Celia bearing up very well with some extensive jaw surgery and attendant healing routines. We hope this lovely lady is rapidly back to 100%.

Bud & Bonnie DeMaris: Bud working very hard with Rockwell on the Peacekeeper Rail Garrison; he is recovering well from a Feb heart problem. Bonnie is doing part-time art-teaching at a private sch. Both in very good spirits. Take good care of yourselves, guys.

Stan Harvill: Stan & Anna make Hermosa Beach home. Stan is with the Hughes Space and Commo Gp.

Bob & Marvel LaFrenz: both fully delighted with a new grandson; their daughter & Navy son-in-law in nearby San Diego, their son soon to grad from SD State; Bob is Exec VP of S-Cubed, a Div of Maxwell Corp.

Dave & Toni Maurer: their lovely daughter Karen was recently married in a ceremony in Claremont, which was well attended by '55'ers. Dave & Toni will host the L.A. area A-N festivities for the Class. Tie the chairs down and count the towels!

Jim & Nancy Miller: Jim is "ret," but called back frequently for consulting work. Nancy continues as sr principal engr with Orincon, which involves a



1955: The Vineys' midsummer CA reunion



1955: The Demarises at '55 CA reunion

good deal of travel. They make home in LaJolla.

EJ & Doris O'Brien: are ret in a lovely home in Lompoc, CA, from which EJ does occasional work for Wells Fargo and Doris continues her writing for newspaper pubs. The major pastime is travel in their super RV, which has already taken them to Mexico and AK, and will take them to the 35th (Saddam Hussein and high gas prices notwithstanding).

Tom & Harriet Phillips: are doing just great! Tom remains with Lockheed and they enjoy their Granada Hills home. They plan to host a '55 Class gathering in Gloom Pd—in CA, Gloom Pd is when the #15 unblock tube is empty!

Gerry & Bobby Samos: make home in Fountain Valley; Gerry is in prog mgt with Hughes Space and Commo Gp, and has the joy of trying to figure out DOD cutbacks and reductions which cause recycling of contract proposals for a major satellite prog.

Paul Smor: is ever the outstanding musician, and fully entertained the gathering with his portable keyboard playing. He is ret from NASA, lives in Lompoc, and does some proposal consulting at Vandenberg AFB.

Al & Dot Spaulding: are, as Al puts it, two conservatives at home in Orange County! Al does some SDI bus with McD; Dot now providing loving care for her mom, who lives with them.

John & Shiela Wing: still make home in San Diego; John is with GD Data Sys Div as computer specialist; Shiela still runs the contract shop at USN's Personnel Research & Devel Ctr.

Sam & Betsy Lowry: were very busy this summer finalizing details of a gift boutique they were planning to open in new shopping ctr in Westlake Vil. All our best wishes in your new adventure.

Bill passed the news that **Chet Pond** had returned to hosp for additional therapy to counter his upper respiratory infection, and thus he & **Mary** were unable to attend, but sent their regards and reflected that they are really looking forward to seeing the brilliant autumn foliage in New England this fall.

Jack & Marlowe Viney: Jack is still with Hughes in Fullerton, but Marlowe

has ret from nursing and is now turning attention to a new home they are eyeing in Riverside. Such a move would allow Jack to make greater use of his Cessna 195 for commuting. Looking forward to seeing that beauty at the 35th.

Bill & Ronnie McWilliams: are still in Thousand Oaks, Bill still with Hughes in mgt systems. They plan soon for a reunion with their 3 youngsters in Boise, so this will really be the yr of reunions for them. I know that Bill went through some very painful neck surgery resulting from a ruptured disc earlier this yr; we all hope that is fully a thing of the past now and that Bill's recovery is complete. My deepest thanks for the great documentation of the gathering.

Finally, I had the great pleasure of chatting with **Charlie Flynn** recently; he & **Rita** have become tried and true Arizonians, who enjoy their high country home in Prescott. Charlie very much enjoys his teaching labors at Embry Riddle Univ, esp as he sees burgeoning young airmen getting ready for their service careers.

As a last note, if you watched from up close as I did, or from a distance, as I wish I had, the whole fiasco of the Congress-Administration budget circus this fall, you probably also came to long for a plebe system for Congressmen that would provide for a prog of "calls" and character-building that would keep them focused on bigger issues and less on the 30-second sound byte. Oh, well, take care.

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A sincere greeting to all the mbrs of '56 and their extended family from both **Lynell** & myself. My first order of business as the new scribe is to say "thank you and well done" to **Stan & Betty Wilker** for their outstanding devotion and efforts during the past 34 yrs. I'll never forget that day in May 56 when I asked Stan to be the Class scribe and promised that it would only be for a 2-3 yr period. All of us owe Stan our gratitude, and I will do my part by mentioning Stan in every Class notes.

The mailbag is full for this issue to include details of our 34th Reunion, planning info on our 35th, plus many items of interest from all. Those of you who could not attend our 34th Reunion at the AF Acad missed a "great one." **Bill & Barbara McPeek** put together a reunion spect. solar, and with the backing and encouragement of **Charlie & Sandy Hamm** (Charlie is the AF Acad's 10th Supe and may well be the last WP'er to cmd there.)

A total of 79 classmates (including **Dr Dale Clark**), plus 85 wives, children,



1956: LTG Charlie Hamm, USAFA Supe, briefs the Class of '56 at 34th Reunion, USAFA, CO, Sep 90

best buddies and friends had a very memorable time. Esp moving was the memorial svc held in the very striking and beautiful AF Acad Chapel, and conducted by **Father Bob Grassberger**. AF's



1956: Class of '56 34th Reunion: USAFA vs Hawaii; Prather family in foreground

victory over HI and a dinner-dance musical extravaganza topped off the wkend (music was provided by the USAFA Dance Band). There were 3 presentations at the reunion. The first was the Class of '56 Gift to the USAFA, a handsome grandfather clock (to be located in the entrance hallway of the Supe's qtrs) inscribed as follows:

"PRESENTED IN RECOGNITION
 OF OUR PROUD AND ACTIVE
 PARTICIPATION WITH THE
 USAFA 1956-90
 WEST POINT CLASS OF 1956"

The second was a presentation of a print entitled "The Long Gray Line" to **Charlie & Sandy Hamm**, and signed by all in attendance. The 3rd was a large plaque (also signed by all) for **Dr Dale Clark** in recognition of his splendid efforts in our Cardiovascular Research Prog. The plaque was designed and prepared by **Jesse Blackwell**. **Bill McPeek** also rep that the reunion was a financial success and that over \$900.00 will be donated to the AOG Class of '56 Fund.

Those attending the 34th were **Ray & Carolyn Cannon**, **Don & Mary Ernst**, **Mike Esposito** and **Ann York**, **Stan & Betty Wilker**, **Greg & Shirley Wold**, **Butch Harbold**, **Scott Smith**, **Pete & Anne Verfurth**, **Doc & Peggy Bahnsen**,



1956: LTG Hamm, Supe, USAFA, accepts Class of '56 (USMA) gift from George Stapleton



1956: Dr Dale Clark receiving plaque at Class of '56 34th Reunion; presenter is George Stapleton

Tom & Esther Reinhardt, George & Lynell Stapleton, Russ & Terry Mericle, Reid & Huberta Barrett, Steve & Heidi Beebe, Bob Devoto, Roger & Mary Redhair, Mike & Meg Alexander, Charlie & Sandy Hamm, Jack & Alice Kamm, Bob & Mary Quackenbush, Jack & Helen Schanep, Buzz & Marianne Burhans, Charlie & Ann Prather, Gary & Patsy Williams, Bill & Eva Jo McClung, Frank & Lucy Day, Paul & Mary Jakus, Norm & Sandy Levy, Mike Sirkis, Robin & Diane Speiser, Marcy & Bobbie Williamson, Rudy & Maude DeFrance, Tom & Dee Kirchgessner, Larry & Janet Stebleton, Marty & Doris Zimmerman, Jesse & Anna Blackwell, Vern & Bobbi Ebert, Al Hoffman and Dawn Transue, Bert & Doris Tucker, John & Suzanne Wall, Brink Brinkley, Nick & Sheri Mavrotheris, Wood & Peggy De Leuil, Hugh & Joan Filby, Ted Jasper and Jane Meadowcraft, Bill & Barbara McPeek, Joe & Rose Strofance, Tony Wetzal and Linda Peter, George & Barbara Woods, Stan & Connie Diez, Fred Fogh and Yvonne Mitchell, George & Natalie Wien, Dick & Sandy Dowell, Farrell Patrick, Buzz & Maxine Lynch, Mark & Mary Louise Smith, Jack & Nancy Conklin, Ted & Judy Grant, Chuck & Peggy Russell, Bob & Joan Stein, Pete & Ginger Lash, Ben & Becca Tindell, Bob & Dee Barrett, Bob & Nondi Beyer, Bob & Diane Grassberger, Jim & Doris Strozier, Joe & Shirley Dougherty, Bob & Jan Krutz, Joe & Linda Sanders, Bruce &

Jane Wallace, John & Bobbi Liwski, Dick & Louise Washburn, Ace & Mary Bowman, Fred & Marion Dent, Ren & Barbara Hart, Carl & Denny Hattler, Pete & Pat Judson, Gerry & Barbara Richardson, and last but certainly not least, Dale Clark.



1956: Alumni of USMA Prep School, Class of '56 34th Reunion

There are 3 special notes of thanks: the first to **Scott Smith**, who in his capacity as a Coors exec, donated tons of cans of Coors Beer for our 34th Reunion; the second to **Chuck Russell**, owner of Omni Travel in Atl, who at our 34th Reunion donated two round-trip Delta airline tickets to our 35th (won by **Bob & Nondi Beyer**). Chuck also states that if classmates or family book reunion or personal travel tickets through Omni Travel, he will make a donation to the WP Fund in their name. Chuck has the prior agreement of all 3 Acad for such arrangements; the 3rd note of thanks goes to **Ted Grant**, Century 21 Real Estate broker, who will also make a donation to the WP Fund in his name if a classmate who may be looking for a new home requests

Ted's off to make a "moving referral" to any other Century 21 location in the US. Considering how the financial needs of the Acad and AOG are growing, the two plans outlined above by Chuck and Ted appear to be an excellent way to provide funding.

In what may well be a "first" for '56, Rob Verfurth (son of **Pete & Anne Verfurth**) married Serena Smith (daughter of **Perry & Conner Smith**) at St Paul's Church in Augusta, GA (the same Church where Perry & Conner were married in 59). Class of '56'ers attending the gala reception at the Govt House were **Al & Judy Renshaw**, **Fred & Marion Dent**, **Chuck & Cole Young**, **Dick & Barbara Lorey**, **Lee & Diane Denson**, **Bob & Kay Sullivan**, **Ernie & Caroline Ruffner**, **Jerry & Nancy Amlong** and **Bob & Mary Quackenbush**. **Bruce & Jane Wallace** stated that son Rob and son-in-law Ken are both in the USMC. Bruce had the honor of administering the oath to Rob in Aug 90 when he grad as Plt Honorman at MCRD, San Diego. Ken is presently in the Middle East and Rob is at Inf Sch, Camp Pendleton. **Bob Sorley's** note rep that **JJ McGinn** has taken on important new responsibilities as dep asst for Force Readiness and Force Modernization in the off of the Asst Secy of the Army for Manpower.

Just received a note from **Bill McPeek** that our Class pics at the 34th were reversed (note **Charlie Hamm's** ribbons). Faingold Studios will replace the photos if you so request; contact them at (303) 393-0802. Tell them exactly what photo you want replaced; eg, guys and gals, or guys only.

Ward LeHardy rep that he & **Judy** will depart WP South Dock on 22 Sep 91 for



1956: Class of '56 attendees at Verfurth-Smith wedding in Augusta, GA



1956: Class of '56 34th Reunion, US AF Acad, Sep 90

a 4-yr around-the-world cruise in their sailboat. If any of you hardy nautical types would like to help crew the ship, they are looking for volunteers to sign on and meet them at any location in the world for a wk, two wks or a mo's sail. In addition, Ward & Judy are also seeking corporate or foundation sponsorship. Contact them if you wish to help in the above areas. Upon the successful completion of the cruise, Ward has again volunteered to be the editor of our 40-Yr Book in 96.

The mailbag was overflowing with articles about **Norm Schwarzkopf** in his capacity as the cmdr of Oper Desert Shield. One excellent article quoted many personal insights about Norm provided by **Leroy Suddath**, **Gerry Richardson**, **Dave Palmer**, **Sam Gates** and **Stan Wilker**. **Jim Anderson's** quote was the best: "I have no doubt about my son (1LT David Anderson '88) with Norm Schwarzkopf as the Cnding Gen." **Farrell Patrick's** wife **Nancy** wrote that **Roger Root** has ret from IBM and is presently keeping busy with his consulting bus. Nancy also provided the sad news on the funeral of **Marshall Schoonmaker's** wife, **Alice Ann**, at WP on 16 Aug. Marshall's parents and his 7 children were at the service. The Class was represented by **Dave & Lou Palmer**, **Farrell & Nancy Patrick**, **Jim Anderson** and **John Snodgrass** (who has recently taken over as the AOG Dir for WP Soc's Prog).

I received a very touching "In Memoriam" tribute from **Sil Pelosi's** associates at Teledyne-Brown Inc, where he worked for the past 9 yrs. It reads in part: "If you are truly fortunate in life you cross paths with a special person who builds your character, teaches you valuable lessons, and, most important, is there to listen to you. Sil Pelosi, who lost his long battle with cancer in Dec 89, was that special person." A "Sil Pelosi Memorial Scholarship Fund" has been

established at the Rutgers Univ Foundation, New Brunswick, NJ.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our 35th Reunion at WP from 19-22 Sep. **Farrell Patrick** and **Gerry Richardson** have stated they picked up some excellent scheduling tips from our 34th. Farrell promises our 35th "to be fun, with a relaxed schedule." Tentative plans now are: **Thurs 19 Sep:** NY City trip coordinated by **Gerry Richardson**, to include Statue of Liberty, Ellis Isl and a grand dinner. Bus would leave from and return to the Pk Ridge Marriott, Pk Ridge, NJ. **Fri, 20 Sep:** memorial svc in Cadet Chapel, tour of cadet gym coordinated by **Jim Anderson**, our own "Master of the Sword," visit to Supe's Qtrs, observe noon meal formation, lunch and briefings in Off Club, tour new Visitors Ctr and Museum, So Post (formerly Ladycliff), and a dinner dance at the Pk Ridge Hotel. **Sat, 21 Sep:** observe cadet parade, lunch in Cadet Mess, beat NC, Michie Stadium, post-game buffet, Supe's Qtrs. **Sun, 22 Sep:** Chapel svcs, brunch and bon voyage party at WP Railroad Station for **Ward & Judy LeHardy's** 4-yr sailboat cruise around the world beginning at So Dock. It's a grand prog, and we'll look forward to seeing everyone at the 35th!

Well, that's it. . . my first col finished. Only 33 and a butt yrs to go until my turtle shows up! Just a reminder that the **ASSEMBLY** is now published 6 times ea yr (so the news will be rep more timely). Looking forward to hearing from all of you. **BEAT NAVY!!!**

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The combination of mail and events in the last 30 days has made writing the beginning of this column a bit difficult. Please bear with me. On 21 Aug I re-

ceived a note from **Flo Mullins** with a copy of the pic of the B-1 files taken at the last Class party. On 26 Sep I received a ltr from **Ray Bell** which rep on a *Newsweek* article (17 Sep edition) describing **Moon Mullins** plugging M-1 tanks during a Gen Dymanics cocktail party at Britain's Farnborough Air Show outside of London. The ltr was written following a visit with **Sid Britt** at his dad's home in Savannah, GA. Since Sid and Ray were both Armor officers, they found it amusing that an ex-AF pilot was out selling M-1 tanks, and doing a great sales job. On 29 Sep **Pat Seely** called to notify me that Moon was killed in Chatham, MA in a crash of a vintage WWII P-51 Mustang fighter, and on 3 Oct he was buried in Arlington Cem. On behalf of the Class I extend our sincerest condolences to **Flo**, their sons, and the rest of the Mullins family. Ironically, the chance to ride in the plane was won by another person who opted not to take it, and Moon volunteered to take his place, as any former fighter pilot would. It is some comfort, small though it may be, to know that he died while doing something he really enjoyed—flying. The funeral was held at the Ft Myer Chapel, which was filled to overflowing. A conservative estimate is that there were close to 1000 people there, including a large turnout from the Class (classmates came from the West Coast, as well as New England and the South), many congressmen, a host of sr AF offs, and a lot of Moon's friends and associates. It certainly was a tremendous tribute. The *Washington Times* carried an article about the accident, and a statement of sympathy was presented by Congressman Conte in the US House of Rep's to honor him. **Ben Glyphis**, **Ed Hickey**, **Gordy Williams** and **Dick Stephenson** were 4 of the honorary pallbearers, and Dick gave one of the 3 eulogies. **Bill Seely** sang a moving rendition of "Amazing Grace" as

part of the service, and the WP "Alma Mater" at the end. I would like to quote one line from Dick's eulogy because it seems to capture the essence of the man, Moon Mullins, as many people knew him:

"He loved life and gave us all lessons in the JOY of that love. . . ."

Following Dick's comments, Moon's son Dan, who has just graduated from the USAFA and is now in flight sch, dedicated a poem, "High Flight" by John Gillespie Magee, Jr, to his father's memory. I encourage you to look it up. I regret that space limitations do not permit me to quote any more. A reception was held at the Ft Myer O'Club following the burial, and Flo greeted every single person that was there. It was an amazing display of inner strength. The



1957: Joe House, Dick Stephenson, Bob Alsheimer, Bob Leard, Moon Mullins, John McDonald and Jim Dunn

pic from the Class party is included in this col, and is one of the last taken of Moon Mullens. You can see in his face the JOY that was so aptly emphasized in the eulogy delivered by Dick Stephen-

son. The family has suggested that anyone wishing to make a donation in Moon's honor do so to the Arthritis Foundation, Metropolitan Wash Chapter, 1901 Ft Myer Dr, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22209.

Ed Soyster hosted the Oct Class luncheon over at the DIA building on Bolling AFB, and it was really well attended. Ed rolled out the red carpet and gave us a briefing on the org of the DIA and its role in the intel comm. He also gave us a brief overview of the Middle East situation. I must say that the facility at Bolling is much nicer than the Pentagon. Nick Monaco brought copies of the pic taken when we had lunch with Carl Vuono, along with Carl's apology for the fact that the people in the last rows can not be seen. The pic is in the column and your challenge is to identify everyone. Send me your listing. I also learned that Carl's hip replacement surgery was very successful, and he now is walking around in step and without pain. For those of you who may not realize Carl's renown, it was pointed out to me—via a pg out of the 9 Aug NY Times. The clue for 35 across of the crossword puzzle on that day was "Carl E Vuono, eg," and the word was "general." To think, this is the same paper that said cadets don't have a sense of humor. Darrold Erickson was at our Sep luncheon, which was a surprise since he moved to FL last Dec. It seems that GE wants him to do some consulting up here and he's living at the Embassy Suites for a few mos. It's nice to be wanted. Bob Comeau gave me his card at one of the luncheons, and I'm happy to rep that he is now the Exec Off-Clerk of the Court for the US Ct of Vet Appeals. Now you

know who to contact if you have a problem. Hardin Olson has re-entered the gov't as an SES in the Vet Admin. He gave me a card which said he's in charge of TQM, but when one of my associates called him to ask him if he needed help developing a TQM prog (after all, we're experts at TASC), he had already changed jobs within the agency.

More from Ray Bell's ltr. Sid & Jerri Britt actually live in Columbia, SC where Jerri is in a nursing home. Sid is a bus consultant and was in Savannah to celebrate one of his client's success—catfish farming. Ray visited with Don & Cynthia Bowman in Columbus, GA, where Don is a CPA who still thinks in terms of air assault. I guess that would be one way of dealing with the crisis in the ME. Tim Murchison stayed with Ray for a mo when he moved to Highland Falls as USAA's resident mgr. He's now part of the Cornwall "brotherhood." Sounds discriminatory to me, unless of course it accepts both sexes. Carolyn Gaspard and Ray went to Gerry Galloway's promotion party/ceremony. They probably witnessed the last promotion for anyone in '57 to BG, although Gerry will no doubt be the last mbr of the Class on active duty and may ultimately have the most influence on the future of the Army. At Ray's brother-in-law's ret ceremony, Gerry was wearing BDU's (ever the field soldier), reminding Ray of their days in the 3rd AD some 30 yrs ago. As you may recall, Carolyn is the Cadet Hostess, a job that keeps her always on the move and eternally young. The word is that she really does well by the cadets, always managing to be in the right place at the most critical time. Ray also noted that Bruce Turnbull continues to convince young men that they should become cadets, and says that Bruce is so good that everyone who listens to him signs up. Sure is nice to know that '57 still has a winning team at WP. As a last comment, Ray sends this message to Carl Vuono: "there are still those of us ready to go (to the ME); just give us a call. The Ch of Army Reserve has my tel no." Speak for yourself, Ray. Actually, by the time this column comes out, it may all be over—or is that wishful thinking? Thank you Ray, for an interesting ltr.

Got a short note and a copy of a newspaper article from Bob Merrick. The article, which was written by Alex Vardamis, who is now on the faculty of the U of VT, was a call to restore the draft. It keyed on the sending of our volunteer forces to Saudi Arabia so that we could all enjoy the benefits of cheap oil, and suggested that we might be a little more reluctant to send our troops into combat situations if our forces were made up of draftees and everybody was therefore at risk. The article was published in the Sun edition of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, a Hearst newspaper



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which covers all of Puget Sound in WA. It's a thought-provoking theme and I'm sure it was picked up in many other newspapers around the country.

Bernice & I went to a house-warming at **Mary Beth & John Stokes'** new house in Annandale, and that was fun. They had valet parking so that people wouldn't have to make the l-o-n-g walk up the driveway from the parking area, and a virtual cornucopia of delicious food so that we wouldn't starve. The caterer was **Marge Williams**, and she certainly knows her bus. John actually built the house himself over the last few yrs, using custom-made pre-fabricated wood components shipped in from the factory. It has a cedar roof and laminated hardwood ceiling beams, some of which are up to 22 feet long, and hardwood floors. You have to see it to appreciate it. I must say, as an engr, that putting that house together is something I would never have undertaken. He was his own contractor and only subcontracted those things which required special equipment or licensed professionals, and he did a spectacular job. The land, which is partially surrounded by a park, was sold to him by **Fletch Elder. John Loberg** just happened to be in town (from Napa, CA), and brought his video camera. He promised to make everybody at the party a star, esp if they would wear the wig he brought. Seems he was going to check the house out in disguise before the party, but the long hair didn't fool anyone. **Bob & Mary Ann Leard** brought Bob's mother and her boyfriend, a gentleman from the Class of '18. They are both 91 yrs old, and just returned from a wk in the Bahamas, where (the story goes) she wore him out. They live in a ret facility near Ft Belvoir, and I mean "live." They dress formally for dinner 3 times a wk and party all the time. I guess its worth living to 91 if you can still enjoy it that much. **JD & Ester Smith** were there, and JD told me about his consulting work. He's into risk mgt and is finding the process of selling his svcs very interesting. **George & Lyn Iverson** were also there. It's been a long time since I've seen George, and he seems to be doing very well with McDonald Douglas. At least I think he said McDD. If I'm wrong, George, send me a ltr and straighten me out. If you want to build your own house and need some expert advice, I suggest you call John Stokes. I ran into **Bill & Bambi Ray** in the local Giant, and found out that they are now living in Qtrs 51 at Ft Belvoir. Bill is working at OCE.

As a last note, the AOG sent me a list of classmates who do not subscribe to the *ASSEMBLY*. Shame on them. I suggest everyone check their contacts and tell them to subscribe if they don't already. I need an audience. I also need mail. Write!

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'58

61st Column. Late Aug, beginning before Bar Harbor MINI-Reunion with news overlooked, misplaced or arrived just after the 60th was mailed.

Letter from **John Stone A1**, "Congratulations on your EFFICIENT—and hopefully EFFECTIVE—DUNNING NOTICE/REMINDER ABOUT POSTAGE ON THE REUNION BOOK. Actually, thought you had purposely forgotten it as a magnanimous gesture to compensate for having missed the reunion? We've only seen one classmate the past two yrs here in our beautiful hide-a-way on the OR coast. **OK & Harriet Hill D1** came through on their way to CA and took us out to dinner. We believe the great view from our apt must have been the reason for their visit, so **D'Ann & I** have decided to issue an open invitation to all classmates to visit us as the Hills did. Really enjoyed the Reunion Book. Thanks to all involved. *Am also enjoying the newsletter.*" (An aside by scribe to our Exec Comm Chm: chest up, **Lawton**. Good work!)

Next is from Jack Murphy, '57 H2, pres of WP Soc of Denver: "Enclosed is a thank-you note from **Susan McKillop. John McKillop's** (B1, both 57 and 58) ashes were buried at the USAFA in a full honors ceremony on 7 Jun, John's birthday. The ceremony was attended by family, friends, and classmates."

Susan's ltr follows, "Dear '57-'58 classmates, I want to thank you all for your part in honoring John with this award through the Glee Club. He would have been very pleased with this kind of recognition. I thought it was very fitting. I was delighted to have the opportunity to go back (to WP) for the ceremony. John Michael, Kris and I were honored to be part of the award ceremony and had a nice wkend with Gerry & Diane Galloway ('57 and new Dean). Thanks so much for all you've done for us—for **John**. Sincerely, **Susan McKillop.**"

Next from **Ed Weckel D1**: "After grad, I promised to write the scribe every 10 yrs. This is either my 3rd or 4th ltr. . . I lost count. So, either I am behind one ltr, or good for the next 9 yrs. First things first. I am enclosing a check for our Class fund. Please take care of it for me.

"As the new CCQ of D1, I have learned it can be tough getting the guys to respond. So far responses to my request for info from my co-mates have been less than stellar. I do have some recent news from **Herb Johnson** and **Geno Wentworth** which you might be able to use.

"**Herb** and family (wife **Carma**, daughters **Karyn** [21] and **Jennifer** [19]) live in

the foothills of the CO mtns near the Coors Brewery. He keeps in shape by skiing and riding dirt bikes. Herb is associated with the Frederick Ross Co as a commercial real estate broker. He and **Dave Clarke D1** teamed up to see the 89 Army-AFA game.

"**Gene Wentworth** wrote from the Univ of Central TX, where he is the Dir of Dev. Geno admits to being a grandfather. How many grandfathers and grandchildren do we '58ers have? Are we that old? Geno worked as the III Corps G4 until ret in 88. Since he made TX his home during bn cmd days with the 1st Cav, he came 'home' to ret. His wife **JoAnne** ret before he did and is enjoying being a housewife. They are lucky: their 3 children, son **Gib**, and daughters **Pamela** and **Anne Grace**, are also located in TX.

"As for yours truly (scribe: **Ed Weckel's** news, in case any readers have lost track of who wrote this ltr), I received my MA in Ger lit this summer. I spent Jul at Dartmouth studying French and Ger since I plan to continue my studies at U of MD. My goal is to earn a PhD in Ger lit. My wife **Cathy** earned her MAT degree at Johns Hopkins last yr, but is currently sidelined with Menieres disease. You may have read about this disease in the papers last wk or heard about it on TV. Van Gogh is now believed to have been afflicted with Minieres disease most of his adult life.

"I have some suggestions you might want to bring to the attention of our Class leaders. The CCQs might be able to assist in raising funds for the Class Memorial Fund. To do this we would need the following stats: percent of living grads in their co who have contributed to the fund, and average donation per person in their co vs the Class average.

"Are these data available and retrievable? If they are and you publish the 'top 5' cos in each category, we might be able to increase our donations. Please note, **George**, I am not interested in the names of those who did not contribute or the amounts contributed by each. . . ." Great ltr! Good suggestion.

Scribe's data are out-of-date, but as of 27 Sep 88 in the 30th Reunion Co Sweepstakes published by me and passed out with the Reunion Books, the "top 5" in contributors (not %) were I2 (17), F1 and G1 (15), and L1 & H2 (13). The "top 5" in average donations per co-mate were C2 (\$400), B2 (\$320), K1 (\$245.91), I1 (\$175), and L2 (\$172.22) as compared with the Class average donation of \$150.69—at that time there were 249 donors (47% of the living classmates, though a no of donations were in the names of deceased classmates.) My data do not include the donations at/during the Reunion, courtesy of the Nadal Challenge, nor those since. **Dusty Rhodes F1** is the fund raiser on the Class Memorial

Fund Comm; in a future col or newsltr he will provide more current poop.

Screwing up names is the bane of a scribe's existence. Apologies to **Celia Hansult** who was identified as Marcia in the DC Founders Day photo. I do not know all the wives, but Celia is one I know and know well, which makes the error a bit worse. "No excuse, sir." And thanks to **Dick Buckalew A2** who called the mistake to my attention.

Our pres, **Jack Bradshaw M2**, sent along a thank-you note from **Heyward Hutson III** who was graduated in May 90. Portions follow: "I would like to thank you and the Class of '58 for the very special engraved silver tray. The bonds of my father to his Class were instrumental in my attending and certainly graduating from WP. . . thank you again for the love and support of the Class of '58."

Scribe called **Jerry Mitchell C1** and illustrious mbr of MINIREC 90 (mini-reunion comm for those who forgot the acronym) on 29 Aug to check on attendees expected at Bar Harbor. I was horrified to learn that **Tom & Barbara Sands K1** were not listed. Could not believe it. Tom was the person made famous at the Palm Springs mini last yr by his wisdom in arriving early and staying longer to amortize his transportation costs, the person noted for the quote, "the Class cannot have a mini-reunion anywhere that Barb & I can't attend."

So, of course, I called **Tom** at his New Orleans law off. A few of his choice remarks follow: "**Barb** said I'd catch hell for not going. We can get to Bar Harbor; in fact, we are going a few wks later, the problem is with my Japanese clients" (buying a golf course and Tom is closing the deal. . . makes one wonder anew who won the war). Tom asked plaintively, "can't I get constructive credit? After all, you can even pay your taxes late?"

Tom did provide useful information, the address and telephone no of **Ed Lucci K1**, long-lost classmate. In fact the address in Aliquippa, PA was the last one AOG and Class had. Guess Ed returns our mail unopened or else the Postal Service can't find his house at 105 Shadyside Dr. A different street, same town is the address in our '58 locator. Tom said that he had spoken to Ed at his off in Phila where Ed is ch of prog for the USA District Engr.

"Please do not become overly excited by my second ltr in the same yr. As I was at the word processor typing my 3rd ltr to my co-mates, I hit on a brainstorm. Why not include the scribe on my distrib list? That would save me some work, and provide you with some information for your col. Use the info as you see fit. Beat Navy! **Ed Weckel**." A second great idea from Ed. Other CCQs are encouraged to send me poop, send me copies of ltrs to

and from co-mates. Excerpts from Ed's ltr to D1 files follow:

"**Frank Crowley** wrote. . . his first status report in 30+ yrs. And he wrote it longhand too. You other guys cannot use lack of typewriter, a personal secy or a word processor as an excuse. Frank said he wanted to beat his two roommates, **John George** and **Lucky Jenison**. Frank, you win hands down. I haven't heard from your roommates, just as I have not heard from mine," writes Ed. "Frank & **Mary Jo** live in Worthington, OH. Frank works for Battelle Memorial Inst. His oldest son Brian is a banker in NY, son Mike is a dr in FL, and daughter Margaret is completing her master's in communications at BU. Both sons were married this spring.

"The next response came from **John Schaefer**, who admits I (Ed) shamed him 'just enuff.' He ret from the USAF in 80; spent his entire career in the R&D business, *never left CONUS*. After ret, John went into the solar energy R&D business at NM St Univ and taught a bit. In 85 he went into academia full-time at The Citadel as Prof of EE. In 88 he transferred to Mercer Univ. He & **Betty** sold their house in Charleston in 89, two wks before Hugo came roaring through. Betty is working as a travel agent in Macon. They have two children, **Judy** (26) and **JF Jr** (22). They both grad from UC/Santa Cruz, **Judy** for the second time as a 'computer wienie' (John's words) and **JF Jr** as an economist/political scientist.

"The next order of bus concerns **Doug Detlie**. . . he has been found! **George Lawton** gave me (Ed) his address, 34229 Quarter Ter, Fremont, CA 94555.

"The 59th col rep that **Bob Bunker** ret. I (Ed) believe we in D1 are now all civs. Bob, you owe me your new address; the PO will only forward your mail for 6 mos. Now that you are ret, do you want your job as CCQ back?"

"Two of our co-mates have passed away. We are responsible for preparing the obituaries for ASSEMBLY. Lawton reminded me that **Chuck Normington's** (air accident 18 Nov 66) and **Tony Evans'** (coronary 2 Jun 79) are long overdue. . . best way to proceed? Roommates. . . looking for two volunteers." Great work, **Ed Weckel**, CCQ D1 and **George Lawton**, Ch Class Exec Comm!

MINI-REUNION 6-9 Sep at Bar Harbor. Fantastic. Space will not permit full disclosure, but that is really your problem for not having been there. Those 37 classmates and one widow plus wives, children, friends, etc who attended are planning to return to Bar Harbor for another mini in 5 yrs or so. Many (definitely not mini) thanks to **MINIREC 90 Mitchell-Nun-Puscheck-Sigurski** and special thanks to **Betty Puscheck** for organizing activities such as whale watching, tours of Acadia Natl Park, windjammer sailing, etc and to **Daun**



1958: Reveille on Cadillac Mtn, 8 Sep 90



1958: Judy Sibert and Hugh & Ann Trumbull at Acadia Natl Park

Sigurski for admin support. **Mimi Nun** (not to be confused with mini) and **Maria Mitchell** assisted at sign-in, CCQ functions at Bar Harbor, etc. **Mark Sigurski** organized reveille on Cadillac Mtn with a memorial service for our deceased classmates, a full rep of this event will appear in the next col.

A2 won the attendance sweepstakes: **Don & Ellie Galli**, **Chuck & Celia Hansult**, **Tom & Grace Morgan** (From Leavenworth, KS), **John & Mimi Nun**, **Ken & Jeanie Phillips**, and **Don & Esther Roberts** for a total of 9 points (four for Don Galli, who is planning to attend next yr at South Padre Isl, TX and bring **John Bradley** with him).



1958: Esther Roberts, Tom Morgan and Jim Roberts at the Bar Harbor Mini

Next came C1 with: **Ted Lavery** and son Ted, **Jerry & Maria Mitchell**, **Mark & Daun Sigurski**, and **Jack Tierney** and son Mike. Point count was 7 (again 4 for Ted Lavery). Jack came from Harlingen, TX to get ideas for next yr's mini 17-20 Oct

which he and **Buck Griffin** are organizing. Be there!

F1 had 3 classmates: **John & Mary Kubiak**, **Tony & Billie Nadal**, and **Bill & Nona Shepard**. Also in with 3, C2: **Hal & Edith Lyon**, **Pete & Lynne Penczer**, **Alex & Lois Pensiero** (in from Phoenix, AZ). I2 also had 3: **Palmer McGrew**, **Joe & Pat Schwar**, and **Tom & Cathy Smith** (from Minnetonka, NM with 11 beer cans for scribe's collection!).



1958: The Stantons and Trainors lunching in Bar Harbor

The remaining 14 cos represented had one or two, listed by co: A1 **Herb & Betty Puscheck**; B1 **Jerry & Barbara Lewis** (from Mtn View, CA—west of SF bay and farthest travelers), and **Charlotte Mason Kitchell**, widow of **Rex** (Charlotte came from Dallas, TX but is moving to Montgomery, AL to take care of her mother); D1 **Gene & JoAnne Wentworth** from Kileen, TX; G1 **Pete & Mary Trainor** (opportunity to welcome Mary to the Class); H1 **John & Carol Devens**; I1 **Tom & Mary Ellen Orr** (from Charleston, SC, potential site of future mini) and **Tony & Carole Smith** (also from CA, but east of bay according to Jerry Lewis. Carole & Tony attended Palm Springs mini); K1 **Hugh & Ann Trumbull**; B2 **Stan & Carol Dus** and **Dick & Sylvia Schonberger**; E2 **Corky & Ann Henninger**; F2 **Ben & Marie Pelligrini**; G2 **George & Mary Jane Lawton** and **Bob Pointer**; H2 **Phil & Lynn Pryor** and **George & Judy Sibert** (another Palm Springs mini attendee); L2 **Jae & Annie Stanton**; M2 **Van Van Fleet**. More on Bar Harbor mini next time. And more from cards, ltrs and phonecon notes on hand from **John Bradley A2**, **Tom Morgan A2**, **Mary Montgomery A2**, **Ken Montgomery A2** (separate ltrs), 2LT **Robert Hutson** (second son of **Heyward Hutson** also grad USMA '90), **Garry Roosma H2**, **Bob Puff E2**, **Bob Hattler G1**, and **Fred & Joan Goode-nough K2**.

The day after the mini on 10 Sep **Jim Ramsden** ret as Chem Dept Head, USMA, and was promoted to BG on the ret list. **Jim & Rae** have moved to St Augustine, FL. **Mike & Grace Dugan** I2 flew up from DC to attend the ceremony for Jim. They were plebe roommates. Other classmates attending included **Palmer**

McGrew I2, **Bob Pointer**, G2, and **Gerry & Jill Roosma H2**.

And the other sad event all must know about was **Mike Dugan's** being fired as AF Ch of Staff on 17 Sep. You may not have seen Mike's farewell note penned on his official stationery before leaving off that day:

To the men and women of the Air Force— your mission—providing air power and spacepower to the nation—is essential and enduring. I bid you a fond farewell with my head high, my mach up and my flags flying.

Good luck, good hunting, and God-speed to the greatest Air Force in the world.

With warmest regards, **Mike Dugan**.

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Someone once said, with great affection, that if a movie were ever made of our Class, **Tex Turner** would have to play himself. He's been playing himself most recently as Dir of OMI at WP, greasepaint and all, with sandbags for a desk and fixed bayonets for pointers, and it's been quite a show, coming as it did on the heels of one of the truly legendary roles in the Army, that of Dir of the Ranger Sch at Ft Benning.

Well, **Tex** ret from the service on 31 Aug, taking his Legion of Merit at Trophy Point, on the very spot where he had taken the oath as a cadet in 55 and again as a 2LT those 31 yrs, 4 mos, and 14 days before. "Our mission here," said the Supe, "has three verbs in it: to train cadets, to educate cadets, and to inspire cadets. And no one at WP, not me, not the various commandants, not anyone has done more to accomplish all three of those verbs than has **Tex**."

Tex spoke of his pride in being a mbr of the tm, of how it would be difficult to watch from the sidelines. Then he & **Caroline** left to live in Cornwall for awhile. Hooah, Tex.



1959: Tex Turner

The Fairview Marriott, near Rt 50 and the Beltway, was the scene of a newly-

instituted monthly luncheon for the Nat'l Capital Region (nee the DC contingent) on 28 Sep. The group of 14 occupied a portion of the lounge, food was from the buffet, parking was free, and a good time was had by all. **Jim Walsh** brought his new beard, and it was duly admired by the others present, namely **Dick Bennett**, **Tom Boyle**, **Dave Fried**, **Phil Gibbs** (who represents Mass Mutual and passed out his financial-planning hand-out), **Powell Hutton**, **Dick LeClere**, **Bob Novogratz**, **Bruce Porter**, **Ed Robinson**, **Hugh Socks**, **Bob Weekley**, **Bruce Williams**, and **Johnny Wilson**. Gibbs asked me to rep that these luncheons are planned for the 4th Fri of each mo. Same place. No reservations needed. Call him at (703) 698-7317 if you're coming from out of town.

One of the pics from the luncheon is of **Ed Robinson**, our new Standing Comm chm, who previously served for a couple of yrs as chm of the Prog Comm. He & **Pat** live in Alexandria from whence **Ed** commutes to Arlington, where he is a principal analyst with ANSER (Analytic Services, Inc). He has a tm of analysts that provide research, devel, and acquisition studies for the Asst Secy of the AF, the Undersecy of Defense, and the Defense Systems Mgt Col.



1959: DC luncheon: Walsh, Gibbs, Hutton, LeClere, Robinson and Weekley

The **Robinsons** take advantage of all the theater in Wash and subscribe to the Kennedy Ctr, the Arena Stage, and others. Their interest in Civil War history is well-served by the no of sites and shows in the area. **Pat** teaches English as a second language in the Mt Vernon area. It is a business she learned when they were stationed in Taiwan.

There are 3 **Robinson** children. **Steve**, 29, is married to **Stephanie Oaks** (both are VPI grads), and they have a son, **Timothy**, who soon will be one yr old. **Steve** is a stockbroker with **Paine Webber** in Bethesda, MD. Second son, **Scott**, 27, recently completed 5 yrs in the Regular Army, resigned as a CPT, and is now also with ANSER supporting Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) studies. He grad from UVA and is engaged to a young lady who is in law school. Daughter **Sheryl**, 26, grad from James Madison U,

works for a patent law firm in Alexandria, is married to Kevin Harlow, and expects their first child next spring.

Ed Robinson's longtime avocation has been collecting Springfield long arms and bayonets. His collection goes back to the French Charleville musket that was the model for the 1795 Springfield musket, and it includes virtually all of the Springfield long arms associated with all Amer wars through Korea. He also has Ames swords, fighting knives, hats, helmets, pistols, and other related accouterments of the periods. His collection of WWII Nazi swords and daggers is fairly complete, he says, and the entire collection has been as complete as he intends to get it for a few yrs now.



1959: DC luncheon: Robinson and LeClere

Norm & Elva Rosner say they have plenty of room in their Atl home to host classmates, and they may find a few of us on their doorstep, come the 96 Summer Olympics. Norm is sr atty for a commercial contracts, construction, and rights of way for AT&T, and is responsible for legal matters in 14 southern and south-western states. Norm says the move to Atl in 86 began a new exp for one who spent his childhood and post-Army life in and around NYC. He seems to be taking to it, though, currently serving a two-yr term as pres of Congregation Beth Shalom and hoping to get involved in the city's Olympics efforts.

The **Rosners** have two children. Jon, 27, is an '86 grad of the State U in Albany, NY, and now operates a tree surgery and landscaping bus on Long Isl. Robin, 20, has completed two yrs at U of FL and is currently on a one-semester sabbatical from studies. **Elva** has returned to her chosen prof and teaches first gr (in Spanish) at the Atl Intl Sch.

I talked with **Tom Russell** at WP in mid-Oct. As of then he had seen **Sandy Beach, Ron Baldwin, Ron Ernharth, George Friedel, John Moellering, Bill Gailey, Dick Sundt, and Harry Walters** in and around Michie Stadium for football games.

Court & Todi Prisk have been in Panama for the last 4 1/2 yrs and plan to stay at least another two. Court, who is an assoc of Booz-Allen & Hamilton, heads a 15-man strategic analysis tm working for



1959: DC luncheon: Porter, Bennett, Socks, Fried, Williams and Novogratz

US SOUTHCOM on counternarcotics and low-intensity conflict. He has co-authored a book called *El Salvador at War: An Oral History*, has written a few articles on that war, and has a new book coming out later this yr. The Prisk children are Stuart, who is an air traffic controller in AK and an NRA activist; and Gailynn, who is a computer progr mgr for Boeing in Seattle.

Dick Rothblum is with the State Dept as a prog analyst in the off that builds and maintains US embassies around the world. He & Faye live in Springfield, VA and have one daughter, Cynthia, 23, who is in her second yr of a 5-yr PhD prog in biochemistry at George Wash U.

Bob Rizzi ret from AT&T in 86, and he & **Anne** now live in Potomac, MD. That's an easy commute to DC, where Bob is now mgr of a law firm. The Rizzis' oldest daughter, Kathryn Anne O'Rourke, recently presented them with a grandson, Colin James, who weighed in at 9 lbs, 5 ozs. Cheryl Lynne, the middle daughter, is an investment banker with First Boston in NYC; and Beth Anne, the youngest, is a sophomore at Syracuse.

I am very sorry to rep that **Don Campbell**, son of our **Pat & Frank**, was killed in a motorcycle accident on the night of 3 Sep. The heartfelt condolences of the Class are extended to his wife Michele, his parents, his brother Lynn, and all of his family and friends.

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Well, the 30th has come and gone, and what a great party it was! Everyone I talked to on the subject seemed to share that common opinion and included congratulations to the Comm that handled it superbly. The question for the scribe is how to rep on the 400 people he saw at reunion since their bios in the 30th yr-book will tell nearly all the objective data; or should I, perhaps, concentrate on some of those who didn't show. Well, will try something a little different from ea. Heard from one co about a co lunch they had. One of those present, before

the drinks became too telling, said he just wanted to thank all of his co-mates for being, apart from his family, the best friends he had in all the world and that he truly loved ea and every one of them. When he had problems in his life, he knew he could turn to "you all" for support, help, advice or a kick in the pants if that was what was called for. That's how I too feel about my co-mates and I hope most others in the Class feel the same. I think the paraphrased serious words above of our classmate were spoken seriously as truly and accurately as **Ross Cullins'** words, delivered with so much humor at the Class Sat night get-together. If you weren't there to see and hear Cullins, I'm told that we're getting a tape of it; please try to hear the tape as it was truly priceless.

D-2 sent in a photo via **Dick Carnaghi** with comments: "The reunion was great. We most enjoyed the Rye Town Hilton and the ease of bus travel. The bn hospitality and the two dinners were a perfect way to be able to sit and talk with people I haven't seen for yrs."

Butch Nobles' (D-2) lovely wife, **Helga**, followed up with a nice note and two photos: "Dear **Ed**, enclosed are photos Butch & I were telling you about. The first is our daughter Cindy with her new husband 1LT Willard M Bureson III on their wedding day 21 Apr 90 at Ft Sill, OK. You might say it was 'D-2 Union' since both fathers were in D-2—Bureson '59.



1960: Butch & Helga Nobles, 1LT Dillard M Bureson III, Cindy (née Nobles) Bureson, and Gen & Mrs D Bureson, Jr



1960: Hank Drewfs and Butch Nobles D-2

"The second pic is of **Butch and Hank Drewfs** in front of our house. Hank &

Sharon passed through on their way to HI to visit daughter Helena and family. Wasn't the reunion great fun? I can't remember when we've had 4 days filled with more nostalgia and happy moments. See you in '95!"

Following a great reunion, yours truly & Jane set out Mon eve for Ger and spent several days there with George & Doris Finley enjoying their wonderful hospitality and scenic location. Picked up the enclosed photo of George and Randy Perkins which shows a sign (memento) from "beast" which Cullins could have used as a prop in his talk.



1960: Perkins and Finley



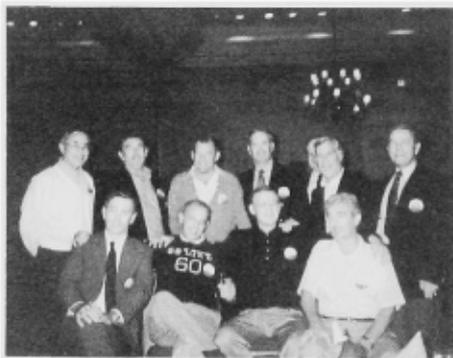
1960: Randy Perkins and son show painting of chopper in Ger

George Finley and an artist friend of his will be having a joint art show at the Union League Club in NY, so please if you're in NY the first wk of Oct, or can plan to be, please hold the date open. Show will be watercolors, pastels, pen and inks, etc, of non-mil scenes. Having seen some of both artists' work, I encourage you to be there; more later on the show.

You will see a rundown in the feature articles on our reunion, but for all who weren't there probably the best thing to tell you is who *was* there. Hope the editor doesn't choke on all the names: Will & Rosemary Adams (M2), Bob & Sandy Ammerman (D2), Ray Andrews (A2) & Barbara Peterson, Tony & Kim Baker (B1), Russ Baldwin (H1), TJ & Margaret Bara (L2), Eric & Vi Barone (A2), Don & Marjorie Barrell (F2), Dave & Edith Bauer (E2), Les & Brenda Beavers (M1), Charles & Joyce Belan (F2), Ed Bellis (G1), Ron & Carlita Beltz (H1),

Reed & Gloria Bennett (K1), Joel & Edie Bernstein (D2), John & Khacki Berry (E1), John & Michelle Berti (L2), Fred & Marylin Bidgood (C1), Bob & Jane Bierly (G2), Jud Bireley (F1), Tony & Joan Blackstone (K1), John & Judy Blanton (I2), Frank & Patricia Bochnowski (G1), Bob Boyce (G2), Bill & Sue Breit (A1), Pete Brindley (E1), Gene Brisach (B2), Hal & Sue Brownfield (F2), Dave Byrnes (C1), Dick & Sue Campbell (B1), Joe & Valene Cannon (I2), Tom & Beverly Caraballo (H1), Art Carey (G2), Hank & Deborah Carmean (E2), Dick & Jean Carnaghi (D2), Kevin & Barbara Carter (M2), Jimmy & Robin Carver (M1), Bill & Corinne Cary (I1), Case Casey (I1), Dick & Emily Cato (L1), Paul & Patricia Cerjan (B2), Brion & Margo Chabot (H2), Bill Chamberlain (L1), Al & Carol Champ (C2), Don & Anne Marie Chapman (G1), Gerry & Beverly Chapman (M2), Phil & Dotty Chappell (E2), Bill & Judy Chase (I1), Bob Clancy (H2), Frank & Durrelle Cloutier (H2), Charles & Katy Collins (E2), Charles Coon (C1), Lon & Carol Coose (H1), Jim & Anne Crabbe (K2), Bill & Lynn Creighton (H2), Frank Cremer (L2), Trent & Sharon Crosby (C2), Ted & Joan Crowley (D2), Ross & Angela Cullins (A1), Bill & Doris Danforth (G1), Dick & Jeannette Daniel (H2), Ted & Cynthia Danielsen (K1), Dean & Betty Darling (G2), Dick & Mary Daum (I1), John & Kay Davidson (B2), Bob & Fran Davidson (E2), Ed Deagle (I1) & Judy Johnson, Joe & Shirley Dean (F2), John & Michelle Delponti (M2), Jim & Sharon Dement (E2), John & Karen Denton (M2), Denny & Ann Dice (K1), Dan & Judy Donahue (D1), Al & Judy Dunlap (G2), Chuck & Betty Dwyre (M2), Bob & Carol Eckert (K1), Randy & Jere Edelstein (L1), John & Marilyn Ello (H2), Andy Ennis (I1) & Rebecca Anderson, T & Diann Eubanks (G1), Fred & Linda Faery (A2), Jim Fairchild (L2), Lee & Unni Farmelo (I2), Frank & Jean Farrell (C1), Ben Fegan (C2), and Joe & Punky Felber (C1).

The list continues: Chip & Dolores Fenton (C1), Mike & Jane Ferguson



1960: (Standing) Bernstein, O'Connell, Hagan, Crowley, Powers, Ammerman, Carnaghi; (seated) McGlaughlin, Gigicos, Nobles and Gulla

(F2), Jim & Linda Fero (A1), Patricia Field (L1), George & Doris Finley (B2), Frank & Ute Finn (A1), Walker & Helen Flint (F1), Gere Forbus (K2), Bob & Millie Foye (E1), John & Sheila Fyfe (A1), Keith Garner (A2), Ed & Nicole Garton (E2), Jim & Anne Garvey (G2), Dick Gates (B2), Larry & Barbara Geist (B1), Ralph & Janet Gelenz (L1), Linc & Jane German (F2), George & Louise Giacoppe (B2), Chris & Joan Gigicos (D2), Wayne & Kamlesh Gillespie (K2), Mike & Grace Gilmartin (E2), Warren & Britannia Glenn (H2), Stew & Vickie Godwin (D2), Rex Good (H2), Karl Gould (B1), Bud & Nancy Griffis (L1), Fenton Griffith (A2) & Debbie Osborne, John & Jackie Gulla (D2), Craig Hagen (D2), Fred & Eleanor Hall (G1), Ed & Jane Handler (B2), Ray & Joanmarie Hapeman (M1), Ted & Virginia Harcke (F1), Pete & Joy Hastings (M1), Tom & Anne Haycraft (D1), Dick & Marie Healy (E2), Deane & Marguerita Herman (B2), Curt & Caroline Herrick (I2), John & Priscilla Hesford (E1), Manny & Roberta Hidalgo (M1), Ken & Gretchen Hill (H2), John & Luanne Hixson (F2), Dave & Joane Hodge (B2), John & Lynne Hogarth (F1), Dick Holleman (F2), John & Emma House (I1), Gene & Greta Howell (B1), John & Cotton Hubbard (G2), Don Hubbard (M1), Jack & Barbara Hug (A1), Jack & Sanra Humes (L2), Dick & Carolyn Jaeckel (C1), Mike & Mary Jezior (G2), Sue & Grafton Jhung (B2), Gerry Jilbert (M1), Bob & Anne Johnson (K1), Fred Johnson (E1), Lyle & Joyce Jones (L1), Jim & Bonnie Kane (M2), Jack Keane (B2), Bucky & Ginny Keating (L1), Bob & Cathy Keen (K2), Jennifer King and Judy King-Edwards (A1), Ken Kirchner (C2), Bob & Lucy Klein (M2), Bob Koontz & Debbie Bonditch (E1), Tom & Judy Kopp (G1), Sam Kouns (B1), George & Sally Kramer (L2), Henry & Joan Lambert (C2), Ed Laurance (A2), Henry & Lucy Lee (M1), Bob & Andrea Leech (K1), John & Valerie Lefebvre (K2), Jerry Lewis (C1), Jim & Genie Lincoln (A1), Gordon Livingston (K2), John & Maureen Lopiano (E1), Mark & Sarah Lowrey (H2), Mark & Norma Lowry (I1), Toni Macaulay (H2), Tom & Silvia Maginnis (B1), Hank & Carole Maloney (F1), Chuck Mandelbaum (L1) & Janet Newlove, Paul & Tina Mandry (E1), Bob Marcinkowski (C2) & Rise' Wilson, Herman & Phyllis Marmon (A2), Gene & Elaine McLaughlin (D2), Mike McManus (A1), George & Kemtip McQuillen (E2), Bud Mease (G2), Lewis & Mary Ellen Meloan (D1), Bob & Grace Menzner (G1), Mike Mierau (K2), Carl & Jill Miller (E1), Dyson & Jill Miller (M1), Bob & Gena Mills (C1), Bob & Sandy Montgomery (K2), Joe & Helga Naftzinger (H2), Keith Nance (A1), Bruce & Sindy Nevins (H2), Butch & Helga Nobles (D2), Tom & Geri Noel (B1), Jim & Pauline O'Connell

(D2), Roy & Lynn O'Connor (G1), Pat & Sally O'Donnell (E2), JB & Sandra Oerding (E1), Kelly & Anne O'Malley (K1), Ed & Jane Ord (H2), Ed & Mary Osborne (K1), Rufus Overlander (M1), Bobby & Carla Owens (E2), Frank & Kay Partlow (K2), Jack & Susan Pellici (I2), Julio & Conchita Perez (A2), Randy & Maida Perkins (A2), Hank & Mimi Phillips (B2), Mike & Mirian Plummer (F1), Fred & Segrid Plummer (L1), Ed & Joyce Post (D1), Mike & Carolyn Preletz (A1), Don & Tricia Prosser (C2), Bill & Bette Raymond (H1), Gene & Elaine Reese (M2), Ernie Remus (A1) & Jan Cavanaugh, Fred & Joan Rice (F1), Terry & Frances Rich (H1), Ken & Pat Richeson (B1), Bill & Maryada Ritchie (G1), Gerry & Lorraine Rivell (F2), Paul & Lilli Roberts (I1), Joe & Lea Robinson (K2), Susan Rowe (M1), Bob & Jo Ann Rudesill (I2), Max & Joan Rumbaugh (L2), Roger & Maria Ryan (L2), Leroy & Sue Schmidt (E1), John & Joan Schneider (F2), Dick & Marjorie Schofield (G1), Chuck & Barbara Schrankel (L2), Steve Scott (E2), Red & Gladys Seaward (M1), John Seely (I2), Roger & Brigitte Seymour (K2), Ken Sindora (G2), Fred Sladen (G1), Jim Smith (H1), Jerry Stewart (B1) & Janice Wilhelmi, Joe & Kathleen Stilwell (K2), Don & Susan Straetz (L1), Don & Joyce Stukel (E2), Don & Jean Summers (K2), Dick & Dianne Sutton (D2), Paul Symonds (M1), Dave & Joan Tarr (E1), Jim & Pat Tichenor (H1), Peggy Titus (G2) and children, Bob Totten (G1) & Carol Lackman, Walt & Marlene Tousey (F1), Ron & Evelyn Trauner (M1), Tom & Pat Valente (M1), Chuck & Julia Valliant (B1), Tom & Jean VanRiper (K1), Ed & Kathleen Walczak (M2), Tom & Gerry Walker (F1), Phil & Gia Walker (K2), Harry & Mary Grace White (K1), Jim & Maureen White (F1), Jim & Joan Wiley (C2), John & Pamela Willauer (A2), Bill & Ann Willoughby (D1), Tyler & Diana Willson (B1), Cy & Judy Wilson (K2), Dan & Lori Jean Wilson (D1), Gene & Sally Wilson (C1), Jerry & Susan Witherspoon (E2), John & Magdalena Wood (I2), Tony & Cathy Wood (M2), Chuck Wood (L1), George & Beth Wrockloff (F2), Emer Yeager (K1) and John & Beverly Young (L1).

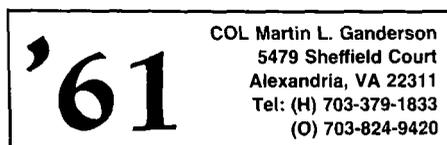
Bruce Nevins & his wife, who is expecting, were present from Hong Kong and probably can claim the greatest distance traveled for the reunion.

Most of those who came for the reunion attended a touching memorial service arranged by Mike McManus. A no of ex-classmates also attended and were heartily welcomed, including Fred Sladen, recently relocated to New London, NH, "Spec" Ord, a Justice Dept lawyer and real estate baron in the DC area, and Curt Herrick, recently ret as an O-6.

Let's have some more ltrs from all who haven't written to the ASSEMBLY, and we'll gladly take ltrs from prior corre-

spondents. The WP Soc of NY requests that you look at the "Societies" pg for a write-up on the NY Soc Career Advisory Council and Grad Sch Control list.

All for now, folks.



Pete Heimdahl advises that there are fewer than 299 shopping days 'til the reunion and the deluge of reservation poopsheets has begun! The questionnaire seems to have been well received, and so far 74 have found their way to the mailbox; nudge some of the other guys to get the paperwork done now. As might be expected there are a no of classmates out there who have not received mail; please forward any clues to their whereabouts to the Reunion Comm: Amlong, Baker, Barbour, Boys, Berinato, Bradford, Bernard, Brady, Bunton, Burchell, Cargile, Chism, Coyne, Cook, Conley, Custer, Downey, Flack, Geiger, Dallas, Gillespie, Ericksen, Eveleth, Ford, Gilliam, Haas, Harrell, Herrick, Hodge, Jenz, Jones, Knoblock, Leinbach, Leech, Lombardo, Lenhart, Madden, McCurdy, Moebis, Nevins, Nutt, Nitkowski, Pearl, Pesek, Pollard, Potts, Ritchie, Roberts, Robertson, Shamblee, Skaggs, Struve, Stricklen, Sommercamp, Van Riper, Wick Wadlington, Watt, Williams, Wimmer, Wold, Yavis, Willis, Zielinski. . . plus anyone else whom you know has not gotten the word.

Correction to Reunion Comm: Gene LaBorne will be handling "favors," so any special suggestions can go his way. The AUSA again brought together some of those who linked up with the "mild" complex which looks alive and well, thanks in no small part to Saddam. Among the throng were Rod Grannemann, fresh from the sand dunes, to which he will be returning; Ham Evans from Tampa; Howie DeWitt, TX; Gary Hyde, Orlando; Bob Rosenkranz, DC-SOPS, Force Integration; Bill Reno, the DCSPER; Karen & George Joulwan were there too, en route to becoming the CINC SOUTHCOM—congratulations and our collective best wishes!!

Missing from the fray were Frix (BG-P), JB Taylor (BG-P), R J Wooten, Sykes, Van Gorder and Butterworth because they were in Saudi serving in various mil and civ capacities. Nan & Ron Beckett executed their annual house tour of the Beckett Museum, "cheer for Navy" tailgate, and excursion to middle land to watch the goatherds defeat Akron despite their efforts to go down with the ship. Joan & Frank Rauch and Sue & Paul DeVries also sallied forth. Paul rep congratulations to Glynn Mallory, the new ADCSOPS, and to Phil Mallory, CG 2AD; that Serge Olive is in the DC area;

and that at the Duke game he spied Tobin, the Graves, and the Vanderbushes. Carin & Al are pictured on pg 10 of the game programs; space does not permit reprint, but commend it for required reading! Also in print have been Bob Hardiman, who is serving as the Army's prog mgr for total devel in the Natl Capital Region (is Bob the one to finger for the traffic jams in northern VA?); the Denver *Rocky Mountain News* featured Jim Nicholson on its front pg introducing a special report, "Power in the Suburbs," a look at the people who shape the comm; and Paul Valley was interviewed by the *Contra Costa (CA) Sun* regarding his duties as the USAR dep cmdr of Mobilization and Reserve Affairs for USARPAC. As the article points out, his work involves him in the "drug war," as well as designating USAR units that will support Desert Shield; the bus section of the *Tulahoma News (TN)* headlined that Dick Clarke has been named to head Schneider Svcs Intl's bus dev and mkting activity; SSI is a successful contractor firm supporting USAF missions.

Out in CA there was a gathering of the Grannemanns, Vallelys, Esselstines, MacLeans (visiting from TX) and the Gibsons to see the Stanford-USC game; they watched Don and Craig Gibson do their stuff as outstanding linemen for USC, where they are coached by Larry Smith, who finished up after plebe yr. After the game all adjourned to the Es-seltine vineyard, where they experienced the delights of vintage Chateau Esselstine (perhaps with some encouragement a case or two might make it east for #30).

In NYC, Chuck Windsor gets to see a lot of the Army from his vantage point with Young and Rubicam; he also was selected to give the invocation at the special dinner honoring the CJCS. From Aiken, SC, Mark Silverman writes that he is now the acting dep mgr for the Savannah River nuclear plant; he is about 25 mins from Augusta and the golfing weather is fantastic! Larry Budge, the ADCSPER, advises that the personnel bus is thriving and triple-timing to meet the demands of Desert Shield. Pete Boylan is the new dep Army IG and has qtrs at Ft Belvoir. Cynthia & Dave Hastings are in Littleton, CO where he is with Martin Marietta; elder son Scott is a LT, USAF, now in Saudi Arabia supporting the 101st; younger son Peter is at St John's mil sch, Salina, KS and is in the KS Natl Guard. Bill Kingsbury, who parted ways after plebe yr, has ret from USAF and has moved to Redlands, CA, joining that growing population of '61-West.

Bigtime congratulations to Tia & Jim McGinnis in Wellsley, MA on the birth of Kevin James; if the "cup" goes to the first son in the Class, is there a prize for the latest son and likely mbr of the Class

of 2012 and who would be a cow for our 50th reunion?! Jim emphasizes that priorities have changed a bit for Tia & him with this new joy in their lives.

'62

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This will be a little light this time, folks. I received little input. I hope that it is just a sign of summer and not a prediction of future interest.

I am including photos that were not published in the Sep 90 issue due to space limitations. I do not agree with the 10-photo limit as I think pics are more fun to see than script, but then, rules are rules.

Marsh Johnson and son Adam were omitted as you may recall. The text referred to a pic that was not there. Here it is:



1962: Marsh Johnson with son Adam

I am told that Al Rushatz has departed the Physical Education Dept and has ret and joined the ranks in NC. I must state that Al's departure is WP's loss. On a lighter note, Al attended some of our luncheons in conjunction with the mtgs on the Class gift. While here, he was helpful in providing Kirschenbauer with guidance on how George might influence our Class to support the project.



1962: "You can always give them a plaque, George"

The biggest item from this area is the continued effort to get the Class gift drive underway. As mentioned in the Jul issue of the ASSEMBLY, a comm select-

ed the gift from the *USMA Gift Project Book, 1989*. The Class of '62 gift of a fitness ctr in the Arvin Gym has been approved by the Supe and will be one of the more ambitious undertakings of any class to date.

Thus far, we have accomplished the following: **Jim Heigl** has agreed to chair the project. We are looking for someone to head up the fund-raising prog. To assist those who volunteer their svcs, we have selected a fund-raising consulting firm, Segura, Inc, to not only provide the expertise, but also to do much of the grunt work essential to the success of the project. While the decision to fund outside help will add to the dollar amount needed, the comm agreed that a nominal cost was justified since it was neither feasible nor fair to place the admin burden on a few classmates.

If you have thoughts on the project or are willing to contribute time, please contact **George Kirschenbauer**, 9315 To-vito Dr, Fairfax, VA 22031, (703) 352-9029 or send your comments to me and I'll get them to George or **Jim**.



1962: Wash luncheon: Bob Ord, Paul Kelly and Paul Kirkegaard



1962: Kimsey and Kirschenbauer seem to have thoughts about Dominy's comments

Our luncheons continue with the same regulars and an occasional new face. Remember, if you are visiting the Wash area on or near the 3rd Fri of the mo, we are at the Army-Navy Country Club. Stop by.

I received a lengthy ltr with news of the **Benchhoff** family. Bench sent along the pic of the proud parents and daughter, Melisa, on the occasion of her wedding to C Edward House. Bride & groom



1962: Don Karrer, Stan Whitmore and JJ Kelly at DC luncheon

are classmates, USMA '90, and decided to further solidify the relationship. Son Peter '93 was an usher and saberbearer and had the opportunity to administer the saber smack to welcome his sister as an Army wife. Bench further rep that **Jim & Jeannie Kays** really helped out by offering the use of their WP quarters as the wedding headquarters. As for the young couple, Melisa is off to McClellan for Chemical Off's basic and Eddie is off to Benning to learn the ways of the Inf. They are to join up at Bragg after Christmas. Following the wedding, **Barbara & Bench** returned to Europe where Bench continued the highly visible task of supervising the removal of chem munitions from Ger. By the time you read this, he will probably be at his next asgmt as J4/J7, Hq, EUCOM. Bench said that he will miss cmd and even the promotion to MG "can't make a staff job seem better."



1962: Dennis & Barbara Benchhoff with daughter Melisa on the occasion of her 3 Jun wedding

That is it for now. I trust that you will find time to send input. It makes my task easier and it will make the column more interesting. Thanks.

'63

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Somehow I misplaced a Christmas (89) card for **John & Andrea Ahern**. I found it while sorting through some old files. The card came enclosed with two photos of classmates taken about two yrs

ago at a local restaurant in Boston—Tom Foolery's. The "Sheik" obviously knew what was about to happen—I think I'll send the negative to DA for possible recall to active duty!



1963: The Greek "Sheik"



1963: O'Donnell, Higgins, Dwyer, Pappas, Ahern and Violet O'Donnell

Speaking of active duty, two great soldiers were recently recognized for promotion to BG—**Al Genetti** and **Bob Foley**. Well done! Al is ch of staff for the Ch of Engrs and will soon rep to the Pentagon to head a study tm to station the new Army. Bob is exec to the Asst Secy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs. No new asgmt for Bob yet; however, he has started to practice a little with his "sand" wedge.

Ed Lee has ret from the Corps of Engrs and is heading for CO. A Class luncheon was held in early Oct at the A-N Club in downtown Wash, DC hosted by **Mike Summers**; about 28 classmates attended. One of those was **Tom Carney**—usually up to his ears in mtgs as the Army's PAE, but just decided to attend anyway; way to go, Tom!

Joe & Cathy Jaworowski hosted an open-house party following the Navy game at their house just outside Phila. All those attending the game were invited—a great party.

Karl Beach recently returned from Ger where he played househusband while **Barbara** completed her 3-yr tour with USAREUR DCSR. Karl will complete studies for his CPA while Barbara returns to Ft Belvoir as the dep dir of Resource Mgt. While in Ger, Karl spent some time with **John & Barbara Counts**—John is completing his tour as

CS Allied Staff Berlin and will probably head for Ft Leavenworth. Karl and John got some exercise by pounding a hole in the Berlin Wall.



1963: Karl Beach and John Counts at the Berlin Wall, Apr 90

We are sad to rep that **Joe Galle** died on 5 Oct in Big Sky, MT. Burial took place at the WP Cemetery on 5 Nov. He is survived by his parents and his two children. For further information, call **Rich Goldsmith** at 717-249-3278.

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It's appropriate that there has been a bountiful harvest of information for this fall iteration of the Class col. I even received a first-ever ltr from **Jim Stapleton**, who must be mellowing in his old age. Jim & Carolyn have abandoned Atl and plans of ret for another tour in Vicenza, Italy and a job as Dep Cmdr/CS. I guess we few who remain are finding this Army a pretty comfortable life and besides, it postpones having to look for a real job!

Pat Graves rep that **Tom Chapman**, his firstie roomie and an IN yankee, has ret to Pat's home territory in Huntsville, AL, joining other area classmates **Dick Gray**, **Ed Simms**, **Arnie Gaylor**, and **John Harnish**. The latter is still toiling for Uncle Sam; the rest are enjoying the bounty of civ life.

Jack Bergen, whom I talk to on the phone all the time, must have decided that the only way to get mentioned here was to go formal and write. Jack continues to move up the corporate ladder and is now pres/CEO of Hill and Knowlton USA. **Linda** is a prof at Temple U and both sons are 2LTs; John heading for the JAG Corps (obviously a very intelligent young man) and Mike for flight sch.

I made a TDY trip to DC last wk and was fortunate enough to run into a significant portion of the 100 or so classmates who live in the area. **Roy Buckner** was encountered in front of the Capitol plying his trade as a Wash rep for Textron; **Roy Jones** was bearded in his den where he continues to make a name for

himself as ch counsel for the House Insular and Interior Affairs Comm; **Dick Chilcoat** was able to spare some time from his efforts as exec to GEN Powell; and I was able to attend a Class gathering put together by **Dan Evans** and hosted by **Gene Sullivan** at his digs at the Court of Mil Appeals. Gene, by the way, has recently been appointed by the Pres to be Ch Judge of that court.

The event was a good way to get together in a convenient location. With apologies to those I leave out, those present were **Bob Hickson**, who is splitting his time between his home in Front Royal and DC; **Dan Bar Ben**, aka **Dan Levin**, still writing philosophy; **Nick Nichols**, banker and sometimes-Repub congressional candidate from the Baltimore area; **JB Holeman**, commuting from his duty as PM for tanks in MI; **Ernie Oehrlein**, making his 5th appearance at the All-Army tennis trials; **Bob North**, **Jay Missel**, **Mel Tratensek**, **Mike McKinley** and **Bill Major**.

I also received a ltr from **Jeff Kleb** rep on comings and goings in DC. **Steve Weisel** recently moved from Ft Lee and is working in OTEA (for you civ types, I don't know what it means either); **Bob Wynn** is CG at Ft Ritchie; **Bill Miller's** passing through from MI where he is also a tank project mgr; **Bill Chescavage** and **Nick Kemp** are both working for Westinghouse in Baltimore; **Ron Rezek** (whom I also saw in the Pentagon doing chores) has ret and will stay in the DC area. Still doing service in the Pentagon are **Bob Michela**, **Jim Adams**, **Howie Bachman**, **Mike Cook**, **Max Johnson**, **Mike Leonard**, and **Ted Togashi** over at DIA. Jeff is still translating for the Pres and running the Moscow hotline.

Barry McCaffrey left Wash and took cmd of the 24th ID just in time to get it loaded up for Desert Shield. I understand it took 6 days, 6 hrs to get the div's first boat away from the pier—almost approximating Barry's time in cmd.

Had lunch while in DC with **Dick Chilcoat** and **Dan Evans** to move the Class gift proj a bit. **Bill Murdy**, **Bob McCoy**, myself and others associated with the proj have received ltrs from many regarding the progress of gift se-



1964: John Leyerzaph, Frank Lambert and Ian Carter, Jun 87

lection; hence the mtg. Look for detailed gift info in the near future.

Finally, **Seth Hudgins** sent along a photo from the *Pointer View* of Seth, in his AOG capacity, presenting keys to a newly-built caretaker's house to **Dave Bramlett**. Unfortunately, the newsprint photo won't reproduce; they look like a pair of Cheshire cats.

One last item. Ran across the photo from **Frank Lambert** of he, **John Leyerzaph** and **Ian Carter** at the 87 US Open. It may be old news but... whatever.

'65

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"Not just another college reunion—this wkend is something special." Words well spoken by our good friend, Padre McCormick. Over 350 classmates, spouses, friends and family mbrs arrived at the Sheraton Intl Crossroads in Mahwah to celebrate a quarter of a century (can you believe it?) since June Wk. Here's an update on everyone who attended.

Freddy & Carol Grates came up from Houston after spending a wk visiting family and friends in Niagara Falls and Utica. **Kathy & Walt Kulbacki** left after the reunion also to visit family and friends. **Tony Clay**, whom several of us only see walking down 5th Ave in NYC, rep on his semi-ret in W Hampton and doing some real estate (looking fit as the all-American swimmer that he was, I might add).

One of the outstanding aspects of the wkend was the large no of classmates that **Stichweh** and **Zadel** coerced into getting involved. One of them was **Chuck Boohar**, who came up from his law practice in Phila and hosted the career counseling session, attended by a no of our active duty classmates looking to get out of the mil. Points to remember: give yourself 1-2 yrs, spend some time writing a good resume, network, network and network, and by all means, don't become unemployed—unemployed (even if they are ret) people are very difficult hires.

Steve Clement was there with his 2 boys. Steve and a no of Max Thurman's other close friends penned a get-well missive to our good friend in Walter Reed. Speaking of Max, have you ever closed your eyes and listened to **Frank Hennessee** talk? Max is running the Southern Cmd from his hosp bed and Frank is making sure that the orders are carried out. In addition to Frank, we have a no of other classmates who are in key positions. **Joe & Lynn DeFrancisco** came up from Wash, where Joe is the XO to the SA. **Dave & Nancy Benton** also came up after the CS told his XO to go enjoy the reunion. Dave and Joe also



1965: Danielle & Steve Clement and sons

joined the most recent list of new 1-stars with **Steve Bliss**, **John Longhouser** and **Orlin Mullen**. And how would you like to be an 18-yr old son of '65 tending bar in Garmish—**Pat & Alice Kenny**'s youngest boy is doing just that. Their daughter lives in Princeton and they were going to stop in to see her & her lawyer husband on their way back to Wash.

My old Pittsburgh buddy **Don Kurtz** was there, and rep that the stock bus is still alive and well. **Jim Scheiner** is back practicing law in PA as was **Goerge Bell**, who is with the 4th-largest law firm in the US. **Jack Terry** surprised our daughter and son with his stories of sleeping with their dad for 9 wks in Ranger Sch. **Roger Frydrychowski** was there with his 4 neat-looking kids. **Jimmy Smith** & his



1965: Roger Frydrychowski and his children



1965: The McElicies and Smiths

lovely bride, **Elizabeth**, were caught by the scribe doing PDA on the dance floor. Jimmy inquired as to the whereabouts of **Ron Butterfield**, who has disappeared from our rolls. Anyone know? Jimmy had

heard that he worked for UA in San Diego. **Jack & Annette Lowe** came with daughters **Melanie** and **Stephanie**, along with **Melanie's** college friend **Chris**.



1965: Annette & Jack Lowe with Melanie, Stephanie and friend

Jack just got a great promotion and is now running an EDS div responsible for providing DP services to the chem industry. **Chuck Shaw** convinced **Judy** & me to try some of his later wines, which we will do. **Paul Schultz** came in from



1965: Chuck Shaw and friend

CT where he runs a DP shop, and has volunteered to help the scribe with the Class roster. **Paul Barber**, who formerly did this, will be leaving WP. **Lew & Barbara Greene** came up with a great suggestion which I'll follow up on, namely to provide an annual roster (similar to what many of the WP socs across the country do).

Bo DeSantis provided the following rundown of our active duty USAF types: 60 classmates started, of whom 3 saw the light and went back to the Army (**Johnson**, **Kramer** and **Webb**). Four came from the Army (**Divers**, **Mitchell**, **Joyner** and **Leverett**), for a total of 61. Thirty-seven have resigned and about 15 have ret, leaving 10 on active duty. As best could be determined, these are **Koz**, **Gordon Long**, **Ed Armstrong**, **Andy Zaleski**, **John Madia** (was at the reunion and is running the B-1 Bomber prog in Dayton), **DeSantis**, **Karl Plotkin** (who is a radiologist), **Divers** (OB/GYN), **Billy Mitchell** (fighter pilot) and our dentist, **Harry Joyner**. **Bo & Bonnie** have 3 boys aged 23, 20 and 16. The oldest is in the Army in Ger, the next plays football at

BYU (#64) and the youngest is a QB in HS, hopefully with more foot speed than his QB old man. They have 2 grandchildren and enjoy Hill AFB in UT, where he is the base civ engr.

Bob Huffhines came from his home near Portland where he is a proxy lawyer. Several classmates rep on Congress' quick action in allocating a significant contribution to USMA on behalf of our deceased classmate **Tom Johnson**, to include having a bldg at USMA named after him. Tom's father ('43) will write the obituary. In the small-world category, imagine our daughter Shannon's surprise after spending a wkend in DE with her friend Chris, and finding out that Chris' next-door neighbors were **Dave & Darlene Hopkins**.

One of the outstanding presentations at the career counseling session was given by **Ed Knauf**, who runs a \$150 mil co in Lancaster which he started in his basement about 9 yrs ago. **Tom DeJonckheere** works for him. The youngest attendee award goes to a cute little blonde bundle of 8 mos by the name of Elizabeth Campbell, who attended with **Russ & Maryann**. The **Shinsekis** came from Chicago to see their daughter. **Ric** rep that he has once again started his own bus where he is an engr for the real estate bus. Ric's son joined about 16 of our other offspring at USMA and USMAPS for the enclosed group pic. In addition to our son Brian and daughter Shannon (USMAPS), **Dave Curl '93** and **Gil** were joined by **Clair Gill**, the two **Bill Heckers '91**, **Mark Hopkins '94** and parents, **Pat Howell '92**. Also in the pic are the **Jenkins** with **Hal, Jr '93**, **Art Mark** and daughter **Nicolette '91** who is getting married to a '90 grad next yr, **Marylin**,



1965: Russ & Maryann Campbell with children

Chip and Skip O'Donnell '90, **Colleen O'Hara**, the two **Kims of the Olmsteads ('93)**, **Jenny Osgood**, **Tim & Pat Timmerman** sans son **Eric '91**, **Debbie Vann '92** with **Dave & Stash**, **Shaw Yoshitani '91** with **Ken & Izumi**. Absent were **Doug Andresen**, **Ballard Barker**, and **Nancy Csoka**.

Frank Prokop rep that **Keyes Hudson** lives two blocks away from him in Dallas, although **Keyes** is looking at a job in Huntsville. **Jim & Carol Stewart** came up from Cincinnati where **Jim** is doing great things for P&G. On Sun after the cadet brunch, we ran into **Harlan & Carolyn Fricke** who were looking for a plebe friend of their son during their first visit back to WP in 25 yrs. The **Adams** boys, **Curt** and **Ralph**, were also seen having a ball throughout the entire evening, as was **Randy Guenther**. **Colin Halvorson** took an active participation in the career counseling and offered to help out anyone in the DC area. **Jim & Cathy Holmes** were going to NYC for a few days after the wkend to enjoy themselves. **Mike Hudson & his lovely wife Marie** came in from CA looking tanned

and fit. **Bob Doughty** and **Jim Golden** rep that the academic depts are in good shape. **Tom Kelly** is still in Chicago with ARC.

At the dinner dance, the Com compared us with '89. Push-ups were 37/37, sit-ups were 60/72 (not good) and the 2 mi run was 14:45/14:54. Then he compared us with the '89 men: 37/68, 60/73 and 14:45/13:00. Oh well, PT anyone!

Roy Garms is still with Exxon and **Jerry Lipsit** still lives in Buffalo Grove, not too far from us in Chicago. **John Longhouser** looked fit, as did **Bob Frank** and **Bud Fish**.

It was also good to see some old friends whom I haven't seen for awhile, namely **Joe Anderson**, **Mike Applin**, **Jerry Hoffman**, and esp **Jack Jannarone**, who looked trim and fit and who has resumed flying for Pan Am. **Ron Layer**



1965: Stephenson and Jannarone

came in from IN and **Denny Lewis** from OH. **Steve Darrah** cornered **Walt Oerhlein** and rehashed old tennis days. **Tom Barron** was joined by **Tosh**, who rep their sons were doing well. I hadn't seen **Ed Klink** nor **Oleh Koropey** in quite awhile. **Chuck McCloskey** attended solo since his wife had to work. **Joe McChristian** and I talked a little bus while **Rocco** took an unplanned swim in the pool on Sat night. **Chuck Moseley** is still in the nuclear power bus and **Chris Needels** showed us the required camouflage outerwear for White House staffers. **Don Parcels** and **Ray Paske** both looked to be in great shape and were seen rehashing old gridiron stories with new DIA **Al Vanderbush**. There seemed to be a lot of wrestlers and gymnasts this time, including **Grates**, **Tommy Abraham**, **Tad Ono** and **Bob Wolff**.

I was able to get the inside scoop on *Fire Birds*, the movie brought to the big screen by **Step Tyner** and **John Swenson**. **Rick Wetherill** wandered in late on Sat night. It was good seeing **Barrie Zais** with his wife, since most of the pics I get of him have some head of state in them also. **Jim Stephenson** came in from Minneapolis while **George Ruggles** came in from the W Coast looking great. **Bill Reisner** is still in NY in the brokerage bus while **Howie & Betsy Reed** are enjoying ret. **Terry Ryan** was there, as



1965: Class of '65 with sons and daughters at USMA and USMAPS

was Dan Steinwald and Freddie Smith. Joe Sanchez, one of the organizers of the event, was there and did another great job pulling this whole thing together, as did Jim Tomaswick, who was responsible for getting all of the goodies. Jerry & John McMillan were there along with John Wattendorf and Carl Peterson. Marty Resick and John Salomone were also there, along with Hank Sterbenz, Larry Wiest, Steve Paek and Jim Paley. Hank Mickells, Frank Skidmore and John Seymour spent some time on the dance floor. Wayne & Susan Scholl came down from DC where Wayne is the Engr's environmental czar. Bob Scully came in from Chicago while Jim Miranda spent some time renewing old friendships. Steve Morrissey, Glen Nenninger, Frank O'Brien and Ross Wollen came in from all over the globe trying to figure out who the first Reg O'Leary was. Jim Dyer, Dick Kramer, Barry Levine and Dave Hurley were seen going back for seconds at the ice cream soda bar on Sat night after the game, as were Steve Harmon, Jack Barwis, Dave Bangert and Slats Letterie. Speaking of the do-it-yourself ice cream bar, Mac Gilchrist, Pete Howard, Ray Hawkins, Jim Greene and Dave Gnau spent a few spare moments there also.

Although some of the less brave decided not to weather the rain storm at the football game, I am happy to rep that a few of us stayed till the very end, among them Steve Ammon, Ray Pollard, Preston Motes, Ed Sharkness, Gene Manghi, Pete Lounsbury, Lowrey West, Don Parrish, Jim Berry, Bill Birdseye, Mike Huston and Larry Isakson, as well as Doug Kline, Don Erbes and Jimmy Ferguson. Not seen at the game but indubitably enjoying themselves were Sonny Arkangel, Sandy Hallenbeck, Jose Gonzalez, Guenter Hennig, Henry Kelley, Larry Leskovjan and Doug Gentzkow. Also rep as early departs for Hollander Hall were Dick Coleman, Jim Harmon, Roger Griffin, Ron Bailey, Mike Teeters, Johnny Wells and Ed Winstead.

Rusty Pullen flew in from CA while Tommy Sheckells was also there. Richard C Williams was there, along with Ernie Westpheling, Harly Moore, Larry Bennett, John Bell and Jerry Eichelberger. Russ Dornier, Richard Donahue and Jim Coughlin joined the festivities, along with Robert D and John C Thompson. Bill Tredennick spent some time poolside with Gene Parker. Jim Hardin and Jim Harvey were also there, along with Bill McKemey.

Speaking of Jim Harvey, everyone, and I mean *everyone* that spoke to me during the Sat morning memorial svc, commented on how moving it was. After opening remarks by Bill Zadel and Chap Ford, Pete Lounsbury read a scripture. Following Fr McCormick's comments,



1965: Bill Zadel

John Pickler, Dan Christman and Barrie Zais read the names of our 34 deceased classmates (Arvin, Berdan, Berdy, Borrego, Brown, Bryan, Al Clark, Jerry Clark, Collins, Davis, DeWitt, Dickey, Echols, Endicott, Gagne, Glynne, Hays, Hemmingway, Hutton, Jeffcoat, Johnson, Kedetz, Keats, Kistler, Lee, McArthur, Menninger, Metzner, Momiclovich, Myers, O'Conner, O'Toole, Wuertenberger and Zonne). I recall this list here so that those of you who were not in attendance might spend a moment in reflection. After the roll call, Chuck Mosley asked for special requests from the participants, followed by John Swensson singing a song. Bob Wolff read a psalm and was followed by Chaplain Ford, who reminded us that he also was a plebe during our first yr at the ripe age of 29. Joe Anderson followed that by singing "Amazing Grace" and Chuck McCloskey offered a prayer for the Class. Jim Harvey led the husbands and then the wives in the reaffirmation of our marriage vows, and he was followed by Wayne Scholl, who offered a thanksgiving for all that the Lord has provided this Class. Dave Kuhn closed the ceremony with some brief remarks.

But as I said at the beginning, Fr McCormick set the theme for this, our 25th Reunion: "This was not just another col reunion. It was more than that," said the Monsignor. "WP grads are special. They use strength for peace and justice. They must articulate the truths and ideals of WP more clearly and concisely now more than ever before." How true it was on this special wkend.

The Class owes a debt of gratitude to Bill Zadel and Rollie Stichweh, who were ably assisted by Abraham, Barber, Boohar, Doughty, Harmon, Harvey, Hopkins, Kuhn, Letterie, McEliece, Carl Peterson, Sanchez, Tomaswick, and Wollen.

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Many thanks to Al Sirutus for all his hard work as our scribe for the past two yrs! It's a great honor to be in this

position. I hope to have as much fun with the col as Buck Thompson (our original scribe) did, and be as organized as Al has been. Also, many thanks from the whole Class to all of our other previous scribes—you guys have done an excellent job keeping everyone in touch.

If you don't know or remember me, I was in H-2, K-2, and finally D-4. Even as a firsty I was petrified to go near I-1, the home of most of our previous scribes, but more importantly, the home of the infamous "Ranger Dan." No offense to you 1st Regt guys, but unless you crawled out from under your brown boys, played a sport, or wandered into Old North, I may never have met you. I rode the mule, helped steal the goat, played lacrosse, and did not wear stars, large or small. I have two boys, Hall (16) and Stewart (14), both excellent lacrosse players, a wife named Peg, and a huge Rottweiler named Otto.

In 89 I purchased a small manufacturing co that designs and builds packaged pumping systems including related elec and electronic controls. I am an avid golfer and squash player. I also love visiting classmates, so be careful on how liberal you are with the invitations or I may show up on your doorstep!

One thing I never realized when I took this job was the amount of lead time the ASSEMBLY requires. My deadlines are two mos prior to publication so please keep this in mind when you write.

By now you should have received the first mailing for the reunion. If not, we probably don't have your current address so please contact me so we can get you on the list. Now for the news. . .

COL Lance Leach was appointed Prof and Dep Head, Dept of Elec Engr'g and Computer Sci at USMA on 27 Aug. Lance was previously Assoc Dean for Academic Computing. He is the first and only prof USMA from '66. Lance has his MS in computer sci from Stanford and his PhD in computer engr'g from RPI. He has been at WP since 77. Congratulations Lance!

I recently attended a reunion planning mtg at WP with Lance, Morgan Roseborough, Larry Donnithorne, Art Mulligan, and Mac Hayes. These guys are serious about the upcoming obstacle course run in Jan. Lance, Larry, Art, and Art's daughter Katie '93 competed in the second annual WP Triathlon in Aug, consisting of a 1/2-mi swim, 14-mi bike course, and 3-mi run. Art and Katie ran the course together. Art rep it was a "nice father-daughter moment."

Jerry Cecil did an outstanding job in his election bid but unfortunately lost. He grabbed 32% of the vote and rep that he is definitely going to run again.

Did you see Bob Seigle on ABC World News Tonight in early Oct and then Freddy McFarren 18 Oct? Bob was commenting on the tough maintenance prob-



1966: Lance Leach, Larry Donnithorne, Art Mulligan and Katie '93

lems being faced by his chopper mechanics, and Freddy was being questioned about firing range safety. Apparently, the camels keep wandering into the target area. As of this writing, I can only confirm Bob, Freddy and John Zeirdt are in Saudi Arabia.

In Oct a new BG list came out. **Bob Scales, George Crocker, John Dubia, John Zeirdt, Jan Van Prooyen, and Ed Anderson III** all made the list. Nice job, guys! There wasn't enough time to get any details so I'll do a follow-up on ea in the next issue.

Don Rose recently wrote to pass on news that his daughter Amy gave birth to his first grandchild, Robert Edward Emory, on 17 Apr. Don believes he is the first "natural grandfather" in the Class. Can anyone beat 17 Apr 90? Don & **Billie** have ret in Fairfax, VA. Don, along with **Al Nason**, is with SRA Corp in Arlington. Another "Beltway Bandit" joins the ranks. **Billie** works as an RN at an Urgent Med Care clinic in Vienna. She is the head nurse and clinic mgr. Don's other daughter, Amy's twin, is finishing her last yr in col studying education for the hearing-impaired. She is engaged to be married in Jun. Don & **Billie** are way into country and western dancing and are interested in having any classmates who are also interested contact them if they are ever in the area. **Jim & Karen Jen-**



1966: Don Rose and grandson

kins, **Bill & Nancy Hoyman**, and the **Roses** all belong to the same church. **Tim & Tina Fields** are their next-door neighbors.

ZOO NEWS. In Oct, **Mike & Helen**

Brennan hosted the **Kesmodels**, and **John & Stella Pappas** and their children **Greg (14), Jason (11) and Dianna (9)** for the Army-Wake Forest game. Except for the game—and touch football afterward during which my 6-foot monster son tried to kill me—the wkend was great. **Mike**, an ophthalmologist, has joined a very successful practice in Burlington, NC. While at the game, we ran into **Tom Ewart** and a very attractive friend. Tom is an orthopaedic surgeon in Columbia, SC. I spoke with **John & Cynthia McKnight** recently. Things are "mighty rough." He & **Cynthia** had just returned from CA where they spent a wk traveling around the Nappa Valley tasting wine. In Dec, they will make their first of several trips this winter to Vail to ski. John is a lawyer on St Simmons Isl, GA. He told me he had heard from **Tory Wilson** who is at the Mayo Clinic, according to John.

Bob Meccia and **Tim Daley** are both special projects mgrs for EBASCO in Alexandria, VA. They have done a great job as coordinators for our quarterly DC area luncheons. For those of you not familiar with this activity, we meet for lunch ea quarter and would love to see any classmates from anywhere that can make it. We normally have from 20–40 classmates attend the luncheon. The next regular luncheon after Jan is in Apr. For details contact me and I'll fax you a flyer. At the last mtg on 17 Oct, new arrivals to the DC area, **Jim Peake**, who is now with the Surgeon General's Off, **Jim Lee**, now assigned to SDIO at the Pentagon, and **Tom Farewell**, who was dist engr in Huntington, W VA, all attended. Tom was awarded the very prestigious Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal which dates back to 1777. Tom is only the 131st recipient of this award. Tom is now assigned to PAED to plan for and resource a smaller Army. **Gerry Cecil** attended the ceremony.



1966: Manlove, Buczacki, Faust, Daly, Williams, Cooney, Meccia and Peake

I am sad to rep the death of **Lew James** early in the summer of 90. I do not have any details but understand from **Gaines Dyer** that Lew died of a heart attack. He is survived by his wife, **Judy**, and 3 sons. At the time of his death, Lew was owner

of Central Ins Agency in Franklin, KY, his hometown. Received news from **Frank Cosentino** that he and **Sam Champi** have formed a new const co called "Point Const Co." Sam left his previous position in the const bus to head up this new venture. **Cosentino** has been working in large real estate devel projects since he returned from CA two yrs ago. **Tom Zurla** is also part of the gp, acting as admin mgr. **Cos** also told me he tracked down **Sam Rizzo** in Dallas, TX, working as a tech mgr for TX Inst. It seems they got one of our classmates with "access to special info" to run Sam down. Within an hr they had his hat size, address, phone no, and occupation. They called, and Sam should be showing up for the 25th.

While on our summer vacation we stopped by and visited **Bob & Joan Satter**, who live on Lake Winnepesaukee in NH. **Dave Martin** was due to visit them the next day.



1966: Joan & Bob Satter, summer 90 in NH

Just before the deadline, I received a photo from the AOG showing **Barry DeBolt, Ken Fish, Ralph Cruikshank, and Mike Strickland** on the links in Jun 90, having just finished a Cancer Soc benefit tournament.



1966: DeBolt, Fish, Cruikshank and Strickland, Jun 90

This next pic had no notes, no dates, no names—the only clue was the location and '66 on the backdrop. **Freddy & Phyllis Meurer** didn't have a lot of co. **Freddy**, I hope it's you and **Phyllis**.

Notes from **Norman**. . . "We have had a successful kickoff for our \$2,000,000 fund-raising effort to endow a chair at the Acad for mil history. A no of our class-



1966: The Meurers at Founders Day 90, Fort Ord

mates felt the subject of 'leadership' was too nebulous and the Acad urged us in the direction of 'mil history' which has now been reserved for us in anticipation of a successful fund-raising effort. **Mike Me-whinney** is leading the charge, closely supported by **Charlie Chitty** and **Hilton Dunn**. The regional cadre includes **Dave Arthur**, **Jim Connell**, **Bill Gang**, **Kevin Gaynor**, **Mat Harrison**, **Frank Kobes**, **Keith Markey**, **Dave Martin**, **Bob Meccia**, **Rick Sonsteli**, and **Marc Tumas**. The comm is well organized and is dedicated to trying to accomplish our goal by Sep when we reunite at WP. Our goal is 100% participation. And our success will once again distinguish us as leaders in helping secure the highest quality of education in the Acad's future."

George Cox asks that you please keep photos, stories, etc coming his way. **Gene Atkinson** needs any old cadet baseball photos or stories you can dig up, esp related to the WP-Yankee games ea yr. If you have anything, please send directly to Gene, c/o Goldman Sachs Intl Dept, 85 Broad St, NY, NY 10004.

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20 Aug 90: Imagine my surprise when the phone rang today, during daylight hrs, and the voice on the other end belonged to **Barb Mackerer**. I didn't know that she knew how to use one of those things when the rest of the world was awake. But then, I suspect **John** got tired of all the retaliatory calls from us at 3 AM his time, esp since the phone is on his side of the bed. (Barb, as I've mentioned before, apparently has trouble with the concept of time zones. While the idea that they can also be made to work against you has obviously been lost on her, it must have finally made an impact on John.) Anyway, the reason Barb called at a civil hr was to give me a triple ration of grief about the fact that I misspelled both of their kids' names in the Sep notes. For that, I duly apologize. To set the record straight, **Bryan** is actually **Brian**, and **Chrissie** is really **Krissy**

(or maybe it's **Krissie**—she was a little vague on that). Now that I've atoned for that sin, perhaps **John** will release the book he took hostage from me two yrs ago and send it back to me.

27 Aug: Nice note from **Joe Terry** today, sending along the photo of **Tom & Sandy Schwartz** and daughter **Terri**, and **Joe & Barbara** with their son **Joe III** at the kids' grad from Zoom U this summer.



1967: The Schwartzes and Terrys at USAFA grad, 90

Joe III is now at flight sch at **Williams AFB, AZ**; not sure where **Terri Schwartz** went for her first asgmt. **Joe** continues to be a minute caller and window closer on the E-ring of the 5-Sided Wind Tunnel, while **Tom Schwartz** is the ch of staff of the 4th ID at Ft Carson.

29 Aug: "**COL & Mrs Anthony Von Nida** request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter **Nancy Angela** to **Mr Michael Shane Taylor**, Sat, 29 Sep, at **Saint Luke's Episcopal Church**, 4106 **John F Kennedy Blvd**, **No Little Rock, AR**." I found this invitation wedged between the daily quota of *Nintendo Power*, *Hulk-o-mania*, and *Mad* mags the postman keeps bringing to my house. I would give almost anything to be able to attend this wedding. I've been around **Angie Nida** under normal circumstances, and it has always been a lot of fun, if not downright mysterious, watching how she just kind of careens through life (of course, **Tony** is usually there to pick up the pieces and repair the damage); the mind conjures up all sorts of fascinating images of what life must be like around that household these days. It would also be nice to get a live report on the hair color for this most important occasion. Hopefully, **Nancy's** aunt **Gussie (Bob Haeffner's** wife, **Tony's** sister) will make it to the wedding and fill us all in.

3 Sep: Labor Day, and the end-of-summer ritual trip to granddaddy's house. Pretty typical wkend in the **Lowrey** household. No 2 son **Brendan**, testing his skills on "Dead-duck Hill," does a world-class crash and burn on his skateboard and breaks his collar bone (for the 3d time—this time it forms a neat 90-deg angle) and his elbow. This makes the 4th or 5th yr in a row at least one of my

children has started the sch yr in a cast or brace or with a face looking like steak tar tar. It is amazing that we haven't yet been visited by the Dept of Human Svcs. Next summer, I shall lock them all in their rooms for the entire vacation. The more I think about that idea, the more attractive it becomes.

4 Sep: Nice note from **Rog Arango** in the mailbag this morn. The handwriting was still surprisingly steady for a man his age. He's been out of touch, as he was working in Saudi Arabia for a yr with a def contractor, but he's back in The World now, working at **Heritage Col**, a priv 4-yr col in the **Yakima Valley of WA**. His ltr stated that in the near future he would be appointed the chm of the Dept of Public Affairs, which includes Public Admin, Hist, and Polit Sci. I suspect, though he didn't say so., it also includes the Dept of Gerontological Research. In a crass attempt to deny the fact of his old age, **Rog** sent along the enclosed photo, which he purports to be a pic of him windsurfing in Saudi Arabia last Oct.



1967: A Rog Arango look-alike, windsurfing in Saudi Arabia

Hey, come on, I didn't just get off the boat with the other pilgrims. I know a carnival pic anywhere—you know, the kind where you stick your head through a hole cut in a wall with a body painted on it. Anyway, **Rog** remarried in 88; his wife's name is **Margo**. He met her at the col where he teaches; she's the Academic Dean's admin asst.

7 Sep: Very pleasant phone chat with **Mike Cox** this eve. **Mike** lives in **Yorktown**, only a stone's throw from **Looney Toones Estates**, better known as the **Lowrey Home and Bar**, and works at **TRADOC HQs** at **Ft Monroe**, along with **John James**, doing things mysterious in the automation arena. His big news of the day was his promotion to **FULL COL** on 1 Jul. I was surprised to learn that, some 69 days after that event, he has yet to spring for a promotion party. Since I refuse to believe that he's a cheapskate, I have to assume that he is saving his money for a really big blowout at the 25th. Something we can all look forward to, I'm sure. Of course, he might be spending the money on something really frivolous, like his son's col tuition at

JMU. The reason he called was to ask if I had seen our own **Walt Mather** being interviewed on the CBS evening news by Dan Rather the other night (5 Sep). I hadn't, since I made it a point 22 yrs ago never to watch Dan Rather (although I do wish he'd interview me sometime—I've got a few things I've wanted to tell him for many yrs). Seems that Walt is commanding a bde of the 24th Inf Div that has been deployed to Saudi Arabia, and was explaining some of the intricacies of mil ops to everyone's "favorite" war correspondent. Another classmate on the scene in the Saudi desert is **Doug Starr**, cmndr of the 3d ACR from Ft Bliss. **Phil Kinney** sent me a copy of an El Paso newspaper article recently, profiling the regt and Doug as they prepared for their deployment. I'm guessing on this one, but I also think that **Glenn Hale** is there, as the last time I saw him, a yr ago, he had just taken cmd of a bde in the 82d Airplane Div, and I'm pretty sure he's still in the job. The other bit of news Mike dropped on me was that **Larry Izzo** has also decided to hang it up, despite having recently been selected for bde cmd, and go to work for the same outfit that snatched **Tom White**. This is all getting to be a bit bizarre, and the implications of all these goings-on are ominous indeed—esp if the rumors I keep hearing about **Mike Hood** being somehow involved in all of this turn out to be true. The only thing keeping this from being a really frightening series of events is the fact that, as of yet, I haven't heard **Dick Clapper's** name associated with it. Stay tuned.

12 Sep: You people probably don't realize the sacrifices I make in doing this job. There are times when duty requires me to rep the facts, no matter how painful that may be. This is one of those times. The 1990 BG list was released today, and **Dave Hale's** name is on it. (Some of you were probably afraid that I was going to say **Ed Dewey's** name was on it, but you can assuage your fears for now.) Fortunately, the Army had the good sense to at least partially offset this canard by including **Tom Schwartz** and **Walt Mather** on the list, too. Now, those are a couple of worthy recipients of stars, indeed. I suppose these 3 guys qualify for High Roller Roll Call for this issue. Well done fellows; you may all have staybacks. Even you, Hale—but I expect you to use the extra money to pay for some decent fishing lessons.

16 Sep: This evening I received a phone call from **Randy Pais** with the devastating news that **Ben Rodriguez** died from cancer in Houston on the 14th. He had been diagnosed with a rare germ cell cancer in early 89. He underwent surgery and some pretty brutal bouts of chemotherapy in the spring of 89, and by the fall, indications were that he had gotten the upper hand. He was able to go



1967: Benjamin Rodriguez, 1945-90

back to work for Exxon in Jan of this yr, feeling great, and fully confident that he had been cured. Unfortunately, that was not the case. In Aug he was back in the hosp for more surgery, and from then on things deteriorated rapidly. Randy indicated that Ben will be buried in CA on the 19th. Sometimes, trying to understand the mysteries of this life don't seem worth the effort. Ben was truly one of the good guys, and we shall miss him dearly. I know that I speak for all the Class in telling his widow **Joanne** that we share in her grief and pain.

5 Oct: You might remember that in the last issue I mentioned receiving from the scribe of '65 a copy of a mag article written by our own **Mark Hamilton** and dealing with things artillery, published in *Field Artillery* mag. Imagine my surprise when today I receive, from the scribe of '70, another Mark Hamilton article, this one entitled "Junior Officer Development: Reflections of an Old Fud," published in the Sep 90 issue of *Parameters*, the official publication of the Army War Col. Well, at least he got the last part right. There must be a lesson here somewhere. Mark gets a couple of short articles published in a couple of little known, seldom read, quasi-serious "prof journals" and look what happens. He gets promoted early to O-6, cmnds a Divarty, gets selected to be the cmndr of the Mil Gp in some exotic tropical locale, and people break their necks trying to make sure I give him more publicity. I, on the other hand, bust my butt mo after mo, yr after yr, trying to turn out socially relevant lit for an intl audience of readers of *ASSEMBLY*, and I get ret as an O-5 and banished to teaching soc's misfits how to do "route step, march" as a HS JROTC teacher, and a steady stream of admonishing ltrs from the editor of this literary masterwork complaining about people who can't get their work in on time. Maybe, just maybe, if I had played Corps Squad football. . . .

6 Oct: Today I received a lovely ltr from **Joanne Rodriguez**. She gave all the details of **Ben's** battle with cancer and the extraordinarily brave way he carried on the fight. She showed no lack of courage herself, as I'm sure it was a difficult ltr to write so soon after Ben's



1967: Ray Roe, Ken Smith and George Pejakovich and two of their wives, Founders Day 90, Ft Lewis



1967: The Baggetts and Blacks, Ger 90

death. She wanted me to tell you all how much Ben loved WP and the Class of '67. They buried him in his Dress Gray. As Joanne said, Ben's waiting for us now in a far better place. I'll just bet he'll be waiting for us with a red sash on, too. Be Thou at Peace, friend. BEAT NAVY.

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You guys are great! Lots of good news this reporting period to keep our minds off of the adventures of the Arabian nuts and those fun folks charged with handing out Academy appts and keeping the govt solvent. There's so much good news that all I have to do is organize it and our article is complete—and you know me and organization. Oh well, 2 glasses of apple juice, a double helping of bran flakes, a mug of coffee, and the sleeve from a short overcoat ought to provide enough fiber to keep me close to home—and while I'm here. . . .

Now don't let this news make you feel old because all it should do is make you feel proud. The BG—as in O7—as in BRIGADIER GENERAL—list was made public in early fall and tankers **Larry Jordan** and **Bill Nash** are on it! These guys worked hard, sacrificed a lot, and they're the tip of the '68 iceberg that will contain even more gen offs who will lead the DOD through some of the most perilous times in our history. I know that not everyone in the Class knows that

Larry is cmdr of the 2d Bde of the 3rd ID, and Bill cmds the 1st Bde for the 3rd AD in Ger, so we all couldn't get hold of them personally. Congratulations, guys, from the entire Class!



1968: Clementine & Pres Miller at home with Kitty & Steve Rodgers and Bill Robinson, summer 90

Not to be overshadowed by the above plebe Gens, we also have two classmates on the latest O6 list. Infantryman **Olie Johnson** and flag-waver **Frank Lynch** greatly deserve their promotions and moments in the spotlight. Promotions have gotten so strung out over the yrs that this is the first look these guys have had in the primary zone by a bd charged with thinning the ranks of the Vietnam yrs, and Frank and Olie obviously had to have top marks by the right people forever. They made it in the face of some of the toughest competition—other deserving classmates—ever! We're all proud of you!

Lists aren't the only places we see classmates' names in print. For those of you who maintain your AUSA mbrship, the "Green Book" lists **Jim Orahood** as the Com of USMAPS; **Jeff Rogers** as Com of the Finance Ctr and cmdr of the 175th Theater Fin Cmd; **Dave Schulte** as cmdr of the 41st FA Bde; **Steve Winsor** as cmdr of the 18th Engr Bde; **Russ Fuhrman** as the cmdr of the 130th Engr Bde; **Tom Volrath** PM for Signals Warfare; **George Prosnick** as the PM for Strategic C&C Software; and **Larry Petcu** as the PM for Physical Security Equipment. Until I hear to the contrary, I guess the rest of us will have to make do with the *Register* and our local phone directory.



1968: Jim Orahood, Commandant, USMAPS

Actually, upon his assumption of cmd, **Jim Orahood** dropped an informative note to let us know that his first thoughts were of poopster classmates like **Milt Creighton**, **Bill Dyer**, **Tom Margrave**, **Don McLane**, **Stash Parker**, **Dan Powel**, **Tom Simmons**, **Bob Stroud**, **Donnie Workman**, **Tom Burnette**, **Dave Carraway**, **Bill Ericson**, **John Hedley**, **Steve Herman**, **Bob Lorbeer**, **Paul Pedrotti**, **George Schoener**, **Chuck Steel**, **Bill Volk**, **BD Dodson**, **Fred Johnson**, **Bill McCauley**, and so many more that have impacted the mil and our lives. He rep that things are different, yet much the same. The basic curriculum is still focused on math and English; however, there is now a professional athletic staff that provides a full range of physical improvement activities as well as coaches varsity sports teams that compete at the intercollegiate level. There are civ KPs so we don't have to tie **Horst Sperber's** boot laces together so he gets pots and pans. There are only two candidates per air-conditioned room, and there's a theater on the same side of post as the poop sch. Since Jim's oldest son is at USAFA, he plans to do a lot of coordinating with their poop sch Com. Jim has also issued an invitation to all poopster grads to the USMAPS Class of '91 grad on 31 May, as a sentimental and motivational experience and to watch **Jack Cochran's** son graduate. USMAPS is now 100 mi south of WP, 45 min from NYC, and in a delightful area at Ft Monmouth. Sounds like a great opportunity to reminisce, congratulate Jim, and would be a lot more fun than getting ready for an IG.

Speaking of **Jack Cochran**, **Jack Munson** rep that Jack & Bev joined with **Andy & Andy Dull** to host the '68 homecoming party at WP on 20 Oct. Also seen at the Army football games by Jack are **Dale Nelson** with about 600 trainees from his bde; **Kim Henningsen**, who is now the OSD Africa guru; **Larry Baker**, a VP with Legg, Mason, Wood, & Walker investment gp; **Bob Stroud**, who is now ret, a new dad, and has a son at USNA; **Bub Younts**, the mgr of a small svcs firm and the secy of the WP Soc of DC; and **John Dallen**, who gave up trying to get McDonnell Douglas organized and is now into dog food and twinkies with Ralston Purina. Jack also confirms that **Bill Gardepe** is still in the SDI arena, only on the civil side with Raytheon Congressional Affairs in Crystal City, VA. **Gordie Tillery** has also kept his interest in SDI and moved on to Vitro. **Sam Brooks** has ret from the Army portion of his continuing career and is remodeling the new home he bought in the Mt Vernon area of VA. During a recent trip to Paris, Jack told me that **Sam Wyman** saw **Gordie Sayer** at the Office of Def Cooperation but missed **John Westerlund**. Jack also rep no visible cracks in the gray walls

after installation of closed-circuit TV in the C-Store and the most recent demise of the 4th-class System.

While visiting frineds from '66 in VA Beach this summer, I finally made contact, after a 3-mo game of tel tag, with **Bill Jeffries**. It seems the commute between Tidewater and No VA was not what Bill & Cheryl wanted, so Bill left **Otto Kroeger** Assts in Fairfax and is concentrating on expanding Exec Strategies Intl by taking on mgt consultants who have a proven track record in creative thinking, educational strategies, organizational ethics, team building, and can fluently speak and understand at least one other language than English. During his free time, he is authoring books on org devel and ethics, which ought to be out by now.



1968: Gus & Diane Lee with Jena and Eric

Another recent author in the ranks is **Gus Lee**, who missed the **Cohn** curve in juice a few yrs back. The story is set in 1953 (when beef was a health food), involves a Chinese immigrant family settled in CA, features a stable of former boxing pros, brushes against the banks of the Hudson, and introduces an adult fictional character named **H Norman Schwarzhedd**. After serving as dep dir for the CA DAs Assn, Gus has been named sr exec for Education and Competence for the State Bar of CA. The irony of a "goat found in juice" becoming an education official who writes a paean to WP is proof that the system is not perfect and needs to follow the '68 lead by believing in one another.

Gus substantiates the news originally relayed by **Fred Johnson** that **Bob Lorbeer** has been snatched from completing law school by next spring, and other prosperous and family-bonding activities to be all he can be with FORSCOM for at least 90 days—or until it's no longer chic to look like a shiek. Maybe another stint with Uncle Sam's Big Boys Club will motivate Bob to clean up his Mercedes.

Along the lines of creativity, **Dan Robinson** wrote to let us know that he had a busy summer taking photos and getting ready for his exhibition at the European Biennial in Rotterdam. The show presented about 50 of his landscape photo-

graphs. Of the 15 photographers selected to display their work at this show, Dan was the only American. In addition to photo exhibitions and teaching this yr, Dan will also be lecturing on the subject of art history and submitting articles to the *ASSEMBLY* about Harvey Ellis and James Whistler.

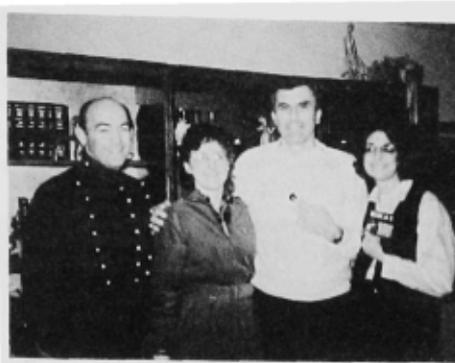


1968: Al Vitters before a bridge over troubled waters

Al Vitters dropped a note to forward some pics associated with Just Cause. Here's one of Al with the Bridge of the Americas in the background that reminded him of a Simon and Garfunkel hit. Al was DCSOPS-USARSO in Panama on a 1-yr unaccompanied tour—before, during, and after Just Cause. Now, Al is back at Benning preparing Reserve Component units for deployment on Oper Desert Shield. He & Kathy see a lot of **Chuck & Lisa Gantner** in Columbus, where Chuck is employed at Benning as a civ tng specialist. Chuck recently competed in the 50-mtr backstroke at the Emory U Masters' (age 45 and over) Swimming Invitational and missed the world record by 0.3 sec.

John Cruden is another great news and photo contributor this period. He forwarded a belated Founders Day pic of **Sharon & him** and **Eric & Sharon Kunz**, with John in Eric's FD coat. Eric has ret from his last Army job as the chm of the JCS Legislative Ln msn to be the asst VP for Finance at OH St U. Other news that they came up with consists of **Joe & Barbara Fowler's** being back in CONUS so Joe can attend the AWC. **John Walsh** is in the legislative ln bus with the Comptroller of the Army. **Terry Laughlin** has a new BMW and is also putting his OCLL experience to work with a DC law firm. **John Armstrong** has moved from his job with the Drug Czar to C3I on OSD. **Bill Kunzman** is working on another master's deg while waiting to get promoted at Ft Jackson. **Jim Madora** left DOD to cmd an ADA bde in Ger. **Steve Caldwell** took a break from buying and selling small companies in Boston to spend two wks in Aug with the Sec Arm for Rsrch, Devel, Aqsn. **Dave Hatcher** is still with Commerce Consultants in DC.

Pres Miller, pres of Amer Paper Gp Ltd (envelope manufacturers on the OH-



1968: John & Sharon Cruden with Eric & Sharon Kunz at Founders Day 90

PA border), forwarded some photos to document visits by the "3 Rs." **Steve & Kitty Rodgers** have moved on from their mil life on the W coast to domicile in McMurray, PA for a very long tour. **Bill Robinson** has his own architectural firm near Chattanooga and was passing through en route to USMA golf camp with his daughter. **Gary & Cookie Roberson** stole out of the congestion of the DC area and were in Pres' area house hunting at the time of this pic.



1968: Pres & Clementine Miller with Cookie & Gary Roberson, summer 90

Next issue is going to be great. Since I've run out of room this issue, we still get to hear about the party sponsored by plebe roomies **Jay Johnson** and **Pete Swan**. By that time, maybe we'll even have some pics developed and forwarded as promised at the party. As a sneak preview, this was **Ralph Tilden's** first classmate get-together since 5 Jun 68, and he confided that when we make **Jimmy Dean**, the sausage king, the Under Secy of Def of Mid Eastern Affairs, the US will be serious about waging war in that part of the world; **Jim Carmen** can fit into his cadet uniform again; and we finally managed to wring the truth out of **Jim Craig**, who admits to being the PM in charge of pressurizing sneezes in canisters and distributing the canisters to hand dryers so when you push the button, your hands don't get dry—just sticky. If you plan to be in the DC area around New Year's Day, contact a classmate living in the area to learn more about the reception at Jay Johnson's.

Since I've heard of no volunteers

scrambling to take responsibility for an article or 60, I can only hope that you're going to make my life easier by flooding me with news, pics, and names of people in pics to make next yr's articles a breeze. Don't forget your Class gifts. Should we use some of those vast funds to create coins with our Class crest on them to present to our sons and daughters who are about to begin graduating from USMA? Please share why you sent the dogs to camp and the kids to obedience sch last summer, and why you want to hear from or about someone. The U of MI has over 300,000 grads living—our sch hasn't graduated 50,000 yet. You're special because you make a difference. We need you and your news. It's never too late because YOU'RE ALL WE'VE GOT!—Dave

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This col is being written on 14 Oct, covering news received since 15 Aug. My next deadline is 15 Dec. Please make a real effort to get me holiday news as quickly as possible, so it will appear in the Mar issue.

A-N will be history when you read this entry, and I will cover game attendance in the next col.

By now, everyone should have received a packet from the Class Gift Comm. As you consider your yr-end charitable giving, I ask a special effort from everyone to get this project off the ground in grand style. If we achieve our goal, we will be able to have a lasting positive impact on the Acad for decades to come. The beauty of our approach is that we will be able, assuming full capitalization, to tailor future gifts to the Acad to suit ea of your desires. Some want fixtures, others lectures, others scholarships for Class sons and daughters. If this effort succeeds, we can do all those projects, and more. Let's start out right with a significant up-front donation, and regular contributions thereafter. Questions? Call **Dennie Haydon** at 206-364-8500.

Steve Metcalf opened correspondence from the civ side of the Class with a ltr from NYC. He had recently spoken to **Jim O'Toole** in DC and **Charlie Jarvis** in NJ. He also rep **Mick Zais** is G-3 of the 7th Div at Ft Ord.

Mik Brennan also wrote from NY, where he is with *Reader's Digest*. **Scott Nix** was in touch from Morristown, NJ, where he is with Allied Signal.

George Albrecht wrote from here in DC with a photo of the summer party crew, under the direction of **Ken Wanless**. George said that **Maria & Jim Adams** are in Mainz, Ger and were recently joined (22 Aug) by Kira Beaumont.



1969: Morelock, Robella, Foss, Albrecht and Wanless just prior to Class reunion party

John Lucas wrote from Knoxville, TN to say he is still updating his Class roster. In doing so, he located Steve Hunt in Knoxville and Rod Mosbacker in Sandy, Utah. John and Steve had a few beers recently with CSM Roland Haggerty (Ret), the 2d Regt, then Corps CSM during our first-class yr.



1969: Hillebrand, Legere and Kessenich (note strategically-placed lithograph)

Jim Hillebrand sent a nice letter and photo from Chicago, where he works with Digital Eqpt Corp. Lynn & Jim spent a nice eve in Jun with Marla & John Legere and Ann & Paul Kessenich. Paul is also in Chicago, with Synon. The Legeres are now in Roseburg, OR, where John has joined a dermatology practice after completing his residency and a tour with the AF as a flight surgeon. Also out of the svc and starting a new practice is Craig Garrett, who is on the med staff at Hennepin County Med Ctr in Minneapolis.

Bob Berry, our honorary classmate, rep from CO that he attended Mike Landrum's change of cmd in Aug. A bit unusual in that the AF Acad band performed!

Victoria & Tom Wheelock sent the final civ ltr from L.A. Tom has formed a co, Global Media Alliance, that distributes US programming in the Soviet Union and vice versa. Tom said Sheridan Groves now practices med in L.A.

Casey Brower opened the active-duty news with word that he is now Dep Head and Prof, USMA, for the History Dept. Casey & Eileen had spent a yr at the Naval War Col as a USMA Fellow,

and saw lots of Pat & Hap Gonser. Casey also saw Skip Bacevich in Ger, where Skip cmds 11th ACR. Casey and Jim Johnson were preparing a staff ride at Jena in what used to be East Ger. Casey also saw Bruce McBane and Dan Cox; Dan had just arrived at Hohenfels.



1969: Mark Anstrom (son of Chuck), Christy McCullough (daughter of Frank) and Ashley Glacel (daughter of Bob)

Barbara Glacel sent an unusual photo from here in DC—three Class offspring in the same sch, class, and play in Springfield, VA.

Last Class ltr was from Pete Heesch, who is in Bonn with the Research, Devel and Standardization Gp. He had been enjoying (and taping!) much of Ger unification, and even took their elder child to Berlin to ensure she got a few chips of the Wall.

The COL selection list came out in Sep. We had 52 classmates on it: Lonnie Adams, Blackburn, Bolger, Brittain, Bubb, Cababa, Carlson, Carter, Rusty Casey, Coan, Cox, Dolton, Ellertson, Feyereisen, Bill Foster, Freeman, Gavitt, Glacel, Gonser, Groening, Hall, Tom Hayes, Jim Johnson, Bill Jones, Kolb, Kulbacki, Kyle, Landrum, Lasche, Leister, Mayer, McAdoo, Jim McCullough, Morelock, Morris, Mullen, Narel, Nygren, Oristan, Raymond, Terry Rice, Bill Rice, Robyn, Stobbs, St Onge, Tesdahl, Tighe, Scott Wallace, Doug Williams, Woodbury, Yeisley, and Zais.

Holly, the children, and I are doing well, though Saddam Hussein and other thugs have definitely cut into that quality time with the family. We all join in wishing you and yours a healthy, happy, and holy holiday season.

God bless to all in '69.

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'70

This may start out a lot like last issue's column, but I am still beset with the scribe's dilemma: do I say that the reunion *was* one outSTANDING party, or do I say that the reunion *is going to be* one outSTANDING party? You see, when you write the column two months ahead

of time, it makes for an interesting crystall ball paradox. Now, deadline for this issue is (was?) 15 Oct, but the festivities don't (didn't?) start until 18 Oct. In any case, from an early Oct perspective, the reunion will be (was?) a terrific time. At last count, there were 392 of us signed up for this shindig. That's a lot of chickens sacrificed for the pre-game tailgate party, among other things. The scribe's other dilemma: since you are probably reading this column in Dec, well after the 18-21 Oct event, you probably figure that you can find out all about the news from far flung outposts exchanged during the reunion in this issue. Wrong. See deadline data above. Reports from the reunion party can't make the press until the Mar issue. So maybe news of all your old roommates who showed up on campus can brighten your 20th post-grad gloom period.

News this trip starts out on a sad note. Howard Parker called to inform me that Pat Dunphy died of a massive heart attack on 25 Aug. Pat had received a knee oper a while back, was well on the mend, and was getting back into triathlon participation, so everything seemed okay. It was therefore a totally unexpected tragedy—Pat was watching a minor league game when he was struck. Howard and Pat became close after grad, as both were Inf offs, serving in Vietnam and Ft Jackson together. Howard went down to Clearwater, FL for Pat's funeral, and represented us all on that sad occasion. Things are going as well as can be expected for Colleen and their kids, Michael, Shannon and Ryan. Our sincerest condolences to Colleen and the family. Pat was a super trooper, and he will be greatly missed by all of us.

Howard continued by providing an update on the Parker family. Howard is now the Chicago plant mgr for JM Huber, a privately-owned manufacturer of printing ink. The corporate hq is in NJ, they have about \$700M in sales, and they have about 12 plants. Howard coaches baseball and is VP for the Little League in the neighborhood. Betty is a housewife who, besides being on the comm for the Parent-Teachers Guild of their Catholic Sch and being active in the community women's club, is still able to be mom for their 4 children, Shannon (17), Jeremy (13), Elizabeth (9) and Timothy (5). All the kids are active in sports, including softball, football, basketball, soccer and baseball, with Jeremy earning honors as an all-star baseball player for several yrs, and Elizabeth excelling in her participation on the traveling soccer team.

Paul & Cheryl Fardink are now among the many, no doubt, who are making the transition to civ life. Paul had been working as the Dep Dir of the Low Observables Ofc in DC, which has something to do with signature reduc-

tion, or stealth, or something like that which I just can't see. . . . Anyhow, Dink checked out of the net to go work for Blackstone Corp out of Jamestown, NY, which is a manufacturer of heat exchangers. Cheryl earned her master's in English and is teaching at the comm col. More interesting, perhaps, is the fact that, serving as architect, she designed their house, made the plans, and it is now being built. The house is on a lake, so boating and water-skiing become the activities of choice. With some of Paul's family in the area, the transition should be a smooth one.

Dan & Sue Lynch are also done with their share of Army life, and have moved away from the crowds of N VA. They have relocated to Monument, CO, where Dan is now employed by Geodynamics Corp in CO Springs. The mtn scenery is providing inspiration for Sue as she gets her artistic talents back into use. Sean likes it better in CO also, and must feel good since the HS football coach invited him to play for the team even though Sean had not originally planned to participate. When the student body is small, the needs are greater on the available talent. Son Mike graduated from HS last Jun and enlisted in the USMC.



1970: The Mosers at post-ret review, USMA, May 90

Another escapee from the active-duty ranks is **Dick Moser**. Dick achieved the exalted rank of COL, and left with a citation for the LOM at the ret ceremony. Dick & **Pat** are now enjoying their custom-built home in Hummelstown, PA. Dick is now (it takes 13% of my word processor disc file just to get this position listed, even with extensive use of abbrs) the ch of the diagnostic radiology div at the Penn St Univ Hosp, Hershey Med Ctr, in Hershey, PA. Dick likes the idea of walking 1.2 mi to work, and working with the other 7 ex-Walter Readers who are on the radiology dept staff. The kids, Rick (15), Lauren (12), Carolyn (11) and Kristen (8) are all adjusting well to the new environment.

Back in Mar 87, I rep the interesting twists in the illustrious basketball and coaching career of **Tom Miller**. Much to my surprise, when I opened up my copy of the *90 Army Sports Annual*, I discov-

ered that the latest twist to the continuing saga of the big-time basketball coach is that now he's the head of the USMA basketball dept! Yes, sports fans, it's true: last Apr, Tom accepted the head roundball coaching position at Army, after 4 yrs at U of CO. Tom replaced Les Wothke, who had resigned, and brings his basketball playing exp, which includes participation on the NIT teams of 1968, 69, and 70, and his 15 yrs of varsity coaching exp to USMA. Now, if I had been paying close attention, I would have noticed the very small, one-inch announcement in the DIA col of the Sep ASSEMBLY. But, even if I'm not the first, never let it be said that I didn't let you know. So what's in store for Army basketball under Tom's leadership? With the permission of the USMA Sports Info Dir, Tom says, "I want to win every game we play. I would like our kids to be in great condition, to be mentally tough, and never beat themselves. And to play from the opening tip to the final buzzer as hard and as well as they can, and as together as well as they can. To be mentally tough, physically aggressive and execute at both ends of the court. If they do those things, the wins and losses will take care of themselves." As you read this, he has gone halfway through his no-doubt successful first season. Well done, Tom, keep up the good work for the Black Knights on the fields (or floors) of friendly strife.



1970: Tom Miller, new USMA head basketball coach

Rapid fire, found clinging to the bottom of my boots, like some other stuff: **Roy Marshall** was liaison to NASA for rotor craft, but took **Paul Fardink's** place as Dep Dir of the Low Obs Off. **Ed Smith** and **Dick Moser** were honored at a ret review on the plain at USMA last May.

Tommy & Karen Maertens are back at USMA where Tom, after earning his PhD in geography at U of TN, is now a resident Prof in the Dept of Geog. **Gary Steele** has elected to decline the penalty of rallying with the Class at reunion in favor of huddling up with all the football jocks who came back to USMA as part of the 100 Yrs of Army Football Celebration on 3 Nov. Gary is

stationed at Ft Harrison, IN. **Mike Boies** is now ret from the Army and living, and presumably working, out in Phoenix, AZ.

Pretty good news, but few photos. I need your help. At any rate, that just about lays this one to rest. If we could just hear from **Ross Williams**, **Dave Peters**, or **Charles Miles**, then we would REALLY have some news.



1970: ". . . and you could smell Guy Drab cooking in the backyard."—Jul 90

So if you want to see your name coming up in bold print in an internationally distributed mag about the same time that the daffodils bloom, then make a call, drop a Christmas card, send a ltr, or SOMETHING (with a pic). You even have my permission to forward to me the Christmas cards that you got from classmates who didn't have ME on their card list! I will then ensure that you (and they) make the big time. Until then—may all your news be good. Delta Charlie Fox.

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Change is inevitable. Sometimes it even smacks of progressive ideology. But at other times, I can feel the "Big One" getting closer and closer. I was talking to one of the leader devel integrators (oops, Tac offs) the other day about the State of the Corps and was relieved to hear that some things never change. Sure, the library tennis courts are gone. . . yeah, the cadets now play intramurals on the Plain. . . OK, so all 4 classes have optional supper every day . . . but still at the top of the cadet discretionary time priority list is Sleep 101. Just ask a P. Now, I'm going to stop telling you all the neat policy changes here; you're going to have to pack up and return to the womb for Reunion 91 to get the poop. Reunion comm ch **Jeff McNally** has a humdinger planned for you. The Class of '70 had a great time last wk at their get-together. . . as much as older folk can. The reason it was a success was that they had 350 classmates return. We can do better.

Now listen. Last time that I asked you to assist me in locating classmates that we can't find; 718 attacked the task like Congress working on the budget for 11 3/4 mos. The one respondent wasn't sure what his address was. Let's locate these recalcitrants so we can send them reunion info, and they can also spend megabucks to tell lies for 4 days to people they haven't seen in 20 yrs who they never cared about in the first place. Isn't that special? Here we go: **Boesch, Buckowsky, Cates, Cole, Corn, Daniels, Gaffney, Glatt, Hoffman, Gene Jones, Mike Kelley, Logan Kelly, Mike Kelly, Kloeber, Koontz, Lindsay, Mac MacDonald, Mankowski, Morash, JD Morrison, Oaks, Gerry Petersen, Kent Petersen, Jim Peterson, Rentz, Robinson, Rosenberg, Sapp, Seitz, Singer, Fred Smith, Steele, Jerry Thompson, Vlk, and Weldon.** Do you know what a rush it is for me to get closer to closure on finding all these ya-hoos? Found **Tom Speight** last wk after 16 yrs. . . he's in the semiconductor bus in San Diego.

We haven't had a professionally done baby in awhile, so I'm proud to announce the arrival of **Kelsey Degen Lilley**, proud daughter of **John & Patti**. Right—daughter, not granddaughter. The **Lilleys** have their schedule and those of you that are spending your future ret money on col now have yours. The **Lilleys** are just trying to keep the Class young at heart. Suffice it to say that life as the **Lilleys** once knew it has now taken on a fuller meaning. After 4 yrs in the *Off of the Secy of Def*, **John** finally escaped to the confines of the *Natl Sec Policy Dept of the Natl War Col* where he often sees *NWC student Rick Capka*. **Mark Erlandson** is right down the street on the faculty of the *Indus Col of the Armed Forces* after recently leaving the *DA Staff*. **Jim Bond** is back from the *Sinai* and runs the *South Africa desk* at the *Dept of State*. Speaking of muckity-mucks, I got a nice phone call from former *Asst Secy of the Army for Financial Mgt*, **Wayne Grant**. **Wayne** married a patent atty from *DC* and he is now a consultant on financial cost estimating and mgt analysis in the *Dist*.

Had a sobering, but upbeat ltr (the kind with no stamp on it) from our resident crab, **Cmdr Roy Werthmuller**, who is a supply off aboard the *USS White Plains* somewhere in the *Persian Gulf*. A member of the *Combat Logistics Force*, at the time of his writing his ship was providing support to 40 ships and over 40,000 sailors and marines. Where does he get enough squid and crow for that many folks? **OK, deMoya**. . . give it a rest. The *Army* has many of our classmates supporting *Oper Desert Shield*, but since I have not heard from them, I will not suggest who and where they may be. Leave it said that we all pray for their safe return.



1971: Roy Werthmuller in the Persian Gulf

It occurs to me that I have failed to rep on our most recent bn cmd selectees, some of whom may soon get a chance to excel in Southwest Asia: aviators **Gary Heuser, Tom Rini, and Roger Duckworth**; artyman **Guy Berry**; and engr **Steve Harrison**, who was picked as a proj mgr for *Strategic Def Systems*.

Mr Dan Ferris dropped a line after a short transition out of the *Army*. Yep, for many of us it's time to hang up those smelly ole boot socks, cut the *OD cord* and post to *Uncle Sam's Ret Home*. After completing a tour with the *Def Logistics Agency* in *St Louis* in *Jul*, **Dan** began work with the *Tacoma Boatbuilding Co* in *Sep* as a subcontracts administrator.

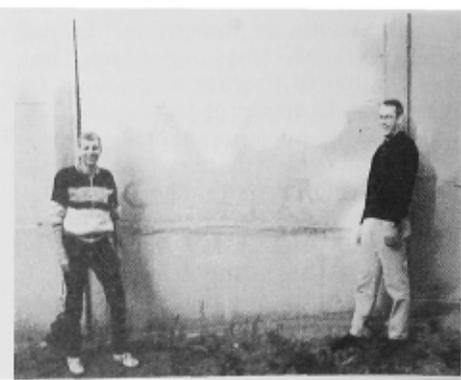


1971: The Carrs, Ritchies and Ferris

While he was looking for a place to live, **Dan** bunked with **Bill & Chris Carr**. **Bill** is the *XO* for the *1st Personnel Gp* at *Lewis*. Not one to avoid the opportunities to visit classmates while job hunting, **Dan** was hosted by the **Forsyths** while in *DC*. **Tony** has his hands full in the enlisted div of *DCSPER*.

Roy Gogel forwarded the ordination bulletin for **Dave Kotzebue**. After practicing *civ engr'g* in the *Denver area*, **Dave** discovered that his *Bible study* turned into *pastoring a flock* which led him to a *seminary* in *Grand Rapids*. The **Kotzebues** have now settled in *Bellingham, WA*. **Roy Gogel** remains in *central IL* and is in the business of making *Hefty and Cinch Sak gargage bags*—plastic being the *environmentally-correct solution*.

Great pic enclosed of **Jim Cox** and **Dick Bridges** at the *Berlin Wall*. **Dick** is happily working as the *V Corps PAO* in



1971: Cox and Bridges at the Berlin Wall

Frankfurt trying to figure out how to cut the *European force* while still ramping up *Saudi Arabia*. More on that paradox in another editorial. **Jim** was working with the *On-site Inspection Agency* in *DC*, but will soon become the *dep mil attache* in *Moscow*.

The **Dragstedts** have executed their 8th move since 77. **IBM** has transferred **Carl** to *Raleigh* from *LA*. **Pat** continues as a *flight attendant* for *Delta*, out of *Cincinnati*. Farmer that he is, **Carl** purchased a *10-acre ranch* with *tractor* and *concomitant landscaping challenges*.



1971: The Dragstedts, popping it up

He noted that son, **Carl**, recently placed 3rd in the *60-yd high hurdles* in the *State of MA's Indoor Track Meet*. When dad duly recalled that he had won the *Corps 120-yd high hurdles*, son was unimpressed. Probably because the kid's time was better, **Carl**.

Jim Albo continues to move along. In *Sep*, he was named *V Chm* and *Ch Oper Off of Security Pacific Bancorporation Southwest and Security Pacific Bank AZ*. Here's to staying solvent, big guy.

Our Class' two biggest *Army movers* are awaiting *bde cmds*. I saw **Al Fox** at a *parade* last wk. He's still at *Carlisle* awaiting to take *cmd* in *Ger* in *Dec*. **Chris Shoemaker** accompanied his boss, **GEN Vuono**, to *WP* last wk. **Chris** will wait until next summer to take *cmd* in the *8th Inf Div*.

I'm off to check *rifle alignment* at the *parade*. And then, and then. . . I'm going to check for *milk cartons* in the *windows*. Maybe I'll check to see if anyone is holding hands in *Grant Hall*. Oh, there's so much to do and so little time.



1971: Founders Day 90, Ft Ord, CA

But if you've got some time, come visit the **deMoya Bread & Breakfast** at the address above. Check satisfied customers **Bard Mansager, Kevin James** and **Tom Mannle**. But don't believe them about kids calling minutes. . . .

'72

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This will be a very quick "gloom period" update, as news from around the world is sparse this time. Must be that the tense situation in the Persian Gulf has our minds on other things.

There is a report from the **John LaSala** family in the offering this time. John & Joyce hosted a '72 party last fall with most of the Class now stationed at WP attending. These included **Paul Osk-**



1972: (Standing) Oskvarek, Simar, LaSala, Bilodeau; (seated) Baranzky, Baker and Capofari

varek, **John Simar**, **Mark Bilodeau**, **Steve Baranzky**, **Jeb Baker**, and **Paul Capofari**. **Mike McDannell** and **Earl Smith**

couldn't make it. Joyce says she thinks they figured it was a reunion comm organizational mtg! The LaSalas spent two wks at the AF Acad last summer. They attended a physics and computers workshop (John worked, Joyce shopped!) and spent some time with **Ed & Connie Freund**. John says "thanks" to Ed for letting him use Ed's Lincoln to drive for the wk! John & Joyce also get together with **Sterling West**, who's at Fitzsimmons (a dr, not a patient!) and **Bob & Kathleen Dees**, as well. A B-2 mate of LaSala, **Bill Fader & Beth** had their second son last 2 Apr. Congratulations to the Faders on the birth of Cecil Spenser. **Bill & Karen Henry** are frequent visitors from NJ, esp on home football wkends. Bill is pres of Linear Dynamics. Thanks to John & Joyce for the WP update.

Last issue I promised we would pick up on a report from the DC Connection, **Bob Curran**. Curran and **Ty Hughes** have maintained an acct of Class mbrs in and around the DC area and hope to continue to do so. Here it is—quick, dirty, and unabridged—so get ready. **Skip & Sue Ash** are in Burke, VA and he's with DCSOPS. **Randy Bookout** left for AK and bn cmd. **Roger Bowen** ret with 20 yrs (enlisted and prep sch time included). He & **Linda** and children will stay in the DC area. **Howie Carpenter** works for a def contractor and prefers "Parkway Patriot" to "Beltway Bandit." **Tony Jacobs** & new bride arrived recently from CO. **Bill Chamberlain** moved to Benning for bn cmd. Bill's Leavenworth Pre-cmd Course buddy, **Joe Adamczyk**, has settled in his bn cmd job in HI. **Steve Curry** has moved to Ft Hood to cmd an MP bn. **Steve Daly** is

now CO of an FA bn in Augsburg, Ger. **Tom Davis** has taken over an FA bn in Hauau, Ger, joining **Tim Lupfer**, **Mike Deegan** and **Danny Merritt**. **Joe Dennehy** arrived at the Pentagon (DCSOPS) early last yr and shared an off with **Tom Pollard**. Tom ran and finished the Boston Marathon. **Charlie & Dale Anne**



1972: Founders Day 90, Ft Ord, CA

Fletcher have gone to Ger. She's assigned to the hosp at Wurzburg while he's the 39th Trans Gp XO. **Jerry Hamilton** is now project mgr for the "Avenger" prog in Huntsville, AL. **Gus Manguso** is also a PM at Huntsville. **Ty Hughes** is now legal advisor to the DOD IG, having left **Harry Brown** in General Counsel. **Thom Thomassen** is still at Walter Reed in Ophthalmology and spends his free time being a gentleman farmer on his 85-acre spread just west of DC. **John Kidder** and family are now in Berlin where he's a bn CO. **Ed Murdock** moved into DCSOPS as **Jeff McCausland** departed. **Ken Searcy** will be staying in Ger for a while longer to cmd the ADA bn at Ramstein AB. **Dave Hartman** and family are now at Ft Bliss from Ger, where he's a bn CO. Also at Bliss is **George Webb**, commanding the Regt Combat Aviation Sqdn. **Dave Wildes** is now at Ft Riley as XO in the Combat Aviation bde. **Mike Donaghy** is a Res Staff Judge Advocate when not at his law practice in NH. **John & Rosemary Bonin** are in Norfolk where he's an inst with the Joint Sch, and she works with the Navy in its continuing ed prog. The Bonin's won the "farthest to drive" award at the greater DC area picnic last summer. Others in the area who attended were **Ash, Bowen, Crawford, Curran, Derner, Fletcher, Folk, Hamilton, Hughes, Lally, Lysfjord, McKee, Shepard** and **Pavlick**. **Bob & Molly Curran** also announced the birth of their 4th, daughter **Teresa Bridget**, last 3 May at Bethesda Naval Hosp. **Molly** was impressed with the cloth sheets on the exam table and TV in the delivery rm!

Thanks to **Curran** for a great update of DC area (and elsewhere) happenings. That reminds me, anybody moving into the area who desires to do so should contact **Bob** or **Ty Hughes** to get on the area roster.

Hope everyone is off to a fast start in 91!! SEE YOU SOON.

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Sorry I missed the last issue of *ASSEMBLY*. What I fear most is that after 3 mos of living out of a suitcase, I have misplaced some of your ltrs and some of you will hate me for it. Okay, so there are things I fear more. But I am sorry if somehow your ltr doesn't receive a mention.

I'll begin with a quick **Baker** update. The Army is attempting to convert us. For the second yr in a row we are celebrating Passover. In fact, when I finish this article we're going to **Ben Donald's** for some bitter herbs on an unleavened sesame seed bun. Because our financial future is so uncertain we bought a huge house with a beautiful yd and landscaped above-ground pool. We've put all 4 children in Catholic schools. By God, no col scholarship comm is going to say the Bakers make too much money to qualify for financial aid!

I'm teaching effective communications at CGSC. We try to instill the Army writing standards, or, as I prefer to call it, "Essays from Hell." I'll have more to say about the Army's "col" as time goes by.

My first ltr is beginning to yellow around the edges. **Bill Chancellor's** mis- sive arrived just after I posted my last article from Ger. Bill left active duty in 82 and works for the Navy in southern IN at the Naval Weapons Support Ctr. **Dana** is a hosp soc svcs employee at a local hosp. They have two beautiful, wonderful, well-adjusted, helpful, charming daughters, **Kaci** (13) and **Ashley** (11). Both are cheerleaders. (I'm so late with this info that they may both be in col by now.) Time for a timely aside. I see my job as the Class herald with a sense of humor. I'm here to pass on all the successes (or failures), wonders, joys, and news of classmates and their families around the world. But like it or not, I have to follow the editor's rules 'cause AOG pays for the printing and the wonderfully informative and interesting updates on the elections for AOG Class trustees and trustees-at-large. One of the rules is that I cannot print pics of children without a classmate or spouse in the photo. I personally consider children to be among our greatest gifts and accomplishments and if I were king, I'd replace trustee pics with toothless smiles. But I'm not, so I'll continue to include just dad passing the bn colors or just dad in his resplendent grad gown receiving that MBA from that well-known Ivy League sch. But those who want the best of both worlds might consider sending the pic of dad, mom, and the children at

the receptions celebrating these milestones. Another answer might be to set the children on the couch and you stand in protest behind the couch with your back to the camera. At any rate, you all missed seeing **John & Diana Tapp's** beautiful daughters **Tracy** and **Tara** in the Nov issue. They are seated in front of a glass-doored brick fireplace, brass fireplace tools on their left and two hand-woven baskets full of nuts and pine cones on their right. **Tracy** is wearing a lovely pink dress and sash with matching tights while **Tara** has on a turquoise dress with a black moon and stars print. I can't print the pic because of space limitations.

Back to the script. **Bill Chancellor** is still with the Reserves. He is esp interested in hearing from you guys from H-2. For the few of you who still remember how to write, send your ltrs to Bill at RR 12, Box 153, Bedford, IN 47421.

Next we hear from **Don Frazer**, '70's scribe. Don has commanded 1/238 Cav ARNG for the past yr or so and our own **Lou Bartok** has been advising the guard in his capacity as the ch of Armor Branch out of Readiness Gp Ft Harrison. Lou is scheduled to PCS to USAREUR HQ if we still have an Army in Ger when he gets there.

Paul Rana sent a ltr full of good info. **Mike Thompson** (H-3) has been in beautiful Baumholder since mid-Aug. He's the special asst for the 8th ID ADC-M. If you know anything about the current status of the 8th ID you know that Mike must have things pretty easy because those guys haven't done an "M-ing" lately. What the 8th ID needs is an ADC-I (inventory). **Chuck Kaylor** (H-3) is commanding the 512 Arty Gp in Gun- aburg. **Tom Wood** (I-4) is back in DLI for the 3rd time as a permanent party mbr of the US Army element there. Now, I can't verify this, but Paul says Tom named his son Tim after **Tim Thomas**. Hey, I just rep what I'm told. Finally, Paul, formerly of Army Protocol, is now the ops off for 2nd COSCOM VII Corps and he's not at all sure what their new mission is. (By the way, Paul, by the time you read this you should have my personal reply to your last ltr).

Received a "first" ltr from **Bill McArthur**. He, **Cindy**, **Kate** (gr 6), and **Meg** (gr 4) live in Houston where Bill is (hang on) an astronaut. He began his yr-long trng last Jul. Bill may be aboard a shuttle flight as early as 93. No space cadet jokes, please. We're all much too mature for that kind of humor. Congrats, Bill!! Bill reveals that he managed to avoid the CGSC course with a waiver. Wise move, Bill. The older you get, the less the CGSC student "thing" appeals to you. Ask **Bob MacMullin**, who is in the 1990-91 class representing '73 as the oldest living grad to attend CGSC. Bill brings Class news from the Army Avia-

tion Assoc of Amer. **Joe Planchak** is with Operational Test and Eval Agcy. **Donny Atkins** is working on LH (your guess is as good as mine) in Ft Worth (and most of us thought Donny owned a tail-gate catering bus). **Dave Pickett** is commanding an AV bn so of the border. I wonder if Dave ever gives his "poop" out at bn formations. For those of you who weren't in Dave's Beast co, his poop had to do with his nose and a word-play on his last name. Bill ran into **Wayne Springer** at a WP Soc function. Wayne is running his own software firm in Houston. If any of you are in the Houston area, Bill can get you a "behind the scenes" tour of the Johnson Space Ctr.

Craig Vanek writes from France just to make us all jealous. He's the US Exchange Off to the French Mil Acad at St Cyr. He's a "prof" teaching "this is the US Mil" to French cadets. One of his "perks" is an OD motorcycle. The bigger advantage to the job is that Craig's boss is in Paris, 250 mi away. Craig rep that **Mark Vincent** is the XO of the 78th Eng Bn in Karlsruhe.

After a few "return to sender" attempts, **George Thompson** finally got his ltr through. He is doing fine and is still in Windsor, CT working in the def and aerospace industry. George also reminded me of the obvious that sometimes we forget because we are so close to it. There really are more important things than promotions. In fact, everything that's most important is more important than promotions—things like God, family, health, job satisfaction, and country. Thanks, George. Hope your family receives all the good blessings they deserve.

Heard from **Ed Luckett** (thanks, Ed). Congrats go to Ed who made MAJ last Mar. He's the staff chaplain at Pirinlik Air Station. Ed's got great advice for those of us in the vanguard of the Army's "build-down" (that's what we're calling the massive reductions in our armed forces). You can get in touch with Rev Ed at Box 313, 7022 ABS, APO, NY 09294.

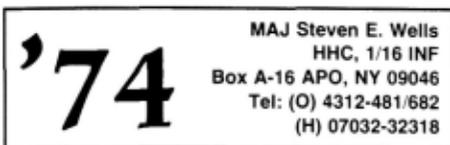
Heard from another B-3 Bandit, **Bill Jordan**. He's with Rockwell, wrkg on Peacekeeper Rail Garrison Prog. He recently completed a HQ cmd with the G3D ARCOM (a two-star Reserve Area Cmd HQ) and is now the ch of Operational Readiness. The Jordans have moved to Running Springs in the San Bernadino mtns. Thanks for thinking of us, Bill. I'll write soon if teaching these bonehead CGSC students doesn't make me forget how.

Finally, **Bruce Zukauskas** sent the latest G4 Guppy Gazette. **Keith & Karen Bakken** are in WI where Keith is head of an ROTC Dept. **Terry & Mary Meehan** are back from Berlin and living in Burke, VA. Terry's working in the Off of the Secy Def. **Jim & Debi Baugh** are in Tuscon, where Jim is still with the 602nd

Wing. Bruce & Jolene are still in Groton. Jolene hopes to finish grad sch in the next yr. The children are growing older. How the heck does that happen so fast? Erik (13) is playing a new synthesizer. Peter (gr 5) is doing well and Emily (gr two) is into computers.

We can't find our word processing disk since the move so I can't tell any more Leavenworth anecdotes. Kath is typing this on an old typewriter with several broken keys.

Thanks for the ltrs, and if I did lose any, please forgive me and write again. God Bless.



Greetings from Ger, neither West nor East, just plain Ger, the FRG having gained about 1/3 the size as of 3 Oct on Reunification Day. Most Germans took the change pretty much in stride, assessing the union primarily from an economic point of view, and getting the Russians out, keeping the old E Germans in the East... the glamour and joy of it all pretty much lost over the past yr. Still, a big deal for the Germans and the world.

The other big news in D-Land has been the official announcement of units to inactivate. If nothing else, the release finally put the rumors to bed. My unit, the 16th Inf, as part of the 1st Div (Fwd), which has traditionally led the way in the past 100 yrs, will lead the way again and inactivate by 1 Apr as part of the Conventional Forces Europe level-1 reduction. This announcement has led to a total change of mission for us, now starting the momentum task of turning in all the eqmt and facilities, and moving the soldiers, families and pets to new locales. This is truly the price of the peace we all have helped achieve in Europe.

At a recent VII Corps mtg of inactivating units, I ran into Dave Norwood, XO of the 78th EN Bn in Karlsruhe, which had been tagged a while back to draw-down. Also Bill Sole and Wally Bransford are XO's of 8 Inf bn's in Augsburg which also are on the list. Wally is in 2/77 FA and already is slated for Benning, where he'll teach in the Sch of Americas; is Spanish a pre-requisite, Wally? Anyhow, it looked like a fun holiday move with a rpt date of 3 Jan.

Steve Shambach, XO of 2/6 Inf in Erlangen, is benefiting from our inactivation already. Within two wks of notification, we were railing our Bradleys to his unit. Steve is doing well and noted that Tom Hinkel is still with 2d ACR while Mike Kirby had already taken cmd of a bn in 8th ID here in Ger.

On to some ltrs. Lee Van Arsdale writes from Bragg where he has been for awhile, and with a postmark of 4 Sep I

doubt he was on the Desert Shield venture yet. Lee answers the car challenge—what '74'er still has his original car? Well, Lee had a 53 pick-up until he sold it a few yrs back. But he still owns his original 71 Volvo P1800 bought in 74. Said the speedometer went out but estimates 250K miles, with original everything. That's tough to top or match, Lee.

On others Lee notes that he saw Sig Kirchner, still flying for the Coast Guard and recently transferred from NC to San Fran. Lee had been stationed with Sig while in AK in 84. Also, Pete & Liz Stuart are at Bragg; he's an XO with 7th SFG. Howie Renner is a basketball coach in Indianapolis; while on leave, Lee played a pick-up game with him—battle of the towers! Almost as a coincidence, in the next sentence Lee tells how Skip Whitman was due to cut on his knee. He had also seen Chuck Alexander in Knoxville where he continues to work at Oak Ridge; Al Lokey also works for a branch of the same company. Thanks Lee.

Ben Withers sent a note while TDY in HI from Walter Reed. He claimed to be conducting a trial of a vaccine against Japanese Encephalitis, often prevalent on Waikiki and other beaches, eh Ben. Ben did jet out to Johnson Isl for part of the test, so it must be somewhat serious work—when my old roomie, Tom Loisel, went to Johnson they issued him a rabbit for early warning. Do they still do that?? Anyhow, Ben visited with Jerry & Janet Dixon and Charlie & Lisa Gleichenhaus in Honolulu. Jerry is in his 4th (of 5) yr of gen surgery residency at Tripler AMC, while Janet is getting her master's in pub health and nursing. Charlie is a planner with DCSOPS, WESTCOM while Lisa is an FBI special agent in Honolulu; they were just moving into qtrs at Ft Shafter. Back at Walter Reed, Ben is in preventive med, Steve Sihelnik, urology, Bill Hopkinson, ortho, Dave Daigh, neurology, and Mace Braxton, cardio thoracic surgery. Mace recently treated Marv Searle, who underwent a heart-valve replacement; Marv went on convalescent leave in FL while still assigned in Frankfurt. Marv, we pray you recover soon to your good old inspirational self.



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Ben also mentioned that Jim Mitcham and Zach (?) organized a '74 lunch at the Pentagon. Said it was a good deal for all and will probably continue. I'd appreciate it if someone would let ye ole scribe in on the details, POC's, etc, esp since branch says I'm headed that way. The Zach referral must be Don Zacherl. Hey Don, what's up?

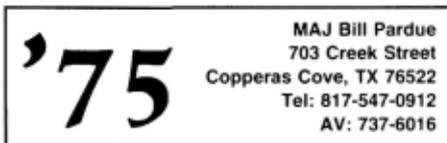
The Craigmiles have moved. After a long stint with Eastman Kodak in Rochester, Mitch is now with Ft Dodge Labs, Ft Dodge, IA as mgr of plant engr'g. The labs are part of Amer Home Products that make pharmaceuticals—Advil, Anacin, Dimetapp, Chap Stick, Chef Boyardee, etc. Rita Craigmile continues to help answer the Ladycliff-WP link. Rita ('75 LC) knows her classmates marrying '74'ers, so for the record: Mary Beth Baker—Mark Jensen; Regina Haggerty—Russ Goehring; Madeline Iovino—Roman Civpak; Susan Meyer—Merlin Miller; Eileen Murphy—Vic Pasini; Patricia Jelnek—Jim Wimberly; and Rita—Mitch. A lot of LC '74 married WP '74, but her recollection was only of Margaret & Ed Cerutti; need more help on this one. Thanks Rita.

Last note is from Ed & Melissa Polom in the Land Down Under. He's the exchange off at the Aussie Sch of Engr'g outside Sydney. A big change from Korea! The beer and beaches are great! Rich Benton preceded him and is now back at the Pentagon with DCS Engrs.

Talked to Frank Roberts who is now the XO of Inf Branch in TAPA (Alexandria); Denise, Kate and Matthew doing fine. Frank is the guy dealing with all the tough personnel and asgmt issues for the grunts. Down the hall is Bert Wells as the LTC Asgmts off for FA. Others: Barry Scribner was in the Pentagon, PA & E and ret to WP to be a perm prof. John Shortal is dep cmdr of the Old Guard at Ft Myer; he was previously their S3. Paul O'Sullivan is in TAPA, the functional area mgt directorate. Bob Pinson is a bde XO at Bragg and shipped off to Desert Shield. Joe Bonnet is in the Off of JCS; he was part of the crisis action tm that dealt with Desert Shield. Tim Kiggins is the IG of 1st ROTC Region, Bragg.

Tidbits: Bryan Oliver penned "The Combat Reconnaissance Detachment in the Meeting Engagement and Defense" for the Jul-Aug 90 *Armor* mag. Good idea Bryan—we endorsed the concept after using it as OPFOR at Hohenfels for 6 wks. The paper listed Bryan as still being with the Readiness Gp at Ft McCoy, WI. A few asgmts from *Army Times*: Dave Fastabend to Ft McPherson, Sam France to Leavenworth, Dan French to Carson, Jim Loy to Ben Harrison, Joe Miller to DC and Tom Wills to the Pentagon. Also noted that Jim Blackwell is an oft-quoted analyst on intl security issues for the Ctr for Strategic and Intl Studies.

At this writing, the Desert Shield deployment is at its peak; I don't have a list of classmates in Saudi, but the lion's share of combat power from Hood, Stewart, Campbell, Bragg and Benning is deployed. Let's hope deterrence works, Iraq backs off and everyone gets home safely. Meanwhile, the scribe is in continuous need of ltrs and pics. No pics soon will force me to run some of my old Ranger shots, and you'll be sorry. God Bless.



Greetings to all mbrs of *Courage and Drive '75*. By the time you read this, the reunion will be a memory. I hope that, for those of you who were able to attend, the memories will be happy ones. I am currently still at Ft Hood, but was unable to take leave to attend the reunion.

Needless to say, life here at Hood has been hectic during the past few mos. At this time, the 1st Cav Div, a bde of 2AD, and a pretty hefty slice of the Corps Spt Cmd have deployed to Saudi Arabia. My unit has learned a whole new meaning of the word "stress." We were told, at one point, that we would be deploying in 12 days. Later we received word that we would deploy in 20 days. Still later, we were told that we would not be deployed at this time. We have been tasked to fill the needs of the deploying units and I'm sure a psychologist would have a field day if he tried to define the stresses of being in the stay-back bde.

Stories abound here at Hood regarding the stresses of those who have gone. My flight sch stick buddy received 12 hrs' notice of his departure. **Kathy** is teaching at one of the elem schs here in Cove and supervises some 450 kids during the morn flag salute. One morn she found one of her 1st graders with his head down in a puddle of tears. She took him out to the hall for some hugging and learned that his dad had just deployed. When she took him down to his classroom teacher, she learned that his mother would also be deploying in a few days. The local schs are doing everything possible to help the situation. They've brought in chaplains to help teachers deal with the current situation. Cove schs have begun a campaign to collect books for soldiers in Saudi Arabia to help in some small way with the boredom they are experiencing. The acronym for this project is *B-FRIENDS*. I can't remember exactly what it stands for, but the basic idea is that if you send in new or used paperback books, CCISD will send them to soldiers in Saudi Arabia. If you would like to contribute to this project, you can send your paperbacks to my house and Kathy will see to it that

they get to the proper location. I think this is a worthwhile project and I hope you will join me in a contribution. Please remember not to send any anti-Moslem or pornographic materials.

Back to the subject of stress in deployment. . . . Our classmate **Mike Cannon** recently returned from a tour in ROK. He was able to take 45 days' leave before his problems escalated. He signed into his unit at 4:00PM one day and was called in on alert at 5:30PM. He spent the next 6 wks working around the clock to prepare to leave for Desert Shield. **Debbie** is here at Hood and has decided to home-teach her 4th- and 5th-grade children. She spoke with **Kathy** by phone and said that having the children home with her has been a comfort. Mike can be reached by writing to MAJ Mike Cannon, SSN: 455-84-5380, Task Force, 1/8 Cav, 1st Cav Div, APO, NY 09306-2030. **Pat Hanly** and **Forrest Crain** have also deployed from Hood. Unfortunately, I don't have their APOs, but if you want them, give me a call and I'll try to get them for you. **Pat Hanley** also rep that **Vince Gwiazdowski** has deployed from Ft Stewart and is the S-3 of the 24th Avn Bde. **Kathy** has seen **Cathy Lynn** at the grocery store and has spoken with **Pam Stacey** by phone. Both of their husbands have deployed and you can drop them each a note by writing to MAJ **Clark Lynn**, SSN: 441-54-5434, HHB, 1st Cav DivArty, APO, NY 09306 and MAJ **Steve Stacey**, SSN: 294-54-8184, HHC, 2nd Bde, 1st Cav Task Force, APO, NY 09306-0200. **Pam Stacey** also rep that **Jim Whitney** got out of the Army in Apr. He opened an orthodontic practice with his wife in Atl and has now returned to Hood as a reservist on active duty. **Pam** also rep that **Howard Styron** has deployed to Saudi Arabia as XO, 1/3, 2AD, and that **Mary** planned to attend the reunion.

Now on to the regular stuff. . . .

I received a photo from the Ft Ord Founders Day celebration with no names listed. There are two couples in the pic. I believe one of the classmates is **Bob Busick**. If someone will send me the name of the other classmate and the wives (dates?), I will be happy to send the photo to AOG for publication.

Bill Hoffman left a message on my answering machine. In a recent edition, I rep that Bill was going to Ft Sam Houston. I took the news from a ltr someone had sent to me. Not true. He is now out of the Army and recruiting in Atl. He is also a bachelor, so for those of you with single sisters or ex-wives you're trying to unload, maybe a wkend in Atl is just what they need. Bill, I apologize for the error.

John & Betsy Talbot and boys made it safely to Ger. (When I first started to write this, I instinctively started to write "FRG." How far things have come in so

short a time!) I guess "safely" is a relative term in regard to **John's** move. They had \$10,000.00 in damages and losses caused by poor packing in Newport. **John** is serving as the IG, HHC, 2AD. I see the mark/dollar exchange on CNN and cringe because it was 3.45 for me back in 1982-86. **John** rep that **Tom Grubbs** joined a civ affairs unit with an Arabian focus and that when he saw the **Grubbs** in DC, they all looked well. **Grubbs**, you owe us a long ltr! **Liz Dierksmeier** wrote from Alexandria. **Fred** should have rep to Wurzburg, Ger on 1 Sep. **Liz** and **Ben** will follow when **Fred** gets housing. **Fred** expects to become the XO of 123rd Sig Bn.

Al Fehlings dropped a note from DC. He had recently returned from WP where he attended an admissions workshop. **Al** and his father-in-law got to sit in the Supe's Loge for the Holy Cross game. **Al** says he has been working 7 days a wk since Aug and I'm sure that's true of most of our active duty classmates. **Al's** grateful for a good boss. **Al** recently ran the Army 10-Miler. Hard to imagine my old roommate, who tried to grab sack time at every possible moment, now running 10-milers! **Al** also rep that **Steve Schook** is the Inf MAJ's asgmt off.

Wes Hayes sent a note from SC. He is looking forward to a good crowd at the reunion and will be trying to collect as much information as he can for future *ASSEMBLY* cols.

Royce Kincaid wrote from Springfield, VA. This is his first letter to *ASSEMBLY*. He sent the enclosed photo of the **Backofs** and the **Kincaids** at the Melrose Club on Daufuskie Island, SC. **John** is a den-



1975: The Kincaids and Backofs, Jul 90

tist in New Holland, PA. He & **Maureen** have two children, **Bradley** and **Stephanie**. **Royce** owns his own fiber optics communication bus in McLean, VA. He started in Jun 86 and has had a good time building his own bus. He & **Lee** have two children, **Courtney** and **Mairi**. The **Kincaids** belong to the Melrose Club and the **Backofs** joined them there for a 4th of July outing.

I got a long ltr from **COL Thomas Green**, a former B-4 Tac. He was my bn cmdr in FRG. He had some important

things to say and I want to share parts of his ltr with all of you. He says that "... one of the hardest things about serving in the Army is [that] the words 'service and sacrifice' are synonymous. We normally have no real measure of the sacrifice part. That part is what we do every day. While we are sacrificing our time, energy, and (maybe) our lives, our families are sacrificing right along with us. Sometimes we don't even realize the price we are paying until someone does something stupid and then asks us to die for it. (Vietnam vets and Russian novelists are perfect at explaining this phenomenon.) It makes all the classes we gave you on Duty, Honor, and Country very timely, if you think about it. . . . It is easy to talk patriotism and tough to live it. . . . Remember that [your family is] the ONLY real effect we will have on the future and that you can change the future through them. They will measure you and themselves, not on the rank you achieve, but on what kind of person you are. . . . We should be praying that there is no war. We should be praying that no mother, Iraqi or American, will have to weep for her children. . . ."

One of the greatest unexpected rewards of my Army career has been in getting to know some really wonderful people. I have been fortunate enough to have looked to past cmdrs and past Tac Offs in times of stress. When we were cadets and we looked at our Tacs as *the old guys* we complained about, I didn't think much about the role my past Tacs and my past cmdrs would play in the years that lay ahead. As I enter this new phase of my life called middle-age, I'm grateful to have had wise leadership that I've been able to look to in times of confusion. COL Green and my former F-4 Tacs, COL Seth Hudgins and COL Tex Turner, are some of the people who have helped guide me long after my cadet days were over. I'm grateful to those men, and others, who have helped me understand what the role of a career Army off is all about.

I want to close this col with a poem sent to me by one of our classmates. He has requested to remain anonymous, but I felt the poem worthy of publication:

THE SOLDIER'S DIVIDEND

*His job's not very glamorous,
His lot more sweat than thought,
and the faint praise that comes his way
is very soon forgot.
He's done the work that no one wants.
His were the longest days,
but tasks that only he can do
don't merit higher pay.
In peace, he is the first to go,
in war, the first to die,
and though he bears the greatest
load he seldom questions why.
He is the one who bought our life,*

*his blood has been the price,
but few in our society
will think about him twice.
He's a necessary evil,
one grudgingly acquired
and cast aside without concern,
after the last shot's fired.
And yet, he's always heard the call,
when 'ere that call has come.
He watched our door and fought
our wars
and when dismissed, kept dumb.
Discard him like some worn-out
boots
to chase your social goals.
Be glad the ones who gave their all
stay mutely in their holes,
and hope that you won't find your-
self
too often at the well
when next you call. Will he return?
Only he can tell*

I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy holiday season. **Bill.**

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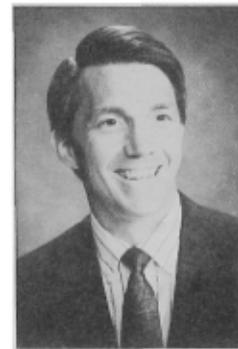
Although this article will be a very short one, it has been one of the most difficult ones for me to write.

It is with great sadness that I must inform you of the death of **David L Bolte** on 12 Sep in El Paso, TX. He is survived by his wife **Robin** and daughters **Amanda** (12) and **Andi Lynn** (5). Dave had recently graduated from CGSC and was assigned to Ft Bliss. Services were held at the Ft Myer Chapel on 20 Sep and his ashes are to be scattered by his youngest brother, **Andrew**. You may send any memorial gifts to Wellspring, 10523 Main St, Fairfax, VA 22030, a community for the mentally retarded where his brother **Timothy** resides. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Bolte family in this time of sorrow.



1977: Founders Day 90, Ft Ord

I recently received a news release announcing that **John Powell** was named as the new pres of Liberty Lending Svcs, Inc, the Wilmington, OH-based nationwide mortgage banking co. John previ-



1977: John Powell

ously served as sr VP responsible for monitoring loan prod, loan quality and establishing lending prod policies and standards. John & **Barbara** have 3 children, **Andrew**, **Jennifer** and **Audrey**.
Keep in touch—Keesy

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WP, 29 Oct 90. Our programs, policies, and resources have not missed the microscope of an overly-aggressive Congress trying to find a "peace dividend" at USMA. After 50 ROTC progs around the country were eliminated this past summer and the Army reneged on commissioning over 1,000 ROTC cadets, the eyes of Congressional budget-cutters moved to our alma mater. Through the effort of our staff and faculty, with the support of DA Staff, we have stood our ground. Predictably, facts emerged from our research on officer performance, USMA vs ROTC vs OCS. Clearly, the USMA grad is the best bargain for the buck. On average, the performance of the distinguished mil grad (DMG) out of ROTC is equal to the average USMA grad's performance. It only makes sense that the foundation of the Army off accession prog should be provided by USMA. Unfortunately, USMA did not miss the knife. Last wk a bill was passed by Congress requiring annual reductions in the entering class size by 100 ea yr for the next 4 yrs.

Passing through the Pentagon in Sep I came across **Tad Davis** in DCSOPS. **Tad** and **Steve Anderson** put together a Wash area Class reunion at the Pentagon last May. Approx 35 classmates were in attendance. The guest speaker was BG **Dan Christman '65**. Here is the rundown on our classmates in attendance: **Tom Bostick** is finishing up his White House Fellowship; **Al Aycock** works in JCS, J3 as a Counter Narcotics Ops Off;



1978: Steve Anderson making a presentation to reunion guest speaker, BG Christman '65

Mark Shields is a mgt consultant at Temple, Barker, and Sloane in DC; **Carl Savino** pushes paper at PERSCOM; **Joe Mislinski** is the Dir of Systems Integration, Commercial Multimedia Software, Competitive Solutions Software, Inc in McLean, VA; **Jim Chandler** and **Steve Kostek** work in ORSA at the Pentagon; **Pat Rogers** is a systems analyst at Tysons Corner; **Jeff Dorko** is at the Pentagon; **Chuck Jelinek** is a dentist in Fairfax, VA; **Bob Chadwick** works in DCSOPS; **Joe Pfanzer** was en route to Leavenworth; **Phil Hyland** is an elec engr in Reston, VA; **Jens Egeland** is the dir of Navy Programs, Emerson El Co, **Mike Collins** is a prog mgr at GE Aerospace, **Jeff Manley** is a mil const prog off at Def CEETA; **Denny Donovan** is the ch of Tng at the Joint Tactical Fusion Prog Off in McLean; **Jim Knauff** works in ORSA at PERSCOM; Crusty—I mean **Rusty Schorsch** works in JCS; **Tommy Strutz** is the asst ch of the Oper Div at Ft Myer; **Bond Wells** is a spook at DIA; **James Hoffman**, our ret First Capt, is an atty at Tysons Corner; **Kevin Sheehan** is still

servng as the special asst to the Under Secy of State for Intl Affairs; **Steve Johnson** works w/the Star Wars (SDI) folks; **Terrence Kanka** is at PERSCOM; **Bill Wansley** is serving as a special asst in Force Dev at DCSOPS; **Ed Poore** is a communications off in the Pentagon; **Jon Miller** is the dir of Munitions Systems, Thomson-CSF, Inc; **Chris Scroggins** is a prog mgr for Rail Co in Falls Church; **Tom Milo** and **Rick Evans** were there, but I am clueless to what they do.

While walking the halls of the Pentagon, I also ran into **Chris Maxfield**. He was escorting some Hondurans. Chris is the Dep Army Prog Mgr, US Mil Gp, Honduras. **Wally Price** was navigating his way around DCSPER when I bumped into him.

Jim Sullivan got a new posting to the 10th Mtn Div as an S-3 in 1/87 Inf. His XO is **Ken Curley** and his bde S-3 is **Mike Scaparrotti**. That bde has a stacked deck.

On our football trip to BC a few wks ago, I ran into **Walt & Angie Paulekas**. Walt is currently working for the law firm Levin and D'Agostino. He spends a lot of time in the courtroom in Hartford. **Ron Hall**, **John Marshall**, and **Jimmy Steiner** were at the game. Ron is a stock broker, John is self-employed, and Jimmy is an atty and pres of WP Soc of NH. Jimmy has become an expert on the recent bill, 38 USC 1622, Sec 207, passed by Congress granting "refunds for certain service acad grads." If you have any questions, he will give you FREE counsel at (603) 224-2381.

Jeff Friedel is the secy of the WP Soc of NY. He says they have a Career Advisory Council available to one and all. See the WP Soc pg in this issue.

John Gallo has been in our Math Dept since Nov 86, after co cmd at Ft Hood. He will be leaving Dec 90 for the British Staff Col in Camberley, England for one yr. John has been married since 80 and has one daughter. This past summer he ran into **Chuck Heinlen** and **George Telhorst** in Chicago. Both of them got their MBA's from the Univ of Chicago. Chuck is working at Skil Corp and George at Baxter Corp. Chuck wants to know if **Pat Guinnane** ever got married. There is a long-standing bet that is unanswered. John Gallo also rep that **Paul Johnson** is working at Martin-Marietta. Paul is married w/3 children.

One final note—as the yrs slip by us, and we place more value in our old friendships and memories of our WP Experience, we will need a vehicle to communicate to ea other. The ASSEMBLY is the best way to do that. The bad news is that only 321 members of the Class of '78 subscribe to ASSEMBLY. There are probably 621 reasons why our readership is down. But we need to get the word out to improve our readership. The yrs ahead of us will be marked with great opportunities of service to our communities and nation. What better way than to share the occasions w/your lifelong friends, your classmates!

God Bless you all in the New Year. **Bill Harner**.

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Greetings,

GO ARMY—BEAT NAVY, well that was always good for a stayback in class. I trust that this report finds everyone in good health and enjoying the holiday season. **Sue & I** have been truly blessed here at Scott AFB. Now on with the news.

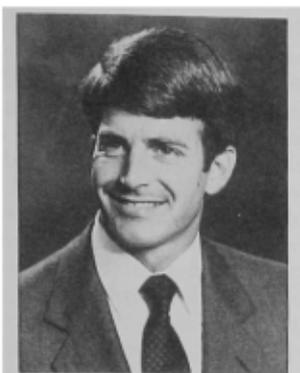
The first ltr is from **Lee Olson**. Lee & **Betty** are in Minneapolis. I received an announcement of the birth of **Luke Frank**, who entered the world on 16 July. Luke tipped the scales to a full 8 lbs 14 oz. This was the first such blessed event for Lee & Betty, and Lee rep that everyone is doing just fine.

I received a note from **Don Fraser '70**. He spotted an article in Aug 90 *Ordinance* Mag entitled 'The Ammunition Supply Point Advisor,' which was co-written by **Brian C Keller** and **Thomas R Knutilla '80**. Congratulations to Brian on his publication. Thanks, Don, for keeping an eye out for our Class; I'll try to do the same for you.

I received a news release from **Holland and Knight** law firm. At first I thought I might be in trouble but quickly learned that **Steven Schooley** had joined their firm. Steve will be working in the construction litigation area. Steve was an



1978: Class reunion at the Pentagon in May



1979: Steven R Schooley, Orlando, 90

'86 honors grad from Florida Col of Law, and a mbr of the Orange County Bar Assoc, the Florida Bar's Trial Section, and the Amer Bar Assoc. The interesting point was that the news release included Steve's pic. Look for yourself—he looks the same now as when we were cadets. Steve—how do you do it? But seriously, CONGRATULATIONS, Steve.

Tom Coleman wrote to also say he enjoyed the 10-Yr Reunion. Prior to the festivities he met several old E-2 Dogs for a night out in NYC. **Ziggy Belcher**, **Mark Andrew**, **Rob Guild** and Tom all met in the Big Apple to relive some old memories. Ziggy is now in DC working for Hewitt Packard, Drew is in Chicago on the CBOE, and Rob is a lawyer in FL. Needless to say, they had a good time and are already planning for the next reunion. Tom, who is now in Richmond, recently saw **Steve Niblett**. Steve was at Picatinney, NJ. When they got together they were able to play a little tennis and bend some elbows. Steve is now headed for CA. Tom also heard from **Tom O'Donnel**, who is now a White House Fellow. Tom was working for TAPA and headed for Leavenworth when he was selected for his fellowship, so he'll be staying in DC a while longer. Tom ran into **Joey Torres** at JRTC and then visited him at Ft Leavenworth. The big news in Tom's life is that he is now a civ and he hopes to stay in the Richmond area. Thanks, Tom, for the update and keep in touch, but don't wait for the next reunion to write again.



1979: Founders Day 90, Fort Ord, CA

The last two ltrs for this issue are both from first-time writers. **Mark West** wrote

to say that he has lost touch with many classmates but has seen **Vic McGloughlin**, who is now with the 82nd Abn. Mark also commented on my "choice" of duty stations—ie, an AF base. Mark was also assigned to an AFB back in 82 since his wife came on active duty in the AF. After lots of paperwork, Mark was allowed to transfer to the AF back in 85. Since then he has spent 3 yrs at Edwards AFB in the Civil Engr Sqn. There he was the dep ch of engr'g and later the ch of ops. One of his projects was the \$70M test complex for the B-2. After Edwards, Mark spent a yr in Korea at Osan AFB. Now he is stationed at Randolph AFB, HQ Air Training Cmd as the Cmd Housing Mgr. Last Jul, Mark was promoted to MAJ—CONGRATULATIONS. As he is about to PCS Mark is not sure of his next landing. He has received orders to Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio but has been verbally notified of possible changes. Thanks for the update, Mark, and we all hope everything works for the best in your future.

The last ltr for this issue came from **Greg Phillips**. Greg said he had hoped to earn everlasting fame by being the last mbr of the Class to write—but he finally gave in and decided to clean this off his list of things "TO DO." As a young gung-ho Inf off, it was off to Ft Benning and such mandatory fun as Inf Basic, Abn, and Ranger. After the Army was assured that Greg was totally subjugated, beaten, and thoroughly versed in the Army way, it was off to Ft Carson. Also at Carson at this time were **Vinny Marucci**, **Mike Boatner**, **Pete Lunn**, and **Pat Penland**. There they all worked for LTC Bob "No Slack" Stack and had enjoyable vacations with Reforger, Panama, and Ft Irwin. Greg did get a break and spent 6 wks at Northern Warfare Sch, but it was in Feb and Mar (brrrr).

After 2 1/2 yrs of Inf it was off to Ft Rucker for flight sch. After a grueling 9 mos, interrupted by trips to the beach and O'Club, **Greg** graduated and was recruited to stay for the AH-1 transition course. Then it was Korea-bound. There he served with the C-47 Cav as a Cobra plt ldr. The highlight of his time in Korea was the wk he spent as the ready reaction force cmdr during Pres Reagan's visit. Also, life in the Cav is not a legend—Thunder Runs/Cav parties are truly debauchery at its finest.

Next it was back to Ft Rucker and the new Aviation Adv Course. **Greg** used this time to really work out. Here he competed in 8 different triathlons and numerous road races. Here he achieved a true level of success and won several triathlons and was primed for the Navy Half Ironman. Here he shattered the previous course record by over 15 min; however that year there were 11 people who broke the record by a larger time differential.

As the fun at Ft Rucker came to a close it was time to head for Ft Lewis. If anyone wants to know the virtue of living in the Seattle area, just ask **Greg**. He loves it so much he decided he never wanted to leave. That, plus he met a lovely young native who convinced him that he was to stay in Seattle. On 11 Mar 87 he left the service and on 2 May he married **Susan D Musselman**, the girl of his dreams with the quickest wit he had ever faced. Susan was working as a VP of an investment banking firm in Seattle. In May 87 Greg started working for Boeing. After 23 separate after-hours training courses, where he learned about computers, civ mgt and technical topics, Greg realized there was no place for him in "Lazy Bee." After hearing about a job with the FAA he applied and got the job. Now he was the state engr for the State of OR, overseeing and managing the public airport construction. Being based in Seattle and working in OR gave Greg ample excuse to fly back and forth. In the first yr alone he had flown himself to all 101 airports in OR and had a blast flying again.

When **Greg** left the Army he was able to stay in the Natl Guard. All he did was transfer from one Attack Helicopter bn to another on the other side of the airfield. By staying in the Guard he had hoped to continue doing the things he enjoyed: flying, leading troops, and playing tactical warfare. Well, he got promoted to MAJ and had to move outside the bn. He became the S-3 of an Armor bn—a plum of a job, but the time requirements and the lack of his definition of "fun" led him to be transferred back, this time as the Aviation Gp S-4.

Meanwhile, the job scene took a quick turn of events. On a lark, **Greg** applied for a GS-14 position in the FAA, co-managing a special project to develop the "new Denver Intl Airport." This will be the first major new airport built since Dallas/Fort Worth, back in 1974. Greg is still in Seattle but now spends a considerable amount of time riding airplanes back and forth between Denver and Seattle. A side benefit is that Greg can travel to Denver and set up his ski trips with his work schedule. As for hobbies outside of work, **Greg & Susan** are both on the Volunteer Ski Patrol at Crystal Mtn. Greg is a licensed USSA Ski Racer and a licensed bicycle racer. Greg even sent the photo from the top of Mount Rainier—14,411 ft. Also, Greg recently obtained his commercial/instrument fixed wing pilot's license and spends several hours flying ea mo. Susan is on the City of Issaquah performing arts council as a financial advisor and the financial advisor for several cities in WA.

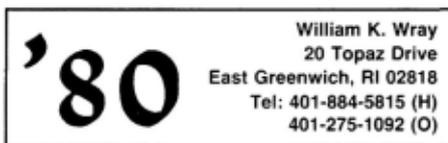
Greg rep he had a great time at the reunion. He has also recently seen **Corky Messner**, who is happy as an atty in Denver and has the golf handicap to



1979: Greg Phillips, Mt Rainier, WA summit—14,411 ft

prove it; **Bob Drum**, who is hard at work at Ft Lewis; and **Vic Sweberg**, who is working at Boeing. I would like to quote the last several sentences from Greg's ltr: "I hope that any classmate passing through Seattle who has a free hr or two would feel free to call us and visit. I can promise a free hot meal and a warm bed to anyone who takes us up the offer. To all the Class of '79, I wish you well." Thanks, Greg, for the informative update, and we all wish you well.

As I write this col, another homecoming wkend is about to commence at WP and I realize that everyone in the Class will not be reading this until after the holiday season. So I would like to close with the traditional GO ARMY-BEAT NAVY, and wish everyone the warmest of holiday seasons and a fruitful and productive New Yr in all your endeavors. God Bless—**Scott**.



This col is being written the Mon after our 10th Reunion wkend. I think all those who attended will agree that the planning comm did a superb job of arranging for facilities and providing food, drink and entertainment; the Corps of Cadets obliged us by marching well and trampling Lafayette by a score of 56-0; and the weather was magnificently crisp and clear. Many, many people are to be thanked for the planning and work which went into this event.

I had the pleasure of seeing literally hundreds of friends at the reunion, meeting their spouses, hearing about their children, their jobs, their asgmts, and the like. There were far too many to be able to discuss in this issue. Please continue to send pics and info about your doings. Publication will now take place every 2 mos, so without a lot of news from you, you'll have to read a lot about MY wonderful children, MY marvelous wife, MY brilliant career, MY learned opinions on world events. . . well, you get the picture. So on to the story of Our 10th Reunion:

On Thur night an informal party was held at the train station. The wkend formally began on Fri afternoon, when we gathered at the Old Cadet Chapel in the cemetery for a memorial service for our deceased classmates. Our few losses have been heavy blows; still, we have been fortunate to have lived in times of relative peace since our grad. As Chaplain Camp and **Vince Brooks** reminded us, however, we still have many classmates "in harm's way." This point was underscored by the fact that Chaplain **Rick Funk**, who had originally planned to conduct the service, was serving with the 82nd in Saudi Arabia. To all those who were unable to attend because of duty's call, we extend our prayers and commendations.

On Fri night, the Class celebrated with a buffet banquet at the Sheraton Hotel. Ancient tribal instincts prevailed, with tables being informally set aside by groups of former co-mates. The dinner was excellent, and the buffet format allowed for easy circulation. The conversations were a fascinating mixture of gossip about the Leavenworth list, venture capital sources, and babysitters, reflecting our Class' diversity of professions and callings. After repeated requests, the DJ dusted off some late-70's-period music, and some frenetic dancing ensued, reminiscent of the First Class Club circa Nov 79. Former cadets STILL can't dance.

The official party closed down around midnight; however, several convivial souls, your scribe included, assembled in the hotel lounge to converse late into the night. For them esp, Sat morn came very early, as we formed up near the library for the Alumni Ceremonies and Review. The slow walk to Thayer Monument and the subsequent parade were made even more pleasant by the lovely clear weather. Once assembled on the Plain, we felt right at home, as though a decade had not passed—esp when a TV crew yanked **Debi Lewis** and **Bobbi Fiedler** to the front row to feature them in parade footage. Wisecracking comments prevailed as the Corps passed in review—no one was willing to admit how proud it felt finally to be the honorees of "eyes right."

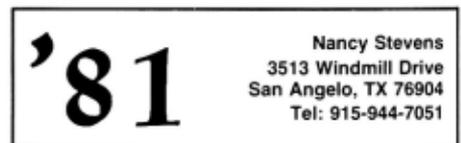
Following the parade, we headed to the Class tailgater at Howze Place. The festive, picnic-like air carried over into the football stadium where the Army tm pounded Lafayette. The tailgater continued after the game.

On Sat night, Homecoming Wkend culminated in the AOG banquet, held in the familiar environs of Wash Hall. Not only the environs were familiar: the Black Forest tart and the inimitably acidic coffee stirred many gastronomic memories, along with perhaps some heartburn. There must have been something in the air to make us regress: something

to make us flip knives to "go" for the extra prime rib; to inspire us to announce the beverages; to spur **Dave Brown** to "validate" a bottle of A-1 sauce. Perhaps the room was pervaded by the distilled essence of our shared adolescence. No other reunion event had such a "time capsule" effect, as did that banquet, when we sat at the same tables, with the same people, and in the same spirit of youthful abandon and mischief as we had 10 yrs ago.

Sunday was a day for church, for brunch, for long walks and reflection, and for farewells.

Many of us will not meet until our next reunion; sadly, some of us may never meet again. We are thankful that we had this opportunity to reminisce together about our days as cadets while sharing the ripening joys of our families and professions. It is easy to explain our attachment to WP and to ea other by referring to our commonality of experience. But the bond we feel goes beyond such a facile explanation, and at bottom is a mystery. No one can name the shared thrill which comes from the windborne thump of a drum and the snapping of flags in the sharp Oct breeze; or from the sight of a stern mtn splashed in the autumn's red and gold, rising above the green expanse of the Plain. That we once lived and learned together amidst such beauty is a great gift; that we could return to share it again is a renewed blessing. To classmates, friends, and families: until we meet again, may God bless you and keep you.



Greetings from San Angelo, TX! Who knows—the next submission by your scribe may be made from an exotic land such as Atl, GA, depending on whether this Reservist is needed during the current Gulf crisis or not. Meanwhile, many thanks to Don Frazer '70, who is diligent in his reading of mil journals, and in supplying yours truly with copies of articles penned by grads of the Class of '81. If anyone ever comes across news of the Class of '70, please pass it on to me and I will get it to Don.

Our Class is really prolific in the writing dept. Tops on the list is **Kevin B Smith**, who won second prize in the 89 Mil Review Writing Contest with his article, "Back to the Trenches." In it he discusses the advances in sensors and weapons ranges and lethality and how these technological developments combine to restrict maneuver and the ability to close with the enemy. He says that "without a higher level of mobility, we will be doomed to fight an unacceptable battle of attrition with a similarly

equipped (and much more numerous) foe."

Richard D Hooker, Jr wrote a very thought-provoking article in *Parameters*, the War Col qtrly, entitled "Affirmative Action and Combat Exclusion: Gender Roles in the US Army." He details current Army asgmt policies and their devel since the early 70's, court cases and judicial decisions, civ societal attitudes, attitudes of the mil and political decision makers and says, "Perhaps no bright line exists to show where fairness and equity should give way to prudence and necessity. Still, the question must be asked—and, more importantly, answered." His conclusions are logical, well-stated and important.

Army Ch of Staff, GEN Carl E Vuono, and Mrs Jean MacArthur, GEN MacArthur's widow, presented the GEN Douglas MacArthur Leadership Awards to **CPT Mark H Armstrong** of the Mil Dist of Wash and **CPT Dana JH Pittard**, US Army Europe, in recognition of their contributions to the Army. Congratulations!

Marc Lowe wrote for the first time. To catch everyone up, after grad Marc went to Ft Lee for QM basic as a mbr of the illustrious "knee squad." After basic and POL class he went to Ft Campbell and was assigned asst bde S-1 for the post support bde. Then he was assigned as a pltdr, 102nd QM (POL), 561st S & S Bn. After 12 mos he became XO and then acting-cmdr during a 4-mo exercise in Honduras. When he got back to Ft Campbell (tanner but skinnier) he moved up to asst S-3 at the bn. Then he went to the QM Advanced Course where he met up with **Kevin Dodge**, **Jess Ziccarello**, **Holly Zarfoss** and others. Instead of going to

Ger like he thought he would, Marc ended up in Izmir, Turkey, HQs Land-southeast, NATO and, as XO USAD spent 14 mos creating an education ctr and budget off. He got out in Oct 86 and worked as an auditor for the FL sch bd; a purchasing agent for American Dredging Co, Camden, NJ; a purchasing mgr for Kent Corp (manufacturer of store shelving and fixtures); and since Feb 90, project mgr, Lee Brass Co, the world's largest brass foundry. Marc met his wife **Dale** in AL and they are expecting their first child in Oct 90. Any F-4 mbrs, contact Marc at 3228 Overton Manor Dr, Birmingham, AL 35243, (205) 967-2472 (H), 831-2501 (W), or 831-8380 (W FAX).

Mark Woolen sent an update. Here it is, pretty much verbatim: He left the Army at Ft Stewart in 86. He went to work for TX Instruments in Dallas, then was lured to Ft Worth a yr later by Gen Dynamics. This Jun, after 3 yrs at GD, he was hired away by Systems Svc, Inc to be their VP of Engr'g. He is married to **Candice** who, unfortunately, is a Navy vet and strong supporter of Navy. Eight-and-a-half yrs of marriage have not converted her to Army—and last yr's Navy win did not help! Mark requests your prayers as 6 1/2-yr-old son Andrew also roots for Navy and just announced his desire to go to Annapolis! Also, anyone knowing the whereabouts of **Al Crosby**—have him get in touch with Mark, whose address is 240 NE Timberridge Dr, Burleson, TX 76028.

An anonymous but very reliable source sent word that **Eric & Lynne Billig** would be at the A-N game on 8 Dec and would like to get in touch with old friends. Eric is a prod control supervisor at Westinghouse Marine Div in

Sunnyvale. He is also co cmdr of C Co, 2/159 Inf (Mech) in the CA Natl Guard. Contact the Billigs at 1604 Vireo Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94087, (408) 249-7850.

Kathy (Humphreys) Ladig sent a clipping from *Stars and Stripes*. The article explains how **John Brudvig**, cmdr of Hq Co, 18th MP Bde, Gibbs Casern, trains his soldiers to be aware of the hazards of the quiet Ger trains and streetcars. The soldiers take turns wearing headphones, listening to tapes with their backs to the tracks. They signal when they hear a train over the music. The exercise makes them aware of the dangers of trains, and John is considering making it part of ea newcomer's inprocessing.

Mark Hogan met **Bill Dauer** recently. Bill is in CO with **Linda** and their two sons. He works for the Natl Forest Svc. Coincidentally, **Dennis Jaeger** sits about 15 ft away from Bill. Dennis & his wife are expecting their first child. Bill & Linda Dauer welcome ltrs at 39 Meadow Lane, Monte Vista, CO 81144.

I received some late-breaking news and since it was all very good news, I felt compelled to share it. Thanks to Linda at the *ASSEMBLY* off and her staff for arranging to include the following. **Skip Davis** is in his second yr in the Olmsted Scholarship Prog in Montpellier, France. His master's degree will be in intl relations with a concentration in economics. He is also working on a doctorate in mil history and def studies which he will complete in one yr (instead of 3). Other '81 Olmsted Scholars are **David LeMauk**, **Bill Fullerton**, and **Chris Moosmann**—we have twice the avg no of Olmsted Scholars! Skip & Rita have a one-yr-old daughter, Stefania. Her Italian relatives will be glad to have the Davis family close when they are assigned to the Piedmont region just west of Turin, Italy on Skip's next asgmt.



1981: Founders Day 90, Ft Ord, CA



1981: Skip, Rita and Stephanie Davis

This summer Skip was an intern researcher at the Assembly of the Western Union (WEU). This is the org that is currently coordinating the European effort in the Gulf and cooperating at the operational level with the deployed Amer forces. Skip was in Wash, DC while working for WEU and stayed with **John & Cordie Britten** and their 3 daughters.

John works for a strategic think tank. Skip has also seen **Frank & Kari Johnston** while visiting Italy. They live with their two children in a gorgeous villa in Vicenza. Frank is in his second cmd and will go to CGSC next yr. Kari works at the post's Testing Ctr and studies law as well. Any D-4 folks, esp **Mike Baker** and **Bill Fullerton**, should write to Skip & Rita at 55 Allee Martine Carol, 34070 Montpellier, France.

George Baker married **Diana Jean** on Easter Sun 89 at the Cadet Chapel. He



1981: George & Diana Baker, 29 Mar 89

proposed to her in Paris at the Eiffel Tower on the 100th anniv of the tower. George is currently at DLI studying Russian in preparation for FAO. He is looking at Harvard for grad sch and then to Garmisch to attend the Russian Inst. He cmded a co in 4/34 Armor in Mainz and received the Order of St George. Diana received the Order of St Joan of Arc for her contributions as a co cmdr's wife. Diana is a disc jockey who was



1981: George & Diana Baker with fellow classmates at Founders Day 90, Heidelberg, Ger

employed with an entertainment agency in Heidelberg and on the air at AFN Frankfurt. She also worked for the govt as a public affairs off and helped coordinate media events for the INF Treaty, and covered VIP visits for the local paper in Mainz. She was the Ger-Amer Friendship Princess for the USO and the city of Mainz for 1989-90 and now is an exec asst for the Pebble Beach Resorts in Pebble Beach, CA.

Final note: **Jeff Freidel** wants to pass the info that the WP Soc of NY has a



1981: Diana Jean Baker (Miss USO) and Bob Hope

career advisory council and a grad sch contact list. For more info, see the society's pg. Thanks to all for writing!

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Seasons Greetings, '82. Hope your holiday season is a happy one. For all of you serving in Saudi Arabia, our thoughts and prayers are with you. All of you probably know someone spending Christmas in that area and the following addresses are printed to help you in dropping a quick note of encouragement: Rank/Name; Operation Desert Shield; Unit of Assignment; APO NY xxxxx; Zip Codes: 101st ABN (09309); 82nd ABN (09656); 24th ID (09315); XVIII ABN CPS COSCOM (09657); 197th IN (09315); 11th ADA (09656); 3D ACR (09209).

The Select Few has quite a no of folks in the same grad sch progs. **Steve Horton** drops a line from GA Tech where 5 of our



1982: Founders Day, Seoul, Korea

classmates are in the Oper Rsrch prog. Steve has served at Ft Stewart; Sinop, Turkey; and cmd an EN co at Ft Carson before attending grad sch en route to the USMA Dept of Math Sci. He & **Julie** were wed on 14 Feb 88. They held a 4 Jul party for the Select Few a few mos ago (even though Julie is English) at their home in Acworth, GA. **Renee Wolven**, **Scott & Holly** and **Jessica Torgerson**, **Mike Barbero**, **Bob & Renee** and **Taylor McCaleb**, and **Tom & Yvonne** and **Meaghan Henry** all gathered to celebrate.

Meanwhile, up in NY, 4 other '82'ers are number-crunching at Rensselaer Polytech. **Tom Kastner** sends an update on the folks at RPI. Tom, **Pam** and daughter **Kirby Michelle** are spending time there before heading to USMA Math Sci Dept (popular place). Kirby was born in Nov 89. **Jim Ferguson**, **John Lock**, and **Steve Jarrard** are also in sch as John works on systems engr'g, Steve on psych, and Jim on math. All will be heading to the banks of the Hudson. Tom also sends news that **Kevin & Lisa Merrigan** are at Ft Lewis where Kevin



1982: 4th of Jul party at the Hortons'

just took cmd of a Rgr co. Lisa and Pam are sisters, so Tom and Kevin are always in contact.



1982: Founders Day, Ft Lewis

Jeff Tong writes to update us on his travels. Currently an ADA bty cmdr at Ft Bliss, he spent his initial tour in Ger before coming back stateside to an R&D position at White Sands. He was recently selected for the Acq Corps, so he'll be an R&D man for awhile. Jeff & Beth Ann Rathbun (formerly '84) were wed in Oct 82 and they now have 3 children: Sara (6), Michael (5) and Christopher (4). They have both recently completed master's progs, Beth from NMSU and Jeff from FL Inst of Tech.

Gary Williams sends a Founders Day photo from the WP Soc of No TX. Gary & Jeni joined Tom & Ciel Murphy, Dennis & Lynn Lambert, Jay & Paula Kimmey, Derek & Meg Gilbert, and Mike Minear and Kimberly Pfeifer at the celebration. Gary has also seen a few more folks in the Dallas area, including Norm Davis, John Jarrell, Billy Ward, Greg Burgamy, Jim Rodgers, and Robert Williams. Gary didn't send much info on himself, but his ltr was written on TX Inst's stationery.

Elsewhere in TX, Walt Tollefson is climbing the corporate ladder at Tellabs, a telecommunications firm. He was recently promoted to process engr. He still does his Army flying as an IRR off, piloting U21's at Ft Hood. The Tollefsons and 3 1/2-yr-old son Joe recently purchased a new home in Salado, TX.



1982: The Lewis family

Ken Lewis writes from SC where he & Cindy and daughters Meagan (3) and



1982: Founders Day at WP Soc of No TX

Katie (1) are enjoying civ life. Ken is an indus engr for Michelin. Recently they got together with Dan & Pattie Grymes and their newborn son Jacob. Dan is at Ft Bragg after recently completing CAS3. Ken also rep that Eric & Margaret Thor are up in MN as Eric completes his master's in thermo. Jim Zemet, a fellow Michelin colleague, is in France for 6 mos of tng. Ken's Reserve job is as a Fld Force Adms Rep, and he spent a wk this yr at USMA. He was billeted in Old South, the very same barracks he lived in while a cadet in E-1. Ken says the familiarity was overwhelming.

As I've undergone re-orientation at Ft Rucker after 13 mos of civ life, I've run across some Select Few. Marc Weldon was at Rucker getting a UH 60 transition. He is now a full-time Guardsman in TX. Marc finished up active duty at Ft Ord and went back to the unit with which he had served as an advisor a few yrs back. He's happy now to be flying a real helicopter!

Art Ball was also undergoing tng, attending the fixed wing qual course before heading off to Pax Rvr, MD for the USN test pilot crs. He had recently completed grad sch at GA Tech (I be-



1982: Founders Day at Ft Ord, CA



1982: Founders Day, Heidelberg, Ger

lieve aerospace). While there he saw **Manny Aponte** and **Bill Mayville**, both heading back to USMA soon. Art's final asgmt before grad sch was at Ft Ord, where he saw a lot of **Tom Muir**. Tom is doing ok after getting wounded by a round across the face while piloting a UH60 in the initial Just Cause assault. Tom was the co cmdr.

Paul & Lisa Scroggins visited in Aug, and 48 hrs after their return to Bragg, Paul was flying to Saudi Arabia. Lisa has since sent Paul his *ASSEMBLY* and he dropped a quick note. He's with the 82d asslt CP as the avn off. **Jeff Humphrey** is a co cmdr of a UH 60 co in the asslt bn. **Mike Winstead** was on PCS leave en route to work as a GLO with the A-10 wing at Myrtle Bch AFB when the 82d was deploying and returned back to Bragg. He's now an asst S3 in the avn bde.

As you can see from the new address, your historian is now in Korea. Now I'll get to experience winters here firsthand. Have a happy 91.

'83

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I trust that everyone had a wonderful holiday season! I hope Santa was good to one and all, big kids and little kids alike. I don't know who has more fun at Christmas—the kids or the parents! You know what's really funny is that my son had about as much fun with the wrapping paper and boxes as he did with his presents.

I was a little too long-winded last issue and these two photos had to wait till this issue.



1983: Jeanette & Mike McMahon with their brand new addition



1983: Tom & Deb Kirkland with godparents Jan & Stu L'Hommedieu at Stuart's christening (4 mos)

Vince & Eugenia Dreyer are in the 25th ID as the HHC CO, **Bob Farrell** is the A Co CO, **John Hains** is the B Co CO, and **Bill Willoughby** is the C Co CO. **Chris Holden**, my next-door neighbor, has won the job of the CG's aide, MG Gorden, former USMA Com. **Dave Thiede** is in grad sch to be a Math P. **Glenn Wittpenn** recently deployed his COHORT Co to Korea for a yr. When he

finishes he'll have 3 yrs in cmd. **Bob Moore** and **John Pothin** are cmdrs of rifle co's, while **Tom Bowe** is in cmd of an HHC in the same bde. Vince and his family of three, Vince II & Kaylie, are en route to DLI, where he'll be studying Russian. Then he'll go to grad sch and then attend the US Army Russian Institute at Garmisch, Ger for two yrs. "I get a card from **Bill Crowley** every once in awhile, each time from a different part of the world. He's definitely enjoying the unstructured life of a bachelor! I hope to link up with him in CA in Jan."



1983: At our bn dining in, Vince Dreyer, John Hains, Bill Willoughby and Bob Farrell

Mike Brennan paid his dues in the S-1 & S-3 shops before getting cmd of a M1A1 Co at "the Rock" in 3AD FRG. "I was in cmd of the same co I was a new plt ldr with in Dec 83—7 yrs in the same bn! While spending 39 months in FRG I did the necessary traveling to Denmark, Sweden, England, Ireland (the best trip), Spain, Italy, Turkey, Luxembourg, Belgium, France, East Ger, and Austria. And of course all over Ger." As he left, **Jeff Belles** was in cmd of an ordnance co in 2dACR, **Jim Drago** an arty bty (2/3 FA), and **Tony Turner** in Inf (3/5 Cav). **Tom Fish** was finishing 5/5 Cav and heading for DLI and grad sch as FAO. **Mike & Debbie Woodruff** and their two daughters left last Jan, heading to OK to work for Frito-Lay. "Now me, I am another peace dividend and taking my single, civ, aging body and brain to grad sch for a master's in intl bus." Upon arriving in the states he linked up with **Bob Turner**, who is at UNC MBA program along with **Chuck McGould**. They went to St Pete's for the wkend and bumped into **John Buss** (at Hunter Air Field) and **Chris Chambers** (at Dix). They are heading off to Wharton and then to USMA.

Phil & Jill Clough "spent a week at the beach (Nags Head, NC) with **Mark & Cheryl (Zwicki) Connors**, **Greg & Patty Argyros**, **Bill & Ann Bennett** and all our children at the end of May. In fact, our first eve together was the 7th anniv of our grad."

Bill is commanding a firing bty in the 82nd. He won an Olmsted Scholarship, which is given to two graduates a yr. He



1983: (Back row) Phil Clough, Greg Argyros, Bill Bennett, Mark & Cheryl (Zwicki) Connors; (front row) Jill and Rich Clough, Jeffrey, Patty and Christopher Argyros, Ann Bennett and Elizabeth Connors

plans to study in a Ger-speaking country. **Ann** paints portraits and raises their two dogs in her spare time. **Greg** has completed residency at Walter Reed and has been selected to be the ch resident for internal medicine there. **Patty** is very busy raising Jeffrey (18 mos) and Christopher (3 yrs). **Mark** graduated from Harvard Bus Sch in Jun, and Cheryl is a full-time mommy, raising Elizabeth (2 1/2 years) in Boston. **Phil** graduated from the Univ of VA Bus Sch in May. He went to work for Alex Brown & Sons, an investment bank headquartered in Baltimore. **Jill** will have her hands full with Richard (7 mos). **Rich Smith** will be starting the same program in Aug as he leaves GE in Wash, DC. **Mark & Kate Martins** had their first baby, Nathan Paul, on 3 Jun. **Mark** graduated from the Harvard Law Sch and has orders for Campbell after he finishes his JAG BOC. **Kate** also finished her master's in education from Boston Univ. **Chris & Bev Kerski** had their first baby, Jacqueline Denise, on 22 May in Coppell, TX. **Fizzer Martin's** wife **Sarah** also just had a baby boy in Apr. **Fizzer** just completed his cmd of a firing bty at Ft. Rucker and is on his way to WP, where he will first earn his master's in leadership and then be a Tac. I last saw **Fizzer** at a tailgate party in Durham at the Army/Duke game. He is crazy as ever. I would have loved to have had him as a Tac.

Don Frazer '70 sent me a copy of an article that was published in the *Armor* Mag by **Mark Troutman**. **Mark** was a test off with **TEXCOM** doing research for the Army. The article was entitled "The Soldier Performance Research Project: A Valuable Training Exercise." **Mark** is still at **Knox**, but he's now commanding **D Trp, 2/10 Cav**.

Bill Jones "ran across one of our classmates while visiting home (San Ant) so we snapped a quick pic for the *ASSEMBLY*. My father threw a pool party for my mom's 60th birthday & invited **Pat** & his wife." **Pat** cmds an ordnance disposal unit at Ft Sam Houston. **Bill** was giving up cmd and going through his change of



1983: Bill Jones, Pat & Kathy Kelly and Wesley Jones '52

cmd inventory of C Bty, 2nd Bn ADA at Ft Bliss; then he'll be the bde S-1.

Hank & Kelley (Haines) Dolan are proud parents of their new baby girl, **Lisa Nicole**, born on 21 May. **Lisa Nicole** "has definitely changed our life. We are definitely no longer DINKS. We just closed escrow here in Huntington Beach on our new townhouse. So we're here for the duration."



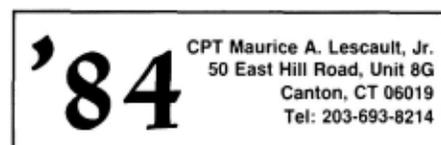
1983: Kelley (Haines) Dolan with Lisa Nicole (3 mos)

Kelley is currently working for **Alcon Surgical**, along with **Dan Stoll**. **Bert Davis** works down the street at one of our competitors, **Pfizer**. **Stacey (Powell) Cody** is in the area and doing great, with two kids of her own. **Kelley** received a birth announcement from **Scott & Kathy McConnell** of **Alicia Anne**, born 14 Aug in Ger.

Chuck & Deanna Hoppe had their second baby, **Sean Patrick**, on the 4th of July, which I believe is their anniv also. **Chuck** completed his cmd at **Riley**, dropped his wife and kids at her parents, and headed to **Monterey, CA** to the **Naval Post Grad Sch** for his master's in computer sci. **Chuck** says it's pretty boring without his family—all he does is study. With good luck on quarters **Deanna** should be joining him now. **Dave Anderson** is in mechanical engr'g on his way back to teach at the Acad. **John Walter** and **Dave Nash** are in the same computer course. He has seen **John Levine** but did not get to talk to him. **Phil Beavers** is in mathematics "holding down a blistering 3.97 or thereabouts." He's of course on the **Dean's list** each

qtr. He'll be heading back to **USMA** to teach Math. "I can hear him telling those poor plebes to 'take boards.'" **Sy Holzman** is CO of **HHC 9th Regt** under **COL Ellis** "(yes, Tac C-2, IOBC bn cmdr, etc)." **Robert Plummer** is also an **HHC CO** at **Ft Ord**. On 6 Oct **Larry Beisel** married **Chuck's** sister **Becky** at home in **Flat River, MO**. "I took a flying trip home so I could be there. He immediately took off for **CAS3** and has to report out here to **DLI** on 3 Jan for **Russian**. **Dave Harper** is still at **Ft Hood**; he has cmd of an **Echo Co** and just deployed to **Saudi Arabia**." I think **Chuck** sums up the way most of us feel going back to sch after a long lay off from academia. "I started my master's program 1 Oct. The last 6 wks were called a refresher. I think that is inaccurate as hell; all it did was remind a lot of us of just how much we forgot from sch!"

I want to wish all of you a great year and thank you for all the ltrs, information, and photos I've received. Everyone keeps asking how many classmates are still in—I can't be quite sure as even the Acad's addresses aren't always up-to-date on our Class, so keep those ltrs coming. And if you've never written then please try it for your **New Yr's Resolution**.



Happy Gloom Period, '84! I'm sure that most have been able to escape the gray haze and find some sunshine somewhere! And speaking of sunshine, we should all be remembering our classmates enduring the heat in **Saudi Arabia**. I'm sure that everyone hopes they will be home by the time this is published, but, being realistic, they may very well still be there! Let's do everything we can to stay behind our women and men serving in the desert sun!

Classmates who are not in the desert have been facing tough times as well. I received a ltr from **Roger Lambert** who has definitely shown his ability to face adversity and succeed. **Roger** was medically ret in Jul 89 because he had lost his eyesight. During the next year, **Roger** was fortunate enough to receive two cornea transplants which returned the majority of his vision to him. He currently lives in **Arlington, VA**. **Roger's** good fortune has continued as he got married last Feb to beautiful **Jo-Anne**. **Jo-Anne** works for an airline so they have been able to travel, including the wedding in **Hawaii** and a honeymoon in **Australia**. **Roger** mentioned that he looked forward to literally seeing everyone, so, if you're in the **D.C.** area, look him up! Thanks for the good news, **Roger**, and congratulations on everything! A fellow **FLEP'er**



1984: Roger & Jo-Anne Lambert at their wedding in Oahu, HI, Feb 89

from right here in CT dropped me a line with a myriad of information about fellow mbrs of the "Best of the Corps." **Chris Antoniou** is in his second yr at Yale Law Sch. **Lydia (Stuban)** is also in law sch at U of Bridgeport. Chris & Lydia went on a canoe trip down the Delaware River with **Ron & Cindy Spence** and **Phil Alibrandi** this past summer. As the photo shows, everyone had a great time and managed to keep dry!! Ron is a bank



1984: The Antonious, Alibrandi and friend, and Spences canoeing on the Delaware

off and Cindy works for IBM. You'll recall from past cols that Phil works for a career transition service for Acad grads. The Antonious had dinner with **Mark & Linda Crane**, who were in the midst of preparing a move to CT because Mark was recently promoted in his company, which produces diagnostic test equipment for health care providers. **Andy & Suki Lawrisuk** are in Boston where Chris saw them this past summer. The couple were married last Feb (congrats!!) and Andy was starting his first yr at Harvard Bus Sch after leaving the service. You'll recall that **Ray Bednar**, **Bill Coyle**, and **Craig Billman** are also studying there. While at Andy's place, Chris saw **Rich Suter**, who is out of the Army and attending law sch at Temple U. Another mbr of '84 planning to pursue legal studies visited the Antonious—**Chris Carlin** plans to eventually study law in Philly, but is first going to spend a year in Israel studying Hebrew and meeting with mbrs of the Israeli legislature through a scholarship provided by that country. This affiliation with the

Middle East is due in part to Chris Carlin's career with the 101st where he spent nearly 18 months in Egypt.

The Antonious, in the course of enjoying some travel, ran into still more classmates. On a trip to Maryland, they stayed with **Wayne & Dorinda (Smith) Lambert**, who are both serving at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Wayne also plans to join the '84 law firm and begin studying at Delaware Law Sch. On a trip to HI, the Antonious saw **Kelly (Harriman) Ziccarrello & Jess '81**. Not surprisingly, the Ziccarrellos have enjoyed their tour in HI!! Chris had also garnered some info telephonically through the parents of **Jeff Tokar**. Jeff had just finished a great tour in Korea where he commanded a signal co. Prior to that, he had served at Ft. Huachuca for 4 yrs where the Antonious had seen him during their MI off training courses. But, the history between Chris and Jeff dates back to the Acad, as they were in the same co for all 4 yrs! Jeff's folks weren't sure where he was going to be assigned next, but he was going through Airborne and Ranger Sch first. Good Luck, Jeff! Finally, Chris heard news of **Charlie Forshee**, who is in an Inf co in Ger. He is enjoying his tour there with his family. Wow! What an info-packed ltr, Chris! It definitely made this column!! Thanks for all the poop and write again soon!

News from the San Fran Bay area came through **Pete Weis** who is out there working for Mobil. Pete was recently married to lovely **Brenda**, with a no of WP grads in attendance. Representing



1984: Brenda & Pete Weis

the 'Best of the Corps' were **Dan & Sandy Hogan** and **Tim McFadden**. Also there from other classes were LTC **Chuck Morris '70**; **Jose Robles**, **Mike Roy**, and **Dave Amberger** from '83; **Mike Miscoe** from '85; and **Ross Torrini** from '86. Congratulations, Pete & Brenda! Pete enjoys working for Mobil as does **Jim Tapp**, who is working in the Jacksonville, FL area. Thanks for the info, Pete!

At the top of the col, I mentioned our classmates in Saudi Arabia. Well, I've heard of a couple who are there. **Dan Steiner's** wife, **Michele**, wrote from Ft. Stewart after Dan's deployment as the

24th Inf Div CG's aide. He has since assumed cmd of a cbt engr co. The deployment occurred *only 5 days* after the birth of the Steiners' second son, **Matthew!** The Steiners' eldest, **Gregory**, is only two, so **Michele** definitely has her hands full on the home front as well! If anyone wishes to write Dan, his address is **CPT Daniel W. Steiner (039-44-1613)**, Operation Desert Shield, Company C, 3rd Engr Bn, 24th Inf Div, APO, NY 09315. Thanks for the info, **Michele**, and congratulations on your new son! Our thoughts will be with you & Dan as you go through this challenging time!

You'll remember from the last col that **Leslie (Lochry) & Mike Bryson '83**, were company CO's in Ger. Well, this past fall, their units were deployed to the desert for Desert Shield. Les, you'll recall, is commanding D Co, TF Warrior while Mike is at the helm of D Co, 5/158 Avn Regt. Because both deployed, their daughter, **Jessica**, is in CO staying with Les's parents. I don't have an address yet, but I will pass it along when I get one. We'll be pulling for you & Mike as well, Les, and hoping for a speedy reunion of your family.

Well, that's it for now! I hope that you all are safe, healthy, and happy and that all of the '84 families like the **Steiners** and **Brysons** will be reunited soon. Until they are, let's do our best to support them and their efforts in a difficult situation! And, of course, let's BEAT NAVY!

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Aloha! I want to start out by sending our best wishes and deepest prayers to all of our fellow classmates and soldiers deployed to Saudi Arabia. We pray for your safe and speedy return. Lots of ltrs this past qtr so I'll get right to them.

6 Aug 90—3 of our classmates, **Jim Bradley**, **Bill Bandy** and **Tim Steinagle**, have been assigned to Brooke Army Med Ctr in TX. All have completed med sch at various institutions around the country and are naturally doing great things for the field.

Brent Bahl is now working as a foreign diplomat and will hopefully be headed overseas to an embassy soon. He passes on his best to **Justin Gubler** here in HI, who now has cmd of an Inf rifle co in the 25th. Brent, I did not save everyone's address over the yrs because I did not have the capability to save them all. Now I have started but I do not have **Bill Rudnicki's**. I have started saving addresses to build a data file. I did not in the past because the addresses changed so much.

Dan & Mary Milanese are now in Long Isl where Dan is attending med sch. He too has joined the civ ranks after

spending his first tour in FRG and at DLI in Monterey. He sends his best out to all of you 1-2 Iguanas (or was that the Igloo or Indians or ?).



1985: Mary & Dan Milanese, Aug 90

Corky & Ed Fox are doing super in Gamecock country. As you can see from the photo, Rachal Fox joined the family in May and is keeping Corky very busy. She has heard from **Tracy & Glenn Seymour** in FRG and from **Theresa & Paul LaCamera**, who were last at the advanced course at Ft Benning.



1985: Corky and her "corkette!"

Geoff Sutton thankfully typed his ltr to me (if you have seen his handwriting...). He is now at the U of WA studying biochem engr'g and diving in his spare time. Interesting to note, but not surprising, are his observations of the ole GAP's lack of duty, honor, country ideals. That is one thing that keeps me in the Army, bud.

Ole **3-Spot Harrington** is now settled in Richmond, with **Maria** having accepted a position with Union Camp as a prod engr. He is still dreaming about a rematch on the friendly fields of strife—the golf course. Yo! You need to wake up and smell the coffee. . . my secondary is golf while I am stationed here! He & Maria are expecting a little 4-Spot soon. My best wishes and prayers as always.

20 Aug—**Brian Snarcyk** is now in CT working for Peat Marwick dealing with money, while—I am sure—making just as much. Brian, you should feel fairly secure because if you were still in the Big Green Machine there would be no money! Never a dull moment!

Maureen & Brooks Collins are doing

great in FL. "Mo," it would not have been practical to attempt to cancel or postpone the reunion; one, because it was too late in the planning stages and two, there is no guarantee when Desert Shield will be over which meant we may have had to cancel the reunion altogether! I am confident that we will all be around for the 10-Yr Reunion.



1985: Maureen (Finnessy) and Brett Collins (6 mos)

29 Aug—**Mark Kapsalis** is now out living in Chicago and working for Griffith Micro Sci. Kapper spent part of last winter on tour with an intl hockey tm in Russia and Sweden. He said it was an eye-opening exp to learn about the Soviet standard of living. He also rep that the entire hockey tm from our Class is now out, with the exception of **Dave Knowlton**, who now cmds a bty in Ft Lewis!

Darlene and little **Rob Wilson** are doing just fine, as you can see from the photo. She recently took cmd of an Air Traffic Control Det at Ft Polk. "Cookie" wanted to ensure I passed on her gratitude for all who donated to Rob's fund at AOG. The fund currently totals more than \$3,000.00. She would like to donate it to the Class gift and dedicate it to all of our classmates who have passed away since grad. I certainly second the motion which would be a great gesture for our Class to remember such great friends and soldiers as **Rob, Bill and Rudy!**



1985: Darlene and Li'l Rob, 90

6 Sep—**Doug Jackson** is now here, after a long break at Ft Knox following his tour in FRG. He is going to be assigned to the Avn bde, along with **John**

Quackenbush, who also just arrived. John's been breaking hearts all over Waikiki in his CJ7 already, from what I hear!



1985: "Scorpion" Jackson at NTC 90

Darrell Irvin is now working for Dyn Corp in Belgium, of all places. "Turbine" is wooing women all over the continent from Greece to Norway. He is doing super and looks forward to seeing many of you as you rotate through FRG. He has also seen **Mike Pasco**, who cmds a small detachment in an avn unit also in Belgium.

20 Sep—**Jim & Stephanie Rice** are now in Baumholder, luckily assigned to a unit which is not deactivating. Jim spent his initial tour at Ft Sill where he boasts a safety record for most rounds down-range that is equally as impressive as Joe Montana's passing percentage. He also spent a great deal of time flying historical aircraft while in OK. However, as with most of us, the best thing to happen to him was Stephanie. Jim has also run into **Stump Gibson, Marty Baptiste** and **Kim Martini**, who are all assigned near his Kaserne.



1985: Jim & Stephanie Rice

Finally, **Dean Chamberlain, Paul Rodney** and **Jim Clarke** spent the summer traveling to China, Thailand, Singapore and, of course, HI. Needless to say, they all had a great time and are all now out of the Army. Jim is now at Harvard bus sch, along with **Todd Bluedorn, Todd Strubbe, Karen Short** and **Mike Foley**. Good luck on the MBA's.

Hey, that's all I have this time but I certainly appreciate the response from all of you. As always, I must put in a word



1985: "Bangkok Cowboys!"

for the mag. I recently reviewed a list of all of our classmates who do not subscribe to this awesome publication. Hopefully, as time passes more will subscribe so that they can keep up on all of our exploits. I encourage everyone to join. The cost has not changed but you get 6 issues a yr now. **Jeff Ryscavage** just took cmd of my neighbor co and is loving life. **Ronda & I** are doing great but staying busy (snivel, snivel). I regret having not been able to attend the reunion but I look forward to hearing about it (hint!). Continue to choose the harder right, never say die, do not ever go "Big Dick" on the Black Forest Tart, and for God sakes... Beat Navy! You have my best, '85!

'86

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It's Christmastime and I hope everyone is enjoying the season, the candy, the gifts, and the spirits.

Back in Sep I wandered off to Dallas for some bus, but before work, I decided to visit Lawton and some of the men at FAOBC. When I arrived I was thoroughly confused. **Rick Lange** wasn't home and I couldn't remember diddly about Lawton. Called **Tom & Heidi Deflippo** to rescue me from my predicament until Rick returned. Finally caught up with the man at Girdlestones where **Bobby Lockett**, **T-Bone Williams**, **Danny Shultz**, and a host of others were relaxing. It was great to see a lot of old faces, esp not having seen hardly anyone in two yrs from our Class.

Haven't received many ltrs from ya'll, but the ones I've got share two characteristics. 1) They were written by female classmates and 2) they are full of info.

Jill Reilly's ltr which I misplaced for the last issue was found. For some reason I thought **Chris & Jill's** pic was taken in the Coliseum, but it was snapped in Luxembourg—blame it on short-term memory loss. Jill says, "**Vivian (Haley) Glaeser** spent plt time in Giessen and then ITO and HHC cmd time in Heibronn. Husband **Randy Glaeser** completed EOAC and both of them are

at Ft Leonard Wood for the duration. **Linda (Fetko) Christ** spent her entire stint near Stuttgart as the Trans plt ldr, CO XO and finally as the S-4. She & **Matt** will shuffle off to Ft Bragg following their respective Adv courses. **Frank & Freddie (Smith) Anderson** spent their time at Sill where they held all the FA jobs, bought a house, and brought a son, Frank Jr, into the world two yrs ago. Freddie has left the FA branch but I don't know to which she transferred. They will go on to Ger following their Adv courses.

"**Chris & Jill Reilly** were married in Switzerland in Feb 88. The ceremony lasted 9 minutes and some privates from a unit in Ger witnessed the union. Jill



1986: Chris & Jill Reilly in Luxembourg (City)

started as a plt ldr in Friedberg and then moved to Nuremburg after the marriage; she was the Trans Staff off in lad's MSB and then took the position as adj in the same bn for 14 mos. Chris was in the div's ADA bn. He was a Vulcan and Stinger plt ldr and finally a btry XO for 12 mos. After extended field time Chris realized the drawbacks of ADA and branch-transferred to Transpo. After Adv sch, Chris will move on to Ft Eustis and Jill will be just down the rd at Ft Monroe.

"**Lenny & Bebo Novak**, with 6-mo-old daughter Megan, rotated from Ger and are at the AROAC. Lenny worked as a plt ldr, XO and as an asst S-3 in Ansbach. Bebo taught kindergarten at a Nurnburg elem sch.

"**Elaina (King) & Jeff Hajduk** thoroughly enjoyed their 3 yrs in Wurzburg. They have a new mbr to their house, Danielle Nicole, who was born in Apr. Elaina and Jill played on a Ger women's soccer team and say they had a wonderful time reliving those moments that began on the "fields of friendly strife." Both Jeff & Elaina are now at Rucker for the Adv course. Also stationed with Elaina in Wurzburg was **Pete Kuring** and **Mike Sturgeon**. Mike has a lovely wife, Lila, and a two-yr-old daughter named Natasha.

"**Chuck McLaughlin** did his time in 2ACR in Bamberg. He held all the LT positions. While in Bamberg Chuck lived with **Scott Pierce**. Chuck is now at the IOAC. **Eric & Debbie Scheideman-**

tel were at Ft Bliss enjoying the scorching heat. Eric finished the Adv course but stayed an extra 6 mos as a small gp advisor—actually a job to work on his golf game—before heading off to Ft Lewis. **Wendy (Pearl) Coddington** graduated from TROAC and is now at Ft Lewis working with ROTC. She & **Nick '84** came from Ger where Wendy was a plt ldr with the 3AD's Trans Co and cmded an HHD." Jill, thanks for all the info and sorry I didn't get it in the last issue.

Mary Ellen (Conway) Picciuto writes from the QMOAC that baby Kelsey is already 8 mo old and the love of her life. "Motherhood is incredible, difficult at times but always rewarding." Other



1986: ME and Kelsey

news includes: **Lorie (Fleming) Blount** came to QMOAC from working TDY at USMA for a yr in the Admissions Off. She looks the same, but doesn't know where she's headed after the course. Husband **Tony '85** is at the FIOAC at Ft Ben Harrison.

"**Phyllis (Erkins) & Ron White '84** both are in ME's Adv Course. They came from Ft Stewart and are headed to Korea afterwards. FR Branch transfer **John Sutton** came from FRG, got married to **Evelyn** in May, and doesn't know where he's going next. **Rich Bradford**, Inf Branch transfer, came from Benning and is headed to Panama after QMOAC. Rich had a lot of info about people at Benning: **Jay George** has been the aide to the Asst Com of the Inf Sch for the past yr and is headed to IOAC. **Bill Ryan** recently attended IOAC and is now cmding a HHC at Ft Leonard Wood. **Matt Pawlikowski** is also at IOAC.

"**Beth (Schleeter) Ferrier** arrived from Campbell back in early Sep. Her husband **Mike** was on leave en route to IOAC when he was called back to Campbell for Desert Shield.

"**Carolyn (Elliot) Ingham** is out of the Army and is working for Goodyear.

"For D-3 news: **Cyndi Isler** is out in CA working and feeling happy. **Ulrich Brechbuhl** is at AROAC and is headed to the 1st Cav at Hood. **Steve Van Straten** got married (have no name). **Greg Ortiz** is at the MIOAC and then is headed to Ft Polk. **Steve Sicinski** was headed to Spe-

cial Forces training but went back to his bn for Desert Shield. **Shane Lambert** was at the MIOAC with Greg, and **Bob Penna** is due to arrive there in Jul." Thanks again, ME, for your continuing support.

It might scare some of you to know that 8 of our classmates received their MD degree this past May from the F Edward Heber Sch of Med in Bethesda, MD. Ea of them sends his/her congrats to the other USMA '86'ers who graduated this past spring from civ med schs.



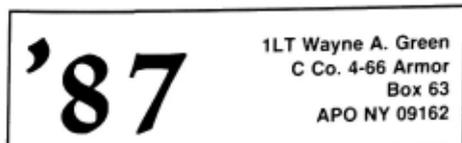
1986: Ed Frolich, Karen Phelps, Rob Rush, Wilma Larsen, Andy Eisman, John Farley, Rocco Armanda and Eric Lund

Andy Eisman, the ever-competitive hawk, topped his Med Class at Bethesda. He is currently interning at Walter Reed and hopes to train in ophthalmology. He & **Amy** are the proud parents of **Allison**, who is two yrs old. **Rocky Armanda** has begun the neurosurgery training prog at Walter Reed. **Ed Frolich** is also a transitional intern at Walter Reed and plans to further train as a urethsiologist. **Ed & Susie** are kept busy and entertained by their son **Mathew**.

Eric Lund and **Rob Rush** are at Letterman in San Fran doing their transitional internships. **Rob** plans to practice gen surgery and **Karen Phelps** is unsure of **Eric's** future plans. **John Farley** is an OB/GYN intern at Walter Reed, with future plans in gynecologic surgery. **Wilma Larsen** is also an OB/GYN intern at Madigan in WA. She plans to become a flight surgeon as well as completing her OB/GYN training.

Karen Phelps is training in family practice at Ft Gordon, GA. **Karen** says that as new MD's of USMA '86 their commitments now range from 2005-08. "We hope we never have to see any of you or your families professionally, but if we do we hope to svc you well."

Girls, keep the ltrs coming. Guys, don't be outdone.



Hello again, everybody! What could be more timely than to start this episode

with a message from the desert. Although this is not the desert that is making the headlines right now, nonetheless, the Egyptian desert will just have to do. For this is where we found **Bob Buscher**, **Bryan Mix**, **Eric Turner**, and **James Tillotson**. **Eric**, **James** and **Bob** all hail from the 2/7 Inf, and **Bryan** from 3/69 Arm—all of the rapid deployment gender down at Ft Stewart. The photo shows them strutting their stuff for the old SPHINX during OC duty at "Bright Star 90." **Bob** drew the short straw and dropped me a line. They happened upon **Larry Biggins**, which isn't hard to do with a guy like **Larry**, even if you are in a desert. Great photo; hope all is well with you this fall. Hang in there, guys!



1987: Bright Star 90 OC's

Damon Hofstrand, you maniac. First, if you'll remember, **Damon** makes the power move and branch transfers to fly choppers. Well, last Apr he graduated as the Distinguished Grad and was chilling out on TDY in Ft Eustis. He quietly added, "I'm headed for Panama in May, should be settled down by then—don't ya think." Congrats and keep making it happen, **Damon**!



1987: LT Carl & Susan Fossa at Ft Gordon Founders Day, Mar 90

Before I write anything more, take a gander at the bride & groom in our next pic. That's about a handsome couple, heh? The proud models here are **Jamie & Diane Hillman**, who married 12 Aug 89. They enjoyed the CT setting for the ceremony and settled down in a small town off Lake Ontario, near Ft Drum, NY. The wedding party included **Sam Prugh** and our long-lost classmate **Jeff**



1987: Diane & Jamie Hillman looking mahvelous!

James. **Sam** is with the 101st but just happened to be teaching Yuks at Camp Buckner and was therefore able to make the journey. **Jeff** is stationed at Ft Drum. **Brian Spicer '88 & Grace** also added spice to this New England happening. Oh by the way, I hope your new boat treats Lake Ontario just right! Don't go get any of those wild "Squidlike tendencies" though, **Jamie**.

Mica & Jill Imamura sent a couple of gorgeous wedding photos our way. The first is of **Mica & Jill**, no doubt during the reception following their 5 Nov 88 marriage in Denver. **Mica & Jill** were joined by **Jim Yacone**, **Wen Barker**, **Paul "Chief" Degironimo**, and **Rich Fredericksen**. As of this summer their landlord, who works for Schwaben Brau (brewery), was keeping their Stuttgart apt well-stocked with plenty of the local suds! And they haven't complained even one time. They also enclosed a photo of **Wen Barker's** marriage to **Un Kyong** in Korea. **Chief** and **Jim Yacone** were lucky enough to make that one also. Thanks for the news, **Mica & Jill**!



1987: Mica & Jill Imamura, 5 Nov 88

Hey, **Kevin Brown**, I have a TOP SECRET message from a few long-lost friends of yours. **Pete Trebotte** and **Bill Ewing** called me at work the other day and insisted that I quote them as saying: "Write us, you bum!" Their addresses are: **Pete Trebotte/HHC 3/64 AR/APO 09702** and **Bill Ewing/HHC 5/15 Inf/APO 09702**. Let us know what you are up to, big guy.

I received an interesting note from the class scribe for '34. **COL Blair** said sim-



1987: Mr & Mrs Wen Barker



1987: Youngest grad? Bill Bardon at Ft Monroe

ply: "Ft Monroe Founders Day's Youngest Grad—**Bill Bardon** 28 Mar 90." Fun-nily enough, Bill had just dropped me a line. He happily announced that he married **Grace** way back on 26 Nov 88, and became a father on 3 Nov 89. Stephanie weighed in at a healthy 7 lbs. For the past two yrs he has been working with the Army's only amphibian unit at Ft Story in VA Beach, but recently moved to Ft Eustis and is serving as the Propensity Off for the Ch of Transportation. He cautioned everyone to look out for him as he tackled the Marine Corps Marathon, donning the dreaded "Beat Navy" T-shirt.

We always have been blessed with our share of celebrities. Let me share with you an article from the *Miami Herald* dated 3 May 90 and clipped by **Kathy Pierce's** parents Lee & Ed Pierce for our enjoyment. "Dolphin's LT a long shot—the Army LT is a football private now, and **Clarence Jones**—gunning for the rank of Dolphin running back—couldn't be happier. . . . One yr ago Jones was in the 19th Support Cmd in Chunchon, So Korea, 20 km from the DMZ. One yr later he is self-demoted and stationed at St Thomas Univ for mini-camp. There are no machine-gun nests here, but every day he must be ready for inspection. He is a free agent. The NFL has no lower rank. 'I didn't think I'd be able to live with myself if I didn't give pro football a try,' Jones said. Jones calls this his only shot but he has been accepted to law sch at the Univ of IL, should his NFL dream wither." The article went on to say that



1987: Founders Day, Seoul, Korea, 6 Apr 90

the coaching staff was particularly impressed with Clarence's 1,593 yds and 20 TD's in two yrs as a starter at Army. His abilities as a kick returner seemed to be paying off in the mini-camp. Apparently, other Dolphin players respect him as much as we do as they refer to him affectionately as "lieutenant." Anyone who can fill us in on just how this adventure turned out for Clarence, please drop us a line. We're awfully proud of your gumption, CJ!

George Young II took time to fill us in on classmates that he had run into. He confirmed that **Tim Flowers** is happily married and working for Fed Mogul in MS. **John Whitenack** is married and was last seen at Ft Campbell. George left Korea in May 89 and is currently serving some TDA time at Ft Jackson as a training off.

Here's some big news with a double wammy! **Scott Rainey** writes, as the pic shows, that he has become a daddy. Emily Grace Rainey was born on 3 Mar 90. He supposes this is a double surprise since most of us didn't realize that he married **Elaine Kempisty '85** on 20 Dec 87. I'm sure this will come as a very pleasant bit of news to lots of folks who had begun to wonder how you were. Congrats! Scott sees **Stan Pomitcher** and **Jeff Angers** quite often as they are in the same arty gp located just no of Frankfurt here in the fatherland. Although he was isolated from all Amer facil, he seemed to enjoy his stay in Ger and was expected to rotate to FAOAC at Sill in Dec. Again, congrats to Elaine, Emily and Scott, and best wishes for the future.

Gregg Schuliger loaded a boatload of info into about 3 sentences, so pay attention. He is out of the Army, working as a



1987: Scott A Rainey and daughter Emily Grace

project engr for the Boise Cascade near DeRidder, LA. He has a wedding pending for Jan, still plays tennis tournaments and hangs out with his roommate **Doug Pennebaker**. Doug is en route to law sch at St Mary's Univ in San Ant and recently won in the Central LA Men's Bodybuilding Championships. Gregg says a big hello to **Glenn Levanti**, **Dave Williams**, **Pat & Fernie**, and the whole G-2 crew.

Some time ago we heard that **George Thompson** had recovered from a bad leg injury incurred at Ranger Sch. Now we hear it from the horse's mouth that he is doing just fine working as a civil engr with the Plastics Div of Mobil Oil just outside of Rochester, NY. Having broken his leg in 14 places, he has faced ret and the fate as the youngest grad in Rochester for two yrs running. He seems busy building and renovating bldgs for Mobil Oil, likes the hrs and the pay but certainly misses the camaraderie and teamwork so prevalent in Army life. He mentioned that **Andy Wild** enjoys Ft Bragg and purchased a 69 Corvette that still goes real fast. **Casey Wood** & his

new wife of last summer have finally nailed down their own place in HI. **Robert Tuscano** just moved to Korea. However, he managed to complete a whirlwind tour of the US before his departure, to include a 3-day visit with George in Rochester. Too bad the Ford Bronco rolled over your new Honda while Robert was there, George. Anyhow, your high spirits are motivational and I thank you. Well, that's about it for now. Keep those ltrs and contributions coming!

'88

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I have received several ltrs over the past mo from some of our classmates headed to Saudi Arabia on the Class trip. **Scott Snair** and **Christine Meyer** are two of those classmates. Stay out of trouble and have one of those non-alcoholic beers for all of us in the FRG.

Carmen Pino sent some good news just before he deployed to Graf. **Carmen & Gabriela** are now the proud parents of **Robert Pino**, born 2 Feb 90. In other



1988: Gabriela and Robert Pino

news from **Carmen, Dave Chung & Carrie** (sic) keep busy by frequenting the night spots in Frankfurt. **Jim Gallante** has moved up to the S-3 shop of the 533rd MI Bn. I guess Jim got tired of that Inf stuff in 3/8 Inf and needed a change of pace. **Gary Sullivan** also got tired of his last asgmt in Turkey and is now a proud mbr of the 3rd AD.

Now on to the new married mbrs of our



1988: Jeanne & Paul Lucey



1988: Founders Day 89, Ft Lewis, WA, 31 Mar

Class. **Jeanne Britaniski** married **Paul Lucey '87** in the Jewish Chapel at WP. **Holly Olechnowicz Rebelez** and **Richard Ast** were in the wedding party. **Warner Irizarry** married **Lin**, the daughter of the Dominican ambassador to West Ger. The wedding took place in Bonn FRG. (How about a pic, Warner?) Congratulations to you all.

In some somber news, **Linda DiNallo** wrote to ask for some assistance from the Class. **Tony DiNallo** (now medically ret) was injured in a repelling accident during a training exercise. He suffered some internal injuries and spinal cord damage.



1988: Darren & Holly Rebelez



1988: Founders Day 90, Heidelberg, FRG

Linda says that Tony is walking slowly but could use your encouragement. You can write to Tony at the following address: VA Med Ctr, Rm A244, 1400 VFW Parkway, W Roxbury, MA 02132. The Army has lost a good soldier. Write to him soon. Take care and write soon.



1988: Founders Day 90, Ft Lewis

'89

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I hope you all enjoyed Class Pres **Brian Roberts'** computer-form ltr. Down in Athens, Greece, Brian, **Pat Lacho**, **Mike Stevens**, **Tom Lynch** and **Drew Bartkiewicz** are enjoying the Parthenon and various Hellenic memorabilia. Brian also wrote that **Bob Oehlers** and **Kevin Barber** have left Ft Knox (as their bde shut down) and are now at Ft Carson.

Dale ("The Turtle") Henderson sends his kudos and wrote of his wedding on 13 Oct to **Adrianna Gopsill** at the AF Acad Chapel. Best of luck to the Hendersons!

Chuck Correll sent me a great ltr chock-full of interesting tidbits. He is in 2/2 Cav in Bamberg, Ger. Chuck and **Jeff Geoffroy** have been burning up the tank ranges at Grafenwoehr. There they saw **Jim Lippincott** escorting some Jordanian offs around as Jim's proficiency in Arabic increases. Of course, the Jordanians' first question about the M1A1 tank was for the gas particulator! Chuck also noted that **Mark Elfendahl**, **Chris Prigge**, and **Kevin Lingow** are busting out ARTEPS up in Bad Hersfeld with 3/11 Cav. Scouts Out!

Wayne Chun sent a short wire from Ft Sam Houston. He and several others are in their second yr of med sch. Check out the photo enclosed, and good luck to the docs!

Jamie (Hine) Padgett says hi from Hanau, Ger. She married **Bill Padgett** in Oct with a small wedding but large reception. She is 3AD's Div Med Supp Off and Bill is ADA in 2/43 Patriot. They see **Omar & Paula Gutierrez** in Kaiserslautern, and **Amber (Allen) Maki** and **Rob & Ann Holder** in Hanau often. In Jul, **Ann** and **Eileen Nolan** gave **Kathy Sherry** a bridal shower in Hanau. Jamie



1989: Monica Gorbandt '82, John O'Connell, Jay Crawford '88, Jeff Hutchinson and Wayne Chun graduate from Med Corps OBC, Jul 90

attended with **Ginny Marion**, **Andrea Salvadio**, and **Christy Richter**. Kathy went on to marry **Jim Buck '86** in Buffalo in Sep. **Sandy Vann** married **Steve Olejasz '90** in Jun and they live in Wurzburg, Ger. One night in Hanau, **Jamie & Bill** ran into some B-1 Boys in a bar called "CONNIE'S HARD & HEAVY PALACE." They saw **Dave Biersach**, **Nate Rosier**, **Scott Yanagihara** and **Lou Giammateo**. Sounds like a good Boys hangout, spikes and black leather. . . . Jamie also sends to **Mildew**, **Scotty Mo**, **Tim L** and **Bo**: "I miss you guys!" Thanks Jamie, keep the Boys in line.

Adam & Stacey Such are the proud parents of a baby girl, **Ashley May Such**. Ashley arrived on 11 Aug, so we wish the Suchs all the best, and welcome Ashley to the Line. Remember, Adam, you still owe me a steak dinner for keeping you awake in the mtns. . . .

I received several ltrs from my "twin brother" **Paul ("PK") Kreis**. He sends his mail from the Saudi desert these days. However, he & **Leslie** were married in Jun with **John & Tracy McGlothian**, **Larry Halida**, and **Francisco ("Paco") Dominguez** attending. On Desert Shield, PK works with **Larry**, **John**, **Nelson Emmons**, **Darius Powell**, **Dave Kalb**, **JR Lillibridge**, **Steve Casey**, and the rest of the boys in the 101st. They are training, acclimatizing, and building sandcastles, while hoping for the best. Thanks, PK, and good luck to all of you.

Let me digress here for a moment. If anyone has further info on our classmates in the desert, please send it in; everyone else is very curious. Thanks.

Finally, the rumors col. Yes, it is true that **Phil ("The Body") Cuccia** was leading the Civil War re-enactment regt in the movie *Glory*, though Cucc was dismayed that several of the Confederate canteen cups were not authentic. . . . **Ken Griggs** was called into the Dean's off at med sch in Maryland to explain two D's in classes. "I guess I'm just not stressed enough here, sir," Ken replied. Apparently, the Dean reminded Ken rather colorfully of his four responses, and Ken is now proficient in all areas. . . . **Brian Lane** has been cruising the

autobahn near his station in Kitzigen, Ger in his vintage 70's station wagon. Brian enjoys the comfort, but is amiss as to why the East Ger Traubis are passing him. . . . In Oct at the Graf O'Club I saw **Mike Vassalotti** lead his fellow offs from 4/67 AR in video sing-a-longs. Suffice it to say, a good time was had by all.

Thanks for all the ltrs. While we're *Strengthening the Line*, I'll see ya' at the club or in the brush.

'90

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I was at WP for the VMI game on 22 Sep and ran into a bunch of our classmates from the OBC's in the VA area. **Debby Dines** and **Bridget Sullivan** said that OBC for the Transpo Corps was going well. **Vickie Mitalas** rep that nothing unusual was going on with the Quartermaster folks, and **Dawn Carlton** said that all was well at OBC for Ordnance. Now that OBC's are over send me some photos and stories about your experiences.

After the VMI game, the grad asst coaches had a 3-keg tailgate under a GP medium, which attracted a few of our classmates. **Pete Andrysiak**, **Carlton Rice**, **George Godfrey** and **John Silvers** were there to celebrate the football tm's victory. **Tom Jones** was wrapping up a 3-day tailgate after the 150's destroyed Cornell. I also saw **Terry McLinskey** (soccer), **Tim Ertmer** (golf), **Paul Kuznik** (wrestling), **Scott Frank** (90+), and **Ron Wilson** (basketball). They are all working long hrs for their respective Army tms.

Expeditus Bolanos sent me a note on Intermedics, Inc ltrhead saying that he was enjoying himself in the civ sector as a quality assurance engr. He was medically discharged and his new address is 110 Lake Rd #713, Lake Jackson, TX 77566.



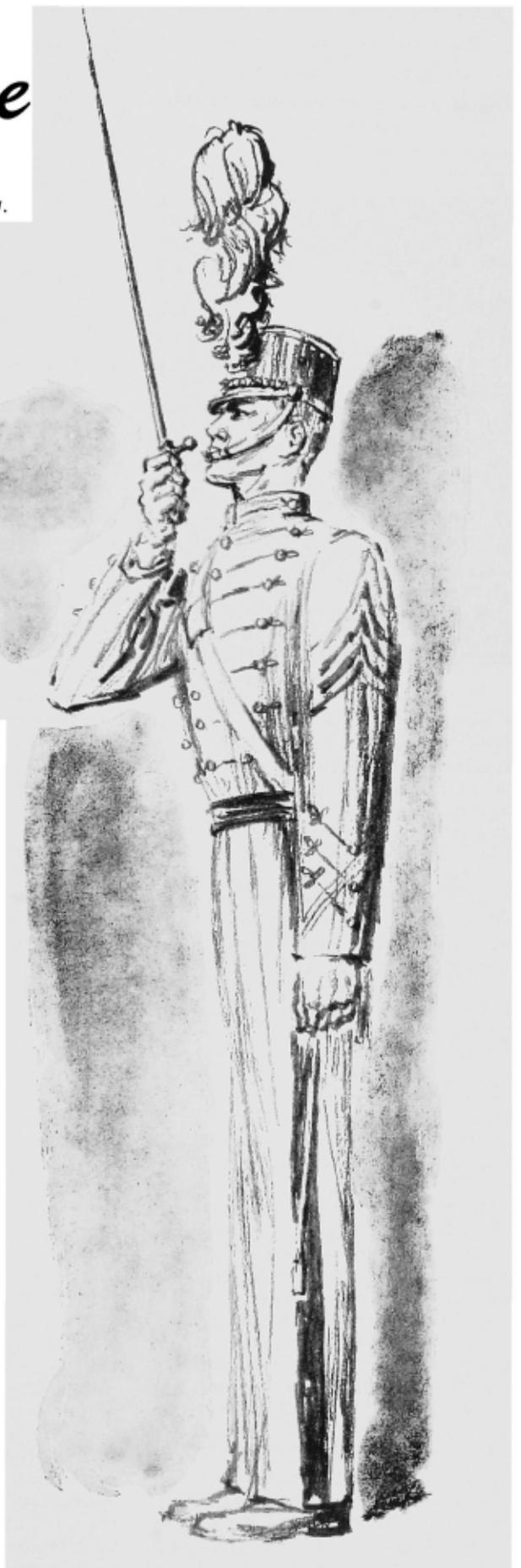
1990: Ed '89 & Sharon (Tosi) Moore, 3 Jun 90

Sharon Tosi sent me this copy of her wedding pic. She married **Ed Moore '89** on 3 Jun at WP.

That is all I have for now. Let me know what went on at OBC and how the Class of '90 is getting along at Army posts worldwide—**Tad Gerlinger**

Be Thou At Peace

We, sons of today, we salute you—You, sons of an earlier day.
We follow, close order, behind you, Where you have pointed the way.



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Durward Saunders Wilson

NO. 4893 CLASS OF 1910

Died 20 January 1970 in Washington, DC, aged 83 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.



Durward Saunders Wilson

DURWARD SAUNDERS WILSON ("DS" to his friends and colleagues) was a true, proud son of the South. Born 2 July 1886, and raised in a family of six sons, DS lived in a small eastern North Carolina town deep in tobacco country, Greenville. His decision to go to West Point resulted not from any pressure from his parents, Walter (a local businessman) and Britannia Wilson, nor other relatives. Two of his younger brothers also entered and graduated from West Point later, while the remaining two went into military medicine, serving in the Army and Army Air Corps. His older brother was in the foreign service and two half-brothers, born later, remained civilians.

After some intensive prepping at the Horner Military School in North Carolina, DS entered West Point in 1905. In spite of the Spartan conditions, he seemed to thrive under the rigors of cadet life. However, DS quickly found that he had to be tenacious and committed to survive the academic load and rigid discipline mandated by the cadet "system." Some of these pressures were eased by weekend social activities and thoughts of his one and only, Olive M. Morrill, a school teacher back home in Snow Hill, North Carolina. The "system" punished him occasionally, and he experienced the dubious distinction of making the "Area Bird" list! The worst blow he sustained, however, was in academics in the form of "descrip" (descriptive geometry); his deficiency in this devious subject cost him dearly, and in 1906 he was turned back to the Class of

1910. His most violent epithet—"Dog gone it"—certainly was appropriate for this revolting occurrence! As a first classman, DS made cadet sergeant and also was appointed acting colors sergeant. With the combination of a valiant spirit and zealous determination, he finally fulfilled his goal of becoming a second lieutenant in the Infantry. On 15 June, that momentous June Week of 1910, Olive pinned on his gold bars, and after Christmas, became Mrs. D.S. Wilson.

DS's initial assignment after graduation leave was company duty in the 17th Infantry at Fort McPherson, Georgia. This assignment, lasting until mid-1914, included maneuvers at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and duty near the Mexican border at Eagle Pass, Texas, in connection with Pancho Villa's exploits in northern Mexico. In late 1914, DS, Olive and their new baby, Olive (born in March 1913), sailed to the Philippines for his duty with the 13th Infantry, headquartered at Fort McKinley, Manila. In the succeeding two years he performed assorted battalion and post duties, accompanying the regiment when it moved to Fort Mills, Corregidor Island. In July 1916, DS was promoted to first lieutenant. With accelerated wartime promotions underway he was promoted to captain in May 1917. Shortly, the regiment returned to the States, but en route, DS caught bronchial pneumonia necessitating an extended period of sick leave. During his recuperation he was transferred to the 53rd Infantry. Upon reporting back to duty DS commanded two companies and went with the regiment to Camp Wadsworth, South Carolina, in May 1918. Upon being promoted to major in June, he was reassigned to Camp Lee, Virginia. Further illustrating the rapidity of wartime promotions, he was selected for lieutenant colonel in October 1918. Upon the Armistice, however, the across-the-board grade reductions commenced in June 1920; DS reverted to captain on 30 June but, fortunately, was promoted back to major the following day. Come fall, DS and family returned to the Philippines for a two-year tour, where he commanded a battalion in the 57th Infantry, Fort McKinley. Orders in August 1922 directed him stateside but DS obtained a 90-day leave to permit travel via Asia, Africa, and Europe. Their ship, the *Hosang*, sailed to Hong Kong, Singapore, India, Suez Canal, Egypt, Israel, Italy, France, England and New York City. Arriving in April 1923 orders awaited DS assigning him to instruct the Mississippi National Guard in Jackson. This station was especially notable since it was their first opportunity to live in a typical civilian community. Near the tour's end, in February 1925, their son DS, Junior, arrived. Shortly after this blessed event, orders were received taking them to Fort Ben-

ning, Georgia, where DS would attend the Infantry Officers Advanced Course. This was the first of four major schools he would attend in the next seven years. Before the course was half completed, orders came for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, for the 1926-27 CGSS course. The joys of military academia, while enduring the compressed existence in Leavenworth's notorious "Bee Hive," found DS pleased over orders back to Benning to instruct in the Infantry School. It was to be his longest, most stable assignment, extending from summer 1927 until late spring 1931. After a two-month leave in early summer 1931, DS (and family) headed for Washington, DC, and the Army War College. The following year they moved to Newport, Rhode Island for his attendance at the 1932-33 Naval War College Course, which offered DS a different, intriguing perspective of high-level strategy and defense matters. From there he was assigned to Fort Meade, Maryland to command a battalion in the 34th Infantry. When promotion orders to lieutenant colonel arrived again in late 1934, they found themselves back in Washington for DS to serve with the 16th Brigade (later named the Washington Provisional Brigade) as the executive officer. March 1938 brought his third set of orders to Benning, to the Infantry School where he became chief of the weapons section, a key position in that venerable institution. A year later, June 1939, DS was promoted to colonel. The following year he was selected for a regimental command in Hawaii, 19th Infantry, Schofield Barracks, Territory of Hawaii, reporting in September 1940. DS and family went aboard the *USAT Republic*, previously a luxury liner. Daughter Olive, who had married an Army Air Corps officer (Lieutenant C. A. Kengla), presently stationed at Wheeler Field, Hawaii, was permitted to accompany the family. Before DS had consolidated his command he was notified he was a brigadier general, effective 1 October. Thus he became commanding general, 21st Infantry Brigade, also at Schofield Barracks. However, at 7:55 on that horrendous morning, the family fully comprehended they were sitting on a powder keg named Pearl Harbor. Fortunately, the home sustained only slight structural damage from strafing Japanese aircraft. DS, of course, jumped into his uniform and disappeared toward his command, and the family had to manage on its own. About three hours later buses arrived to transport military dependents to safer locations in Honolulu. Several days passed before DS was able to contact them in the resultant confusion. Due to persistent panic concerning the safety of military families, in mid-December they were directed to return to the States. DS's family departed Christmas Day on the *USS Monterey*, bound for San

Francisco. Meanwhile he was designated to activate the 24th Infantry Division for subsequent deployment in pending Pacific campaigns. The family's ship landed on New Year's Eve; they eventually reached Washington, DC in February 1942 where they temporarily settled to await DS's return. In early May DS was promoted to major general. He was nearly finished organizing and training his new division when he contracted an incapacitating ailment and was reassigned to the Presidio of San Francisco, California, for observation and treatment at Letterman General Hospital. In August he was moved to Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, DC for further observation and treatment. By late September DS was released to duty and assigned to assume command of the 6th Motorized Division, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. A sudden shift in Army requirements caused the command to be changed to the Infantry Replacement Training Center, Camp Croft, South Carolina in mid-November 1942. The family joined DS at Camp Croft and moved into a comfortable house nearby. Though not a division command, he felt much satisfaction in his mission of training and preparing infantry soldier replacements to perform in combat. Late May 1944 saw DS receive orders for his last assignment, the Eastern Defense Command located at Governors Island, New York; he became Commander, Southeastern Sector, headquartered in Raleigh, North Carolina. This fit neatly into their plans, as they intended to settle in Raleigh upon DS's retirement. His last station involved considerable travel with units and installations scattered from the middle Atlantic states to Key West, Florida. On 31 January 1946, DS retired after 36 years of dedicated, outstanding service to the United States Army and his country.

After living in Raleigh for over five years, they moved to Arlington, Virginia in late 1949. They found a garden apartment to their liking, only minutes away from downtown Washington. Though his health was not good enough to support employment, he and Olive experienced essentially a grand retired life, taking frequent short trips to visit relatives/friends and overseas trips to see their children. Frequent socializing with local classmates/friends also kept life from becoming dull.

DS slowed up somewhat in the 1960's and lost sight in one eye, but he and Olive still enjoyed life and remained active and involved. Unfortunately, in December 1969 he had to undergo emergency corrective surgery at Walter Reed for a bursting aneurism. The shock of initial surgery, combined with later complications, was more than his heart could take. So, on 20 January 1970, DS passed away, joining the Long Gray Line; he

was a wonderful soldier, a magnificent American now at rest. To all who knew him he was warm and caring, true to his word and what he believed to be right, committed to his family and friends, passionately devoted to "Duty, Honor, Country," a gentleman's gentleman. DS was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

He received numerous awards/commendations to include service medals for his assignments during the applicable campaigns in the world wars. He is survived by his son, Lieutenant Colonel DS Wilson, Jr. (Retired), seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. In the intervening years since his death, his daughter died in September 1974, his beloved wife of 59 years died in February 1975, and his half-brother, Francis, died in March 1979.

His loving son.

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Philip Stevens Day, Sr.

NO. 5765 CLASS OF AUGUST 1917

Died 8 July 1986 in Winter Park, Florida, aged 91 years.

Interment: Winter Park Cemetery, Winter Park, Florida.



Philip Stevens Day, Sr.

PHILIP STEVENS DAY was born in Concord, New Hampshire on 8 September 1894, the son of Doctor and Mrs. Arthur K. Day. He attended school in Concord, followed by a year at Norwich University prior to entering West Point in 1914. Phil's career following graduation in August 1917 until he passed away in July 1986 covered the most exciting period of growth, opportunity, innovation, and change our nation has yet faced. Fate and the times offered Phil the opportunity for diversity, which he loved, and to make his mark in the exciting 20th century, which he did. He served in two wars. While not serving on active duty,

Phil was a civil engineer, high school principal, newspaper editor, investment counselor, citrus grower and developer. He was an entrepreneur and could have set the model for that word, as it became so popular in the 60's. His hobby was painting, at which he was very good.

Upon graduation, Phil was commissioned in the Coast Artillery Corps and assigned to Portland, Maine, where he helped organize the 54th Heavy Artillery Regiment for duty in France with classmates Otto Jank and Herman Wagner. He then commanded a post at Fort Hunt, Virginia. At the end of World War I, Phil was assigned as a math instructor at West Point, where he served for two years under Superintendent Douglas MacArthur. His flexibility and skills were recognized when Phil was assigned to command a mine-laying ship, the *Whistler*, which was being fitted for duty in Hawaii. His military career was prematurely suspended, although not ended, in 1922 when a high blood pressure problem led to early retirement.

Phil headed for Florida, drawn by the land boom then in progress. Hearing of homestead land available on the then-wild Cape Canaveral peninsula, he investigated and obtained the last unclaimed quarter section. In the next two years he built a house, raised a crop, received title to the land, and met and married Ora "Tommy" Fortner, a Miami schoolteacher from Memphis, Tennessee. This was to be their retirement home. Little did they foresee that their homestead would become the site of the Saturn launch facilities!

Phil took a position as a high school principal in Titusville, Florida near their homestead, and then worked for the Coral Gables Development Corporation in Miami for six years—a development which has now become a landmark residential community. The land boom collapsed, and in 1928 Phil became a reporter for a local newspaper. His success in this field led to his becoming a partner and eventual owner and publisher of the *Biscayne Bulletin*.

Then in the midst of the big economic depression of the 30's, Phil discovered a profession and avocation which was to occupy him for 25 years. He met a principal in a new type of enterprise, investment counseling, and joined Loomis-Sayles & Company in Hartford, Connecticut. While in Hartford, Phil wrote a financial column for the *Daily Times* under the *nom de plume* of Dwight Stevens.

World War II interrupted Phil's successful financial consulting career, and he returned to active duty as a member of a traveling general courts-martial and then to West Point as associate professor of mathematics. There he retired a second time in April 1946 to return to the Washington, DC office of Loomis-Sayles



Victor Edward Maston

Victor's expertise on the rifle range earned him the nickname of "Squeezeo" for his ability to squeeze the trigger smoothly and send the rounds consistently into the bullseye. Victor's expertise also extended to the academic arena, where he coached less-talented classmates in academic subjects.

As a cadet Victor also excelled in areas ranging from military drill to "affairs of the heart." This latter talent led to his becoming a columnist for the *Pointer*, in which he wrote a regular feature article entitled "As Squeezeo Says." He enjoyed receiving and responding to the fan mail generated by his column.

His advice on affairs of the heart was not spent entirely on others. He courted Marie E. Corbo, a young lady from Newburgh. Victor's room in barracks was conveniently located above Grant Hall, facing the main roadway. Using prearranged horn and visual signals, Marie and Victor were able to communicate at various hours of the day and evening, to include call to quarters.

Upon graduation Victor was commissioned in the Infantry, the branch in which he had served for three years before entering West Point. His first duty station was at Fort Devens, near his birthplace. The courtship with Marie flourished and led to marriage on 11 December 1935.

Their early married years included assignments at Fort Benning and at Fort Sam Houston. Victor's outstanding marksmanship abilities were quickly recognized at Fort Sam Houston and because of his professional skill and training abilities in this area, the designation of a new rifle range at the post included his name—the "Humphrey/Maston Range." To be so honored during one's lifetime speaks for itself.

In April 1939, Victor was detailed to the Quartermaster Corps, where he pursued a successful career as a logistician,

specializing in transportation. With the onset of the Second World War, Victor applied his talents to a variety of important assignments in different parts of the world.

The first of his two daughters, Patricia Marguerite, was born on 26 October 1942, the day before Victor's departure for overseas wartime assignments that kept Marie and Victor apart for three years.

During the war, Victor served as chief, Movements Branch, Persian Gulf Command, then went on to the Southeast Asia Command, where he was deputy director for Movements and Transportation. In the three years between Pearl Harbor and December 1944, Victor rose in rank from captain to colonel.

Following the war, Victor was detailed to the Transportation Corps and served as transportation officer, 7th Service Command, in Omaha, followed by an assignment as executive officer, Transportation Section, Fifth Army, in Chicago. Victor was appointed transportation officer, Military District of Washington, in June 1947. Also during 1947 Victor attended Yale University for post-graduate study in the field of traffic engineering.

A second daughter, Pamela Maryta, was born 27 August 1948. Shortly after, hostilities broke out in Korea, and Victor was summoned again for overseas duties. During the Korean War, Victor divided his time between Korea and Japan, where he was chief, Movement Control Division, Eighth Army (Rear) and later executive officer, Transportation Section, US Army Forces, Far East.

During the mid-50's, Victor received two consecutive assignments in the United States. First, there was a Pentagon assignment as chief, Inspection Section, Standards Branch, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics (DCSLOG). Following the DCSLOG assignment, the Mastons moved to Louisiana, where Victor commanded Camp Leroy Johnson for one year.

Victor was then selected for a key position with Supreme Headquarters, Allied Powers, Europe (SHAPE), as chief, Land Section, Movement and Transportation Branch. This assignment required, in addition to other qualifications, tact, diplomacy and proficiency in the French language. Victor attended the Army Language School at Monterey before assuming his assignment in Paris. He served there from 1957 until retirement in 1961.

During the 50's, Victor and Marie acquired some secluded acreage on Lake Rosa, about 22 miles east of Gainesville, Florida. Shortly after his retirement, the family moved to Lake Rosa to begin enjoying life amidst the tall pines and oaks. Lake Rosa was home for Victor and Marie during his retirement years. He

died at the Putnam County Community Hospital in Palatka, Florida on 31 May 1985 following a brief illness.

Victor's biographical sketch in the 1933 *Howitzer* said that he was "always willing to help another." His neighbors and friends at Lake Rosa can verify those words, for Victor was always available to answer the call for help from neighbors in need.

When Victor retired from the Army, he received a personal letter from the Chief of Staff of the Army, General George H. Decker, attesting to his many outstanding achievements during a career spanning 35 years of "dedicated service to the nation." Similar accolades came from the Chief of Transportation and others. Victor's decorations included the Bronze Star Medal, Honorary Order of the British Empire, the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, and the United Nations Service Medal.

Victor was survived by his wife, Marie, until 20 November 1988, when she died in Tallahassee, Florida, also following a brief illness. Other survivors include two daughters, Patricia M. Seybold of Malibu, California and Pamela M. Zimpfer of Tallahassee, Florida; three sisters, Lorraine Biddle of Deming, New Mexico; Frances Donahue of Worcester, Massachusetts; and Thelma Skoglund of Millbury, Massachusetts; and two granddaughters, Nancy Seybold, a 1988 graduate of Yale University and Karen Seybold, a high school student.

A memorial service was conducted at West Point on 26 August 1985, attended by Victor's family and many long-time friends and classmates.

Victor's legacy includes a military career that exemplified the ideals of "Duty, Honor, Country" and a retirement full of love, friendship, and optimism. He shared the pleasures of classical and patriotic music, reading, travel and conversation. Above all, Victor Maston exemplified the qualities of a gentleman and was a great credit to the Long Gray Line. "Well done, be thou at peace."
*LTC Robert P. Morris, USA Retired,
USMA '54, friend and neighbor*

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Gordon Pendelton Larson

NO. 9753 CLASS OF 1933

Died 26 January 1988 in Shelton, Washington, aged 77 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.

GORDON WAS BORN 14 JULY 1910 in Kuysville, Utah. He graduated from Ogden High School where he attained the rank of colonel in ROTC and a good record in baseball, basketball and track. The high regard of his West Point classmates was shown by his election to be

classmate from Coe College. They lived in Dallas, traveled extensively and also enjoyed the many cultural activities of that community.

Bill was a devoted family man and carried that love for people to all of his commands. He cared for his men and their welfare, as a priority before perfection in operations. He lived by the motto of West Point—Duty, Honor, Country—and brought happiness to many people. His memorial service was held at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas on 7 November 1989 and burial was in the Post Cemetery at West Point, New York on 8 December 1989.

William Noel Snouffer summarized his philosophy of life in the comment he added to his Vital Statistics form (referring to himself), "He lives for the future and not the past."

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Victor Earl Mansfield

NO. 10815 CLASS OF 1937

Died 11 May 1989 in East Orange, New Jersey, aged 73 years.

Interment: Bound Brook Cemetery, Bound Brook, New Jersey.



Victor Earl Mansfield

VICTOR EARL MANSFIELD was born in Englewood, New Jersey on 10 November 1915, the only son of Royal and Mary Mansfield. He attended Columbia High School in Maplewood, New Jersey, leaving at the end of his junior year to prepare for the United States Military Academy at Stanton Academy in Cornwall, New York. He was appointed to the Military Academy in 1933 by Representative Charles A. Eaton of the Fifth District of New Jersey.

Vic came to West Point with the highest ideals and standards and never veered from them—in fact, he made them more severe. As a cadet, Vic almost

won stars during his plebe and yearling years, and was an academic coach. He participated in Corps Squad cross country, hockey, and lacrosse. He was a member of the Cadet Orchestra, the Hundredth Night Show and the Cadet Debating Society, of which he was the manager during his first class year.

After graduation, Vic was commissioned in the Coast Artillery. Soon thereafter, he decided that his future lay in the Chaplain's Corps. He applied for a transfer, but the Army said he would have to resign his commission, go to Divinity School, and after graduating therefrom, could apply for a commission in the Chaplain's Corps. Vic did resign his commission in the summer of 1937 and attended Drew Seminary for two years. Subsequently, he suffered a complete nervous breakdown and spent several years undergoing treatment, after which he was admitted to the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lyons, New Jersey, where his recovery was completed. He then went into the printing and advertising business in East Orange, New Jersey. Later, he devoted himself to working and teaching in hospitals, local rest homes and other community services. Vic was always driven by a desire to help those less fortunate than himself.

Vic was always a loyal and supportive member of our Class, and attended many Class reunions at West Point, and mini-reunions held at places other than West Point during the intervening five years. He loved these reunions, and he was very proud of West Point and the Class of 1937. He was of a most kind and gentle nature, and never complained. He was buried on 16 May 1989 in the family plot, after succumbing to a massive heart attack. Vic was an honorable man, faithful to his God, his country and his USMA Class—a just man, modest, compassionate and generous. May he rest in peace.

His roommate, J.B.R.H.

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Morris Frederick Taber

NO. 11044 CLASS OF 1938

Died 8 April 1944 in Hainan Island, China, aged 30 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.

MORRIS FREDERICK TABER was born in Lewiston, Montana on 12 June 1913. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Taber, moved to Seattle, Washington in 1924, and there Morry attended Franklin High School, graduating in 1929. He then enrolled at the University of Washington where he spent three-and-a-half years; his talent was evident early, both in academic honors and in his proficiency



Morris Frederick Taber

as a member of the ROTC, where he was named cadet captain his senior year.

Early in 1934 Morry learned of an opportunity to compete for a National Guard appointment to West Point. He left college, joined the Washington National Guard, studied hard, and won the competition, foregoing his college degree. Thus when Morry became a plebe at USMA on 2 July 1934 he was a mature 21 years old, virtually a college graduate, and already well-grounded in basic military science and procedures. He donned cadet gray with a determination to excel and the equipment to do so.

Excel he did. Consider academics: Morry wore stars every year and spent many hours coaching those less academically talented. Consider cadet rank: his progression through the grades of corporal, first sergeant, and company captain was classic and almost predictable. Consider sports: he participated in basketball, track, cross country and fencing; his expertise in the latter brought him two minor "A"s and an intercollegiate saber championship. All in all, his was a truly outstanding four years at West Point. On 14 June 1938 he graduated 11th in his class. The next day, in the Cadet Chapel, he married his childhood sweetheart, Doris Pehl.

Morry had opted for the Air Corps, so he entered flying training at Randolph Field the September after graduation, continued on to Kelly Field for advanced flying, and received his wings and a transfer to the Air Corps in August 1939. The winds of war were starting to rustle about then, and plans for expanding flight training were getting underway. Many members of the Class of '38 who had become pilots were therefore kept in a training role at Kelly or at Randolph, where Morry was assigned.

At Randolph, Lieutenant Taber was a flight instructor for several classes of flying cadets, then for a time he shared

this duty with that of tactical officer with the Flying Cadet Detachment. He was adept in this role and was soon moved to full-time assignment as a "Tac," then to assistant commandant of cadets, and, in September 1941, to commandant. The record is replete with praise of his many innovative actions during 1941-43, among them, setting up cadet detachment staffs for new training fields; organizing a preparatory school for non-college students to enhance their chances at the Air Corps entrance exam; reorganizing the cadet battalion to provide a broader base of command training for the cadets; and emphasizing in word and deed that the discipline essential to a successful military pilot can and must be initially instilled on the ground.

During this time Morry and Doris were active and well-liked members of the military community on the base at Randolph. Between 1939-43 they became the parents of Sandra and then of Paul, both of whom brought much joy and pride to them and to their grandparents back in Seattle. As the Air Corps expanded, the rank of its officer corps moved upward rapidly. Morry became a temporary first lieutenant in June 1940, a permanent first lieutenant in June 1941, a temporary captain in November 1941, a temporary major in February 1942, and a temporary lieutenant colonel in November 1942.

In the summer of 1942 Morry was made commander of the newly constructed Pre-Flight School at Lackland Field, San Antonio. It was a rewarding and challenging job but by the spring of 1943, the warrior spirit was making him chafe at his non-combatant role and urging him to go where the combat action was. The Fourteenth Air Force, recently established in China under Major General Claire Chennault, had a great need for experienced staff officers to flesh out its cadre of pilots and ground personnel residual to the American Volunteer Group of Flying Tiger fame. Morry wangled a release from training command—not an easy thing to do, for the members of '38 had become the sinews of the pilot training program—and in April 1943 he left for China to become G-1 of the Fourteenth Air Force.

At Kunming, Morry tackled his staff duties with vigor. Yet, while he was closer to combat flying, he strongly wanted to be directly in the fight. General Chennault, understanding and appreciating Morry's yearning for action, issued orders promoting Morry to colonel as of 1 November 1943, and assigned him to command the 22nd Bomb Squadron (M) at Kweilin in eastern China.

Colonel Taber had found his niche. He flew day and night, leading his B-25 unit on many successful raids. His fearlessness and leadership won the respect of his officers and men alike. He devel-

oped new tactics to enhance his unit's effectiveness; typical of these were skip-bombing of Japanese coastal shipping by two-aircraft teams—one strafing the target lengthwise while the other attacked broadside at mast height with 500-pound bombs fused for a five-second delay. His squadron sank many thousands of tons of shipping in this fashion—so much so that the US Navy, then waging a fierce submarine war against similar targets, sent General Chennault a "well done" for the assist they were receiving.

In early spring of 1944, Morry was pulled back to the Kunming area to command a newly-established medium bomber group. At this point General Chennault instructed him to fly no further combat missions without prior approval and to focus on whipping the squadrons of the group into combat-ready shape.

Intelligence reports in early April showed an unusually heavy concentration of shipping in a harbor on the south side of Hainan Island in the South China Sea. (The same reports mentioned the presence of several Japanese fighter aircraft at a nearby airfield.) Such a lucrative target was irresistible to Morry, and it also was convenient as an initial combat sortie for one of his fledgling squadrons. Morry sketched out a plan for an early morning attack preceded by a lengthy low-level approach down the western side of the island, designed to achieve surprise. He asked for and received permission to lead the mission.

Around 1:00 a.m. on 8 April 1944, Colonel Taber pushed the throttles of his B-25 forward and led a formation of four aircraft on the mission. As they flew south they initially stayed at high altitude in order to clear the mountains, then gradually descended as they reached the plains of Vietnam. Dawn broke as they swept down the western shore of Hainan Island and around its southern tip. The ships were there in profusion. The B-25's separated, selected individual targets, and hit many large ships—leaving several burning and sinking.

But surprise had not been achieved, whether frustrated by ground observer reports, by radar, or by more sophisticated Japanese intelligence sources. The Zeros were airborne, well-positioned, and lethal. They attacked the B-25's from above, just at the end of their bombing runs. Two of the four bombers, heavily damaged, escaped northward along the eastern shore and limped back to safety in southern China. The other two B-25's were overwhelmed by the enemy attack. One crashed in the sea. The other—Morry's—crashed on the shore. None survived.

The remains of Morris Frederick Taber were recovered after the war ended and were buried at West Point. He was

posthumously awarded the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and the Purple Heart.

It is painful to think of the courage, the quality, and the potential greatness extinguished in one agonizing moment on that beach in the South China Sea. The loss can be rationalized only against the backdrop of the shattering dimensions of our national losses of young vibrant lives in World War II. Morry, be thou at peace.

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John Dean Moorman

NO. 11160 CLASS OF 1938

Died 8 December 1944 in Southern Italy, aged 31 years.

Interment: American Cemetery in Bari, Italy.



John Dean Moorman

JOHN DEAN MOORMAN came to West Point from Oklahoma, where he was born on 5 July 1913 and raised, the second eldest of nine children of Dr. and Mrs. J.A. Moorman. He had had two years of college in Oklahoma. Upon entering West Point on 2 July 1934 he was assigned to M Company in which he served, successively, as corporal his yearling year, sergeant his second class year, and lieutenant his first class year. He was also on the football squad his second and first class years.

He graduated on 14 June 1938 with an academic standing of 127 in a class of 301. He chose to be commissioned in the Field Artillery, but also elected to be assigned to flying training for which he had physically qualified. So, after graduation leave, along with about 70 other classmates, he reported in September for primary and basic flying training at Randolph Field and, subsequently, for advanced training at Kelly Field, both near San Antonio, Texas. At graduation on 25

August 1939, he received his pilot wings and was transferred to the Air Corps.

From Kelly Field he was assigned to the Panama Canal Zone where he was stationed, successively, at France, Howard, and Albrook Fields; assigned to the 7th Reconnaissance Squadron of the 19th Bombardment Wing (later the 6th Bomber Command); and, thereafter, to Headquarters, 6th Bomb Group. During this period he flew mainly B-18's and A-17's, but also, later, B-17's in both training and extensive cross-country missions in the Caribbean and in Central and South America. He was advanced in grade from second lieutenant to major in the three years that he was assigned to the Canal Zone.

In October 1942 he was transferred to the 331st Bombardment Group (B-17) at Caspar, Wyoming, where he was promoted to lieutenant colonel in January 1943. Then the next month he was transferred to Dyersburg, Tennessee, where he was involved for more than a year in training B-17 units for deployment to the combat zones.

In March 1944 he was sent overseas to Italy, where he was assigned to the 5th Bombardment Wing (B-17) of the Fifteenth Air Force and began flying combat missions. In September 1944 he was given command of the 301st Bombardment Group and was promoted to full colonel 11 November. He flew the last of his 27 combat missions on 7 December 1944.

J.D. lost his life on 8 December 1944, ironically and tragically, in a severe storm which blew down a telephone pole onto the jeep he was driving. As Homer wrote long ago in the *Iliad*, "A glorious death is his who for his country falls"—and that is as valid for J.D.'s accidental death as for those who were downed in combat. His body was laid to rest in the American Cemetery in Bari, Italy; he was 31. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Distinguished Unit Citation, and the French Croix de Guerre with Palm. In his flying career he had accumulated 1848 hours of pilot time.

The day following graduation from West Point, 15 June 1938, J.D. and Mary Elizabeth Kirkpatrick were married at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, at the home of her brother, E.E. Kirkpatrick, Jr. '29 and his wife—and shared six happy years. They had two children, Claudia Nell and John Michael, who were but four years and one year old in December 1944.

John Dean Moorman was highly intelligent, conscientious, and competent in all he undertook, and he was a natural leader. He was also extremely personable with a keen wit, a ready smile, an upbeat outlook, and a somewhat mischievous, fun-loving nature, which added up to a treasured, delightful friend.

The storm-caused accident in Italy snuffed out the life of a fine officer, son, brother, husband, father, and friend, and also cut short a career of great promise. Those who knew him have mourned his loss, but are grateful that their lives were enriched by knowing him.

*Henry C. Huglin, Classmate,
M Company-mate, and flying
school colleague*

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John Bennet Herboth, Jr.

NO. 11180 CLASS OF 1938

Died 7 April 1945 over Bremen, Germany,
aged 31 years.

Interment: lost in action, no remains.



John Bennet Herboth, Jr.

JOHN BENNET HERBOTH, JR. was born on 14 April 1913 in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. He graduated from Glenbard Township High School in Glen Ellyn in 1930. For the next two-and-a-half years he attended the University of Wisconsin School of Engineering. He showed an early interest in the military and became a member of the University ROTC. During his third year of school he applied for admission to the United States Military Academy and arranged to attend the Columbia Preparatory School in Washington, DC. He was successful in his preparatory academic work and was appointed by Representative Frank R. Reid from the 11th District of Illinois to enter West Point in 1934.

John's extensive and thorough preparation for the Academy presaged his successful cadet career. He was comfortably ahead of the academic department all four years and found time, especially during yearling year, to coach classmates who had trouble. During plebe year he picked up the nickname of "Duke," which remained with him for the rest of his service. He distinguished himself

early in athletics by playing soccer and hockey during plebe year. Later he concentrated on hockey and became a mainstay on the Academy Hockey Team.

Duke formed a keen liking for the Army Air Corps during his last year at the Academy, and at graduation elected to go to the Flying School at Randolph Field, Texas. He quickly found that he loved flying and his classmates confirm that he was a very good pilot. During his final days of training at Kelly Field, his enthusiasm for flying did not rule out an active social life with the young ladies of San Antonio.

He selected bombardment at graduation from Kelly Field and after several pre-World War II training assignments in the United States, he joined the 389th Bomber Group of the 2nd Division of the Eighth Air Force stationed in Hethel, England. He became the commanding officer of this group on 4 December 1944. One of his staff officers informed a classmate who was in the 93rd Bomb Group that Duke was "a dedicated, serious, hard-working leader, and his crews, from pilots to tailgunners, had confidence in him and followed him wherever he led them."

On 7 April 1945 Duke, as commanding officer of his group, elected to fly as command pilot on a mission to Duneberg, Germany. He was flying in a black-and-white tailed Liberator Bomber leading the entire 2nd Air Division. Directly over the target several German ME-109's attacked the flight. Duke's gunners hit one of the ME-109's, which then careened directly into his bomber, shearing off the cockpit completely. The ME-109 then bounced off Duke's plane and hit the right wing of the second bomber, carrying the deputy lead commander. Both planes were knocked out of the sky. Duke was the first commanding officer lost in action since the activation of the 389th Group. This mission was one of the most costly in the group's history and those who were lost were sorely missed and deeply mourned.

Duke's friends knew him as an intensely patriotic and unselfish man, proud to be a graduate of West Point and forever loyal to its high principles of honesty and integrity. His service in the Air Force stands as testimony to his courage and bravery. Truly we may say of his life—Well Done, Duke.

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Arthur Fulbrook Gorham

NO. 11231 CLASS OF 1938

Died 14 July 1943 in Sicily, Italy, aged 28
years.

Interment: Bellevue Cemetery, Bellevue, Ohio.

"ART LIVED A SOLDIER'S LIFE and died a soldier's death—a true West Pointer asks nothing more. Many regard the



Arthur Fulbrook Gorham

expression 'He died a hero's death' as rather trite, applying to any soldier, and of little help in that it does not bring a hero back. In your case, the facts are very evident—he died in actual combat leading his men against a bitter enemy." (Jerry Higgins, in a letter to my mother in July 1943.)

The above extract is one of the first things I ever read about my father, Arthur Fulbrook Gorham. I never knew him personally as I was six months old when he was killed in Sicily. I have periodically collected anecdotes, articles, and other information about him. What follows is some of what I have been able to piece together about my father.

Arthur Fulbrook Gorham was born 11 January 1915 in Brooklyn, New York. Several years later the Gorhams moved to Bellevue, Ohio, where Art attended Central High School. After graduation, he had not acquired the sought-after appointment to West Point, so he attended Stanton Preparatory Academy in Cornwall and Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Finally, in 1934, Art joined the Class of 1938 at West Point.

While at West Point, Art was known for pipe smoking and surviving academics. He did play football for two years. One of his roommates at West Point, Donald R. Matheson, remembers that "Art one day effectively disrupted a complicated equestrian formation by departing from the back of his steed. With his foot caught in the stirrup, he was dragged dangerously until the instructor, in his wisdom, brought the formation to a halt. Surprisingly, neither horse nor rider was injured, merely subdued but philosophical. In his easy-going way, Art enjoyed, somewhat more than his roommates, periodic attempts at coaxing music from a trumpet, his greatest aspiration being to duplicate the recorded intricacies of 'Carnival of Venice.' Certain techniques persisted in avoiding his

mastery. He was a devotee to jazz, and we were graciously entertained by his recordings, although a stern line was drawn by Gordon Clarkson, who banned all music before breakfast." In the end, he was graduated in the middle of his class and commissioned as an Infantry officer.

While awaiting transportation from Governors Island to the 30th Infantry at the Presidio at San Francisco, California, he renewed a previous acquaintance that led to a 21 June 1939 marriage in Wichita, Kansas to Corrinne Elizabeth Bennett. After less than two years, Lieutenant and Mrs. Gorham moved to Fort Benning. It was at this point in his short career that he began to stand out. As one of the early airborne qualified officers, he gained more rank and responsibility as the United States began to form parachute regiments and later airborne divisions.

In February 1942 Captain Gorham took his B Company, 504th Parachute Infantry, to Alta, Utah, where the United States was testing the concept of dropping paratroopers into the Alps behind the Germans and having them ski down to attack and harass their lines of communication. The troopers trained hard, but falling on skis was different than falling when landing in a parachute jump. There were many legs and ankles injured. Eventually the project was abandoned as the troopers were spread out to the newly-forming parachute units.

In researching the paraskiers I found Art Gorham described as "soft spoken." Elsewhere he is described as "Hard-nose" Gorham because of his strictness and insistence on discipline within his battalion. BG Walt Winton (Ret) has written that "he exemplified the good commander, demonstrating leadership, concern, initiative, and intelligence. One example of his leadership was his joining then-Colonel Gavin and a few others in experimental free fall jumps. The normal static line jump was quite exciting enough for most. Art had an abiding concern for his subordinates. When the regiment made PCS moves to Camp Mackall and then to Fort Bragg, Colonel and Mrs. Gorham threw open their quarters on post to shelter others. Our radio call signs in that era were assigned rather whimsically, probably by the regimental communications officer, and Art's call sign was 'Hardnose.' Some of Art's subordinates do not believe that the emphasis on the call sign does justice to a great leader and a fine gentleman." It can be said that Art Gorham was a leader of men.

In the summer of 1942 the 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment was activated in the tarpaper shack Frying Pan area of Fort Benning, overlooking Lawson Army Airfield. Art Gorham commanded the

1st Battalion! There was no time lost in getting a hard training schedule started. According to his headquarters company commander of the time, BG Winton (Ret), Art sweated with the rest of the battalion. The regiment subsequently moved across the Chatahoochee River to the Alabama Parachute Training Area, where the beat went on.

In the action around Gela, Sicily on 9–12 July 1943, Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Fulbrook Gorham was to earn two DSC's and the Purple Heart while leading the parts of his 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry, that he could rally after they had been scattered over a large part of southeastern Sicily. Jim Gavin was to say later, "Most of the combat success of the regiment in Sicily was due to Art and the men of his command." This leadership is typified by William C. Breuer's description of his death in *Drop Zone Sicily*: "LTC Arthur Gorham, the commander of the 1st Battalion of the 505th Parachute Infantry, grabbed a rocket launcher and edged his way within range of a menacing Tiger Tank which had continued to roll forward. Gorham, out in the open and in full view of enemy tankers, kneeled to take aim at the tank. Gunners in the Tiger spotted the parachute leader and fired an .88 shell at Gorham at point blank range. Gorham, hardnosed to the end, fell over dead."

General Ridgway probably put this in the best perspective when he wrote, "The action which resulted in his death was typical of his inspiring leadership, for it was he that personally instilled the spirit of the attack at a time that those around him were thinking only of defense, and in person led the attack, which succeeded. His indomitable spirit acknowledged no odds."

This then is the father that I am proud to have come to know

Bruce B.G. Clarke, Colonel, Armor,
Commander, 2nd Brigade,
1st Infantry Division.

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Warren Rand Williams, Jr.

NO. 11232 CLASS OF 1938

Died 11 May 1986 in Durham, North Carolina,
aged 69 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

WHEN WARREN RAND WILLIAMS, JR. was born in Sanford, North Carolina, on 11 June 1916, his parents could not have anticipated the soldier's life that was in store for him. The United States was on the verge of entering the war that would "end all wars." Anything less than such a grand and glorious goal would not have justified the tragic sacrifice of so many young men, including some of Europe's finest.



Warren Rand Williams, Jr.

There was a twenty-year recess in hostilities which permitted the combatant nations to restore their strengths and to renew their supplies of young soldiers. Warren grew to manhood during this interlude. He, who became affectionately known to his friends as "Dutch," graduated from high school at Sanford. The family was firmly established there, his father being a practicing attorney and for many years the mayor of the city.

Somewhere along the way, Warren developed a keen desire to complete his education at West Point. In furtherance of this ambition, and more ably to prepare himself, he attended Marion Military Institute for a year. He entered the United States Military Academy in 1934 and graduated in the Class of 1938. His parents, Warren, Sr. and Mary Ellen Makepeace Williams, were justly proud of him.

His first assignment was the 19th Infantry Regiment at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii, where he remained until June 1941. Summer of that year was spent with the 63rd Infantry Regiment, then a part of the 6th Infantry Division, at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. While there he learned of the expansion of the newly-organized Provisional Parachute Group at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Warren volunteered, and in September 1941, when the 504th Parachute Battalion was organized, he was given command of Company "B." The battalion was engaged in parachute training as a group. All the officers and men were new in that branch of service.

Rigorous physical exercise was demanded of each member. Parachute packing, jumping and air delivery of military supplies were practiced. At that stage in their development, the primary mission of such troops was sabotage behind enemy lines. Extensive training was had in demolitions, sabotage and

some small unit infantry tactics. Actual parachute jumps were few because of the severe demand placed upon the available air transport in the hectic days immediately following the attack on Pearl Harbor.

After evaluating the German experiences in the invasion of Crete, the United States Army's concept of the use of parachute troops changed from sabotage or special troops to that of purely infantry assault troops. This new concept called for larger fighting units. The battalions became cadres for parachute infantry regiments.

In May 1942 the 504th Parachute Battalion was enlarged to become the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment. Warren was given command of the 1st Battalion. At Fort Benning, Warren met and fell in love with a Columbus, Georgia belle, Sara Alice Jones, and they were married soon thereafter.

In August, the 504th became the parachute regiment of the 82nd Division, which had been newly designated as an airborne division. The division assembled at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and began extensive training for combat duty. Being at Fort Bragg placed Warren about 30 miles from Sanford, which was practically at home for him.

Warren always believed in prior planning and preparation, as evidenced by his attending Marion Military Institute in preparation for the Academy. Again, planning ahead, he wanted assurance that he could, if the need arose, fly any airplane in which he found himself with a disabled pilot. He had learned to fly while in Hawaii and earned his private pilot's license there, despite some rough landings; he continued private flying at his own expense during this time of preparation for combat.

In May 1943 the division landed in North Africa. In early July Warren led his battalion in the successful assault on and capture of Sicily. In early September he parachuted his battalion at night into Italy to the relief of the troubled Salerno beachhead. There he personally led his battalion in a crucial night attack on Altavilla Hill, the success of which was material in preserving the beachhead. In January 1944 he personally led his battalion in the landing craft assault, landing at Anzio.

The spring of 1944 saw Warren in England, now regimental executive officer of the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment. He kept this position throughout the remainder of the European hostilities. He parachuted into the Netherlands in the Market-Garden operation. Following that mission, the regiment, with but a brief rest, returned to combat and held the north flank of the German breakthrough in the Ardennes winter campaign, commonly known as the "Battle of the Bulge."

After participating in the drive that repulsed the German attack, again with but brief respite, the regiment fought its way into central Germany. Near Cologne, units of the regiment made an assault crossing of the Rhine River. Later the regiment crossed the Elbe River and advanced deep into what was to become East Germany. The war's end found it but a few kilometers from Berlin.

Warren lived through some 371 days of front-line combat duty, through six campaigns, participated in three combat parachute jumps and a beach assault landing, and never got a scratch!

With the cessation of hostilities in Europe, Warren returned to the Parachute School at Fort Benning. He held a private pilot's license, loved flying, and in 1946 he requested a transfer to Army Aviation.

In January 1947, Warren went to San Marcos, Texas to enter Army Aviation flight training. Upon receiving his pilot rating at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned to head the Flight Department of the Air Training Department at that post. His next assignment was as Army Aviation Officer, Second Army, Fort Meade, Maryland where he served until July 1950, when he attended the Air Command and Staff School at Maxwell Field, Alabama.

In December 1950, Warren was assigned to the Far East, where he served with the G-3 Division, Headquarters Japan Logistical Command, until he requested transfer to Korea in May 1951. There he was assigned to Headquarters Eighth Army, and served as the G-2 Air Officer in the Joint Operations Center until the latter part of April 1952, when he was rotated to Japan. There, he was assigned to the G-1 Division, Headquarters Far East Command and Armed Forces Far East until he returned to the Zone of Interior in June 1953 to attend the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Virginia. After graduation he served as Aviation Officer, Fourth U.S. Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He was transferred to Washington in July 1954 to become chief, Army Aviation Section, Operations and Training Branch, G-3 Division, Department of the Army. When that division became a separate directorate under the Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations, Warren served as deputy to General H.H. Howze. In July 1956, he again went overseas. In Europe he was Army Aviation Officer under G-3, USAREUR from September 1956 to May 1959. From May 1959 through April 1960 he was chief, Organization and Training Branch, G-3 Division, Headquarters USAREUR, and was deputy assistant chief of staff, Operations, from April through July 1960.

Warren returned to the United States in August 1960 and was assigned to the United States Army Aviation School at

dance at the Army War College. Upon graduation, he attended the Strategic Intelligence School and was then assigned to the Office of Assistant Chief of Staff G-2, Department of the Army, as the United States Army Liaison Officer, Singapore. He served in this position until May 1956.

In August 1956 he was assigned to the Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Georgia. Here he served successively as director, Tactical Department, The Infantry School; assistant chief of staff G-3, The Infantry Center; director of instruction and deputy to the assistant commandant, The Infantry School; and chief of staff, The Infantry Center.

In July 1959 Bob was appointed deputy chief of staff of the United Nations Command in Korea, in which position he served until July 1960. In September he returned to the Army staff as chief, International Division, Office of the Chief of Research and Development. On 10 May 1962, he was reassigned as military advisor to the deputy director, Tactical Warfare Programs, Office of the Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Department of Defense.

In October 1962 Brigadier General York assumed duty as director, Advanced Research Projects Agency, Research and Development Field Unit, and Joint Operation Evaluation Group, Vietnam. Here he exhibited once again his courage and battlefield acumen as he spent much of his time in the field, often flying aircraft himself over enemy territory to gain firsthand knowledge of Viet Cong tactics.

Major General York was given command of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 24 February 1964. He led the landings of that unit in the Dominican Republic when it was ordered there in April 1965 to help preserve order and to protect American citizens during the uprising in Santo Domingo. He returned to assume command of Fort Benning, Georgia and The Infantry School, 16 July 1965. On 1 August 1967, Lieutenant General York became commanding general of XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg. On 1 August 1968, Bob York retired.

For his exemplary leadership during World War II, the Army War College selected York's biography for inclusion in the library of the United States Army Military History Institute. This biography was prepared by Lieutenant Colonel Herbert J. Lloyd, USAWC Class of 1984, who had served under General York in the 82nd Airborne Division. LTC Lloyd's research, personal interviews, and replies to letters solicited from many who served with Bob resulted in the compilation of an anthology of letters entitled "The Legacy of Lieutenant General Robert H. York as told by the Soldiers He Led."

Colonel Lloyd wrote, as a preface to York's "Legacy," "... the research to support this work is contained herein in the form of letters. As these letters arrived, I began to see they were something rare indeed. The message of the letters went far beyond the needs of my study. The letters provide an insight into a great American who was blessed with a remarkable talent. We see the measure of the man under the most difficult circumstances that most mortals will never know."

Officers and men of the 1st Infantry Division who served with and under York during the North African and Sicily campaigns and the Omaha Beach Invasion wrote glowingly of York's character, his battlefield acumen, his leadership qualities, and most of all, of their respect and admiration for him as a human being, as well as a military officer. For example: "... he was entirely human with an extraordinary understanding of his fellow human beings—a convincing, honest and sincere attitude—inspired confidence—consistently measured up to the highest standards."

"In a landing craft approaching Omaha Beach on D-Day, York remarked to a fellow officer, 'Mac, I'd give anything if there was a band nearby playing the *Stars and Stripes Forever*.'"

"... displayed a Solomon-like quality and sense of justice—blessed with nerves of steel—evaluated any situation in an instant."

"... never fought battles from maps; he got out on the ground up front—always probing around the lead platoons and the lead squads."

"General York was a brave soldier. He was without doubt the most courageous officer I've had the pleasure of knowing. Not blind courage, mind you! He would never risk the life of one of his troopers. And, if the orders from higher Headquarters didn't make good sense, he would never fear telling them so."

Letters from the officers and men of the 331st graphically portray how York won the undying respect of his men. For example: "... his actions, his bearing, and his attitude always seemed to be giving an impression that there was a definite job to be done, so let's go on with it and get it over with. Don't worry about yesterday."

"... He had unusual respect for each soldier regardless of rank; never gave a foolhardy order to any man, even when requested to do so by some officer of higher rank; never raised his voice in giving a command; had his ears open and his mouth shut to anyone who could report anything in a battle situation and then acted or reacted; dealt in a very subtle and quiet way when reprimanding a soldier who violated any rules."

Bob's extraordinary leadership and courage were recognized by award of the

Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal, two Silver Stars for Valor, two Purple Hearts, Combat Infantryman Badge, Croix de Guerre Avec Palme, Legion D'Honneur, and two Army Commendation Medals. He wore the Master Parachute and Aviator Badges and 15 campaign and service medals.

"MY FINAL THOUGHTS," by Lieutenant General Robert H. York:

"I just want to say that whatever success I enjoyed as a leader can be attributed to just two or three simple things. First, it was due to all the great people who worked with me and for me. It just seemed that the good Lord always sent me the people I needed at the time I needed them.

"Second, and most important, I feel my so-called success was due to the fact that I genuinely loved and respected the soldier and especially the infantryman. We all know that it is the infantryman that suffers, by far, the greatest number of casualties in all wars. Even when he is not fighting, his living conditions are far below that of the other branches of the service. Rightly, the Infantry is recognized as 'the Queen of Battle.'

"I felt honored to lead that man in battle and I felt obliged to give him my best. And I also felt obligated to share with him, at least to some degree, the dangers he faced and some of the pain and fears he endured.

"I think all the experiences we are allowed to have in life contribute to our understanding of other people and make it easier 'to treat others as you would have them treat you' under the same circumstances.

"Finally, the things you see in me—in my character—are a reflection of what I saw in each of you.

"Maybe my roommates at West Point sized me up right in our yearbook when they said, 'Bob is a man's man who has knocked around the world a bit, and who has the happy faculty of meeting everyone on common ground.' I hope this is true.

"As for myself, I like the following to read, and remember from high school days, and I would be happy to have it on my tombstone: 'Just a common, ordinary cuss. Just like the common runs of us. No better and no wus.'"

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With retirement, Bob and Grace moved to his home state, Huntsville, Alabama. There he was active in church affairs, and helped begin a halfway house for drug-abusing youths. According to John York, his half-brother, he spent little money on himself. "He lived in basics and that was all he cared about." In 1983, Bob and Grace moved to San Diego.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Buckland York; four daughters, Elizabeth Ann, Barbara Allison, Gail Andrea,

and Carol; a sister Lorene Osborne; and a half-brother, John York.

Bob York was the personification of all, whom anyone would love, whom anyone would emulate—an inspiration to everyone who met him, however brief.

Ben Sternberg, Classmate, and Jack M. Straus, 331st Infantry Veteran.

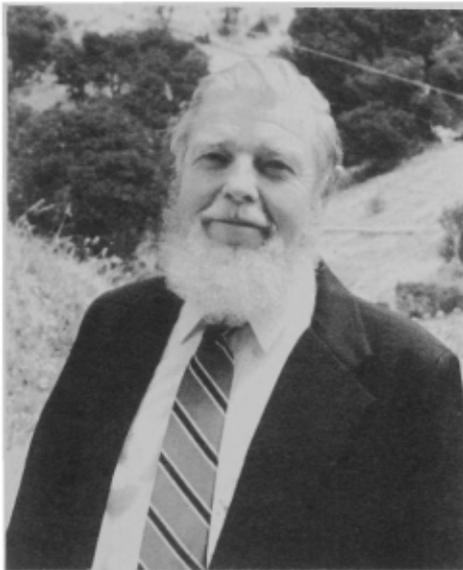
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Philip Martin Royce

NO. 11411 CLASS OF 1939

Died 22 June 1989 in San Francisco, California, aged 72 years.

(Partial) ashes sprinkled over the Pacific Ocean; a portion also interred at Crystal Lake, Atwood, Indiana.



Philip Martin Royce

joy was his song and joy so pure
a heart of star by him could steer. . .
because my father lived his soul
love is the whole and more than all
—e.e. cummings, from “my
father moved through
dooms of love.”

ON A SUMMER AFTERNOON in California, Colonel Royce and his wife—two loving hearts joined in spirit—departed this world as one. Over 47 years earlier, on Christmas Day of 1942, the young captain and Harriet Howard were married in Indiana. Henceforth, “their love was a beacon that pierced the darkest days and brightened the sunniest” (PMR Jr.). Five children were born to them: Patricia, Elizabeth, Cynthia, Philip, and Carl.

Phil was born on 28 March 1917 to Rae and Margaret Royce in East Chicago, Indiana, and he liked to say he was very gently raised. “All Phil ever wanted to be was a soldier,” said his brother, Raymond. After Hammond High School he was appointed by the Honor School of

Tennessee Military Institute to West Point.

He served from Panama to Europe, New England to California. During World War II he fought in battle at Arno, in southern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe, and was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal.

His constancy and rapport with others stood him well, teaching ROTC at the University of New Hampshire (1948–50); as base executive officer in Alaska (1952); through the 11th Airborne Division’s Jump School in Kentucky (1954); and in the rewarding commands of the 188th Airborne Infantry and the 504th Second Airborne Battle Group in Augsburg, West Germany (1954–57). In 1957 and 1958 he worked at Seventh Army Headquarters in Stuttgart; he moved to the Presidio in San Francisco in 1959, and retired in 1961.

Whether earning a master’s in business administration while teaching college, running his consulting business, building trails for Terra Linda Rotary or a roof for his church, at Cursillo retreats or in nature and the home, Phil continued to be a standard for those around him. His sparkling wit and understanding helped his children, wife, and others through school. His strength and transparent goodness were nowhere more vivid than in caring for his son Carl through years of terminal cancer.

For the last 12 years, Phil also spearheaded a Saturday morning Men’s Group through the Church of the Nativity. To their study of church history, as to everything, he brought a heart calm and free; a mind brimming with physics, historical and metaphysical curiosity and atrocious puns; and a body of grace, enthusiasm and endurance. Many will recall his patented gesture as he held out his cupped hand, one leg negligently draped over the other, offering a nut from his rich store of thoughts—from Gnosticism to woodlathes.

But as Father Tim Raasch said in his homily, “when the volume of everybody’s stories about one is finished and bound, we still find ourselves in the dark, for beyond our experience of the Royces, there is God’s mysterious and very private life in Phil and Harriet.

“Who can forget the simple joy of life Phil and Harriet possessed and distributed freely? Love of life, love of family and friends, love of nation and the duties of freedom, love of church and community, love of nature and gardening, love of music and song, love of food and drink, love of thinking and ideas, love of the life of the spirit and the way of faith, love of life even when life became painful and fraught with illness.

“The image I will carry is arriving at the Royce home early on a Saturday morning as the Nativity Men’s Group gathered to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day.

There was Harriet with her flaming hair and lively smile, cooking up a feast fit for a king (or a small army). There was Phil, playing his Irish folk music, inspiring us with his knowledge of and love for the history of humankind. We worshipped together, laughed and debated together, rejoicing in this short and arduous human life.

“We can still hear them, from the Kingdom of God, say, ‘Be not afraid. Live. Live passionately, fully, with nothing held back. Live, love, be filled with the spirit that transforms death into life, fear into faith. Live, help others live and set the world afire with this crazy resurrection faith we all possess.’ Phil and Harriet, we hear you and we thank you. And we will love you to the close of the Age.”

In his last presentation to the Men’s Group, on Medieval Ireland, Phil, twinkling at his wife, announced that the fiery hair of the Irish indicates “the flames of love, never to be extinguished!” Amid cries of “Hear! Hear!” laughter and applause, none thought how truly he spoke. And never to be extinguished are the integrity and compassion in his blue eyes, for they kindled a respondent goodwill in the hearts of others.

His daughter Patricia writes, “Duty, Honor, Country. As a father, as a friend, and as a man he never wavered from those values. I never saw him say or do a dishonorable thing in my entire life; I never knew him to flinch from doing what he saw as his duty, however painful or difficult; and he never left off loving his country, passionately though not blindly. Long after he left the Army, he continued to bring honor to the service he loved so well and the men who shared those ideals, his fellow members of the Long Gray Line. This ethos has everything to do with the man he was. . . and in my heart still is.”

That a man of such high virtue and radiance should be permitted to accompany his beloved to that brighter shore is right, as violets after a spring rain but rare, as the love they bore each other:

Unwearied still, lover by lover,
They paddle in the cold
Companionable streams or climb
the air;
Their hearts have not grown old;
Passion or conquest, wander where
they will,
Attend upon them still.
—W.B. Yeats, from “The Wild
Swans at Coole”

And even while tears make rose gardens of pillows and the lashes of his children grown white with salt and the stars seem gone from the sky, yet remains his merry wondrous vision of Being. For a truth once illuminated by lifelong example cannot be untold; as his

son Philip said, "That light still shines on all of us here tonight."

Vale pater—until we meet again.

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Stephen Thaddeus Kosiorek

NO. 12328 CLASS OF 1941

Died 1 October 1984 in Atlanta, Georgia, aged 68 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.



Stephen Thaddeus Kosiorek

WHEN STEVE CAME TO THE ACADEMY from Cleveland in July 1937, he brought along with him his keen wit and harmonicas. These two helped smooth his life through the four cadet years. Steve, an accomplished punster, always had an enormous reservoir of wit at his call. He spoke Polish, French, and Spanish fluently and could intersperse his conversation with remarkable corruptions of foreign phrases. Further, he was much in demand to lighten the atmosphere because of his fine talent with the harmonica—be it classical or swing. A solidly built, muscular man, he was a natural gymnast who also found time to perform in 100th Night Shows (his role as one of Henry VIII's wives really was a show stopper!). When he arrived at USMA, Steve already had earned a BSE, so he was able to maintain his standing academically in the upper echelons without difficulty.

Upon graduation, Steve, having chosen Coast Artillery, went initially to Fort Monroe for the anti aircraft artillery refresher course and then off to Hawaii as the war broke out. Throughout World War II Steve served in AA unit and staff positions in Hawaii. His fluency with Spanish paid off in 1946 when he was selected to teach the language at USMA. Steve often commented that many of his cadet students had difficulty believing that the very Polish-looking officer was

in fact their [sic]Spic P! During the Korean decade, Steve commanded AA artillery battalions in the States and in Korea (1954–55). After a brief stint at Fort Bliss, Steve went to Peru as chief of the Army Mission there. Following this assignment, Steve retired in the Atlanta area.

After earning a master's degree in aeronautical engineering, Steve went to work with Lockheed. When phased out by a general cut-back, he returned to Georgia Tech and received another degree, this time in computer science. In 1972, Steve began work with the Atlanta city government as a computer analyst. Ten years later, he decided to retire completely and begin to enjoy "the good life."

This new life was not to last long. Steve maintained his contacts with his classmates and other friends in the Atlanta area. His keen wit and harmonicas were still with him throughout these days. However, in 1984 Steve learned that he would have to undergo open-heart surgery to relieve a persistent heart problem. He made the necessary arrangements but died at home the day before he was scheduled to enter the hospital. Thus, a long, active, dedicated life came to an abrupt end.

Steve returned to West Point in late October 1984 to his final resting place among others of the Long Gray Line. He was accompanied on this last journey by his daughter, Kathy Dawson, who still resides in Atlanta.

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Lucian Dalton Bogan, Jr.

NO. 13420 CLASS OF JANUARY 1943

Died 10 August 1989 in San Antonio, Texas, aged 68 years.

Interment: Fort Sam Houston Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas.



Lucian Dalton Bogan, Jr.

DAN BOGAN, a soldier's son, was born in Waco, Texas, the state to which he retired many years later. His final two high school years were in Wichita, Kansas. Then came a year at the University of Wichita and a year at the Army Prep School at Camp Bullis, Texas, before winning an appointment to our class from the 5th District in Kansas.

Dan fit in well at West Point. His work as *Pointer* representative for his company netted record sales, and he was a stalwart of the Honor Committee. He boxed plebe year, won a monogram in cross country, and was assistant football manager. But despite his college year, academics were rough on him, and the two stars on his bathrobe indicated the turnouts passed. He had always planned to be an infantryman; so the class ranking did not bother him. And to the Infantry he went.

He was among the first parachutists in the class and was shortly a rifle company commander in the 541st Parachute Infantry Regiment. In September 1944 he took over a company in the 82nd Airborne and lasted four months until badly wounded in January in Belgium during the Ardennes fighting. His two Bronze Stars, the "V" for valor, Purple Heart and Combat Infantryman Badge were little compensation for the eight months he spent in the hospital system. Yet he returned to the airborne, taught at the school, and graduated from Leavenworth before joining the 187th Parachute Infantry Regiment in Japan. Troop duty was interspersed with ten months at the War Crimes Trials. But the Japan duty was notable for his meeting and marrying Garnet House of Wisconsin in Yokohama. Their happy marriage was to last over 40 years.

In the next years, Dan returned for the Infantry Advanced Course, taught ROTC at Montana State College, was logistics advisor to the Chinese Nationalist Second Army on Taiwan, and G-3 Training officer of the 4th Infantry Division at Fort Lewis. A year in Saudi Arabia as an advisor with a line battalion followed. After three years teaching at Fort Lee, he and Garnet spent four years in Hawaii with PACOM. Two years in CDC at Fort Belvoir were followed by two years on the Fourth Army Staff at Fort Sam Houston. Then came six months in USARV in Vietnam and six months as logistical advisor in Cambodia.

Dan's final service was on the Fort Sam Houston staff with Mitch Goldenthal, as director of Industrial Operations. He retired in March 1973 in San Antonio. Besides his World War II decorations, he was awarded the Legion of Merit twice, the MSM, another Bronze Star, and an array of Commendation Medals. Dan's 30 years of dedicated service in the Airborne Infantry and as a

logistician were largely unheralded, but such service is what West Point is all about. In his retirement years he operated a home improvement business in San Antonio, but left that for complete retirement in 1981.

Dan and Garnet enjoyed golf together and their quiet life in Texas. In August 1989, while watching television in his den, Dan's heart suddenly gave out. He was buried with military honors in the cemetery of the post he had served so well, mourned by his friends in the community there and by his classmates. Sleep well, old jumper.

His classmates

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Ralph Leach Rhodes

NO. 14158 CLASS OF 1944

Died 5 June 1989 in Sarasota, Florida, aged 68 years.

Interment: Barrancas National Cemetery, Pensacola, Florida.



Ralph Leach Rhodes

RALPH LEACH RHODES was born in Chicago, Illinois on 20 July 1920, the son of LTC John and Helena Rhodes. As an "Army brat," Dusty grew up moving from post to post. His childhood years in Vermont, Utah, and the Canal Zone left him with memories he often related. Dusty was offered a Congressional appointment to the Academy but, on a bet, declined it and entered the Regular Army to win a competitive nomination. He enjoyed swimming and boxing at West Point. The challenge of attending the Academy and the camaraderie of his classmates shaped him into a dedicated soldier. After graduation he elected to join the Air Corps in order to realize his dream of flying. Dusty was a pilot for the next 30 years.

Dusty married immediately after being commissioned and, after two years of Air Force training, took his wife Ruth on

one of the first postwar accompanied tours of Guam in 1947. In 1948 they moved to Sandia Base, New Mexico, where Dusty worked on atomic weapons for three years, followed by five years in Langley, Virginia at HQ TAC. He volunteered for Korea in 1957, and upon his return attended the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, graduating in 1958. Another three-year tour at Sandia Base was followed by assignment to Hanscom Air Force Base, Massachusetts in 1961 to work on ADC's radar defenses for three years. The year 1964 found Dusty in the Canal Zone overseeing aid to Latin America until his departure in 1967 for Southeast Asia. Dusty's return to CONUS in 1968 was followed by tours at Suffolk Air Force Base, New York, and Fort Lee, Virginia, before his retirement in 1971 after 32 years' active duty service.

Dusty and Ruth retired to Stratham, New Hampshire and opened a very successful antique shop and furniture restoration business. In 1977 Ruth's illness forced the closure of this enterprise and relocation to Sarasota, Florida, where she died of cancer in 1979. Dusty is survived by his sister, Inez R. Gruver, and his four children, Duncan, Richard, Pamela and Deborah.

Dusty made a lot of friends who will remember his "can do" attitude and open, generous manner. He gave everyone the benefit of the doubt and trusted others to be as honest and forthright as himself. Here was a man who lived the motto: "Duty, Honor, Country."

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Wayne Stanley Nichols

NO. 15394 CLASS OF 1946

Died 6 March 1984 in Lauderhill, Florida, aged 61 years.

Interment: Union Cemetery, Columbus, Ohio.



Wayne Stanley Nichols

two-and-one-half years. Wayne spent six months in the Army Air Corps before entering West Point on 1 July 1943 as a member of the Class of 1946.

Wayne's maturity, intelligence and affable personality made life at West Point a relative breeze. He had the capability to do what was needed and the will to get things done when the going got tough. He spent many hours using his intellectual gifts to help his less-gifted classmates. As manager of both the outdoor and indoor track teams, Wayne earned two major "A's." He was always anxious to make it easier for his teammates to compete at their best. Wayne was quick to find viable options when crises arose. In early plebe days, a classmate couldn't find his black tie and it was time for a formation. Wayne dressed the classmate with a black sock for a tie and sent him on to the formation. When graduation rolled around, Wayne became a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers.

During graduation leave, Wayne married Henrietta Hayson on 20 July 1946 in Iowa City, Iowa. Wayne and Henrietta had met at Grinnell College before Wayne entered West Point. Following the Engineer Basic Officers Course at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, Wayne and Henrietta spent two-and-a-half years in the Far East where Wayne was assistant Air Installations Officer of the 35th Installations Squadron. Returning to CONUS, Wayne was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas with the 17th and 16th Armored Engineer Battalions. From Fort Hood, the Nicholoses moved to Illinois where Wayne earned a master's degree in civil engineering at the University of Illinois. Next came another school tour at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, followed by a tour in Korea, first as a headquarters staff officer and then as a company commander in an engineer construction battalion. In 1955 Wayne was assigned as an engineer instructor at the University of Iowa. From

of high school and graduated from the Lawrenceville School in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. He attended Gilman Preparatory School in Baltimore, Maryland before receiving his appointment to West Point.

Carl entered West Point on 1 July 1943, his military school background standing him in good stead. Academics were no problem and he was known as a good cadet, never knowingly breaking any regulations. Always a gentleman, he was kind and considerate in his dealings with others. A vibrant personality made Carl a strong force in his cadet company. He started each day playing a record from the musical, *Oklahoma*, "Oh, What A Beautiful Morning." This positive attitude permeated every aspect of Carl's life. His roommates recall that Carl knew exactly what his goals were: to go into the Artillery and to fly light planes.

Going into the Artillery upon graduation, Carl was first assigned to the Basic Officers Courses at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and Fort Bliss, Texas. It was during this period that Carl married his high school sweetheart, Nancy Carrol, on 26 December 1946 in Wheeling, West Virginia. Following these school assignments, Carl went to Fort Benning, Georgia to gain his jump wings at the Airborne School. Carl wanted to be challenged and he strove for perfection. Jump School was one of his challenges and he felt gaining his wings was a key to future challenging assignments. From Fort Benning, he was assigned as executive officer of "A" Battery, 13th Field Artillery Battalion, 24th Division in Hakata, Japan. In December 1947, Carl was able to get reassigned to Camp Younghans, Japan to the 675th Airborne Field Artillery Battalion, 11th Airborne Division. The year 1948 saw Carl assigned to the Nigata Japan Military Government Team, and then during the summer of 1948 he coached the 11th Airborne Division baseball team. Carl and Nancy returned to CONUS with the 11th Airborne Division when it moved back to Fort Campbell, Kentucky in early 1949. Their daughter Mary Elizabeth was born in August 1949. While at Fort Campbell, Carl applied for and was accepted for pilot training. He attended the United States Air Force Pilot School at Connally Air Force Base, Texas in early 1950. After receiving his pilot wings, Carl became a student in the Air Training Department of the Artillery School at Fort Sill to learn the rudiments of aerial artillery observation. From Fort Sill, Carl was assigned to the 2nd Armored Division at Fort Hood, Texas. In keeping with his desire to obtain challenging assignments, Carl was anxious to get into the Korean War. He was able to get assigned as a pilot in the Air Section of the 674th Battalion of the 187th Regimental Combat Team.

In the early part of May 1951, the 187th RCT was in positions about 30 miles east of Seoul, Korea. At that time, then-Captain Bertram Gorwitz (later brigadier general) was assigned as an aerial observer with the Air Section of the 674th Airborne Field Artillery Battalion. Prior to that time, Captain Gorwitz had the opportunity to fly with all four of the pilots assigned to the Air Section. So, when he was assigned as the aerial observer, he knew which pilot he preferred to have fly him. This pilot was Carl Schmidt. While Gorwitz admired Carl's "devil-may-care" attitude, Carl's flying skills convinced him of the validity of his choice. During the period 14-19 May 1951, they flew constantly from daylight to dusk, adjusting artillery fire and advising the ground-based Air Force forward controllers on the best air corridors for close air support. On 21-22 May, the 187th conducted a three-pronged attack in the Hoengsong-Hongchon area about 70 miles east of Seoul. Again, the team of Gorwitz and Schmidt were active from daylight to dusk. About 24 May 1951, the 187th was ordered by X Corps to move with all haste to the area of Inje, near the east coast of Korea, to cut the routes of escape of the Chinese forces moving northward in their withdrawal up the coast.

On 26 May, Carl and Gorwitz landed on a small airstrip alongside the Inje River. While Gorwitz went forward to discuss the situation with the battalion S-3, Carl took off to fly an Infantry captain to another position. Immediately after takeoff, Carl's plane was hit by enemy automatic weapons fire and crashed. A few days later a classmate, Ed Joseph, returned from being hospitalized to B Battery, 37th Field Artillery Battalion, 2nd Division and was informed by his executive officer that an L-19 aircraft had crashed a few days before near their firing position. The pilot of the plane was Carl Schmidt. Upon learning that there was no investigating officer to ascertain the facts, Ed requested one from X Corps Aviation Section. The results of this investigation confirmed that Carl had been killed by enemy gunfire, and not as a result of the crash. He was awarded the Purple Heart posthumously.

Carl Paxton Schmidt lived and died with the precept of Duty, Honor, Country governing his every action. His death is mourned by all who loved and knew him, yet Carl was doing what he loved right up to the time of his death. He had met every challenge presented to him. Bertram Gorwitz recalls that Carl Schmidt was a gallant, bold and fearless pilot. His actions in combat were exemplary. If Carl could hear those words, he would be greatly pleased because they represent the culmination of his dreams and ambitions.

Everyone who knew Carl remembers the same attributes that endeared him to all. He was honest, loving, considerate and kind—attributes that exemplify a really good person. The years since Carl's death may have dimmed the memory of specific dates and events, but the memory of Carl Schmidt will live forever with his family, friends and classmates. A loving, caring husband and father, a true friend, and a brave soldier who gave his life for his country; a fitting epitaph for one of West Point's own.

'46 Memorial Article Project and his wife Nancy

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William Welcome LaMar

NO. 15861 CLASS OF 1946

Died 27 January 1947 near Carlsbad, California, aged 21 years.

Interment: Walworth Cemetery, Walworth, Wisconsin.



William Welcome LaMar

WILLIAM WELCOME (BILL) LAMAR was born 15 October 1925 in St. Louis, Missouri. When Bill was growing up, his father had two jobs, one in advertising in Chicago's north shore suburbs and one as minister of the Fontana Community Church. Fontana was a small town on Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and Bill spent weekends and summers at Fontana and the rest of the time in Evanston. He graduated from Haven Junior High in Evanston, but he always claimed Fontana as his home and the people of Fontana considered him to be one of their own.

There was on Lake Geneva a military prep school for 100-150 boys, Northwestern Military and Naval Academy. It was run by a Scotchman who gave scholarships to 4-8 boys to play in a kilted Scottish bagpipe band. Bill and his older brother Burris both learned to play the bagpipes especially to take advantage of

another officer and a sergeant, took off in a C-47 transport from Ramey Field in Puerto Rico. Seconds later, the plane crashed in the water about 50 yards offshore from the Roosevelt Road Naval Air Station. When rescuers reached the aircraft, only the tail section was visible and there were no survivors. Ernie was survived by his parents, three brothers and a sister.

Ernie made friends easily and he liked people. And people liked him. They could sense that he was always sincere and honest in his associations. Ernie had a subtle determination to be good at whatever endeavor he decided to undertake. He was making his mark in the Air Force. No one will ever know what Ernie could have done had he not been taken at such a young age. One of his brothers recalls that Ernie said he thoroughly enjoyed flying and knew that a military career was right for him.

Ernie was proud to be a West Pointer. There was never any doubt in his mind that Duty, Honor, Country were and always would be the tenets by which he lived his life. His family, classmates and friends remember Ernest Willet Prevost fondly. He joined "the Long Gray Line" too early. As one of his roommates said, "Perhaps it was God's plan to call him at a young age, so that his fine qualities could sooner enlighten and add joy to those who follow after." Ernie was a good man, a fine officer and he is missed by all who knew him. The world is a better place because of the time that he was with us. Well Done Ernie, Be Thou At Peace!

'46 Memorial Article Project and his brother William

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Willis Howell Clark

NO. 16270 CLASS OF 1947

Died 14 October 1989 in Bryan, Texas, aged 67 years.

Interment: Bryan Restever Cemetery, Bryan, Texas.

WILLIS HOWELL CLARK was born in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, 24 August 1922, the son of H. Smith and Corinne C. Clark. He graduated from New Mexico Military Institute in 1940, and attended Missouri School of Mines until 1943, when he was inducted into the Army. After basic training he was ordered to Amherst College for nine months and then received an appointment to West Point.

At NMMI he was the top graduating student, and while at Missouri School of Mines he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, Theta Tau and Blue Key National Honor fraternities.

Bill joined the Ordnance Corps after two years with Armored, while serving three-and-a-half years in Germany with



Willis Howell Clark

the Occupation forces. He received a master's degree from Stanford University in 1953 preparing him for service in R&D units at White Sands, Redstone Arsenal, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, and two tours of duty at the Pentagon. He also served in Vietnam in 1957-58. While in Vietnam he was diagnosed as a diabetic, and despite a heart attack in 1963 leaving him with angina, he completed 20 years on active duty.

In 1965 he accepted a position with Texas A&M, retiring in 1987 as associate director of marine research. Not only did he receive many decorations and honors while on active duty, but he was commended by the president of Texas A&M for his many contributions to the university.

Before his illness overcame him, he delighted in interviewing and assessing young men and women who were seeking appointments to West Point.

Bill is survived by his wife, Ruth; three sons, Willis H. II, James H. and Ron S.; four grandchildren, Heather, Stacy, Sara and Zachery; and his brother, Bruce.

Bill was a quiet, uncomplaining man of integrity; he loved his country, his family and his work. He lived all stages of his life with honor and success and is greatly loved and missed by his family and friends.

BILL

Your life was but a little while,
A painful, passing smile,
That flits across your loving face,
And disappears without a trace.

My teardrops fall like cleansing rain
To ease the memory of your pain,
To wash away remorse and grief,
And tenderize with sweet relief.

Our yesterday has fled so fast
To fall on fleeting past,
And now you're gone with no today
For me to pray that you could stay.

My life is here and not ahead,
But you will never tread
With me upon the morning's dawn
Which like the evening soon is gone.

Our time! Our lives must cease to be!
No veil can take your love from me,
Nor can it hide eternal life,
Where I will always be your wife.
Ruth F. Clark

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Alexander Jeremiah Clark, Jr.

NO. 25556 CLASS OF 1965

Died 24 November 1981 in Catskill, New York, aged 42 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.



Alexander Jeremiah Clark, Jr.

ALEXANDER JEREMIAH CLARK, JR. died of a heart attack on 24 November 1981 while skiing near Catskill, New York. He was 42.

Al's mother died when he was very young, and his grandmother Nan raised him in her stead. Although he never confided the date of his earliest desire to enter West Point, he had made the decision by his sophomore year at Highland Park High School in Dallas. While at Highland, he was active in the Junior ROTC program.

He was not admitted to the Military Academy following graduation from high school, so he attended San Diego State University while continuing to seek admission. His single-minded determination to enter West Point led to his appointment by Representative Hayden of Arizona three years later. As a result of this lengthy effort, he earned the title of "Oldest Living Cadet."

During his four years at West Point, Al sang in the Cadet Choir, acquired a love of skiing that stayed with him for the rest

of his life, and sailed with the sailing club on the Hudson. He also studied military history avidly and, from that study and experience as a cadet, selected Armor as his branch following graduation.

His first duty station was with the 2nd Squadron, 1st Cavalry, 2nd Armored Division, Fort Hood, Texas. While at Fort Hood, he married Judy White in the spring of 1966. He completed a tour of duty with Military Assistance Command, Thailand, and attended the Armor Officers Advanced Course at Fort Knox in 1969.

Following graduate school, Al returned to West Point in the Department of Earth, Space and Graphic Sciences in 1976. His last assignment was with a Readiness Group in New York State.

At the time of his death, Al had completed a ski run and was waiting for the other members of his party. He is buried at West Point. It is fitting that he should rest forever in the place he sought to enter for so long.

Al was a good classmate and friend, able officer, husband and father. He is survived by his wife Judy and his twin daughters, Mary and Helen.

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Arthur S. Nabben

NO. 28097 CLASS OF 1969

Died 20 January 1971 in Vietnam, aged 23 years.

Interment: Fort Snelling National Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minnesota.



Arthur S. Nabben

THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES in Vietnam have been called the "Heroes of Peace." Art Nabben was a Hero of Peace.

Arthur S. Nabben was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on 17 March 1947, the son of Mr. Marvin and Mrs. E. Rose Nabben. He grew up loving the out-

doors, especially skiing and camping. His love of the outdoors naturally led him to scouting, in which he excelled. In addition to being an Eagle Scout and a member of the Order of the Arrow, Art was given the "Pro Deo et Patria" award from the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, the highest scouting award given by the Lutheran Church. He was a member of the staff of his Scout reservation camp, part of the Viking Council's Emergency Corps, chairman of the Explorer's District Cabinet, and a participant in Scouting's Presidential Report to the Nation.

Art attended Roosevelt High School in Minneapolis, graduating in 1965. He was an outstanding student and a member of the National Honor Society. He served on the school Executive Board, was a member of the Speech Team and the Debate Team, was active in the Ski Club and in the German Club. Not surprisingly, Art won the Kiwanis Award at graduation.

Religion also played a strong part in Art's life. An active member of the Lutheran Church, he attended church every Sunday and became a close friend of his pastor. Even as a young man he tithed, giving ten percent of everything he earned to his church.

People choose West Point for various reasons. For some it's a commitment to lifetime military service. For others it is merely the quality of the education. For Art, it was patriotism, plain and simple. Art loved his country and all that it stood for. The West Point experience, regardless of how difficult it would be, was something to prepare him to serve. And military service, regardless of its risks, was something a patriot should do. One day while home on leave, Art was confronted by a woman who was highly critical of the military, not an uncommon occurrence in the days of our early service. Politely, Art replied, "You are fortunate that you live in a country where you can express your opinions as you see fit and where you have the freedom to do as you wish. There are countries where people don't have those rights and freedoms. As long as there is freedom to be protected, I will wear the uniform." Those of us who knew Art, know that he was sincere. He was a patriot and a gentleman, and he believed in his country.

The West Point academic rigors were no challenge for Art and he quickly sought out his favorite activities to help round out his cadet career. He was a dedicated member of the Cadet Dialectic Society and the Scoutmaster's Council for all four years. He was active in the Ski Club and the German Club, and even took karate lessons. We saw his creative abilities when he produced an outstanding 100th Night Show. Even with all those activities, Art finished in the top 20 percent of the class in general order of merit.

But it wasn't entirely a breeze for Art. He had his bouts with the Tactical Department. Yet his indomitable spirit kept him coming back day after day, week after week, solidly intent on preparing himself for a lifetime of service. He was not to be denied, and we all grew to respect the courage of his convictions.

Ours was a company of cadets that was known more for its brawn than its brains. Many of us struggled to keep our heads above water, and it was Art who kept saying to us all, "Keep going, you can do it." On more than one occasion, he could be found helping a classmate understand some difficult academic principle. When not involved in academics or his extracurricular activities, he could be found pursuing his love of debate. Art would debate anything with anyone. From "planned parenthood" to "infantry tactics," Art could get you going. In retrospect, this was probably his way of providing us with some sorely needed intellectual stimulation.

Art chose Armor for his branch of service, and completed Airborne and Ranger schools after graduation. Not long after the Armor Basic Course, he found himself serving in an armored cavalry unit in the 25th Infantry Division, Republic of Vietnam. On 20 January 1971, Art's platoon was ambushed while on patrol. In the ensuing firefight, his unit began taking casualties, and Art was killed while rescuing one of his men. He was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry.

Arthur S. Nabben was a Hero of Peace in the truest sense. He lived in dedicated pursuit of service to his country, and he made his country's ultimate sacrifice. Peace, not war, was what he was working to achieve. It was William Shakespeare who said,

"There is a kind of character in thy life,
that to the observer doth thy history
fully unfold."

Godspeed, Noble Classmate. We miss you.

His classmates

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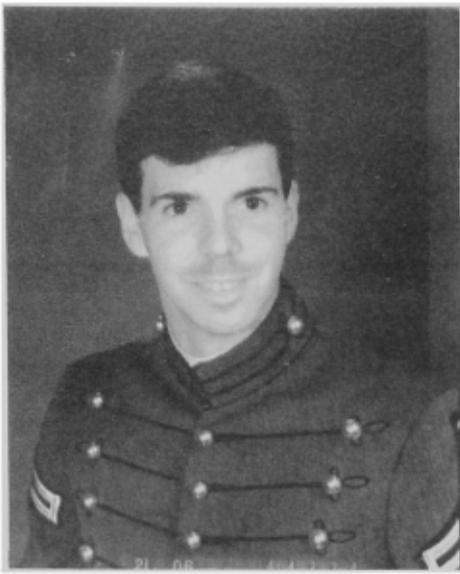
Donald James Bennett

NO. 43953 CLASS OF 1987

Died 27 September 1989 in Gainesville, Florida, aged 27 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida.

DONALD JAMES BENNETT was born 25 April 1962 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He died 27 September 1989 in Gainesville, Florida at 27 years of age. He is survived by his mother and father, Ray and Sharon; Michael, his brother; many loved ones and many friends. Our sense of loss, for one whom we held so dear, is



Donald James Bennett

great. And yet, I recall sitting with the family as we spoke of Jim, feeling the loss, when, unexpectedly, bright memories would cause a gentle smile to tug slowly at the corners of the mouth. One simply cannot think of Jim for long without finding a reason to smile.

I met Jim when he was a quiet, somewhat shy 11-year-old, with a 9-year-old shadow always close by. He was Jamie then—just approaching that awkward stage in life when a boy's trousers are never quite long enough, the voice at that cracking middle-stage of transition, the feet of a man, the bright eyes of a boy taking in all, comprehending some. Ever dreaming of tomorrow and what he might become. Jim was a dreamer. Like most boys, his mind journeyed ahead into the years when he would be *somebody* and achieve great heights of accomplishment, and somehow take that part of his world and change it and leave his indelible mark.

Jim was a sensitive soul—always contemplative, thinking, introspective. And while he always remained active in sports, his love was reading and learning—always seeking knowledge, challenging his thoughts. He had a passion for history and sought to learn its lessons. But, as diligent study often reveals, there were few men to match the mountains that he had tasked himself to climb. And his reflective nature, along with the training of his parents and the gentle guiding hand of a loving Heavenly Father, led him to surrender his heart and life to Christ. It was this faith so mature in one that young that made the earliest impression on me, as I recall. And from this divine reservoir, he drew the courage

to face his mountains head-on, not one to look for short cuts and easy roads.

It was, certainly, no easy road that he took to accomplish his dreams when, as a 19-year-old youth, he entered into the service of his country. I was in college in Missouri when from nearby Fort Leonard Wood, I received a letter from PVT Donald J. Bennett telling me of his basic training experiences. He was "Don" now, for as anyone who has ever served in the military knows, in the Armed Forces you may as well not even have a middle name.

I had not begun my own military service and his letter was a marvel to me. I thought, "wow—Jim Bennett, a soldier." It was only later when I, like Jim and his brother, Mike, experienced the rude awakening of Army Basic Training. Only then could I appreciate Jim's perseverance and determination to daily face rising at 5 a.m., scrubbing a barracks that already seemed spotless, and shaving a face that barely had any stubble—throwing on the uniform that we came to love and falling in to stand tall in formation by 6 a.m. He learned that the Army's ultimate correction for the multitudinous mistakes of a trainee was push-ups and more push-ups. They called it "the thinking position." He faced details of scouring the mess hall grease traps, scrubbing toilets and scouring shower stalls, and walking fire guard from 2-4 a.m., knowing an hour after he lay down his head a drill sergeant would burst through the door and throw a garbage can down the aisle as his way of saying "Good Morning." Through all this, Jim persevered. But this wasn't the stuff of his dreams. His aspirations ran much higher—to the calling of leadership and excellence. And soon he spoke to his peers of West Point. "You're outta your mind," they said. "Who, you?" But somewhere inside Jim a determined resolve to excel arose as he answered defiantly, "Yeah—me."

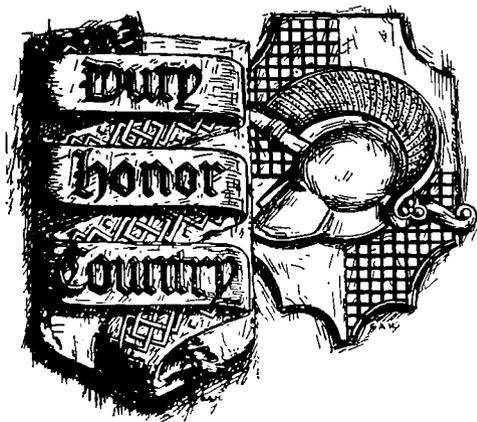
Jim received his appointment to the United States Military Academy less than two years later and began the demanding, one-year preparatory school to bolster his flagging academics. He faced the legendary trauma of Beast Barracks, where he was further challenged by the demands of military excellence to the motto of "We are not men... we are beasts. . . ." Though 20% of cadets fail this initial challenge, Jim persevered. He entered his plebe year to encounter a year of continual hazing by upperclassmen. Always walking down the hall with his right shoulder sliding along the wall,

so that the "human beings" could pass down the center. It was a year of sitting, standing and eating at attention. He became known as "Yum-Yum" to his peers for his seemingly-endless capacity to eat, carrying as much food as he could back to his room to eat as he studied into the night. It was a year of endless inspection. Though 30% of his peers quit or washed out Jim persevered, always on the brink because of his academics, but always straining toward the pinnacle of that mountain that he knew he had to climb. He came through all the challenges—always reaching for the next until he finally curled his fingers around that diploma that was the symbol of his successful venture.

But before Jim clenched the victory of this challenge he found himself facing another. A life and death struggle. He was as determined to win then as ever before. However, in this last struggle, Jim—the dreamer and the perseverer—became the giver. The roots of his faith shot forth new branches to nourish his hungry soul even as his body lost its strength. And the last portion of his life became a tremendous outpouring of love. His care and affection for his mother was seen in his many calls home and an endless flow of flowers. He never forgot his peers, lobbying in Washington for augmented benefits for Military Academy cadets, until exhaustion and fatigue compelled him to stop. His dad has recalled that all he lived for was to please him and see that he had the very best. To his brother he was a "hero" to be emulated, a pattern to observe, a role model to follow. As Jim faced his last challenge he found that the lone set of footprints in the sand behind him told, not of a solitary walk, but of His gracious, loving hand who was now carrying him to face the final mountain and climb to its top.

It is futile for us to attempt to comprehend why Jim died and self-defeating to agonize over the manner of his death. These issues, as complicated as the very meaning of life, we consign, with our grief, into the loving hands of God. It is inspirational, however, to contemplate the manner in which Jim lived. He *did*, after all, become *somebody*, but it was for the kind of man he was more than the array of achievements he had. He *changed* his world, by leaving a trail of changed lives behind—yours and mine.

His was a life full of dreams, which he now passes on to us. Let us each find one that we may combine with our own and watch them yet come true.



Last Roll Call

Reports of deaths of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of November 1990 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Lathe B. Row	1913	2 October	1990 Sun City, Arizona
Richard C. Birmingham	1916	5 September	1990 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Milton B. Halsey	Apr-1917	24 October	1990 Monterey, California
Llewellyn B. Griffith	Aug-1917	27 September	1990 Austin, Texas
Donald H. Nelson	1919	23 October	1990 Vancouver, Washington
Mark McClure	1922	2 October	1990 Washington, DC
Martin F. Hass	1924	13 October	1990 Biloxi, Mississippi
Ernest V. Holmes	1925	29 October	1990 Kula, Hawaii
Donald E. Mitchell	1925	22 July	1985 Pittsfield, Massachusetts
Curtis D. Renfro	1925	4 February	1990 Island of Oahu, Hawaii
Solomon E. Senior	1925	1 June	1989 Boca Raton, Florida
Ernest A. Suttles	1925	13 October	1990 Biloxi, Mississippi
John P. Breden	1928	25 October	1990 Clearwater, Florida
James L. Green	1928	25 November	1990 Princeton, New Jersey
Marshall Stubbs	1929	20 November	1990 Raleigh, North Carolina
Benjamin R. Wimer	1929	25 June	1990 Terre Haute, Indiana
Alden P. Taber	1930	12 November	1990 Pensacola, Florida
William A. Call	1932	7 October	1990 Seattle, Washington
Frederick W. Ellery	1932	29 September	1990 Winter Park, Florida
Edward M. O'Connell	1934	5 November	1990 Cincinnati, Ohio
David B. Routh	1934	13 August	1989 Hampton, Virginia
Orville N. Stokes	1936	11 November	1990 Tampa, Florida
Harold C. Brown	1940	22 September	1990 Biak, Indonesia
John J. Kenney, Jr.	1940	3 November	1990 Santa Fe, New Mexico
Allen Jensen	1941	19 November	1990 Boonton Township, New Jersey
John R. Richards	1941	29 September	1990 Alexandria, Virginia
Daugherty M. Smith	Jan-1943	22 November	1990 Fairfax, Virginia
Dale F. McGee, Jr.	Jun-1943	5 November	1990 Jacksonville, Florida
Charles L. Steel, Jr.	1944	15 October	1990 Little Rock, Arkansas
William E. Farrar, Jr.	1945	14 November	1990 Newport News, Virginia
Ernest L. Hardin, Jr.	1945	22 October	1990 Odessa, Delaware
James D. Fitzgerald	1946	25 May	1987 Boston, Massachusetts
Charles G. Memminger	1946	8 October	1990 Honolulu, Hawaii
Lawrence V. Hoyt	1948	6 October	1990 Reston, Virginia
Charles J. Osterndorf	1950	16 November	1990 San Antonio, Texas
William H. L. Mullins	1957	29 September	1990 Chatham, Massachusetts
Joe F. Galle	1963	5 October	1990 Big Sky, Montana
Benjamin Rodriguez	1967	14 September	1990 Houston, Texas
Richard L. Vincent	1974	26 November	1990 Fort Campbell, Kentucky
Scott E. Mooney	1975	11 October	1990 Norwich, New York
David L. Bolte	1977	12 September	1990 El Paso, Texas
William S. Stallworth	1988	23 October	1990 Washington, DC



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