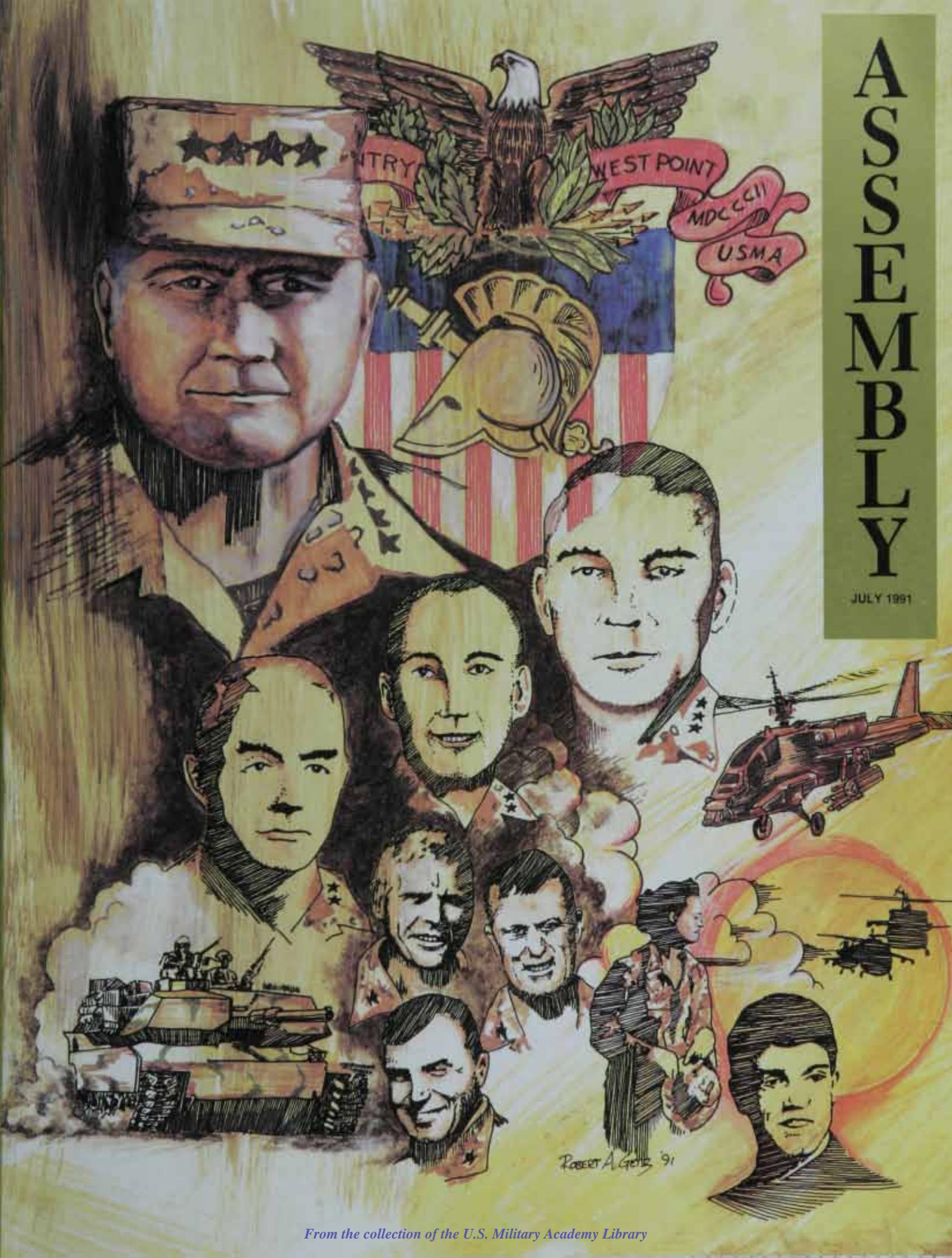


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Dear Graduates and Friends of West Point:

This is my last letter in this space. About the time you are reading it, Lieutenant General Howard D. Graves, Class of '61, will be moving into the Super's Office in Taylor Hall. As those of you who know him are aware, and as all of you will soon discover, he is ideally cast to assume the Superintendency at this critical moment in USMA's history. The Army's senior leadership has chosen wisely—with an especially watchful eye to the future of our Alma Mater.

And it is to that future that I dedicate my final words to you as Superintendent. Five fast and full years ago, as I sat down to write that very first letter to graduates and friends, the future wasn't at all clear. It seemed evident at the time, though, that I was the first Superintendent in a quarter of a century or so to arrive with no crisis either on hand or imminent. That good fortune shaped my work here. But how different things are now! Consider how the world has changed in just a few years. And with it America's defense posture, not to mention our Army itself. One difference is that we can see more clearly into the future. Although the details of that future remain out of focus, the shape at least seems quite clear. While it might be too strong to describe the current environment as one of crisis, there are certainly troublesome winds aloft, blowing from forbidding clouds clustered on the horizon. We would be imprudent to ignore the rumble of thunder. We must try to see the shape of things to come.

Forecasters must always approach their task with great humbleness. In the next several years the Academy will surely have to cope with challenges and events not even remotely visible or predictable today. Still and all, some trends seem so obvious that they simply must be addressed, some problems so likely to occur that solutions must be sought ahead of time. Here are several such issues that the Academy is already wrestling with—and that bid compellingly to continue requiring serious attention and effort between now and the Bicentennial:

- The increasing confusion of personal values. When considering such matters as ethical behavior, selfless service, morality, attitudes towards homosexuality, etc., one sees the changing American scene leading toward a diver-

gence between the values of society and those required of the military profession.

- The postwar syndrome. After every war in our history, there has been a rise in anti-military sentiment. The end of the Cold War has already surfaced a questioning of the worth and role of West Point. (The brilliant performance of our military forces in the Gulf War merely delayed the onset of this syndrome.)

- Holding a steady course in a time of turbulence. The emergence of the "New World Order" will transform the Nation and the Army in dramatic ways, and perhaps traumatically. The need for West Point's product—leaders of character—will never be higher, but in the years ahead there are sure to be periods fraught with uncertainty and challenge.

- Facility rejuvenation and development. We must overcome the ravages of a quarter of a century of deferred maintenance and execute successfully the Bicentennial Development plan. Despite outward appearances, we have serious problems with aged and decayed structures; band-aids can be relied upon no longer.

- Intercollegiate athletics. College sports have moved in the last couple of decades in directions antithetical to the values and standards of the Military Academy. If recent national efforts to reverse the trends do not succeed, West Point's involvement must be rethought.

Those issues concern me deeply as I leave office, and they appear sure to remain prominent among those that General Graves—and even his successors—will encounter. At the same time, despite my concern, I have never felt more confident. The Academy is on unusually solid footing, thanks to the magnificent contributions of a host of dedicated people over many years. The Staff and Faculty could not be better, the Association of Graduates is a forward looking and dynamic organization, parents clubs lace the land with their contagious brand of enthusiasm, our special friends increase in numbers as well as in depth of support, and that niche our citizens reserve in their hearts for West Point is more evident than ever. It is not hyperbole to suggest that West Point is uniquely America's place.

In that light, we can look forward with



Detail of the Superintendent's portrait, now hanging in Washington Hall. Painted by Margaret Sargent (wife of Howard Sargent, CI '47, and mother of Christopher Sargent, CI '74).

optimism. Finding answers to the issues listed above will not be easy. But find them we will. Indeed, we *must*, if our Alma Mater is to show up at its two-hundredth birthday party in 2002 still vibrant and strong, still enjoying influence and admiration in America, still the Nation's premier leader development institution. Officials responsible for steering our Alma Mater through these troubled times will need the unstinting support of all graduates and friends. I hereby pledge mine.

As Lu and I close our years here, it is with two foremost emotions: thankfulness at having had the chance to serve our country and our Academy in so significant a way; and the deepest gratitude to all of you who, through your friendship and encouragement, made our memories of this special time so treasured. As we hand over the keys of Quarters 100 to Howard and Gracie, we could launch their tenure with no better wish than that they receive the same marvelous embrace of support.

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



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Dear Fellow Graduates:

A welcome to the Class of 1991 to the Long Gray Line. You follow in the footsteps of great Americans, and as President of the Association of Graduates, I'm proud to represent you as you take your place as the future leaders of our great Army—and our Nation.

This issue also marks the last one to be published while Lieutenant General Dave R. Palmer '56 is the Superintendent. The President of the United States has announced that Dave Palmer will retire this summer. Our new Superintendent will be Lieutenant General Howard D. Graves '61.

The Palmer years have been ones of visionary change for our Alma Mater. There have been few aspects of West Point that haven't been touched by his in-depth look into all facets of the Academy's existence. All of us may not have fully understood the needs of the Academy as it faces the next century—after all, that's the Superintendent's job, not ours. I think we all have had our opportunity to express our feelings, and, in fact, we've had major input in some of the more controversial changes. As your President, I want to publicly express my best wishes—on behalf of all of our graduates—to both Lu and Dave for their future health and happiness.

Certainly, just as publicly, I want to extend the AOG's welcome to Lieutenant General Graves and his wife, Gracie. As the baton passes on 22 July 1991, Howard Graves will become the 54th Superintendent of our Alma Mater. He brings with him the acumen gained through a distinguished career in key command and staff assignments that will allow him to direct the future of West Point.

As this issue goes to press, I'm happy to report that Major General Raymond F. Rees, USMA '66, has been appointed as the Chief of the Army National Guard. Of course, that means that two very critical elements of our armed forces, the Guard and the Reserve, are now led by West Pointers. Major General William F. Ward, Jr., USMA '50, is the Chief of Army Reserves.

We concluded our 5th Annual West Point Society Presidents Conference in April. What a tremendous gathering of representatives from across the nation! Of the 103 active West Point societies, 53 were represented. There is acknowledgement across the board that the West Point Societies Program is a critical element of our future. This was evident as the one-day conference, chaired by "Shy" Meyer '51, addressed a wealth of substantive issues of concern to us all. Among the subjects that engendered a lively discussion were possible formal affiliation between the societies and the AOG; expanded career advisory services by the societies, and the role the AOG staff should play in this area; and ways and means of improving communications between the societies and West Point—a continuing problem and need.

An indication of the importance the Military Academy attaches to the West Point Societies Presidents Conference is the fact that the Superintendent, the Dean, the Commandant, and the Director of Athletics all addressed the conference during the day or the evening dinner. The conferees were also delighted to hear a short talk by Army's new football coach, Bob Sutton, who spoke of prospects for the 1991 season. A complete report on the conference will appear in the next issue of ASSEMBLY.

Sincerely,

Denis F. Mullane
President
Association of Graduates
USMA

Letters to the Editor



Fun in the Area

I hate to admit that walking the area actually saved me from flunking out of the Academy my plebe year. While I particularly dreaded walking in the winter when the weather meant marching the area with the heavy dress coat and cape, the fall and spring seasons weren't bad. I did miss most of the football season, joining in the desultory cheers when the Rabble Rouser's cannon fired in the distance. But how can walking the area help grades? Given my propensity for earning lots of hours, my roommate and I devised a system for making the time as useful as possible. Louie would post in the window of a stoops level room signs with that week's vocabulary for Russian class, or some other items of immediate need which I then could memorize while walking my punishment tours. Also, my roommate would dash down to the hidden corner of the sinks, under the stoops, and use a soft cloth to brush off my shoes as I stopped to execute a precise manual of arms switch to the other shoulder, so I wouldn't get too many more demerits during the area sergeant's inspection. A couple of times we even switched rifles, walking with his but being inspected with mine which he cleaned between inspections. Walking after plebe year really became a waste of time because we stopped doing the tricks.

I must admit the time spent walking the area was a poor use of what little time we did have, and I didn't learn discipline that way, so I will agree that alternatives should be adopted, but it wasn't time totally lost if you were devious. Thanks to Lewis Boyer, I didn't flunk out.

Paul V. Campbell
Class of 1970

From the Area to Graduation

Dear COL P,

Your article in the January 1991 issue of *Assembly* was very entertaining. My own experience may or may not be of interest. I finished my last tour on the area at first call for graduation formation. This was shortly before you became a first classman.

A few weeks before graduation, I went AWOL from Stewart Field, where my class was completing flying training. One night I walked into town, hit a few bars, chased around a little, and in the wee hours of the morning I walked back to the field and

went to bed. Because of a bunch of dumb circumstances, the powers down at WP found out about it. I was charged, busted, confined to quarters till graduation, and given enough tours to last till graduation.

I was not alone in this little escapade; another cadet and I went AWOL together. He was also busted, confined, and punished. It cost him a lot more than me, because I was a cadet sergeant while he was a cadet captain and a heavy hitter on the brigade staff. His name is Robin Olds.

The cadet library has a file on every cadet—just the time at the Academy, nothing on subsequent careers. A study of some of the slugs in these files would probably be entertaining.

Looking forward to your future articles on walking the area.

Robert J. MacMullin
Class of June '43

P. S. I had just finished the letter when the May 1991 *Assembly* arrived with the letter from Gorelangton in it. Zu Zu, his nickname, was my roommate. He helped me out of my area uniform and into the full dress, in time to make the formation. This was with sore feet and all.

RJM

Alternatives to "Area" Questionable

The number of letters to the *Assembly* editor and me concerning my article, "Walking the Area" (*Assembly*, Jan 91, p. 23), has been amazing and interesting. Initially I had no intent of commenting on Gorelangton's letter published in the May issue, but a letter from his roommate, Bob MacMullin, included in this issue, has caused me to counter some of Gorelangton's recommendations.

There is no question that tours on the area are intended as punishments for infractions of USCC regulations. It is also true that any punishment for such infractions must keep the cadets involved from doing what they want to do during their free time. In answer to Gorelangton's questioning the positive aspects of walking the area, several of the current letters to the editor do emphasize the benefits of mentally reviewing academic material while walking or preparing the mind for other work such as *Howitzer* or *Pointer* articles. One specific indication of positive benefit coming from tours is Paul Reinecke's

statement that he composed the words for the *Alma Mater* while pacing back and forth in old Central Area. Letters in the Library Special Collections materials often mention walking the area as making the individual determined not to run afoul of regulations in the future. Those area birds who decided while pacing the concrete that they might just as well quit probably would have done so anyway, area tours or no area tours.

Gorelangton's recommendations that more positive punishments should be developed consist primarily of additional classes of various types. Did he consider that adopting such a system would also result in punishing the tacs, instructors, and/or cadets who would be required to conduct those classes? His definition of punishment was to keep the individuals from doing what they wanted to do during their free time. Does not this criteria apply to the instructors of those special classes as well? Why punish them in addition to punishing cadets for violating regulations? "Positive" punishments have been tried in the past, as far back as Thayer's time. He had cadets picking rocks off the Plain for a time but found supervision was almost impossible. Max Taylor imposed a similar punishment in the 1940s by having area birds pick rocks and debris off the golf course. He too found it impossible to supervise the area birds policing that area.

Whether or not walking the area produces a better officer is too problematical to warrant discussion. I can only say that several four-star generals, including chiefs of staff of both the Army and Air Force, spent time pounding the pavement. Perhaps some enterprising grad with lots of time to spare might consider a survey of area birds in relation to their later careers. 'Twould be interesting.

My apologies, Zu Zu. Even without my comments above, the fact that walking the area has survived through more than 150 years of test, with attempts to replace it with other forms of punishment, is some indication that it must have some value. If there is a better way of punishing cadets, some Supe or Com or Tac or even a cadet would have thought of it long since, and the area bird would be an extinct species.

George S. Pappas
Class of 1944

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The Military Versus the Media

Contrasting Professions

by Herbert G. Sparrow, Major General, US Army, Ret, USMA Class of 1933

Since the outset of the Gulf War much has been said about “media vs military” differences. Peter Braestrup recently commented that “to reporters, ‘the military’ is an alien culture.” Probably the reverse is also true: we military do not understand the media.

It is accepted that a “free press” has a valuable, legitimate, even indispensable role in a democracy. It is its role in a democracy *at war* which poses problems.

Hostility between the military and the media has always existed in some degree. It reached a crescendo during the Vietnam War, when newscaster Walter Cronkite and others began (in the opinion of many of us) giving overt aid and comfort to our enemies. It continued with gross misreporting of the Tet operations as a defeat for U.S. forces. Bad relations were exacerbated in the mid-80’s by CBS’ shabby treatment of our American commander, General Westmoreland.

That said, I suggest that media-military cultures may be better understood by contrasting their respective characteristics:

- The armed forces are in many respects a business enterprise, their business being readiness for war and winning when we’re committed. The media are likewise a business: basically to inform/entertain, as with financial, political and other news, soap operas, sports, comics. To succeed the media must capture and hold the attention of a fickle audience, the public.
- The armed forces place great emphasis upon veracity, accuracy and fairness (“my sergeant may be tough, but he’s fair!”) To the media these considerations are less compelling and may sometimes be subordinated, when this will heighten interest or better support a bias.
- The military tends to accept at face value statements made by its members. (“A man’s word is his bond.”) The media is inherently skeptical. Reporters learn to have an ingrained distrust of what they are told.
- The armed forces are by nature autocratic and authoritarian—emphasis is upon conformity, loyalty, obedience, discipline; whereas the media are iconoclastic—rebellious, undisciplined, hos-



MG Herbert G. Sparrow

tile to authority. Their loyalty is to their profession.

- Indiscriminate freedom of speech is not the privilege of a soldier.

- The armed forces are schooled to endure uncertainty, long periods of inaction, boredom; the media *must* produce a story every day. When no story exists, one must nevertheless be provided.

- The armed forces stress patriotism (“My country, right or wrong!”) The media often appear to hold a “more sophisticated” view.

- The armed forces emphasize the positive (the “can do!” attitude). A commander, even when he’s losing, must still project an air of confidence (“a leader may never be found in despair”). The media are trained to ferret out the dark side—to them, failure and despair are commodities of the trade.

- To the military, maintenance of high morale is vital; to the media, low morale—or conditions making for poor morale—provide “human interest” material. Thus the anguish of a bereaved family may be fair game. (“How does it feel to think *your* loved one may come home in a body bag?”)

- The armed forces emphasize cooper-

ation, teamwork, resolution of internal differences in private; the media highlight dissension, personal and institutional failure.

- The military has no choice but to accept and bear its heavy load of responsibility—once decisions are made by competent authority these must be unquestioningly carried out; whereas the media may sit in judgment, find fault, challenge—all without responsibility for consequences, or even to propose alternative measures. They are enthroned, like Jove, “above the action.”

- To the military, war is a deadly serious business; to the media, war is THE BIG STORY!!!

- The bottom line for the military is mission accomplishment; the bottom line for the media has to be ratings/circulation—and dollars.

It is perhaps unfortunate that our media are most free to operate on *our* side of the lines—to photograph *our* wounded, *our* dead, *our* exhausted or disheartened soldiers, the mistakes *we* make. In Vietnam we often wished we could ship some of our reporters over to the other side, to disserve the enemy as they were disserving us. Ironically, with some of them in Iraq, we have recently been subjected to dosages of what *our enemy* wished us to hear and see.

Generalities, always dangerous, risk being unfair. Though the nature of the media has to be shaped by the basic factors cited above, many segments of that profession operate in a responsible way, sensitive to and supportive of the interests of our country. It is the other elements—notably the powerful television networks—which generate hostility and distrust.

Admittedly this is written from a soldier’s viewpoint. Its object is not to disparage the media, but to highlight some of the significant differences between our respective professions. We have little choice but to accept the media for what they are and perhaps have to be, though there is some talk of trying to develop among them a keener sense of their responsibility to support our national efforts in time of war. No wonder we’re often at odds!

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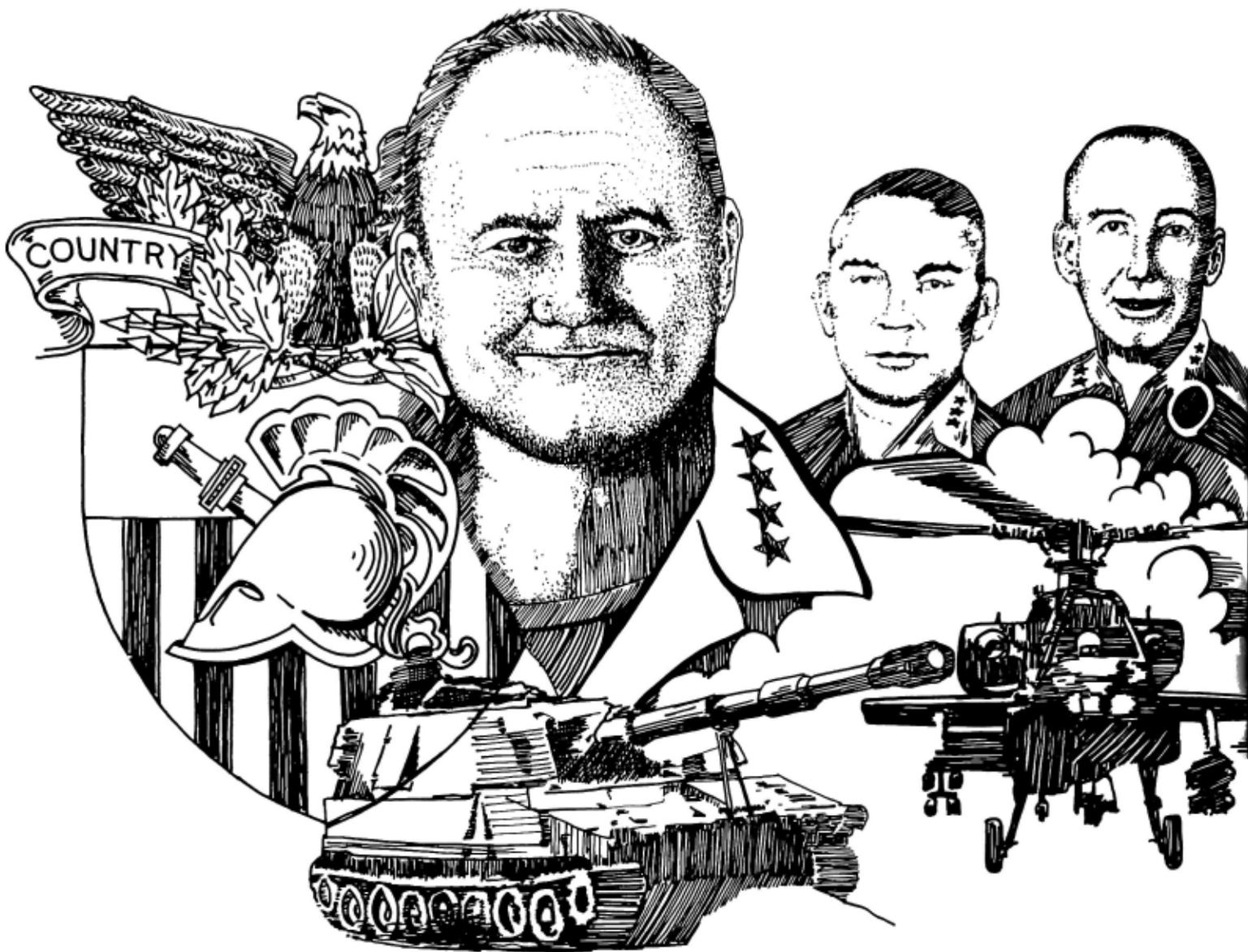
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Front: The illustration by Robert A. Getz, illustrator for the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering, USMA, depicts a number of West Point leaders of the Persian Gulf War; see article beginning on page 6.

Back: The group that attended the first annual Founders Day celebration of the Kuwait City Society (Provisional) of the Association of Graduates, 20 March, at the Place of Sheik Mubarak Sabah Al-Sabah, Kuwait City.

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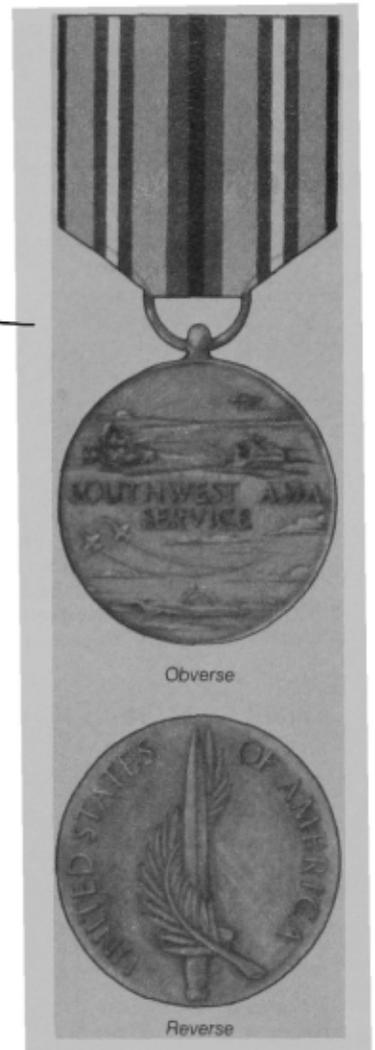
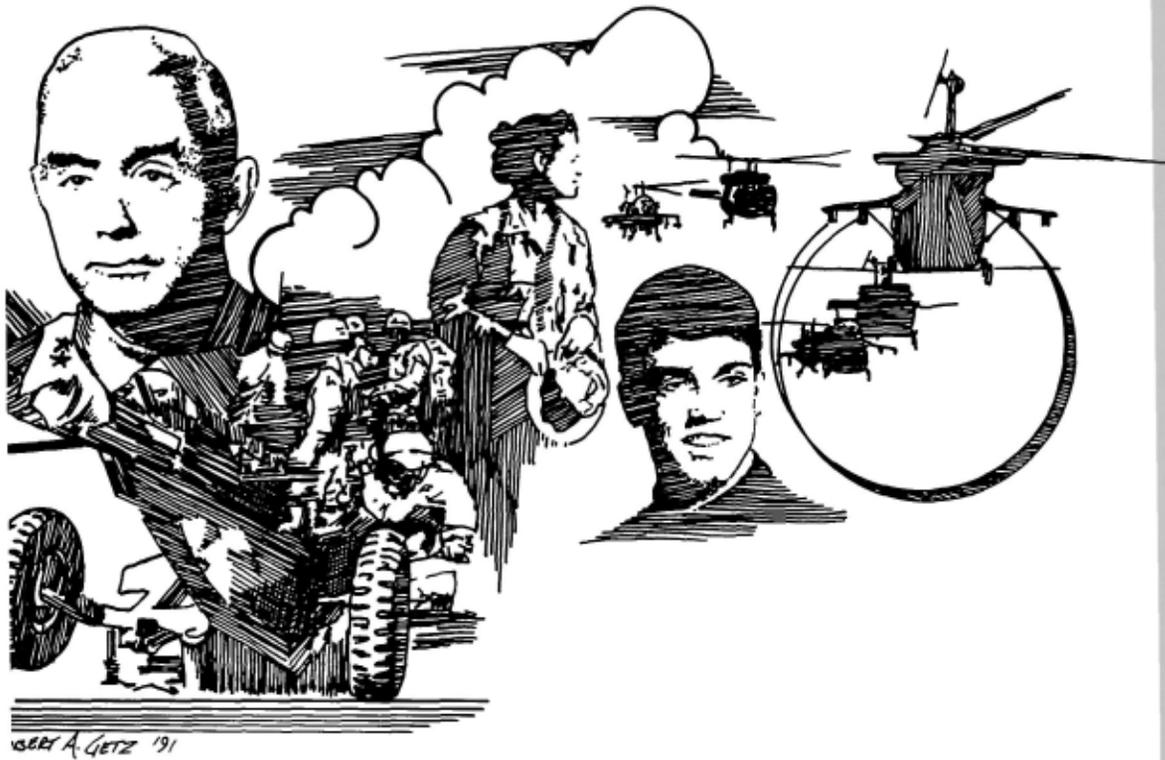
The War in the Persian Gulf was a masterful campaign in every respect — strategic, tactical and logistical. The planning and execution were brilliant. And our USMA graduates were involved at every echelon, from the senior commander down to the platoons, carrying out their varied assignments as true professionals. Graduates commanded a corps, divisions, brigades, battalions, companies and platoons, and served at all staff levels. They were key members of transportation, supply, medical, and chemical units. One-hundred-forty young leaders of the Class of 1990

found themselves in battle less than 10 months following graduation.

Although the extent of the participation of USMA graduates has emerged in the class columns for the last two or three issues with the mention of classmates, sons and daughters, grandsons and granddaughters, ASSEMBLY felt that it would be appropriate to highlight this participation with a special feature. We solicited photographs, largely through the class scribes. The response was encouraging and much appreciated; the photos received are those included here. The theme is obvious — that West Point

made a profound contribution to the success of the operation with classes represented in many ways. We can take great pride in the roles our graduates and their progeny played. The intent of this article is, of course, to be representative, certainly not all inclusive.

Sadly, three of our members were among the fallen: 1LT Tommie W. Bates, Class of 1986; 1LT Donaldson P. Tillar, III, Class of 1988; and 2LT Kathleen M. Sherry, Class of 1989. Our heartfelt condolences are extended to the families of these young officers.



in the PERSIAN GULF



General H. Norman Schwarzkopf (USMA 1956), commander-in-chief of US Central Command; he established his forward headquarters in Saudi Arabia in Aug 1990 as theater commander of all US forces in the Persian Gulf region.



LTG Frederick M. Franks, Jr. (USMA 1959) has commanded VII Corps in Germany since Aug 1989; he deployed his corps to Saudi Arabia in Dec during the 2nd phase of the buildup; the VII Corps played a significant role in the ground war.



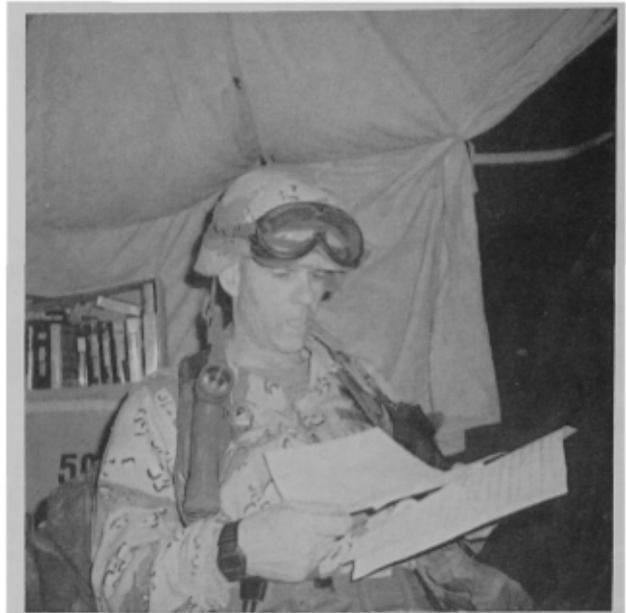
MG James H. Johnson, Jr. (USMA 1960) took command of the 82nd Abn Div in Oct 1988 and deployed with the division to Saudi Arabia in Aug 90.



MG Barry R. McCaffrey (USMA 1964) is commander of the 24th Inf Div (Mech) and its home base, Ft. Stewart; the div deployed to Saudi Arabia in Sep 90.



LTC Cal Benedict (USMA 1971), Bde XO, 101st Airborne Div; his father, MG Calvert P. Benedict, Ret (USMA 1946) participated in the Korean and Vietnam actions; his grandfather, Charles C. Benedict (USMA 1915), who died in an air accident in 1925, participated in World War I.



LTC George S. Eyster IV, CO, 1st Bn, 159th Avn Regt after an Apache mission. He is the son of George S. Eyster, Jr. (USMA 1945), KIA in RVN; the grandson of BG George S. Eyster (USMA 1917); and the stepson of BG Frank Linnell (USMA 1941).



LT J. Mark Berrigan, USMC, grand-nephew of BG Paul D. Berrigan, Ret. (USMA 1927). LT Berrigan was stationed in the Gulf as a platoon leader from Sep 90–Mar 91.



1LTs Dave Griffith, Don Smith and Mickey Nocera, D Co, 1/187th Inf, 3d Bde, 101st Abn Div (Air Assault), Saudi Arabia, Jan 91. LT Smith is the son of Donald B. (Skip) Smith (USMA 1956) and the grandson of BG Donald B. Smith (USMA 1928) and also MG Samuel E. Gee (USMA 1933).



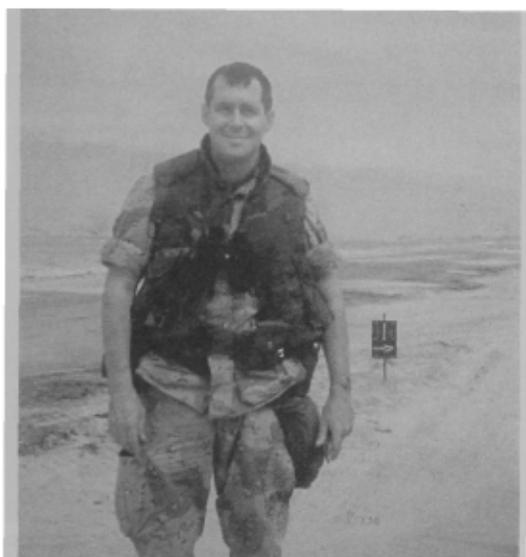
CPTs Russell G. (USMA 1982) and Susan (Reinhard—USMA 1984) Robertson in front of Susan's CP in the Saudi Arabian desert, Feb 91. Russell is the son of MG George R. Robertson, Ret (USMA 1958) and grandson of Lawrence B. Babcock (USMA 1932). Susan is the daughter of COL Donald R. Reinhard (USMA 1959) and sister of Karl E. (USMA 1982) and Elaine (USMA 1986) Reinhard.



CPT William M. Pedersen (USMA 1982), son of Millard Pedersen (USMA 1958) and grandson of Maynard Pedersen (USMA 1935). He is here pictured with his company of 82nd Airborne Div troopers at Raffa Airfield waiting for their air assault into Iraq on 24 Feb.



SSG James W. Yahraes, Gulf War Redleg; he is the grandson of Lawrence K. White (USMA 1933).



MAJ Bill Kern, VMI 1975, in Iraq; the son of COL W. B. Kern, Ret (USMA 1934), he served as S-3, 702nd Trans Bn. His wife Elizabeth is a Res LT and supported the mobilization and deployment of USAR units from Ft. Bragg to Saudi Arabia.



MG Barry McCaffrey (USMA 1964), CG, 24th Inf Div (Mech), with his son, CPT Sean McCaffrey, U of Wash, Co C, 2nd Bn/325 AIR, 82nd Abn Div, near Abqaiq, Saudi Arabia before initiation of the ground assault. Barry is the son of William McCaffrey (USMA 1939); his father-in-law is Lyman Faulkner (USMA 1941).



LTC Harry V. Ellis, III (right) with MAJ Little, MC in HQ and supply room in Saudi Arabia. They are members of the 12th Med Det; their Res unit is one of two preventive medicine units in the Army. LTC Ellis is the son of Harry V. Ellis, Jr (USMA 1941).



COL Scott W. Hyatt, Deputy J-1, Plans & Manpower, US-CENTCOM, being promoted by LTG Cal Waller. Scott is the stepson-in-law of BG Frank Linnell (USMA 1941).



LTC John S. Brown (USMA 1971), CO, 2nd Bn, 66th Arm, attached to the 1st Inf Div is the son of COL Horace M. Brown, Jr, Ret (USMA 1941). The 1st Div was on the right flank of VII Corps in its sweep through Iraq.



LTC Robert F. Seedlock, Jr, Asst. Chief of Staff of Ops, 332 Med Bde, is the son of MG Robert F. Seedlock, Ret (USMA 1937).



MAJ Robert J. Foster (USMA x-1976), Logistics Planning Officer, USARCENT MAIN (G-4) during Desert Storm; he is the son of MG Hugh F. Foster, Jr, Ret (USMA 1941).



2LT Jonathan E. Ulsaker (USMA 1989) commanded a platoon in Co D, 1/64th Armored Regt, 2nd Bde, 24th Inf Div (Mech). He (right front) is shown here with his tank crew somewhere in the Arabian desert before the onset of the "100 hours" ground war. His unit was in the vanguard of the rapid dash to the Euphrates River, fought a pitched battle with the Republican Guards and took the Jaibah Airfield. Jonathan is the son of COL Carl C. Ulsaker, Ret (USMA 1942).



CPT Marc E. Stalnaker, USAF, son of George W. Stalnaker (USMA 1941). Marc checks his F-16 bomb load prior to a mission against the Iraqi Republican Guard in Kuwait. He flew 37 missions, nearly all at night, often with two missions a night.



CPT Craig A. MacVeigh, USMC, Univ. of Wash NROTC 1980, on break from round-the-clock maintenance of Marine Corps fighter aircraft (Harriers), Saudi Arabia, Christmas 1990; he arrived 9 Aug. Craig is the son of COL C. Stuart MacVeigh, Ret (USMA Jan 1943).



Allen Meighen and John Foldberg, USMC rifle company commanders who commanded their units on the rapid assault up through Kuwait. Coincidentally, their fathers, George Meighen and Dan Foldberg (both USMA 1951), were in the same company in the 15th Regt, 3d Inf Div in Korea in 1952.



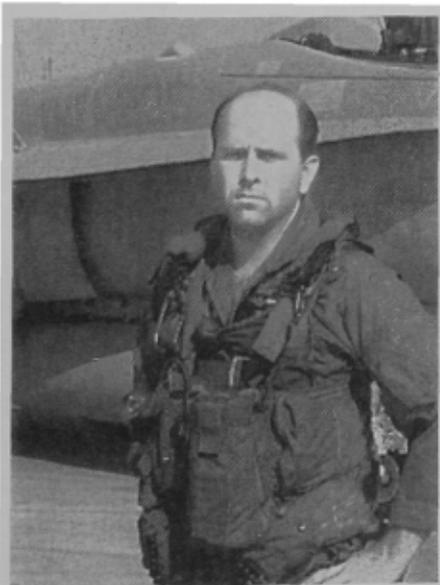
LT John (Jack) K. McMullen, F-15C pilot, in Saudi Arabia; he is the son of Tom McMullen (USMA 1951).



Jack Kern visits LTC Bob Candido at VII Corps Hq in Saudi Arabia (both are VMI 1970); they are son and son-in-law respectively of COL W. B. Kern, Ret (USMA 1934). Jack, chief, Equipment and Readiness Div., HQDA, on TDY in Saudi Arabia, visited both Bill Kern and Bob Candido. Melanie, Jack's wife, also a HQDA employee, helped develop automated logistics systems which were tested in Saudi Arabia.



LT (now CPT) Thomas C. McMullen (above), a C-22 pilot, and younger brother Jack (top right), who flew an F-15C, were stationed 100 miles apart in Saudi Arabia, but were unable to get together. They are sons of Tom McMullen (USMA 1951).



CPT James L. Stalnaker, USMC, nephew of George W. Stalnaker (USMA 1941), prepares to fly his F-18 against Iraqi Republican Guard positions. He flew a total of 36 combat missions.



LT(SG) Andrew P. Shelter (USNA 1982), son of John Shelter (USMA 1954), is a member of Mobile Inshore Undersea Warfare Unit 202 out of Portsmouth, NH. His unit provided surveillance and anti-terrorist defense in Bahrain and Kuwait. Andrew's civilian employment is with Raytheon, working on the Patriot missile system.



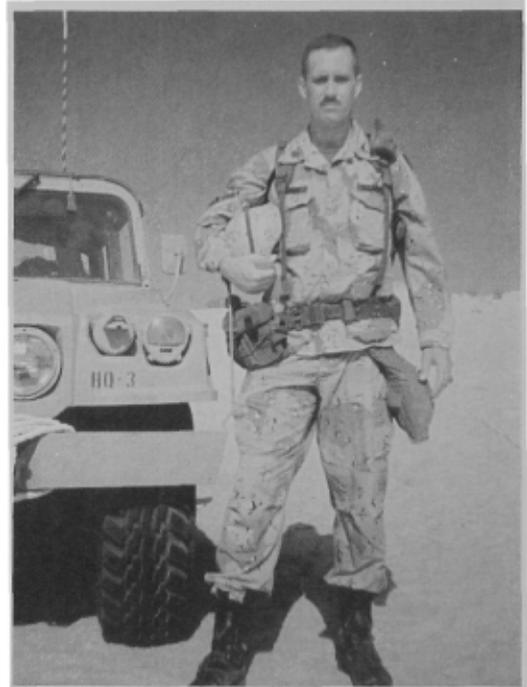
COL (P) Walt Mather (USMA 1967), commander, 1st Bde, 24th Inf Div (Mech); COL Doug Starr (USMA 1967), commander, 3d Arm Cav Regt; COL Paul Kern (USMA 1967), commander, 2nd Bde, 24th Inf Div (Mech); at Mather's departure from command (15 Dec 90) to become Chief of Staff, XVIII Airborne Corps for the remainder of Desert Storm.



LTC Robert Lossius (USMA 1972) (far left), MG Johnson (USMA 1960) (left rear), BG Timmons (right rear), COL Rokosz (far right), and Div HHC Commandant (back to photographer), Saudi Arabia, Oct. 90.



LT Jeff Macklin (USMA 1989), son of COL J. E. Macklin, Ret (USMA 1948), beside his tent in Saudi Arabia, Sep 90.



MAJ Mark Doody, Norwich 1979, S-3 of a tank bn in Saudi Arabia, son of COL J. J. Doody, Ret (USMA 1948).



Long way from the Plain: COL Charles G. (Chuck) Suttin, Jr. (USMA 1967), the CO of the 6th Signal Command in Saudi Arabia/Iraq, with American news reporters in Riyadh. COL Suttin, in the Middle East since August 90, was a key player in the establishment of C-E in Saudi since the arrival of American troops in the theater. (Army photo by Wrenne Timberlake.)



COL Ralph D. Locurcio (USMA 1965) briefs Secretary of the Army Stone at a port facility outside Kuwait City in mid-March. Locurcio is heading up the Engineer-supervised effort to rebuild Kuwait.



BG William J. Mullen III (USMA 1959) and LTC (P) James D. Mullen (USMA 1969). Bill commands 1st Div Fwd in Göppingen, Germany; he was in Saudi to set up reception and in-country processing for the Big Red One. Jim is battalion commander of 6/101 Avn Regt of the 101st Abn Div (Air Assault). They are the sons of William J. Mullen (USMA 1934).



Some members of the USMA Class of 1989 at Founders Day celebration, Kuwait City, 20 March 1991.



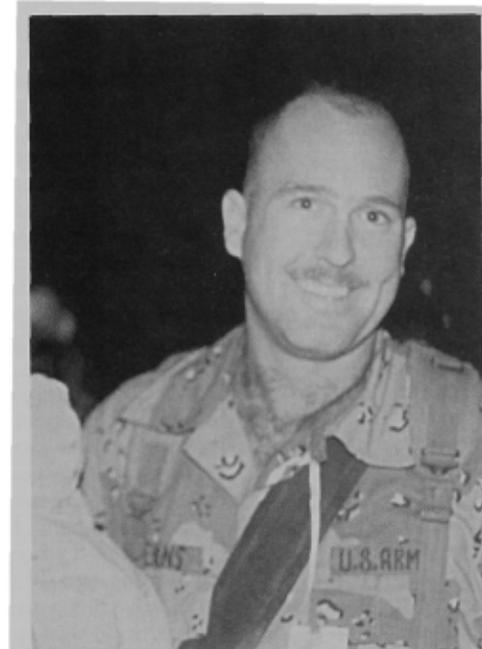
Sand table briefing by CPT Steve Peterson (USMA 1982).



Some members of the USMA Class of 1975 at Founders Day celebration, Kuwait City, 20 March 1991.



Some members of the USMA Class of 1983 at Founders Day celebration, Kuwait City, 20 March 1991.



SFC William Shaun Evans served with the 82nd Abn Div in Saudi Arabia and Iraq for 8 months; he returned to Ft. Bragg on Easter weekend. He is the grandson of COL William F. Northam, Ret (USMA 1934).



Address to the USMA Class of 1991

West Point, New York, 23 April 1991

by General Carl E. Vuono,
Chief of Staff, United States Army

Let me begin my remarks tonight by paying tribute to the groundbreaking work of Dave Palmer—a soldier and a leader who has designed the architecture that will carry the Military Academy far into the 21st Century. I know all of you join me in expressing appreciation to General Palmer and congratulations to General Howard Graves as he now prepares to assume the responsibilities of Superintendent.

Men and women of the Class of 1991, I am delighted to be with you this evening. It may be sometimes difficult to recognize the importance of this august institution as you fight the arctic wind that whistles off the Hudson in the winter or knock out hours on the area in the spring. But West Point is, in fact, a national treasure that has shaped the very fiber of America. Many of the towering leaders of industry who have built this nation, and the great captains of battle who have defended it, began their rise to prominence on the Plain and in the classrooms of West Point.

And for each of you seated here tonight, West Point has a far more personal meaning. For it is the crucible of fire and steel in which your character has been molded, and your years of cadet gray will be of profound importance in determining what you will become. Wherever you go, and whatever your future, you will always be known—first and foremost—as men and women of West Point, bound to a tradition of selfless service and to those simple words that capture the essence of the American spirit: Duty, Honor, Country.

As a soldier, I am proud of what you have achieved to be seated here tonight; as an American, I respect the values that you exemplify, and as a graduate of the Class of 1957, I honor the traditions that you now carry forth.

As you now approach the end of your apprenticeship, I want to pause and re-

flect with you on the profession that you have chosen and the paths that you will take. For you are about to embark on a new course in your lives, bearing the mantle of that proudest of American institutions—West Point. And you are now poised on the edge of the noblest of all professions—the profession of arms—at the advent of a new era in the human

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experience. It is an era alive with opportunity but also rife with challenges as the world comes to grips with the collapse of the Soviet Empire and the emergence of the United States as the sole remaining superpower.

At no time in two generations have the power and reach of the United States been more vividly demonstrated than in the sands of the Persian Gulf where the armed forces of many countries took an historic step toward a new world order. DESERT STORM was, above all else, a victory for the community of nations and for the future of humanity. For, let there be no doubt. If the world had allowed Iraq's aggression to go unpunished; if the United Nations had turned its back on the plunder of Kuwait; if the United States had shown itself to be unable or unwilling to assert global leadership, the world would have been plunged back into the seemingly endless cycle of violence that has been our tragic heritage for ten thousand years.

Instead, because of the valor of young Americans—Americans like Lieutenants Bryan Newman, Kathy Stewart, and Chad Lamond who sat in your seats only 12 months ago—the community of nations now has a unique opportunity to leash the dogs of war and to give peace a chance. This is the ultimate impact of DESERT STORM and the final legacy of

96 valiant soldiers who sacrificed the last full measure of their being for their country.

INTO THE FUTURE

As I stand here before you, I am drawn back to my own past—to a similar setting 34 years ago when I sat with my class listening to the words of General Maxwell Taylor. Your thoughts—like mine were in days gone by—are a swirling vortex, ranging across a wide spectrum of concerns—personal and professional. And uppermost in each of your minds are the 37 days until June 1.

But, in the midst of your concerns about the immediate future, remember that there is life after graduation. In the course of the next three decades, the American people expect you to successfully confront the pressing issues of our time. Many of you will ascend to positions of great responsibility in shaping the destiny of our nation.

From your ranks will come the Lees and Grants, the Pershings and MacArthurs, the Ridgways and the Abrams and, yes, the Schwarzkopfs, and the Franks of the third millennium. For, if classes of the past are a model, some 35 of you sitting in front of me tonight will one day wear the stars of a general officer. I know that each of you is now thinking, "I wonder who the other 34 are?"

Inevitably, though, your thoughts will always come back to that most daunting of questions: what kind of Army am I to join? The answer to that question when I joined the ranks in 1957 was very different than your answer today. For, in the late 1950s, the Army was still reeling from the impact of the Korean War which had ended but four years earlier. It was a draft Army—an uncertain Army that faced a Soviet Union on the rise. As I reflect upon that Army, I find it difficult to capture its identity.

You face no such problems today. For you are joining a trained and ready Army that is the finest fighting force this nation has ever fielded and arguably the best in the world. And it is a Total Army—a winning team of active forces, U.S. Army Reserves, and the National Guard—that has now demonstrated its capabilities in the three great victories of this genera-

tion. JUST CAUSE in Panama, DESERT STORM, and the Cold War, a forty-year struggle for the continent of Europe which we won without firing a shot, are all triumphs of the human spirit and of the principles for which this nation stands.

At a deeper level, you will join an Army of change and continuity—change driven by a revolution in the international environment and continuity rooted in the enduring values and capabilities that are the Army's very soul. Because both change and continuity are central to the Army of tomorrow, and to each of you as you move forward to fulfill your destiny, I want to dwell for a moment on each.

Let us begin with change. I know that change is not a new concept to any of you. Indeed, there have been few classes better prepared to deal with change than the Class of 1991. You have had four years of practical experience. And you will have ample opportunity to put that experience to work. Indeed, it is one of those ironies in life that historians love that, on the same day that Saddam Hussein began his adventure in national suicide by invading Kuwait, President Bush was on the other side of the world announcing the most sweeping change in America's national military strategy in forty years.

This change in strategy—from containment of the Soviet Union to the projection of American power worldwide—has profound implications for the Army that you are about to join. It is a strategy in which the United States Army will play a central part. For, as was so vividly demonstrated on the battlefields of Iraq and Kuwait, the Army remains the ultimate arbiter of conflict and the final instrument of national defense.

The words of the historian, T. R. Fehrenbach, written nearly three decades ago, echo powerfully in our nation's latest triumph. He said, "You may fly over a land forever, you may bomb it, pulverize it, and wipe it clean of life. But if you desire to take it, defend it and keep it, you must do this on the ground, the way the Roman Legions did, by putting your young men in the mud."

As we contemplate this reality, we must now shape our force within the guidelines of a vision for the future—a vision that provides the threads of continuity as we weave our way through an uncertain future. It is a vision of a trained and ready Army today and tomorrow, capable of fulfilling its strategic destiny anytime, anywhere. This vision, when sifted through the filter of our national strategy, dictates that the Army sustain the fundamental characteristics of versatility, deployability, expandability, and lethality.

We must be versatile and able to respond to a multiplicity of threats in multiple theaters while drawing from a

smaller pool of forces. We must be deployable and able to project massive combat power rapidly to any place in the world. We must be expandable—able to grow rapidly to respond to a resurgent Soviet threat or to the outbreak of global hostilities. And we must be lethal—able to triumph on any battlefield, at any time. For let there be no doubt—amidst a host of important functions—the ultimate purpose of our Army is to fight and win the wars of our nation.

That is the Army you are about to join—an Army resting on the solid foundation of a set of fundamental imperatives that define what we are today and what we must be tomorrow. These im-

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peratives are now embedded throughout the length and breadth of the Army and have a profound influence of the tasks you are about to undertake. They include first and foremost, a quality force. Today, the Army has achieved unprecedented levels of quality. And that is the basis upon which rests the entire structure of our national defense.

The second imperative is an effective warfighting doctrine—the principles by which we fight in battle. Third is the appropriate mix of armored, light, and special operations forces. Fourth is tough, realistic training, the highest priority for the Army in the field. Fifth is the imperative of continuous modernization that pushes back the frontiers of technology.

Finally, and most significantly for each of you here, is the unrelenting imperative of leader development. For this is the era of the "Come as You Are" war. And from the day you don the uniform of your nation, you must be prepared to march to the sound of the guns. There will be little warning to the conflicts in the decades ahead—you will have no time to develop as leaders once the war begins.

Last year, I spoke to your predecessors, the Class of 1990, and I spoke of uncertainty and the profession of arms. Less than 10 months later, one hundred

and forty of those young leaders were tasting the sting of battle, standing toe to toe with the fourth largest Army in the world.

Lieutenant Mark Stock, Class of 1989 and a veteran of battle, wrote of the surprise of the operation. "On the night of 30 July," he said, "we jumped into the JRTC at Ft. Chaffee on a routine training exercise. On 6 August, halfway through the operation, we received orders. Less than a week later, we were in Saudi Arabia, facing the prospects of going straight into combat."

Another young officer said in a letter to his wife as he confronted the perils of a war no one expected, "I thank God that I was ready. On the eve of battle, I want you to know how grateful I am for everything everyone did to prepare me for the trials of combat." With simple eloquence, this summarizes the imperative of leader development—a task to which you must devote yourselves, now and in the future.

Those are the imperatives, and they define the Army as we move into a future that we can only dimly see. For those of you that feel frustrated or unfulfilled at having missed DESERT STORM, you would do well to heed the words of Plato, whispered to us from across the ages, "Only the dead have seen the end of war."

PROFESSIONALISM

Your challenge—as you cross the Rubicon into your adult lives—is not to predict the conflicts of the next century. It is to build in yourselves the capability to answer the call of the American people whenever and wherever the next conflict arises. And that requires each of you—first and foremost—to dedicate yourselves to professionalism.

It is not an exciting word—"professionalism." It does not thunder from the mouths of the world's great orators. But, as humble a word as it may be, it is a commanding concept that defines everything you can be, everything you must be, and everything you shall be. It is professionalism that won in the deserts of Iraq and Kuwait; it is professionalism that is woven throughout the entire fabric of our nation's security. And it is professionalism that must become your personal creed—a shining badge of honor that you proudly burnish throughout a lifetime of service.

The professionalism that you must now seek has its roots in three fundamental characteristics that have been persuasively validated in the iron test of combat. First, you must be competent in the art of war and expert in the profession of arms. Let others concern themselves with the great issues of our times—yours is the sacred task of leading American soldiers in battle against

the enemies of our nation. You must constantly sharpen your warfighting skills on the whetstone of experience so that you can lead your soldiers with confidence and ability.

Such competence does not grow overnight. It is carefully cultivated in a garden watered by the sweat—and sometimes the tears—born of plain, hard work. Nor does competence reside within the gold bars that will be pinned on your shoulders in but two months time. You must acquire it from the sources of knowledge and experience that are the foundation of the Army of today.

And the most important of these for each of you—more important than the schools, the courses, and the lectures you will receive—is the corps of non-commissioned officers that lead in our Army—sergeants who are the finest in our nation's history. In those first few uncertain moments as you approach a sergeant for counsel and wisdom, remember that every successful commander began his climb with the simple words, "Sergeant, show me how."

The importance of competence has been reaffirmed in battles beyond number. And it had its most recent expression in the triumph of DESERT STORM—the most complex military operation in nearly half a century. You heard the stirring words of your former First Captain, Lieutenant Mark Jennings, on the exploits of the 24th Division. Consider, as well, the performance of General Freddy Franks' VII Corps. In early November, the officers, sergeants, and soldiers of this corps were in Europe, oriented on the still-significant threat from the Soviet Union.

Then, in the span of but three months, they moved the corps by rail, air, land, and sea across an entire continent, marched 300 kilometers across the desert, hooked through southern Iraq and crushed the elite of the Iraqi army. That level of competence was the standard in every soldier, unit, and leader who fought in the Gulf and who man the ramparts of freedom throughout the world.

But competence alone is not enough. The profession of arms requires that you be responsible as well—responsible for yourselves, for your units, and for every soldier you lead. There are no weekends or holidays for responsibility—it does not end when you go home at night. It is with you through every minute of every day of your entire life. As a leader in America's Army, you are entrusted with our nation's most valued asset—its sons and daughters who have voluntarily elected to serve their country.

And what kind of soldiers are they? They are soldiers who fight with ferocious resolve and then treat with tenderness those displaced by war. They are soldiers who blow apart Iraqi tanks and

then administer life-saving measures to the wounded enemy prisoners. They are soldiers who go from Operation DESERT STORM to Operation PROVIDE COMFORT and Task Force FREEDOM. They are soldiers who capture the essence of America: courageous in war, compassionate in peace, and committed to the defense of the nation. In the words of a young private, flush with victory, "The Iraqis learned what so many others already knew: American soldiers are good friends but we are also bad enemies."

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The extent of your responsibility to such men and women is captured in the lofty words of a young George S. Patton when he said, "You are responsible for the conduct of your men in battle and for their well-being when the battle ends. You must be the last man to take shelter, the last to warm yourself by the fire, and the last to look to your own comfort at the close of the day."

And it was captured in the simple acts of leadership in the desert: a sergeant, bone-weary after a long and arduous patrol, who ensured that his soldiers were fed and his perimeter manned before caring for his own blistered feet; a corporal who wrote in a letter to the mother of one of his soldiers on the eve of battle, "Don't worry, ma'am. My job is to bring your son home alive. And I'm gonna do it;" and a lieutenant, who would later win the silver star, advising his college friends, "Remember to always take care of your soldiers before anything else." These were leaders who understood—at the very depth of their souls—the essence of professional responsibility.

Finally, you must be committed—

committed to the Army and to the defense of the nation. It is commitment that lends meaning to sacrifice; it is commitment that brings honor to personal achievement. And it is commitment that gives every professional the strength to prevail against the perils and tribulations of life.

It is this commitment that binds together the profession of arms into a cohesive fighting unit—capable of overcoming the natural fears of battle. Lieutenant Bill Walski, Class of 1989, wrote in the aftermath of combat, "Once we locked and loaded and set the screen line, I actually knew what fear was. But I also found out that courage is indeed born of comradeship and commitment, as I knew that 15 other guys were depending upon me." That is what the Army is all about.

And, on a day not long from now, you will take an oath to "support and defend the Constitution," an oath of commitment to a concept of government that enshrines personal liberty and is dedicated to the dignity of human life.

Those three qualities—competence, responsibility, and commitment—embody the essence of professionalism. It is this professionalism that separates the profession of arms from every other walk of life and stands as a mighty bulwark against the onslaught of a complex and dangerous world. And it is this professionalism that you must adopt in the inner sanctum of your soul as you move forward into a brave, new world.

CONCLUSION

Tonight, as we share this special evening together, we look upon the Army through different sides of the same lens. For me, this is my last spring in the uniform of the American soldier. I have seen the ebb and flow of the Army—the triumphs and the tragedies of our profession. And I see the richness and the strength that is the Army of today—a limitless horizon of opportunity and fulfillment, and a profession steeped in a tradition of honor.

As I look into your faces tonight, I am proud of what the Army has become, and I am filled with confidence in our future. For you have shown yourselves to be worthy heirs to the legacy of the Long Gray Line. One day, someone amongst you may well stand where I stood this afternoon as I reviewed the unbroken ranks of the Corps for the final time.

It is my solemn prayer that you will pass to your successors an Army that is as magnificent as that which I am entrusting to you.

That is your charge. That is your mission. Go forward now to serve the American people. "Duty shall be done."

Thank you, and God bless America's Army.

Reflections of a 7th Cavalry Sailor

by William J. Stewart
USNA 1963



I suspect a limited number of Naval Academy graduates are members of the associations of both the 1st Cavalry Division and 101st Airborne Division. The War in the Gulf has resurrected feelings from another war in another place which belatedly I would like to share with the Association of Graduates. My tour in Vietnam as a naval gunfire spotter and liaison officer convinced me that I had been permitted to graduate from USNA with too little knowledge about our sister services. The rivalry between the two senior service academies was always emphasized, but the necessity for interservice cooperation and knowledge about other services were not major topics in our naval history or operations classes. It is routine for a graduate to compliment his own school but perhaps it may be of some interest why this sailor has become an unabashed admirer of both the U.S. Army and its Academy.

In January of 1966 Operation Masher (soon renamed the less bellicose "White Wing") commenced just south of the I Corps/II Corps border in the vicinity of Bong Son. Lieutenant Colonel Hal

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Lieutenant (JG) William Stewart, USN, El Toro Drop Zone, Kaneohe, Hawaii, August 1965.

Moore, USMA 1945, had not long before returned to An Khe from his apocalyptic Battle of the Ia Drang with the first battalion of the 7th Cav. Stationed in Pleiku at the time, and completely out of harm's way, I had seen Moore's men return from the campaign. Neither its significance nor the details of the battle were known to me then, but for the first time since being in country I experienced, viscerally, the essence of the American infantryman (if one who did not participate in his combat can do so). These men looked to this twenty-four-year-old sailor as if they had been excreted from the earth. Their fatigues had metamorphosed to a sort of yellow/green color. Apparently the battle had, temporarily, deprived them of their visual ra-

cial characteristics. I couldn't tell who was brown or black, red or white or yellow. They all, each of them, had taken on a strange earthen color. Maybe this is what Pickett's Virginians looked like after The Charge or after Chamberlain's regiment held Little Round Top, or how all the combatants looked at the end of the melee in the Wilderness. Now when I meet a veteran of the Ia Drang, I think of an archer who drew his bow at Hastings or a sailor who served on the USS *Enterprise* in World War II or a 1st Division soldier at Omaha Beach or a scared teenager at the Devil's Den or a marine at Belleau Wood or a paratrooper at Ste. Mere Eglise. In sum, I am reminded of great conflicts of great moment where scared young (and some older) men met the test. It was in this November of 1965 where I began to see the Army for what it was, a professional fighting force engaged in a very difficult and frequently lethal business. Yes, this is obvious, you say and you are right, but it is not obvious to a midshipman . . . but it should be made to be so. Because out of understanding breeds respect and out of respect breeds cooperation that keeps our people alive.

In Bong Son or more correctly near the nearly destroyed church outside of Bong Son, I represented naval gunfire at the morning briefing. I, by then, knew that the 7th Cavalry traced its lineage to the Little Big Horn and earlier. A tall, thin, blond colonel got up and addressed us. "Gentlemen, we lost men to friendly fire yesterday. This will not happen again." This was my first encounter with Colonel Moore, 3rd brigade commander, 1st Cavalry Division. I knew it was not naval gunfire that caused this tragedy, but it was a lesson I never forgot about show-



Montagnard women at Captain William Carpenter's, USMA 1960, award ceremony, Pleiku, 1966.

ing genuine concern for your men and about what mistakes in combat can do. I left the briefing tent feeling I was in the presence of greatness. Twenty-five years later I think I was right. Sometimes, even today, I am hesitant to mention my role as a naval gunfire spotter when speaking with an infantryman. I fear that I might be told that our "friendly fire" (an oxymoron to be sure) killed an American or somehow didn't live up to expectations. I haven't been told that yet, but I guess I might be some day. We did our best and our corporate knowledge about how best to support ground troops was nearly zero when we arrived in-country in the summer of 1965. At Bong Son and points north and south we supported with naval gunfire not only the Cav but also the Vietnamese Rangers. Captain Lyle F. King, USMA 1960, was killed in the highlands while advising the Rangers in February of 1966 just after the Masher Operation. His body was brought back to Pleiku by his Rangers and a Naval Academy classmate of mine, Ed Brady, who was one of nine of our class to take a commission in the Army after graduation. I guess by then I viewed myself, perhaps, as more of a trooper than a sailor though I didn't realize it at the time. One evening a cruiser, new to the gunline, announced that it was departing station to get mail (and certainly other supplies as well). This cruiser was the only supporting arms available to a small Army unit (absent an air strike). The two Marine officers aboard the ship were apoplectic because they knew more than anyone else what the potential effect of this unnecessary maneuver might be (the ship was not critically low on ammo or fuel oil). I helicoptered out to the ship and there was a scene in the wardroom as this very upset junior grade lieutenant took on the four stripe captain. I don't think the skipper of the cruiser purposely endangered the lives of the troops he was supporting, but I do think he was



Captain William Carpenter (the Lonely End), USMA 1960, at Vietnamese award ceremony, Pleiku, 1966 (same action for which he won DSC with the 101st Airborne).

ignorant of the consequences of his actions in removing his ship from its station. If he had seen the troops coming in from the Ia Drang or heard Colonel Moore he would have known the consequences as I then did.

We ran short of spotters and eventually I used the two Marine officers aboard the cruiser as well as requisitioning two Marines who were acting as clerks in Saigon. The clerks were attached to Lieutenant Colonel Schwarzkopf's, USMA 1956, Vietnamese rangers. (He has to be the same Schwarzkopf who now has Central Command in the Gulf, but he can comment on that when he has the time to do so upon his return.) My Marines were a little weak on gunfire spotting procedures during a hectic night in which, as I recall, Colonel Schwarzkopf got the Silver Star. Again, out of harm's way, I stood in a monsoon and tried to smooth out things between the Marines and the supporting gunfire ship by acting as a sort of translator on the radio so that the naval shells would be directed to the right place. By now things were working better in terms of the Navy's understanding of its supporting arms role. I put my two enlisted Marines in for the bronze star which they received while under Schwarzkopf's command. During the same operation USS *Blue* fired illumination rounds all night for, I was later told, Captain Peter Dawkins, USMA 1959, while he, too, was advising some Vietnamese troops.

Later we used naval gunfire to support the 101st at Tuy Hoa and Phan Thiet. I had gone through Army Airborne School at Schofield Barracks. (During the Vietnam War some sailors and marines already stationed in the Pacific went through jump school at Schofield or in Okinawa). I hoped I might jump with the famed 101 but it was not to be; the 173rd Airborne Brigade made the only large scale combat jump of the war as I recall. I did jump twice with the Vietnamese but only in a training, non-combat, capacity.



The author with a visitor from home (San Diego County), light heavyweight boxing champ Archie Moore, Pleiku, 1966.

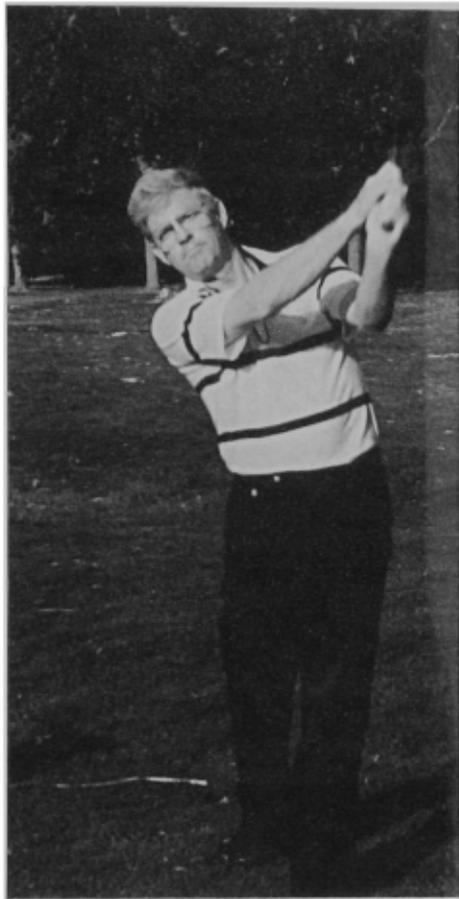


Airlift for wounded Huey, Bong Son.

Later, I chanced to meet Lieutenant General Moore in Washington at a Cav reunion in 1989. He was most gracious and in the space of a couple of hours explained the battles of the Ia Drang and Bong Son to me. It was an honor to speak with him. I went back to my hotel room, looked over the Potomac and, once again, realized I had been in the presence of greatness.

Now when I watch the Army game and see a Cav or 101 patch on the shoulders of the players (a great idea, by the way) I get a lump in my throat. I think of an institution that provided this sailor with role models of unparalleled magnitude. I am proud of my school and its service and equally proud of its chief rival and its service. There are only three hours in the fall when I am not West Point's biggest booster. This is as it should be. The high honor of my life was serving, under sometimes difficult circumstances, with the two best divisions in the United States Army.

Bogeys, Birdies & Bert



Bert Yancey, USMA, X-1961

I recently met with a former classmate to catch up on old times; his name is Albert Yancey. In old L-2 Company, we called him "Al;" today he is much better known as Bert Yancey, the PGA professional golfer. A lot has happened to him over the years, some of it great . . . some of it not so great.

In 1960, he was captain of the Army golf team and ranked right up there with Jack Nicklaus as one of the best golfers in the college ranks. It was our last year at West Point when we returned from our summer activities to embark on Reorganization Week. Initially, everything seemed to be going smoothly, but by Tuesday it was evident Al was "not quite right." . . . he didn't sleep and would rant on about things that made no sense to anyone but him. Finally, we got him to see the golf coach and the head psychiatrist; he was immediately taken to the West Point hospital and then to the US

Army hospital at Valley Forge. He was honorably discharged and that was the last most of us saw or heard of Al until he turned up as "Bert" on the professional golf circuit a few years later.

The Class of 1961 has taken great pride in his many golfing endeavors, not the least of which was winning the Bing Crosby classic, almost winning the Master's, and holding the best putting record on the PGA circuit for eleven years. But, we also read and heard about some problems he faced as he had to deal with an illness most of us knew little about. While in the hospital, Bert was given shock therapy and various other measures to treat him. All most of us knew was that he had suffered a "mental breakdown," but had recuperated and was able to play golf again. By the mid-1970's, Bert's name started hitting the papers and news reports again, not for his golf prowess, but for a series of bizarre incidents for which he was at various times arrested, incarcerated, hospitalized, and put back into mental health institutions. That's the problem being a celebrity—Bert couldn't just hide—the whole world knew of his problems.

Somewhere along the line, Bert was finally diagnosed as being manic depressive (a disease only "labeled" in 1973), and was given the drug lithium to combat it. There was even a TV special highlighting the plight of Rosemary Clooney, Bert and others in their battles to overcome mental illness. But, it so happened that Bert did not respond well to lithium and in reality it did not adequately control his mania, so he continued on for years to battle the demons which taunted him. Since 1960, he has had 17 definable manic episodes which resulted in his being hospitalized on many different occasions. He could no longer compete on the PGA tour, so he became a teaching pro at Hilton Head.

Finally, by the 1980's, Bert's problems with lithium were discovered and he was put on a different medication . . . one which truly helps him control his illness. He joined the Senior PGA golf tour and can now be found traveling around the country 40+ weeks a year competing with the likes of Arnold Palmer, Lee Trevino, and Jack Nicklaus! Bert could earn a very comfortable living just teaching golf, but his competitive fires still burn so he eagerly awaits each weekly challenge on the Senior PGA tour.

The fact that Bert is playing competitive golf with the best in the world is not new. What I learned while he was in Southern California recently, is that while traveling all over the country golfing, he is also pursuing another even more important goal. He has formed *Bogeys, Birdies & Bert*, a group "for the education and support of depressive illnesses," and gives lectures and seminars on mental illness, and manic depression

in particular, to various groups around the country. It is amazing to watch people who are suffering with a mental illness relate to Bert—they can see and talk to someone famous who shows them that they too can beat their illnesses and can take charge of their lives. He is an inspiration to many who really do not have a "national spokesperson" or massive fund-raising telethons and projects. It is one thing to realize that many prominent people like Beethoven, Abraham Lincoln, and Winston Churchill may have suffered from manic depression. It is quite another to see someone who currently has this disease and is actively participating in a most vigorous and demanding position of professional athlete, but who is also willing to stand up and do whatever he can to help others who may be similarly afflicted.

I learned a lot from Bert—this is not just an illness, it is a disease and is thought to be genetically inherited. I had heard the word "manic" many times before, but I never really knew what it meant. Bert's manic depression is medically called bipolar, but he says he primarily became manic, which is sort of the opposite side of the coin from depression. He got very happy—"high" might be a better term—to the point of going out of control and becoming delusional. He's now able to perceive when these periods may onset, and he can control them with drugs and therapy, something he unfortunately could not do several years ago.

In an effort to spread the message about manic depression and mental illness, Bert puts on seminars, golfing clinics, tournaments and other charitable events to raise money to treat this illness, educate the public, and to help allay the fears in many people's minds about mental illness and what can be done to combat it. Most of us tend to think it is somebody else's problem and go out of our way to avoid having to deal with it. However, someone once said, "We are all crazy, it's just a matter of varying degrees." There is a lot that can be done to help fight mental illness. If you want to help, Bert can be contacted via:

Bogeys, Birdies & Bert
2000 South Dairy Ashford, Suite 340
Houston, Texas 77077
Phone: (713)-589-1549

Our hats are off to Bert. He was the first athlete representing the mentally ill selected for the President's Committee on Hiring the Handicapped. He has met many enemies and overcome them. We are proud of him as our classmate and as a shining example of someone who is holding a light to a picture many of us did not want to see.

Submitted by
Jack Campbell
Class of 1961

Keller Army Hospital Provides Vital Services to the West Point Community

by Linda G. Berman, Assistant Editor, ASSEMBLY

The medical needs of over 25,000 people—cadets and active-duty and retired soldiers and their family members—are met at West Point, thanks to the wide range of services offered at Keller Army Community Hospital, an active American Red Cross volunteer program, and most importantly, a highly qualified staff of physicians, over 25% of whom are USMA graduates.

The hospital is part of the Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC) at USMA. The Army Medical Department (AMD), of which MEDDAC is a part, is comprised of the Medical Corps (physicians); Dental Corps; Nurse Corps; Medical Services Corps (administrators of health care); Veterinarian Corps; and Army Medical Specialist Corps (dietitians, physical therapists, occupational therapists and other rehabilitative specialists).

MEDDAC serves a “catchment area” of approximately 25,000 people, including the Corps of Cadets, active-duty soldiers who support the Corps at West Point, their dependents, and retired soldiers and their families who reside within a 40-mile radius of the Military Academy. According to Captain Jeffrey L. Gaylord, Medical Company Commander and Public Affairs Officer, “MEDDAC’s mission—the reason we are here—is to support the Corps of Cadets.” Cadets are totally dependent on MEDDAC for all their healthcare needs, either directly or indirectly. If a medical service/treatment, such as a CT-scan, cannot be done at Keller Army Commu-

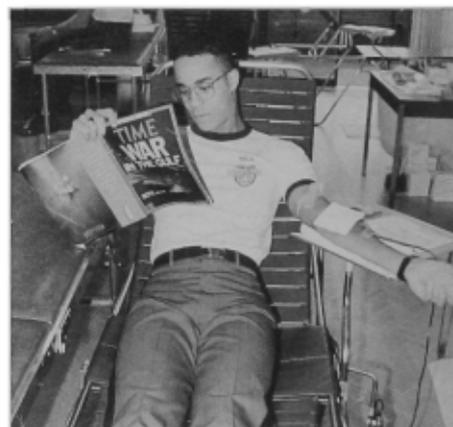


Keller Hospital, located near the Washington Gate entrance to the United States Military Academy.

nity Hospital, they will refer cadets to another facility. Besides maintaining the health of the West Point community, MEDDAC also provides immunizations, children’s vaccinations, and food inspections at all facilities on post, such as the Officers Club, Hotel Thayer, Cadet Mess and the Commissary. MEDDAC also supports two blood drives a year, one sponsored by the Hudson Valley Blood Program and the other by Walter Reed Medical Center.

MEDDAC also operates the Cadet Health Clinic (CHC); according to Colonel Livio F. Pardi, the MEDDAC Commander, its name may change in the days to come. Major General Lewis A. Mologne, USMA 1954, was the highest-ranking USMA Medical Corps officer in recent history. He held the position of Commanding General at Walter Reed Army Medical Center from 1983 until he died in August 1988. Since his death, there has been an ongoing effort to rename the Cadet Health Clinic the “Mologne Health Clinic” in honor of his important contributions to the field of medicine.

Keller Army Community Hospital moved from Building 606 to its present location just inside Washington Gate on 9 September 1977. Colonel Francis W. Fuselier, Deputy Commander for Clinical Services, offers some impressive sta-



Everybody at West Point’s annual military blood drive had the Persian Gulf War on his mind, including senior Cadet Ron Hall. Photo credit: PFC Don O’Brien.

tistics on the hospital’s patient load: MEDDAC averages 40 in-patients each day; treats 16,000 visitors on an out-patient basis in its clinics each month; performs 8,000 X-rays and 65,000 laboratory procedures each month; and fills 19,000 prescriptions a month in its pharmacy.

Colonel Fuselier added that the hospital offers a tremendous list of services to the West Point community: internal medicine; dermatology; general surgery; ophthalmology; optometry; oral surgery; ear, nose and throat specialty; urol-



CPT Jeffrey Gaylord, Medical Company Commander. (Note portrait of Keller in background.)



Aerial view of Keller Army Hospital.

ogy; OB/GYN; pediatrics; adolescent medicine; orthopaedics; podiatry; psychiatry and psychology; social work; family practice; emergency medicine; general practice; audiology; flight surgery; physical therapy; respiratory therapy; nutrition counseling; occupational health; community health nursing; and drug and alcohol treatment.

MEDDAC employs approximately 450 people at West Point—one of the single largest employers at the post. About 250 personnel are in the military; the other 200 are civilian employees. At this writing, since the outbreak of Operation Desert Storm, 32 of the military personnel have gone to Saudi Arabia.

These soldiers have been replaced by reservists coming on active duty, and military personnel who have returned—whether voluntarily or involuntarily—from retired status. Many doctors have been called back to active duty because of Operation Desert Storm. When Desert Storm is over, the deployed soldiers will return to West Point and rejoin the staff of Keller Hospital.

In response to Operation Desert Storm, Keller added eight beds, increasing the number from a 65- to a 73-bed facility, in preparation to take on patients if necessary.

Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC is the regional com-

mand for the Northeast Region's evacuation system, of which Keller is a part. Keller is also part of NDMS (the National Defense Medical System), which means that its facilities may be used in case of war or disaster. Many military hospitals, VA hospitals and civilian hospitals are all part of NDMS.

Keller Army Community Hospital has an active volunteer program; Brigadier General Stephen O. Fuqua, Jr. (Ret), USMA 1933, has been the acting volunteer station manager and advisor for many years. The corps of volunteers has increased from approximately 50 to over 200 volunteers since Mrs. Dana Seidl, chairman of volunteers for the American Red Cross at West Point, arrived in August 1990, in part because of the new program she created to meet the needs of the community. Mrs. Seidl stated that "volunteerism at West Point has increased due to patriotism; people want to do all they can to support the troops in Operation Desert Storm, including opening up their homes to the families left behind. The support is enormous." She said that she hopes to retain at least half of these volunteers—between 75 and 100—after Operation Desert Storm is over.

Family members of military personnel, retirees, businessmen from the community, policemen, paramedics, nurses, and lab and X-ray technicians are among those who belong to the volunteer program at the hospital. All have undergone a formal training program by the American Red Cross. According to Mrs. Seidl, "volunteers assist in every area of the hospital, including ICU, the Emergency Room, and both wards. They also work in the laboratory and pharmacy, and staff the Information Desk. There are also volunteer nurses; volunteer physicians may be added. A teen volunteer program is underway as well. The hospital is always in need of more help; for those in the West Point area who would like to assist, contact Mrs. Seidl at (914) 938-5169 or 938-4100.

Perhaps Keller Army Community Hospital's greatest asset—besides its modern facility, range of services, and active volunteer program—are the number of USMA graduates who have come full circle and returned to the site of their alma mater to practice medicine.

Those USMA graduates who return to Keller Army Hospital return with a specialization after their residencies. (No residency programs are offered at Keller.) They are stationed at West Point usually for a 3-4-year period. According to Colonel Fuselier, very few graduates serve their first tour as general medical officers at Keller—"Only about one or two a year. In the past 2 1/2 years, Keller has had only three USMA graduates serve their first tours here." At present, out of some 30 doctors on the staff, 8 of

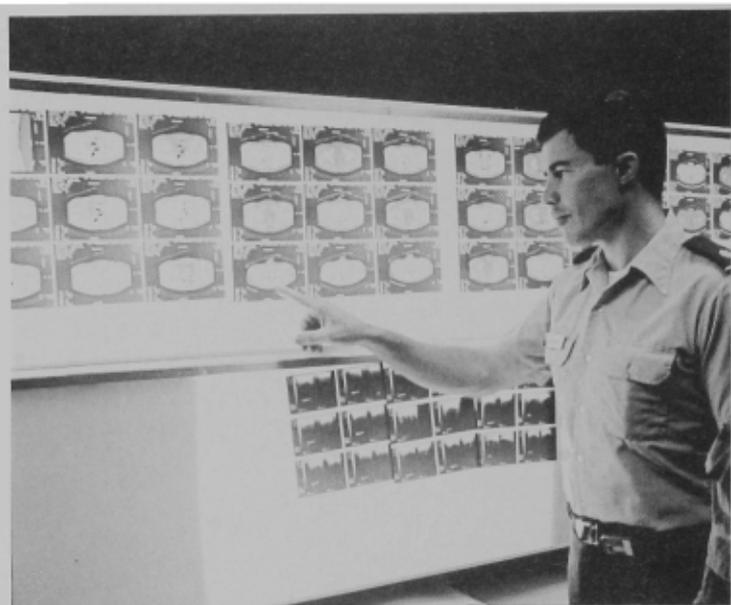


The U.S. Corps of Cadets shows its support by donating the majority of blood at West Point's drive. Photo credit: PFC Don O'Brien.

them are USMA grads: Colonel Livio F. Pardi '62 (MEDDAC Commander); Colonel Daniel L. Kopp '69 (Chief of Department of Primary Care and Community Medicine); Major Eric A. Brewner '76 (Chief of Family Practice); Lieutenant Colonel Rand J. Cuthbertson '76 (Chief of Radiology); Colonel Bruce R. Wheeler '69 (Chief of Surgery); Major Terry J. Walters '80 (Chief of Internal Medicine); Colonel John B. Ryan '70 (Chief of Orthopaedics); and Colonel Thomas G. Venard '69 (Chief of Veterinary Activities, and Preventive Medicine and Occupational Health Services). At present, both Lieutenant Colonel Cuthbertson and Colonel Ryan are in Saudi Arabia for Operation Desert Storm; Colonel William Meade III '62 has been temporarily assigned to Keller Hospital (in Orthopaedics) for the duration of the desert war.

Sketches of the medical careers of two of Keller's physicians, Doctors Kopp and Walters, follow.

Colonel Daniel Kopp has been Chief of the Department of Primary Care and Community Medicine at Keller, which encompasses the emergency department, out-patient clinic, and family practice clinics at both Keller and at Stewart Army Sub-Post. Following graduation from USMA (1969), he served as a commissioned officer for seven years in Field Artillery before attending medical school from 1976-80. Unfortunately, Regulation 601-112 (which enables military personnel to remain on active duty while attending medical school) was not passed at the time he went to medical school; as a result, he had to leave the Army. Following medical school, he did his residency training at Madigan Army Medical Center from 1980-83, served as Chief of Family Practice at Fort Sill from



LTC Rand Cuthbertson, Chief of Radiology at Keller, is currently in the Middle East for Operation Desert Storm.

1983-87, and has held his current position at Keller Army Community Hospital since the summer of 1987.

Colonel Kopp says that returning to the Army as a physician was "like coming back on the opposite side of the coin. I did my Officer Basic Training at Fort Sill in Field Artillery, and my certificate for that hung behind my desk when I returned to Fort Sill in 1983. I can really empathize with the soldiers I treat, because I was once in their shoes."

Colonel Kopp adds, "I understand soldiers and today's modern Volunteer Army, and this added perspective has helped me to deal more effectively with families that are ill and under stress."

Major Terry J. Walters, USMA 1980, is also stationed at Keller, as Chief of In-

ternal Medicine. She is a pioneer on two fronts: she is one of the first female graduates of the Military Academy, and one of the first to go on to a medical career as well. As a graduate of Uniform Services University of Health Sciences (USUHS) in 1984, she did her residency training in internal medicine at Madigan Army Medical Center (at Fort Lewis) from 1984-87; was a staff internist in Augsburg, Germany from 1987-90; and assumed her current position at Keller in June 1990.

"The Military Academy is directly responsible for my entering the field of medicine," says Major Walters. "In the summer before my senior year at USMA, the Social Sciences Department at West Point sent me on the 'Crossroads Africa' program, during which I worked in a medical clinic for eight weeks. This was the turning point for me; after completing this program, I decided to definitely pursue medicine."

Major Walters adds, "West Point provided me with an excellent education—one that was diverse and prepared me well for leadership." She is diverse indeed. In addition to heading the Department of Internal Medicine at the hospital, Dr. Walters won a world championship in powerlifting in 1988, and is the mother of one youngster.

Because of its professional staff of physicians, supported by civilian and military employees and a corps of volunteers hundreds strong, Keller Army Community Hospital performs its mission admirably. In providing total medical support for the Corps of Cadets and for others in the West Point community, it seems entirely appropriate that USMA graduates are now key members of the hospital staff, in turn serving the alma mater that has served them so well.



MAJ Terry J. Walters,
COL William Meade III
and COL Daniel Kopp, all
USMA graduates
stationed at Keller.

West Point's Foreign Legion

During research concerning the history of the Military Academy, the author became interested in the careers of graduates and former cadets who served in the armed forces of other nations. The following narrative is a summary of what was learned from readily available sources. It should be noted that the material used is a representative sample concerning only the USMA classes from 1802 through 1945.

Historians have portrayed the contributions of graduates and former cadets of the Military Academy in the development of the United States and in conflicts in which it was engaged. Little has been written about the services of graduates and former cadets in the service of other nations. It is not surprising that cadets from other nations entered the uniformed services of their own countries after leaving West Point, but other graduates and former cadets have also served in the armies of other nations.

One of the earliest graduates to serve a foreign nation was Augustus W. Magee, Class of 1809. Commissioned a second lieutenant in the Regiment of Artillerists, he resigned in June 1812. Convinced that the efforts of Mexican patriots to overthrow the Spanish provincial government would be successful, he offered his services to the rebels and was commissioned a colonel in the Patriot Army of Mexico in October 1812. Within a month, he was named commander of the "Republican Army of the North" and led his forces north to conquer Fort Bahia at Goliad. Here he found cannon of Louis XIV brought to Matagorda Bay by LaSalle in 1685 when he discovered the mouth of the Mississippi River. Spanish loyalist forces defeated the patriots in the south, and the attempt to oust the Spanish failed.

Other West Pointers participated in similar efforts in other South American countries. Samuel W. Westmore, Class of 1814, resigned as 2nd lieutenant, Corps of Artillery, in 1816 to become a captain in General Moranda's expedition attempting to establish a republic in Venezuela in 1816. William F. Rigal, Class of 1815, served as a military engineer in several South American countries after he resigned his Ordnance Corps commission in 1816. His classmate Alonzo Brewer was a colonel in the struggles in Argentina until he was killed in 1818.

James W. Fannin was known as a



Henry H. Sibley, Class of 1838

leader in the Texas war for independence from Mexico. As a general and commander-in-chief of the Army of the Republic of Texas, he was captured by Santa Ana prior to the battle of San Jacinto and executed. Not generally known is the fact that he changed his name from James Walker to Fannin and that he was a former member of the West Point Class of 1823. Equally unknown was his classmate David Moniac, perhaps the first Indian graduate of the Military Academy. A Creek Indian, Moniac raised a contingent of Creek volunteers to serve the US Army in the Florida Indian wars. He was killed in November 1836 while leading his volunteer unit.

A number of Academy graduates and former cadets were attracted to the Middle East after the War between the States. Henry W. Sibley and Alexander W. Reynolds, both 1838 graduates who became brigadier generals in the Con-



Charles P. Stone, Class of 1845



Washington C. Tevis, Class of 1849

federate Army, entered Egyptian service. Sibley became a brigadier general; Reynolds, a colonel. Thomas G. Rhett, Class of 1845, resigned to join the Confederacy in 1861. His classmate, Charles P. Stone, fought on the Union side and ended the war as a brigadier general of volunteer troops. Both entered Egyptian service in 1870, Rhett as an Ordnance colonel and Stone as a brigadier general and chief of staff of the Egyptian Army. Charles W. Field, Class of 1849, also a brigadier general, CSA, served as colonel in the Egyptian Army from 1875-77.

Field's West Point classmate, Washington C. Tevis, resigned from the Regiment of Mounted Rifles in 1850. He entered the Turkish Army as a commandant (major) and was promoted to quaimquam (lieutenant colonel) in 1854. After the start of the Civil War, he returned to the United States and served as an officer in a volunteer regiment from 1862-64. He later became an officer in both the French and Egyptian armies.

Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte, Class of 1852, was the grandson of Napoleon Bonaparte's brother, Jerome. After graduating, he was commissioned in the Regiment of Mounted Rifles, serving until he resigned in 1854. His cousin, Napoleon III, commissioned him a lieutenant in the French 7th Dragoons, but he was soon promoted to field grade. For gallant service in the Crimean War, he was made a Knight of the Legion of Honor and received the British Crimean Medal from Queen Victoria. Continuing in French service, he fought in Algeria from 1856-58 and led his regiment against the Austrians at the battle of Solferino in Italy in 1859. In the Franco-Prussian War, he fought with the Dragoons of the Empress. After his cousin's fall, he returned to the United States.

William M. Dye, Class of 1853, ended his Civil War service as a brigadier general of US volunteers. He resigned to become a colonel in the Egyptian Army and was wounded in Abyssinia. He later served as the military advisor to the King of Korea. Samuel H. Lockett, number two man in the Class of 1859, resigned



Samuel H. Lockett, Class of 1859

his Engineer commission to join the Confederate Army. After the war, he became a colonel in the Egyptian Army, serving from 1875–77.

Thomas B. Nichols, Class of 1872, resigned to become a professor in the Columbian Military Academy from 1880–82. Guy F. Huse, non-graduate of the Class of 1879, was an Engineer major in Chile. He resigned and returned to the United States to found a school in Highland Falls to prepare young men for the entrance examinations to the Military Academy. Foreign cadet Antonio Barrios served in the Guatemalan army after graduating in 1889.

Although events in South America and the Middle East attracted graduates and former cadets through the 1870's, this trend changed toward the end of the nineteenth century. John Y. F. Blake, Class of 1880, resigned his commission in the 6th Cavalry to lead an Irish brigade in the Boer War in South Africa. Two Chinese cadets of the Class of 1909 returned to their homeland after graduation. Ying Hsing Wen retired as lieutenant general in 1946 after thirty-seven years service. His classmate Ting Cha



Antonio Barrios, Class of 1889

Chan was commissioned a major general in 1911 but reduced in rank to colonel of artillery. He continued in service and was again promoted to major general in 1931.

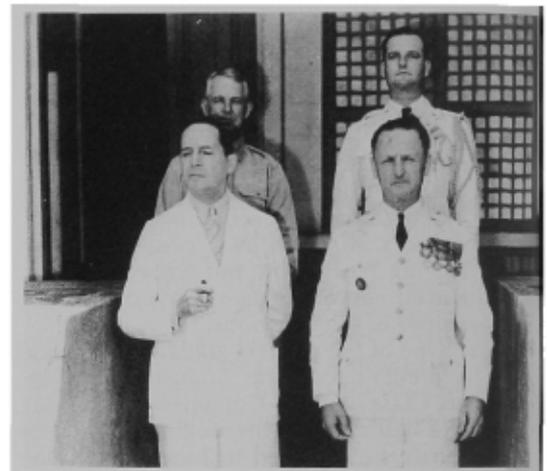
Some former cadets enlisted in foreign armies. John N. Merrill, Jr., non-graduate of the Class of 1906, enlisted in the Philippine Constabulary in 1903 and was wounded during the Moro Insurrection. This service enabled him to go to Persia where he became Chief of the Persian Constabulary from 1911–12. He then was commissioned colonel in the Persian Army, serving in this capacity until 1917. He returned home after the United States entered World War I, serving as commander of an infantry battalion in the 92nd Infantry Division in France. He continued in service after the war and was retired for disability in 1927. John M. Banister, former member of the Class of 1911, was not so fortunate. He enlisted in the Canadian Army and was killed in the Battle of Ypres in October 1917. Albert B. Mason, former member of the Class of 1915, also served in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces in World War I as a major, transferring to the RAF to become a pilot.

More than any other West Pointer serving in foreign armies, Charles M. Sweeney, non-graduate of the Class of 1904, perhaps deserves the title of "soldier of fortune," for he fought in seven wars for five different nations. He first saw action as a private in US forces in the Spanish American War. Sweeney then joined the French Foreign Legion and fought the Germans during World War I. When the United States entered the war, he was able to leave the Foreign Legion and served as a major in the AEF. After the war, he became a general in the Polish Army and left it to serve in Turkish forces. Later, he was a French pilot in the Riff wars and then fought in the Spanish Civil War. The French Foreign Legion attracted him again, this time commissioning him major general. During World War II, he served as commander of the French Eagle Squadron and then as group commander of an RAF squadron. Wounded three times, he survived to die in Salt Lake City in 1963.

Other foreign cadets returned to their homelands to serve in armed forces there. Cuban Demetrio Castillo, Jr., Class of 1913, became a captain in the Cuban army after graduation, resigning in 1922. Vicente Lim, Class of 1914, joined the Philippine army, becoming commanding general of an infantry division in 1914. He was captured by the Japanese but was released. Organizing guerrilla forces, he continued to fight for freedom but was captured again in 1944. It is believed that he was executed. His son, Vicente Lim, Jr., Class of 1944, served in the US Army during World War II, resigning to return to the Philippines after the war.

Other foreign cadets in the service of their own countries included Julio Sanjinos Boytia of Bolivia and I Chang of China. Sanjinos, former member of the Class of 1945, retired as a colonel of the Bolivian army in 1970. Chang, non-graduate of the Class of 1935, became a captain in the Chinese army. He and his entire company were massacred by the Japanese after the seige of Nanking in 1937.

Several graduates served with foreign forces while retaining their US Army ranks. John A. Considine, Class of 1913, and Edward L. H. Glass, Class of 1914, both were given brigadier general commissions in the Guatemala army in the 1930's; both returned to the United States and retired as colonels after World War II. Douglas MacArthur, Class of 1903, retired as Chief of Staff of the U.S.



Front row, left: General MacArthur (Class of 1903) in the Philippine Department, 1940.

Army to enter Philippine service in 1935. He was made Field Marshal of the Philippine Army in 1937, the only American to hold this rank. In 1941, he was recalled to active duty as a general commanding U.S. and Philippine forces.

Few West Pointers other than foreign cadets entered service with other nations after World War II. David Marcus, Class of 1924, resigned as a colonel in



David Marcus, Class of 1924

1947 to join Israeli forces. As a brigadier general, he commanded Jewish forces in the Jerusalem area until his accidental death in 1948.

Many graduates and former cadets joined another "foreign" service over the years. Andrew H. Foote, former member of the Class of 1826, entered the Navy. As captain commanding the *Cumberland*, he was the first to eliminate issuing spirits to his crew. His efforts led to the abolishment of the spirit ration in the Navy in 1862. As commander of the Mississippi River gunboats, he assisted in the capture of Forts Henry and Donelson in 1862. For this service, he was promoted to rear admiral in 1863.

James W. Schenck, also a non-graduate of the Class of 1826, entered the Navy in 1825. He was with the fleet that aided Winfield Scott in the capture of Vera Cruz during the Mexican War. He became a commodore in 1864 and a rear admiral in 1869. Wilson C. Fite, former cadet of the Class of 1904, was commissioned an ensign in 1903. He became a rear admiral in 1941 and retired in 1945.

Another "foreign" service attracting West Pointers was the Marine Corps. Several early graduates entered the Corps during a brief period in the early 1800's when graduates were permitted to select the Corps as their branch of service. Augustus L. Roumfort, head of the Class of 1817, was one such graduate. Jacob Zelin, former member of the Class of 1826, entered the Marine Corps in 1826. He was with Perry on his memorable trip to Japan in 1853 which resulted in Japan's opening ports to U.S. trade. He later became the first USMC brigadier general and was Commandant of the Corps from 1864-76. George F. Elliott, non-graduate of the Class of 1872, was commissioned a USMC second lieutenant in 1870. He was promoted to major general and was Commandant of the Corps from 1903-10.

The graduates and former cadets, whose careers are discussed so very briefly above, are only a few of the many West Pointers who have served in other forces. Almost without exception, they served with honor in doing their duty in other countries. Many returned to United States' service in time of need. Many achieved high rank and were awarded foreign decorations for gallant services. Some gave their lives and some were wounded in conflicts in which the United States had no part. Their services, unrecognized in this country for the most part, are a credit to the Long Gray Line.

Submitted by George S. Pappas,
Class of 1944.

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The USMA "Foreign Legion"

Augustus W. Magee, 1809. Served in Texas as 2LT, Regiment of Artillerists until resignation, June 1812. Became COL in Patriot Army of Mexico, Oct 1812, served in "Gapuchin War," CINC of "Republican Army of the North;" invaded Texas and captured Fort Bahia (renamed Goliad) in Nov 1812. There found guns of Louis XIV brought to San Barnardo on Matagorda Bay by LaSalle in 1685.

Samuel W. Wetmore, 1814. Served as 2LT, Corps of Artillery, until resignation, July 1816. Served as CPT in General Miranda's expedition to South America in attempt to establish Republic of Caracas in 1816.

William F. Rigal, 1815. Served as 3LT and 2LT, Ordnance Corps, until resignation in Jan 1818. MAJ of Engineers in a South American country for several years. No definite dates known.

Alonzo Brewer, 1815. Served as 3LT, Corps of Artillery, until resignation in Oct 1816. Served as COL in struggles of the Argentine Confederation until he was killed, date unknown.

David Moniac, 1823. Creek Indian; KIA Florida wars as major, Creek volunteers, Nov 1836.

James Walker, X-1823. Changed name to *James W. Fannin*; general and CINC of Army of Republic of Texas, 1836; captured before Battle of San Jacinto and executed.

Henry H. Sibley, 1838. Resigned in 1861 as MAJ, 1st Dragoons. BG, CSA. BG, Egyptian Army, 1869-73.

Alexander W. Reynolds, 1838. Dropped, AWOL for several months, Oct 1861. BG, CSA. COL, Egyptian Army, 1870-76; died in Egypt.

Thomas G. Rhett, 1845. Resigned as MAJ, May 1861. MAJ CSA. COL, Ordnance, Egyptian Army, 1870-73.

Charles P. Stone, 1845. BG, USV, 1861. Resigned, 1864. BG and chief of staff, Egyptian Army, 1870-83.

Washington C. Tevis, 1849. Served as 2LT Mounted Rifles until resignation, May 1850. Commandant (MAJ) Turkish Army and Quaimaquam (LTC), 1854. US Volunteers, 1862-64. Later in French and Egyptian armies.

Charles W. Field, 1849. Resigned as 2LT, 2d Cavalry, May 1861. BG, CSA. COL, Egyptian Army, 1875-77.

Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte, 1852. 2LT, Mounted Rifles until resigned, Aug 1854. French Army: 2LT, 7th Dragoons

in Crimean War; 1LT, 1855, Knight of Legion of Honor; British Crimean Medal from Victoria 1856. Served in Africa, 1856-58. Fought Austrians in Italy, 1859. Continued service.

William Mc. Dye, 1853. CPT, 8th Infantry, 1861. COL, 20th Iowa Volunteers, 1862; Bvt BG, Vols, 1865. COL, Egyptian Army, 1873-76; wounded in Abyssinia. Military advisor to King of Korea, 1888-96.

Samuel H. Lockett, 2d man, Class of 1859. 2LT, Engineers; asst instructor, USMA, Spanish, 1859-61. Resigned. COL, CSA, Engineers, 1861-65. COL, Egyptian Army, 1875-77.

Thomas B. Nichols, 1872. Professor at Columbian Military Academy, 1880-82.

Guy E. Huse, 1879. Resigned, Sept 1886. MAJ, Engineers, Chile.

John Y. F. Blake, 1880. 2LT, 6th Cavalry. Resigned, Aug 1889. CO, Irish Brigade, Boer War.

Douglas MacArthur, 1903. Retired, GEN and Chief of Staff, 1935. Field Marshal, Philippine Army, 1936. Recalled to active duty, GEN, 1941.

Charles H. Patterson, 1903. US aide to King of Belgium, 1919.

Charles M. Sweeney, X-1904. Soldier of fortune in 7 wars under 5 flags. PVT, Spanish American War, USA. MAJ, French Foreign Legion, WWI. Gen, Polish Army; Gen, Turkish Army. French pilot in Riff Wars. Spanish Civil War. French MG, Foreign Legion. CO, Eagle Squadron, French Air Force, WWII. Group commander, RAF WWII; wounded 3 times. Died, Salt Lake City, 1963.

John N. Merrill, Jr., X-1906. Enlisted Philippine Constabulary, 1903. Chief of Persian Gendarmerie, 1911-12. COL, Persian Army, 1912-17. MG, US Inf Bn, 92nd Inf Div, AEF.

John M. Banister, X-1911. Enlisted Canadian Army, PVT; KIA, Ypres, WWI.

John A. Considine, 1913. BG, Guatemala Army, 1930-35. Returned to US Army; ret, COL, 1947.

Edward L. N. Glass, 1914. BG, Guatemala Army, 1939-43. Returned to US Army, ret, COL 1950.

Albert B. Mason, X-1915. MAJ, Canadian Army, WWI, RAF WWI.

David Marcus, 1924. Resigned as COL 1947. BG, Jewish Forces in Jerusalem area, 1947. Died in accident, June 1948.

The Oldest Quarters at West Point:

The Commandant's Quarters—Quarters 101

by Dr. Theodore J. Crackel

The Superintendent's house (Quarters 100), which was completed in the late spring of 1820, has long been thought to be the oldest set of quarters—in fact, the oldest structure—at West Point. However, new documentary evidence uncovered in the files of the National Archives reveals that the Commandant's house is actually the oldest; long thought to have been constructed in 1821, it was actually built in 1819—completed some six months ahead of the Superintendent's quarters.

Quarters for the officers at West Point in the early years were in such short supply that families were often required to share houses. The housing that was available was of old frame structure dating from the days of the Revolution or immediately thereafter. The arrival of each new officer precipitated a crisis of greater or lesser proportions as arrangements had to be made to house them. When Jared Mansfield arrived with his family in 1814, to assume his post as Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, he was assigned to share a set of quarters with Dr. Samuel Walsh, the post surgeon. Dr. Walsh had been told to clear the south part of the house but, having guests, had not done so. When notified that the Mansfields had arrived, he rushed to the dock and told the professor that “he was sorry,” but that he could not admit them just then, “as he had company, & could not spare any part of the house.” When Mansfield insisted, Walsh angrily relented but heaped abuse on the professor, his family, and his servants. That ill-treatment continued for several days, until Mansfield threatened to have the surgeon arrested.¹

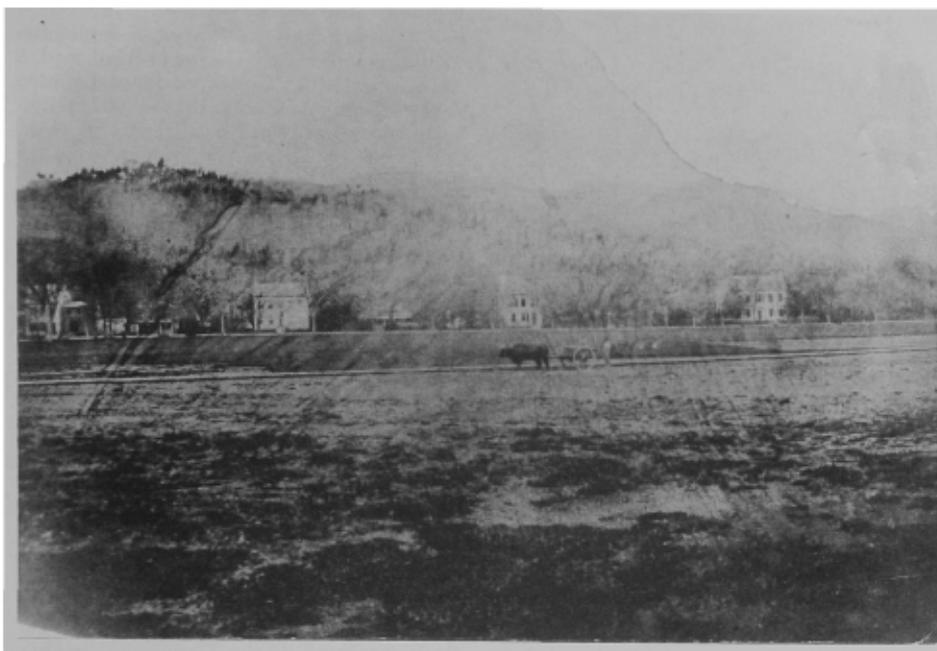
The first officer's quarters to be built at West Point since shortly after the Revolution were three sets built by Superintendent Alden Partridge in 1817. All three were located along the western edge of the Plain, on a line roughly perpendicular to that of the barracks, Academy and mess hall that had been completed just a few years earlier. (The 1815 barracks, academy and mess stood approximately where Eisenhower Barracks and Washington Hall stand today; the three 1817 quarters stood roughly where MacArthur Barracks now stands.)

The contract for these first new quarters was made with John Forsyth of



The Commandant's house (Quarters 101) was begun and completed in 1819. This is now believed to be the oldest structure at West Point. The porches and other extensive additions were made to the original structure in the decades after the Civil War and since.

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View of the Plain and the Superintendent's quarters (right), circa 1858–60, the first known photograph taken before the addition of the porch. Completed in 1820 at a cost of \$6,670.00, the original brick house contained twelve rooms with an attic and a cellar. On the first floor were four rooms (two on either side of a center hall), two formal rooms for entertaining, a dining room and a library, each heated by a fireplace. The kitchen and Thayer's office were located in the basement and could be reached by an outside stairway.

Newburgh, January 1817, and the quarters were completed late that year. These quarters—two-story brick structures with eleven finished rooms—were “commodious and pleasant,” wrote Elizabeth Mansfield. She complained, however, that the kitchen was located in the basement and often smoked intolerably, filling “every part of the house.”² She also complained of losing the view afforded by her old quarters which were located in the vicinity of Quarters 103 and 105 on Professors Row. “I should prefer keeping this [her old quarters] and having it put in repair,” she wrote before moving, for the old quarters looked north up the Hudson, through the ancient gap the river had etched between the massive Storm King and Breakneck. “You can have no idea,” she wrote, “of the beauty and grandeur of the scenery as you view it from this house in the summer.”³ Still, she moved.

These three sets of quarters, however, did not solve the housing problem and complaints continued. Thayer's instructions from the War Department, upon being assigned to West Point, directed him not only to coordinate a new program of instruction but also to investigate the post's housing needs.⁴ Aside from three new professors' houses that were just then being completed, the hodgepodge of existing quarters for the faculty was both inadequate and badly in need of repairs. Thayer's first response was to ask the Secretary of War to station a quartermaster at West Point and to furnish him with enough funds to make the most urgently needed repairs.⁵ He was quick to add, however, that repairs alone would never solve the deficiencies in housing. In December 1817, he requested funds for new quarters for himself (the Superintendent's

Quarters) and for three other new structures—two brick houses for professors and a stone duplex for teachers with families. At the same time he surveyed the other needs of the post and requested funds for a new hospital and monies to enlarge the kitchen of the recently completed mess hall.⁶ To support his housing request Thayer drew up a report “designating the number and size of the apartments assigned to officers at West Point or occupied by them; together with information as to the number of rooms which according to your opinion or to military regulations, should be assigned to officers stationed there.”⁷ That report had been submitted in January 1818: “A reference to past expenditures for the repair of these Quarters will prove the expediency of replacing them by new *permanent* buildings,” he had written, adding that he believed each professor should be provided a two-story house “40 by 27 feet” (at a cost of about \$4,000 each) and that “every two teachers or assistant-professors having families” should get a similar house. The unmarried officers, he had noted, were adequately accommodated in the new barracks.⁸

After lengthy consideration his request for additional new housing was approved; it was not until the spring of 1819 that the contracts were let and construction begun.⁹ In early September of that year, Captain James Green, the new quartermaster, reported to Thayer that the “two houses for professors, 27 feet by 40 [and] two story's high with a cellar kitchen, [were] now ready for plastering, [and that] the inside carpenters work is all prepared.” The Superintendent's house, Green reported, was not as far along. “[That house] 48 by 37 is enclosed and part of the Carpenters

inside work is also prepared.” The “double house for two of the teachers 48 feet by 36” was even further behind. There only “the cellar is completed and the first story commenced.”¹⁰ A few weeks later Green reported that “in the two houses intended for Professors, the Kitchens & Pantrys are finish'd, the Bed Rooms in the Garret finish'd Plastering, the 1st & 2nd Stories are now finishing . . . both Houses to be completed on or about the first of Nov[embe]r.” He also reported progress on Thayer's new quarters. “The flooring is now ready to be put down, & other Work in a state of forwardness.”¹¹ In mid-October, Thayer reported that the two professors quarters would be finished (except for painting) by the 1st of November. Because of the lateness of the season, cold weather would soon impede the effort, and Thayer reported that construction on the Superintendent's quarters and the stone double would be suspended on November 1st.¹²

The two brick “professors” quarters on either side of the yet incomplete Superintendent's house were ready for occupancy in early November 1819. The one to the south was reserved for the new Professor of Chemistry, and the one to the north was given to the Commandant. This last set of quarters was first occupied by Captain Bell (1819–20) and then Major William J. Worth (1820–29). In the years after, even to this day, it has quartered the Academy's successive Commandants of Cadets. The Superintendent's house was finished a few months later, in late spring of 1820.

These newer brick structures were located on and extended northward the line of quarters built in 1817. The stone double (Quarters 107) was located to the north and west of the new brick quarters along the northern base of same hill. It was built just to the west of the old frame quarters that had for a period been occupied by the Mansfields. This stone double and those that followed it, like Elizabeth Mansfield's old quarters, looked north up the scenic Hudson Valley.¹³ Today it is the westward most of the three stone doubles known collectively as Professors Row.

For many years the oldest structure at West Point was the Revolutionary War era Thompson House.¹⁴ After it was demolished (about 1879) that honor went to the three professors' quarters completed in 1817. Those quarters were demolished in about 1905, when all of the quarters to the south of the Superintendent's house were leveled to make room for a new cadet barracks (North Barracks, 1909). Also demolished was the southernmost of the two quarters completed in 1819. The one remaining, the Commandant's quarters, then became the oldest. At that time, however, it was believed that the Commandant's house was built in 1821; the Superintendent's house, whose completion was correctly dated in 1820, was therefore assumed to be older. The 1821 date seems to have originated with the usually authoritative "Post Facilities Report" of 1889.¹⁵ There was no reason to question that report until the new evidence cited above came to hand.

It is now clear that the Commandant's house (Quarters 101) was completed in 1819, some months ahead of the Superintendent's quarters, and that it is the oldest set of quarters—and the oldest structure—at West Point today.

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¹²Thayer to Armistead, 15 October 1819, Correspondence Relating to the Military Academy, 1819–1866, [Preliminary Inventory Item No. 212], RG 94, NA.

¹³Augusta Blanche Bernard, *Reminiscences of West Point* (East Saginaw, MI: 1886), p. 16. This set of doubles has been variously known as quarters 41, 107/108, and now 107A/107B.

¹⁴This structure was, after the Revolution, quarters of the military storekeeper until 1806. For various periods after that it served, until 1815, as the cadet mess. After that, it housed various officers. (At some point one wing of the house was torn away and moved just a bit to the south and used as a school for the officer's children.) Beginning in 1839, the house was used by the Thompsons (mother and daughters) who operated a small cadet mess (about a dozen lucky lads messed there) until 1878. Shortly after that the structure was demolished.

¹⁵Chas. W. Williams, *Post Facilities Report*, 1889, Letterbook, Record Series No. 280, USMA Archives.



This detail of an 1819 map, drawn by Lieutenant George W. Whistler (father of the famous artist) shows the 1817 quarters and the sites of the quarters being built in 1819–1820.

Along the Paths of Thoreau

I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not when I came to die, discover that I had not lived. I wanted to live deep and suck all the marrow of life, to live so sturdily and Spartan-like as to put to rout all that was not life, to cut a broad swath and shave close, to drive life into a corner, and reduce it to its lowest terms, and, if it proved to be mean, why then to get the whole and genuine meanness of it. . . . Henry David Thoreau

Henry David Thoreau believed that because the great majority of men have never questioned their beliefs in a systematic, objective way, that they are doomed to "lives of quiet desperation." The only way people can become truly happy and experience the joy of being alive, he argued, is for them to disengage themselves from all the social rules and unnatural con-



Falls along trail near Conway, New Hampshire.

straints that they have accepted unquestionably. In his own life Thoreau moved to the woods outside of Concord, Massachusetts for a period of two years "to live deliberately, and to front only the essential facts of life." His famous essay, "Walden," is a record of his experiment.

Few of us will ever have the opportunity to isolate ourselves from society (as Thoreau did in his two years at Walden Pond) in order to reflect on our values and belief systems. This past summer, however, under the tutelage of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Christopher and Captain Greg Semienski of the English Department, a group consisting of 8 male and 2 female cadets was afforded the opportunity to do this as part of the academy's Academic Enrichment Program (AEP).

After spending a week in the classroom at West Point studying and discussing Thoreau's work, they embarked on a 14-day odyssey that would take them to Walden Pond in Concord, the White



Two cadets stop to survey Mt. Washington from a nearby peak.



There are still places in New England where red squirrels have no fear of man.

Scott Hager and Sanj Woo Pak find that Canadian jays respond to a friendly hand.



Mountains in New Hampshire, and the Saco River Wilderness Region in Maine.

"It was important that we conduct the major portion of this AEP away from West Point," Christopher, the group leader, explained, "for a number of reasons."

"First, it is exciting and worthwhile to travel to the same areas that Thoreau visited, read his accounts of these visits from his journal, and see how he used these experiences as metaphors in his work. This provided an excellent model for us to use in developing our own writing.

"Second, Thoreau looks to Nature as a wellspring for divining how man ought to live. He observes the natural world and distills his experiences into religious and moral truths concerning what is meaningful in man's existence. In order to understand fully these 'truths,' (whether we agree with them or not) we must ourselves look to Nature the way that Thoreau does.

"And finally, in order to fully immerse ourselves in Thoreau's philosophy, it is important to cast off from our daily routine here at West Point. We must 'step outside' of our present existence and evaluate it objectively. The two-week isolation in the wilderness of New Hampshire and Maine provides an opportunity to accomplish this."

Over the course of their travels the group spent one week hiking and camping along the Presidential Range where they weathered hail storms, crossed snowfields, and slept above the tree line; during a second week in Maine they canoed the Saco River, fished for trout, camped on sand bars, and slept under the stars. The daily schedule included a writing period during which all participants recorded the day's activities in their journals and a daily group meeting at which participants read their journal entries out loud and offered each other feedback on their work.

Upon return to West Point, students had four days to prepare a 20-page paper based on their journal entries for a course grade.

Lieutenant Colonel Christopher is planning a similar trip this summer with a group of 15 cadets.

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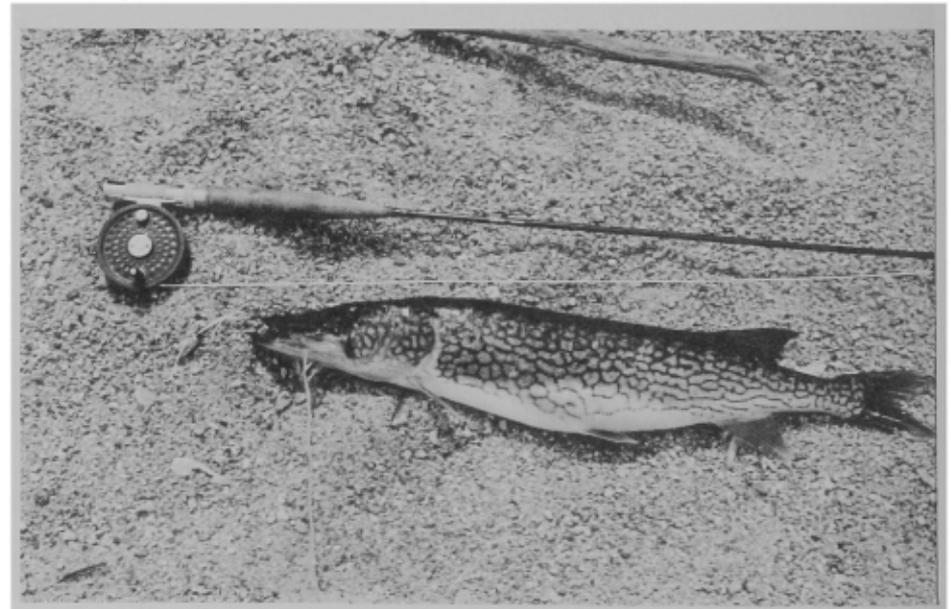
The group stops to rest in 60 mph winds on a barren rock above the tree line.



LTC Paul Christopher and Cadet Steve Kiziuk, Saco River, Maine.



Cadet Toni Glaze during a break on the sandy shore of the Saco River.



Chain pickerel and fly rod, Saco River, Maine.

Academic Limits

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



This spring I had the distinct pleasure to travel throughout the South and Southwest as part of the Founders Day speaking program. I continue to be impressed with the enthusiasm of our graduates and their continuing interest in the many new programs at West Point.

In the months prior to going out on the circuit, I took every opportunity to discuss with graduates their concerns about the academic program at West Point as they remembered it. If I could gather these concerns, perhaps during the Founders Day tour, I could address what we have done and what we are doing to try to remedy the perceived ills.

The most often heard comments from graduates centered around not having enough time during the academic year to adequately carry out the study program, not having enough quality study time on any given day, not having enough choice as to what subjects were to be taken (to include too much or too little engineering), and a lack of incentives to excel.

I was pleased to be able to report to graduates that changes over the last few years have moved our program to a point where we are addressing most of the above problems.

First, time for study. Changes over the last few years have moved the curriculum from the equivalent of 48 academic and military courses to a program requiring—for the baseline (the “standard” cadet)—a 40-course program. There have been parallel reductions in the time allocated to the physical program (the number of times the Army physical fitness test or the indoor obstacle course is taken in a given year), and in the time allocated to chain-of-command and other military duties. Taking one fewer academic course each term provides the average cadet considerably more time, and the combination of all reductions markedly improves the overall situation.

Reducing the overall load was an obvious answer to the term time demand, but how do you enable a cadet to put together four or five quality hours on a weekday? In the fall of 1989, we began an “optional supper” program. The cadet is given a choice of going to the evening meal or not going. There is no formation. Cadets who want to eat a regular meal go to the Mess Hall anytime between 1730 and 1900, select from a buffet line, and stay for the length of time they need. This academic year, the Commandant added a “grab-and-go” line that permits cadets to enter the North Wing in any authorized uniform, make sandwiches and then take them to their rooms. The optional supper concept permits cadets who have no afternoon activities and who have completed drill or intramurals to go to the library, or a study area, and work four or five straight hours without having to stop for formation. In essence, the time from the last duty in the afternoon until 2330 belongs to the cadet, and it is the cadet who chooses how to use that time. (Don’t worry about cadets getting enough to eat—they can eat enough in two meals to take care of their daily nutritional requirements.) And, on the average, most cadets eat in the Mess Hall (or from “grab and go”) four out of the five weekday nights. A survey of the cow class indicated that the vast majority believed this flexibility had improved their study habits.

In the area of choice, the elective program has grown considerably since the 1970’s when it really began to develop. Cadets have the opportunity not only to choose one of several five-course engineering sequences as part of the core (see the

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PRINCETON	143	YALE	16	CAL TECH	34
USMA	66	STANFORD	11	USMA	31
STANFORD	55	USMA	10	USFAA	20
DARTMOUTH	40	UC-BERKELEY	7	CARNEGIE MELLON	14

article on academics in the January 91 issue), but also to select from any one of 30 fields of study or 19 optional majors to determine what subjects and what areas they will study in depth. Signing up for a major is another kind of choice. All cadets must take at least 40 courses (31 in the core and 9 in the elective program). When cadets elect a major, they sign up for from one to four courses more than the baseline. Three-quarters of the Class of ’92, the first to operate under this program, are majoring, and the “average” cadet is taking 42.7 courses. Academic choice also extends to the summer period when cadets are given the opportunity to participate in three weeks of enrichment, either academic, military or physical. As indicated in my last ASSEMBLY article, about 40 per cent of the cadets choose to participate in an academic enrichment program that permits them to extend the studies they have taken in the classroom into a field environment. This summer cadets in enrichment will be assigned to Los Alamos National Laboratory, the Pentagon, AMC labs, Corps of Engineer districts, and a wide variety of other most interesting locations.

While the “too much-too little” engineering debate continues, the curriculum strikes a balance. Fifteen of the 31 core courses are in math, science and engineering and 16 in the humanities and social sciences. Cadets, with their electives, tip their own balance scales.

The faculty continues to push academic excellence and to seek ways to motivate the cadets to “be all they can be.” Our participation in the Rhodes, Marshall, and Hertz Fellowships programs continues to bring quality results (see chart*). This year we have added to our cumulative list of awards the East-West Center scholarship in Honolulu. As the chart indicates, the Military Academy continues to place in the “final four” of the top colleges and universities that compete for these highly regarded awards. At a less publicized level, cadets also participate in a number of other academic competitions from mathematics and science to debate, and bring home the trophies.

As I discussed these changes with the Founders Day dinner attendees, I found great support for these changes and very little of a “Corps has” reaction. Most graduates wished that they had been able to attend a West Point that would have given them such opportunities.

The fact that these changes have been made reflects the continuing support of the alumni and the remarkable talent of both the faculty and the cadets. Thanks for your part.

The COM Reports

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



I owe you a report on the Class of '91. Those of you who may recall my column at the start of the academic year will remember my charge to the Brigade Commander and his classmates. I challenged them to maintain and enforce the standards which define the cadet experience at West Point. At that time, I expressed my absolute confidence in the Class' ability to meet the tasks and responsibilities they had been given.

The focus and measure of development used throughout the year has been the Mission Essential Task List (METL). Besides the four Academy outcome goals, the Superintendent gave the Class three additional tasks. Perhaps the most important task was implementing all facets of the New Model, to include the Cadet Leader Development System (CLDS). For three years, the Class has been a part of the incremental changes as different studies took place and recommended changes were made. You are familiar with some of these as Baseline/Enrichment, adjustments in the Honor System (*not* the Code), and most recently the addition of CLDS. As the last part of the New Model was finalized last summer, the Class of '91 was then given the responsibility for implementation. As you would expect, a segment of the Corps resisted portions of the most recent change, CLDS, with its concept of a formalized four-class system. Nevertheless, the Class of '91 took charge and worked hard throughout the year to explain, implement, and assess the concept, all with outstanding success. As always, the strong ones in the Class carried the weaker ones along with them, and the majority followed the example of the leaders. In discussions, I occasionally heard firsties say to me that they did not agree with some of the changes, but they would implement and support them because it's their duty. Many led without any personal reservations. The result is a remarkable achievement by an outstanding Class with great potential for the future. Incidentally, I will provide you an assessment of where we are in the CLDS implementation, sort of a "one year later" report, at my next writing.

The second task the Supe gave the Class was Spirit, pride in the Corps and its many activities. Esprit de Corps came to a crescendo at the Army/Navy football game. Total victory on the field, as well as in the stands, was the judgment of all present. The Class of '91 proved to everyone, including each other, that Spirit does not mean taking their Dress Gray coats off and twirling them overhead. The Class' ability to enforce standards continued to become more evident as the season progressed.

The Supe's third task had to do with the quality and precision of Drill and Ceremony. The Class learned early-on that continuous attention was the key to this task. Attaining the standard was only one aspect; maintaining the standard was where they have found the true challenge. Perhaps on your next visit, you can give them and me a grade on how they're doing.

The Class of '91, whose motto is "Duty Shall Be Done," has already developed a solid reputation for being leaders of character

In addition to the Superintendent's tasks, I added three, comparatively mundane tasks. I selected these tasks because of inadequate performance by the Corps during the preceding semester; I gave them tasks to focus on their shortcomings. They were (1) accountability of cadets, (2) adherence to the lights-out policy, and (3) the police of uniform regulations. These tasks would provide me a basis for determining the effectiveness of the chain of command and the leadership provided by the Class, as well as a means of correcting weak areas noted from the previous year. Again, the Class responded. In the areas of adherence to the lights policy and the police of uniform regulations the Class receives

high marks. Given the tasks, the chain of command developed their own plans to attain a relatively low rate of violations. The other task, of accountability, is one that still requires some attention, and will probably be a task for next year's leadership.

One might think that with all the tasks they were given, they wouldn't want any more, but not so with the Class of '91. The leadership of the Corps took upon themselves the additional task of service to the community, giving of their time to assist others. Whether it was providing help to the special athletes in the Orange County Special Olympics, or generating support for the troops in the Middle East, the theme of community service rang out loud and clear. Many of their projects have gone unnoticed, but that is what true service is all about.

In retrospect, I am proud of what the Class has accomplished over the past year. They lead by example. Besides directing and supervising others to insure that the tasks were accomplished, they added a moral force to their directives and policies by personal example. The Class of '91, whose motto is "Duty Shall Be Done," has already developed a solid reputation for being leaders of character. They have an identifiable duty concept, and I look forward to their joining the Army in the field in a few months. To give you an idea of where they are going, I've compiled the following list of their assignments by major commands:

EIGHTH ARMY (KOREA)—118
FORSCOM—376
TRADOC—17
USAREUR—256
USARPAC (ALASKA)—13
USARPAC (HAWAII)—29
USARSO (PANAMA)—6

As the academic year comes to a close and graduation is almost upon us, I look forward to summer training. Our summer programs have stabilized this year, and I will again report on them in my next article. Until then, best wishes from West Point.

The DIA Reports

By AL VANDERBUSH, *Director of Intercollegiate Athletics*



1990-91 IN REVIEW

At this writing, our athletic year is almost completed, with only a handful of events remaining. The combined efforts of our 27 men's and women's intercollegiate athletic teams have produced victories in 6 of every 10 head-to-head contests.

SPRING

A doubleheader victory over Navy started our Eastern Intercollegiate Baseball League season, and another doubleheader sweep over Brown completed it. Despite beating Brown twice, though, we came up short in our bid to win the championship, trailing Princeton by two games in the final standings. Team captain Mike Tripp and yearling southpaw Steve Reich combined for 12 wins, more than half the team's total, while Dave Borowicz kept pennant hopes alive in late April by one-hitting Princeton after the Tigers had rallied to win the first game of the doubleheader.

The lacrosse team completed its season with a 10-4 record, to include a thrilling double overtime WIN over Navy in Annapolis. We were ranked between 10th and 15th nationally throughout much of the season, but just missed getting into the NCAA tournament when the final 12 selections were made.

Our Lady Knights, winners in 28 of 41 games in softball, completed the Patriot League regular season unbeaten at 12-0, then won the league tournament with an extra-inning victory over Bucknell. Captain Colleen McCabe stopped Bucknell twice on the final day, improving her season record to 21-7. Ten of her wins were by shutout, and included one-hitters against both Maine and Fordham.

The golf team, under first-year coach Jimmy Clevenger, won three championships, qualified for the NCAA Region I tournament, and beat Navy by 18 strokes. The team first won its own Black Knight Invitation, setting a school record for fewest strokes the first day, followed by taking the Patriot League title two weeks later; then in early May finished first in the 17-school field at the Easterns, making up 10 strokes on the final round. First Classman Pat Mullin garnered medalist honors at the Patriot League tournament, while team captain Robb Craddock carded the top individual score at the Easterns.



Colleen McCabe
Class of 1991



Mike Mayweather
Class of 1991

WINTER

Looking back at the winter season, we had our fair share of highlights, both on individual and team levels. Our pistol team under the direction of Jack McJunkin was unbeaten in 22 matches, then won the national championship to complete an outstanding season.

The women's basketball team won 20 games and made it to the finals of the Patriot League tournament. Guard Kim Kawamoto stood out, gaining fourth team All-America mention while setting USMA records for steals and assists on game, season and career levels.

The gymnasts set a team scoring record (273.05) during an early March trip to Illinois, while Pat Domingue (9.65 in still rings), Matt Pasvogel (9.65 on high bar) and Bret Ninomiya (55.55 all-around) set individual records. Pasvogel also qualified for the NCAA championship meet on high bar, finishing 23rd out of 62 competitors with his record-setting score in the prelims.

Four Army wrestlers also qualified for the NCAA Championships, to include two-time EIWA champion Nick Mauldin at 158 pounds, yearlings Dave Warnick at 126 and T.J. Wright at 177, and Jacob Garcia at 167. Mauldin completed his four-year career with 110 wins, an all-time USMA high, while Warnick set the season record for wins with 37.

While men's basketball struggled under first-year coach Tom Miller, plebe Dave Ardafiyo garnered recognition with his selection as the Patriot League "Rookie of the Year."

FALL

Our many accomplishments in the fall

ended with the 30-20 win over Navy in Football. Halfback Mike Mayweather shattered the school rushing record for career yards with 4,299, and became Army's first player to be named to an All-America first team since offensive guard Don Smith was so honored in 1985. Joining Mayweather on All-East teams were center Bill Speier, defensive backs Ed Givens and Mike McElrath, and kicking specialist Patmon Malcom.

The 150-pounders again won the Eastern Lightweight Football League title with a perfect 6-0 record, and women's volleyball closed at 30-10, with one of those wins coming against Navy.

NAVY COMPETITION

Of the 23 contests this year against Navy (hockey, women's softball, women's soccer and women's tennis do not compete), the final count is 11 wins and 12 losses. My good friend, COL Morris Herbert (Ret) '50, ASSEMBLY "Sports Editor," reminds me that we have not won the Navy series since the 1978-79 athletic year. With this past year as a springboard, we expect SUCCESS IN 1991-92.

ANNUAL AAA AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations are in order for Mike Mayweather (football) and Colleen McCabe (softball), winners of this year's Army Athletic Association Awards for most valuable service to athletics during their careers as cadets. They receive their awards at the Superintendent's Awards Review graduation week.

UPON THE FIELDS OF FRIENDLY STRIFE . . .

Congratulations to all athletes as they wind down the 101st year of intercollegiate athletics at West Point. Upon behalf of you, the alumni and friends of Army Athletics, I also congratulate and commend our coaches for their efforts in fielding competitive teams and, just as importantly, leading and inspiring our cadet athletes so that they are better prepared for their own leadership roles ahead.

BEAT NAVY!

Powerlifters Continue National Dominance

Both Men's and Women's Powerlifting Teams repeated as national collegiate champs for the second consecutive year. The men edged a strong Louisiana Tech team for the title, followed by Navy, Temple, Grambling, and Brigham Young. The women finished first among a competitive field that included strong teams from Navy, Villanova, East Stroudsburg, Louisiana Tech, and Temple.

Leading the charge for the men was veteran lifter Jason Shrader who finished first in the 123-pound category with a 402-pound squat, 250-pound bench press, and 441-pound deadlift.

"I felt like I had something to prove," said Jason. "Last year I finished 5th and I knew that three of the guys that beat me—including the defending national champion—were returning, and that they would all come back improved: I just had to improve more. I thought about this meet every day for 12 months, and I never missed a workout!"

Also winning their weight classes for Army were Dan Pillitiere at 165 pounds and Jose' Bracero at 114 pounds. Both athletes had to post personal bests in each of the three events—squat, bench press and deadlift—in order to win their weight classes.

"I heard Jose' Bracero tell the coach that no matter where he stood in the final round, he wanted a chance to lift for first place," Dan Pillitiere recalls, "and when my weight class came up I told our coach the same thing. In the final round I wasn't even sure how much was loaded on the bar, I just knew that I needed it to take first."

"This was a tremendous year for us," said Pat O'Brien, the cadet in charge. "Last season was the first



Women powerlifters after beating Navy in a dual meet the week of the Army-Navy football game.



Men's powerlifting team poses with National Championship trophy.

time ever that a male cadet took first in any weight category at the national meet; this year we had three cadets take first."

Mike "Bubba" Stokes, who was the sole winner for Army in 1990, moved up a weight class to 181-pounds and had to settle for second despite a 622-pound squat, a 391-pound bench press and a 600-pound deadlift.

Also finishing second for Army were John "J. D." Duncan in the 198-pound class with lifts totalling 1572 pounds and Todd Weidow in the 242-pound class with a 1661-pound total.

Leading the way for the women was 140-pound senior Jennifer Kelley who won her weight class for the third consecutive year with lifts of 314 pounds in the squat, 181 pounds in the bench press, and 347 pounds in the deadlift.

"I've had the satisfaction of watching our team develop into a national powerhouse these past three years," noted an exuberant Kelley. "We never had a cadet take first at nationals—either male or female—until 1989 when we won our first title," Kelley added, "and we have had three women win their weight classes each year since then."

Also placing first for Army at the national competition were Soo Lee Davis in the 123-pound class with a 716-pound total, and Missy Werner in the 132-pound class with lifts totaling 766 pounds.

Team captain, Kim Ashton, was especially impressed by the solid performances of each team member.

"This was my fourth year competing at the national level," observed Ashton, who lifts at a body weight of 97 pounds, "and even though the competition was the toughest we've ever faced, our women did

better this year than ever before."

"Take the 114-pound class as an example," she added, "last year the woman that won it posted a 567-pound total for her three lifts; this year our 114-pounder, Becky Dieck, totaled 667 pounds and finished third!"

In powerlifting, as in wrestling and boxing, individual athletes compete by weight class. Each lifter gets three attempts at the squat, bench press, and deadlift. The best successful attempt in each event is totaled to determine the placing in that weight class.

In order to be invited to the National Collegiate Championships, lifters must successfully lift minimum qualifying totals at sanctioned meets during the previous academic year. The qualifying totals for the various weight classes are adjusted periodically in an effort to limit the number of participants in each to approximately ten. The top three finishers in each weight class at the collegiate nationals are designated as All-Americans.

Each school can enter a maximum of ten competitors (two in any single weight class) and team points are awarded to the top ten finishers in each weight class.

In addition to the individual results noted above, Kim Ashton was second at 97 pounds, Monica Manzo second at 105 pounds, Carrie Pearson third at 132 pounds, Latonya Jackson second at 148 pounds, and Toya Davis third at 165 pounds.

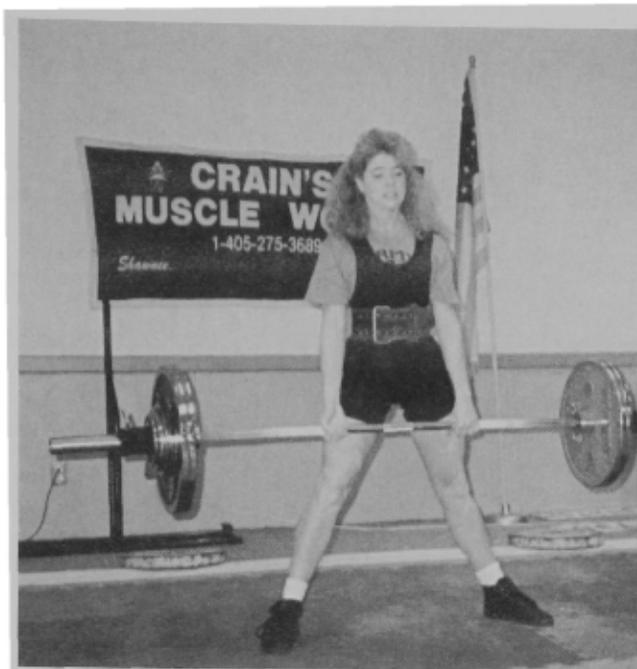
Rounding out the male lifters designated as All Americans were Craig Baker who finished third among the 148-pounders with a 501-pound squat, a 341-pound bench press, and a 479-pound deadlift, and Darrick "Big D" McGill who finished third among the 220-pounders with lifts totalling 1491 pounds.

The Army coaching staff, consisting of Lieutenant Colonel Paul Christopher, Captain Chuck Anderson, and Major Terry Walters, shared the United States Powerlifting Federation's prestigious "Coach of the Year" Award for the second consecutive year.

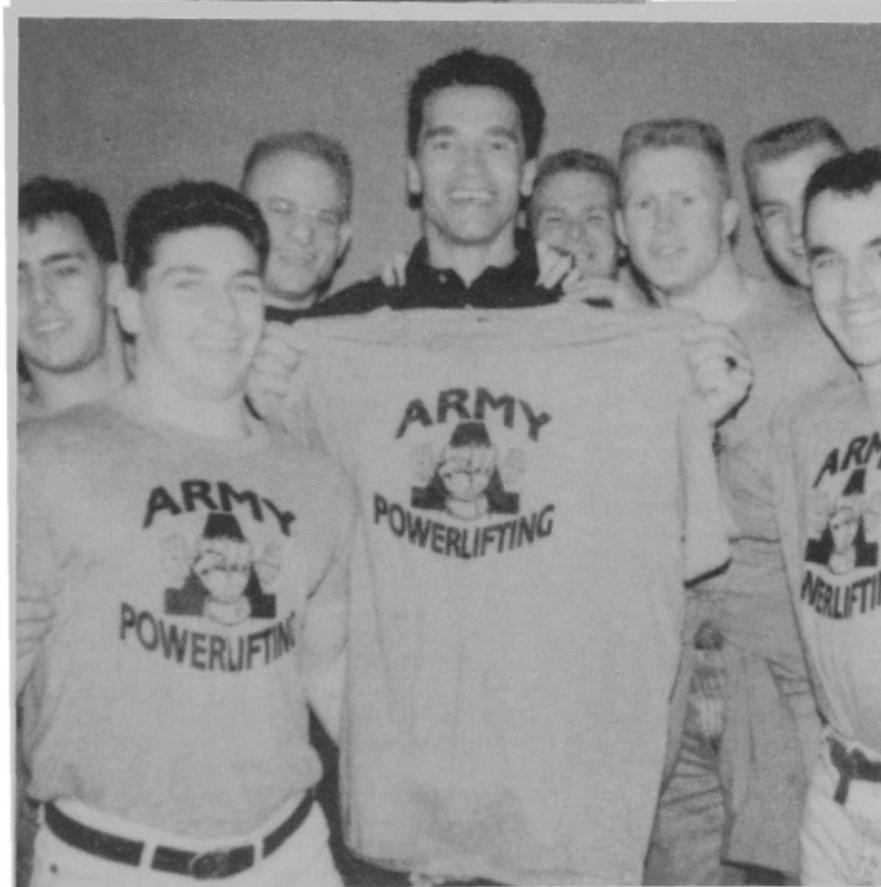
How does it look for next year? Two of the three national champs—Soo Lee Davis and Missy Werner, both yearlings—seemed more than a little bit confident.

"Most of the women's national collegiate lifting records date from before 1985, the year that the league initiated mandatory drug testing for all competitors," Davis said. "This year we had three women on the Army team attempt national collegiate records. Although none of them was successful, I am confident that our women will be setting new records next season!"

"Our recent successes have shot us into the national limelight," observed Coach Christopher, who teaches philosophy when he's not coaching powerlifting. "This year we had a popular national fitness magazine, *Natural Physique*, contribute a



Missy Werner deadlifts 314 pounds to clinch 1st place in the 132 lb class, National Championships.



"Mr. Muscle" himself (Arnold Schwarzenegger) poses with the cadet team.

few thousand dollars to help defray the costs of attending the national competition. Because of their generosity we were able to reduce the cost to cadets for going to the national competition significantly."

"Let me put in a strong plug for this magazine," Christopher added, "they are a strong proponent of drug free fitness and give a lot of coverage to Army powerlifters.

I encourage those who want to learn more about weight training and also keep track of how the Army powerlifters are doing to consider subscribing to this publication." For information on *Natural Physique* write to 350 Fifth Ave., Suite 8216, NY, NY 10118.

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News from the Societies



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA/ NEVADA

On 7 Mar our society held its third annual Founders Day supper in the Officers Open Mess at McClellan AFB, Sacramento. The event was well attended with 128 persons present. This is our highest total attendance yet at a FD supper. Our guest speaker for the evening was LTG **Dave R. Palmer '56**, the current Superintendent at WP.



LTG Dave R. Palmer '56 and Mr. Larry D. Smith '62, pres.

Other speakers during the event included COL **William W. Jones (Ret) '36**, accompanied by his wife **Eleanor**, who was the oldest grad present. COL Jones won the honor of oldest grad by beating out one of his classmates who also attended, **Stephen E. Smith**. CPT **Andres B. Wertin '83** was the youngest grad present and added his comments to those presented by COL Jones. CPT Wertin is presently a graduate student at the U of CA Davis. He was accompanied by his wife **Deanne**, who is also on active duty as a 1st LT in the AF, stationed in Sacramento.

We were also honored to have with us **Mary Kay Gorlinski**, the widow of the late COL **Joseph S. Gorlinski Nov '18**, who was in attendance with her son, LTC **Charles C. Gorlinski (Ret) '56** to represent previous generations of the Long Gray Line. LTG Palmer's class ('56) was well represented at the event. Along with Palmer, six other members of his class were present.

The success of our FD event was encouraging. We are still a young society and growing. We would welcome additional members.

A summer function will be our next event. Possible consideration is being

given now to a summer picnic in the Sacramento area, as well as a further event in Reno for our members in Northern NV. If you would like further information on our society write to **Larry D. Smith**, Pres, 2140 Rockwood Dr, Sacramento, CA 95864 or call Mr. Smith at (916) 929-2675 during business hours. CPT **Thadd Buzan**, our secy, is also available to answer questions and can be reached at (916) 649-0146 during business hours.

—Larry D. Smith '62

SILICON VALLEY

The society has been very active in 1991. In Feb, during one of our bimonthly luncheons, we had an outstanding briefing on the Persian Gulf situation by three officers assigned to the Hoover Institute at Stanford University.

FD was a great success under **John Swenson's '65** leadership. B. T. Collins, a decorated Vietnam Green Beret and a holder of several senior executive positions in the CA state government, gave a stirring talk on the status of values in the US today.

To keep it going, Brigadier Ingall, a '27 grad of Sandhurst and a Bengal Lancer, reminisced widely from his duties in India and elsewhere to his friendship with David Niven.

In May, at a USMA candidates' luncheon, our speaker will be an officer who just returned from the Persian Gulf.

The schedule for the rest of the year is also full with a boxing films night, two golf tournaments, a "Goat-Hive" football game, and a tour of the Napa/Sonoma wine country. It ends up on 28 Dec with a formal dinner-dance at Ft. Mason in SF.

On a more practical note, two important committees have been formed. A Charity Committee under **Roger Bivens '63** will look at how the WPSSV can make a contribution to the local area. **Mike Froncek '70** heads up the Career Advisory Committee to help grads in civilian life.

If any grads are in No CA on business or pleasure and would like to join us in any of our activities, just let us know: **Ralph Adams '65** (415) 321-3040 or **Chuck DePew '60** (415) 592-7591.

—Ralph Adams '65

CHICAGO

The Empire Room of the Palmer House Hotel in downtown Chicago was the setting for this year's WPSC commemoration of the founding of the Military Academy. A crowd of over 130 graduates, spouses, and friends welcomed **Tom Miller '70**, Army basketball coach, as our special guest and keynote speaker. Coach Miller shared several observations on his new assignment, including his perspective on the changes that have occurred since his cadet days. The formal portion of the evening's festivities was MC'ed by **Mike Colbert '73** and featured the traditional Color Guard and Military Band from Fourth U.S. Army. **Fred Brooks '73**, WPSC pres, provided brief "State of the Society" remarks, and presentations by our oldest grad present, **Morgan Murphy '46**, and the youngest grad present, **Jimmy Hall '88**, capped the evening's formal festivities. A special thanks went to **Jan '73 & Peggy Schultz** and **Mike & Kathleen Colbert** for all their efforts in planning and orchestrating the entire evening.

The WPSC also wants to recognize two important new members who will provide a vital part of WP's presence and visibility in the greater Chicago area. Don Krumin has taken over the reigns as pres of the WPPC of Chicago from Joe Brady, whose son Greg graduated this Jun and was commissioned into the Air Defense Artillery. Don was previously pres of the WPPC of So FL, prior to Motorola moving him back to the Chicago area. Don also had a son graduate with the Class of '91, and a son in the Class of '93.

Another recent addition to the Academy's presence in the Chicago area is **Tadd Schinke '82**, who assumed duties earlier this year as the regional coordinator for the Military Academy Liaison Officer (MALO) Program. Although involved with the program for a number of years, Tadd now handles the coordination for all of the Reserve officer recruitment efforts in the greater Chicago area.

Upcoming society events include our annual summer golf outing, this year a joint outing with the US Naval Academy Alumni Association of Chicago.

—Steve Best '76

CINCINNATI

This year's FD dinner was held at the Blue Ash Embassy Suites Hotel. It was, arguably, one of the best Founders Day celebrations in recent times. This was largely due to the work of **Dan Coles '75** and his wife **Lee**. The spirit which pervaded this year's celebration seemed quite upbeat. Perhaps everyone was thankful for the swift and successful execution of Operation Desert Storm. COL **Myron Snoke '50** reflected this gratitude in his soul stirring invocation.

The Commandant of Cadets, BG **David A. Bramlett '64**, talked about the contributions made by recently graduated classes in Operation Desert Storm. After his formal remarks he fielded questions reminiscent of the Thayer Hall Auditorium "stump the stars" sessions of my cadet days. He successfully belayed the fears we had regarding the current demise of the Corps. The bottom line was that some of the training has changed to better meet the needs of the Army, but "the Corps" has not.

The oldest graduate in attendance, COL **Jack West '27**, spoke of the choicest Army assignment of his time, Tientsin, China, and why it held this status. The youngest grad in attendance, **Rod Apfelbeck '85**, was delighted to know that he could say anything he wanted to and the Commandant of Cadets, sitting ten feet away, could do nothing. Rod confessed to having taken weekend leave to visit West Point while he was an exchange cadet at the Coast Guard Academy.

UPCOMING EVENTS: On 19 May, the Naval Academy is sponsoring a golf outing at the Vineyards Golf Course. The Parents Club is sponsoring a picnic on 8 Jun. On 19 Oct, the society is sponsoring a trip to Louisville to watch the Army-Louisville game. Information on the society or any of these events can be obtained by calling **Rod Apfelbeck '85** at 513-821-6159 or **John Capelli '80** at 513-793-0277.

—John Capelli '80

CONNECTICUT

The WPSCT Founders Day dinner was attended by 70 people. Those in attendance included **Lori L. (Good) Loucks '83**, our first female graduate; **Denis Mullane '52**, pres of the AOG; and BG **Van Harlingen '39**. BG **Bramlett**, Commandant of Cadets, addressed the group and spoke about the role of West Pointers in recent conflicts, to include Panama and Saudi Arabia, and how the younger classes are making history and contributing to this great nation.

Rick Thibodeau '70 was presented with a plaque for his fine work as pres and helping increase membership up to 117 people. The Class of '80 and up represented about 25% of those mem-

bers present. The new list of officers was announced as follows: pres: **Michael Strathearn '75**; VP, **Rolf Knoll '70**; treas, **Thomas Sullivan '80**; secy **Alan Levesque '80**.



Mike Strathearn, new president; Rich Thibodeau, outgoing president.

All in all a fun time was had by all, and the society is slowly growing. Those CT residents interested in joining please call Mike at (203) 293-5101 for membership.

—Thomas Sullivan '80

DAYTON

The WPS of Dayton, OH celebrated Founders Day on Friday, 15 Mar at the Engineers Club of Dayton. Forty graduates, spouses and dependents met for cocktails and dinner. The MC was COL **Ronald W. Bashant '66**. The invocation was delivered by **Lynn Sifford '42**. He led the graduates in the Cadet Prayer. Our oldest graduate present was **Curly Edwards '39**. Curley warmly reflected on the influences of WP on his career and on contemporary events. He pointed out how appropriate the historic Engineers Club was for this FD celebration because of its similarity to West Point architecture. Our youngest graduate present was **Bill Johnson '84**. Bill reflected on the Gulf War and the significant contributions of WP graduates. The featured speaker was BG **Philippe O. Bouchard '55**, Director of the Center for Artificial Intelligence Applications (CAIA) in Dayton. Gen Bouchard summarized the historical significance of the Engineers Club and its impact on the technological growth of Dayton. He traced the high-tech weapons used in the Gulf War to programs developed at the Aeronautical Systems Division (ASD), Wright Patterson AFB, in Dayton. Gen Bouchard explained the mission of CAIA and described how artificial intelligence systems could perform tasks like data engineering, program management and aircraft design. He predicted that on the high-tech horizon is natural language processing, whereby people will speak in their natural lan-

guage to a machine and the machine will understand and process this input. The evening concluded with the singing of the Corps and the Alma Mater. Efforts behind the scenes were credited to the outstanding work of **Bill Dirkes '49**.

—Tom Brooks '55

EL PASO

Our El Paso Society dedicated our 91 FD celebration to pay tribute to all Desert Storm forces, but especially to the over 12,000 who were deployed from the Ft. Bliss and El Paso areas. Our society's FD Committee was co-chaired by **Woodbury '69** and **Yeisley '69**, ably assisted by **Barnett '39**, **Hayden '45**, **Dyer '59**, **Casto** and **Saari '70**, **Hartman '72**, **Stearns '81**, **Carlson '85**, **Cannon**, **Kelly** and **St. Rose '90**.

We began the evening with our host, **Lionetti '61**, bringing together our El Paso area new cadet candidates and parents to meet our speaker, USMA Dean, **Galloway '57**. We greeted 15 candidates, plus friends and family members assembling with the following local USMA Admissions volunteers: **Hayden '45**, Region USMA Coordinator, **Cobb '68**, **Lochhead '49**, **James '71**, **Revie** and **Weber '64**. The parents club was represented by **Pruitt**, **Arciniaga**, **Lerma**, **Lucero** and **Zimmer**. Over 260 attendees enjoyed a leisurely fellowship hour and then were called to dinner by minute caller, **Miller '90**, accompanied by Hellcats from the 62nd Army Band. **Woodbury '69**, our MC, took us through: call to order, invocation, toasts, and introductions. Comments were made by our host, who is Air Defense Artillery Center (Home of the SCUDBUSTERS) commander, **Lionetti**, and soc pres, **Oblinger '53**; youngest grad, **St. Rose '90**, told us about his version of the Corps and the oldest grad, **Herman '31**, described the nostalgia and true meaning of Army service.

The Dean at WP, BG **Gerald Galloway '57**, gave a dynamic presentation about the quality of the young men and women at the Academy now and the programs which are in place to insure that these quality cadets will become even better as officers joining the Long Gray Line.

The FD festivities ended just in time for the **Lionettis** to lead two dozen waiting Desert Storm wives, who were attending, and many more of the Ft. Bliss family to greet the first aircraft arriving in El Paso bringing home our Desert Storm heroes. What superb timing!

On 9 Jun, the parents club will host a picnic at the home of SGM **Lucero (Ret)** for the new cadet candidates and their families. Members of the Class of '94 will be there to describe plebe life at WP.

A further important event will be held 18 Jun, when the mayor of El Paso will

proclaim WP Day in El Paso to honor our new cadet candidates of the Class of '95. Our soc will host a luncheon for the candidates and their families at the Ft. Bliss Officers Club. Our feature speaker will be BG Behrenhausen '61, former chief of staff at WP and currently commander, JTF-6.

—John Oblinger '53

SOUTH FLORIDA

The WPS SFL celebrated Founders Day on 15 Mar at the University Club in Miami with a gathering of graduates—along with spouses and escorts—from throughout the southeast FL region. All together the group totalled 82 people, one of the strongest showings for a society function in recent years. After a boisterous Benny Haven's hour, outgoing society pres **Huck Bolz** '71 gathered the throng into the dining room, and confirmed with all present the election of the new officers of the society for the 91-92 term: Pres—**William Sipes** '76; VP—**Jerry Nowotny** '82; Secys—**Brian S. Kief** '72 and **J. Daniel Carlo** '87; Treas—**MG Sylan E. Salter** (Ret) '45.

The gathering then proceeded with addresses by COL **Len Kaplan** (Ret) '39 and **Dan Carlo** '87, the oldest and youngest grads, respectively. Both highlighted the contribution graduates of the Academy were making in the Persian Gulf conflict, particularly those who had fallen in battle. The guest speaker, Academy Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, COL **Al Vanderbush** (Ret) '61, then addressed the group, and updated us on the latest goings on at WP. Among other things, COL Vanderbush spoke about the departure of Coach Young, the future of the football program, and the new "Fourth Class System." Incoming Pres **Sipes** then adjourned the function by urging the support of all present to make the society a more proactive organization for the benefit of all graduates in the area. Overall, a good time was had by all.

Future plans for the society include the creation of a career advisory bureau for grads leaving the military and relocating to the area, as well as several outings in the summer and fall. Should any graduate be interested in joining or finding out more about the society and its activities, please contact **William Sipes** at (305) 591-6167.

—J. Daniel Carlo '87

SPACE COAST

On 6 Mar, basking in the glow of a national victory that featured brilliant performances of duty by so many WP graduates, we filled the Patrick AF Base Officers Club party room for our FD celebration.

Pres **Dick Henry** '49 introduced candidate **Eric Adler** and his parents. Eric,

with five other admissible candidates, had met with Dir of Intercollegiate Athletics, **Al Vanderbush** '61, earlier that afternoon. Also recognized were Regional Admissions Coordinator COL **Charles Greene**, along with Admissions Reps LTC **Dennis Jewell**, CPT **Larry Mortland** and LT **Marcia Ganoe** '84.

Jack Jamba USAFA '62, who heads up our Congressman's AF Academy Selection Cmte was also in attendance to, as Pres **Henry** put it, "find out how it's done."

After a first class dinner, oldest grad COL **Francis G. Hall** '32, gave an engaging picture of life in the Army during the depression leading up to rapid advancement in WWII and paid tribute to today's WP. Youngest grad **Beverly Rosenquist** '85 followed up with a stirring testimony to the leadership of freedom that has won out so decisively over tyranny.

The evening's speaker, COL **Al Vanderbush**, brought us up-to-date on all the recent significant changes at WP and reassured us that the athletic program, along with all the rest of the programs, is on course. He ended by telling us that we grads can help by reporting good athletic prospects to his office, warning us not to violate NCAA rules by trying to recruit them ourselves.

Dick Henry told of plans for a Jun picnic with the Navy graduates and for a fall golf tournament. We ended the evening with the Alma Mater followed by an enthusiastic "BEAT NAVY!"

—Jack Dibble '40

MICHIGAN

The society celebrated FD on Sat, 23 Mar at the Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville. Attendance this year numbered 112. The guest speaker, COL **Pierce A. Rushton, Jr.** '59, Dir of Admissions, updated us on the Academy. Both the oldest and youngest graduate displayed remarkable ability to hew to the overriding wishes of the membership—brevity! The oldest graduate was COL **Ogden S. Jones, Jr.** (Ret) '49. Comments on the youthfulness of our speaker circulated the entire evening. On the other end of the spectrum, CPT **James MeAree**, USAR, '83 garnered honors as the youngest of the group for the third year running. Unlike Ogden, I'm sure Jim feels himself much too old to continue this trend.

One of the highlights of the evening was the opportunity to welcome home several of our membership who had been mobilized for service in support of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. Ten graduates serving in the Reserves/National Guard were activated. Eight of those continue to serve.

The evening included a display of cadet uniforms, *Howitzers*, pictures from last year's FD celebration and

dancing to the music of "Rare Blend." Many thanks to **Greg & Shirley Wold** '56, our sponsoring members at MCC and to everyone who helped make the evening a success. One order of business conducted each year is the election of new members to the Board of Directors. This year the nominating committee recommended continuation of the terms of the three retiring members who were each elected to fill their expired positions and to continue as officers: **Cliff Worthy** '53, VP; **Glenn Nenninger** '65, Secy; and **Jim Stewart** '67, Treas.

—Glenn Nenninger '65

MISSISSIPPI

The WPS of MS held its annual FD dinner in Jackson on Sat, 2 Mar. BG **Galloway** '57, Dean of the Academic Board, reported on the status of academic and other programs to the fifty graduates, guests, parents, and candidates in attendance. Enjoyed reminiscences were provided by **Barksdale** '37 and **Foote** '74 as the oldest and youngest grads present, respectively. During the meeting the following officers were re-elected for a one-year term: Pres—**Mounger** '48, VP—**Barksdale** '37 and Secy—**Mlakar** '66. **Heilbronner** '45 and **Gell** '58 were also re-elected to the Board of Directors

—Paul Mlakar '66

MONTEREY PENINSULA

On 8 Mar the WPS of the Monterey Peninsula held its FD dinner at the Ft. Ord Officers Club. We were very fortunate to have as our guest speaker the Superintendent, LTG **Dave R. Palmer** '56. Our oldest grad present for duty was COL **Howard A. Malin** '24 and the youngest grad was LT **David E. Hurley** '90. Each gave interesting and entertaining comments about the Academy.

A new board was elected to hold office for the next two years. Pres **Jerome M. Ledzinski** '65 will be ably assisted by **Roy J. Herte** '51, COL **John J. Ryneska** '68, **Robert A. Hewitt** '56 and **William P. Cater** '70.

The evening was a tremendous success due to the grand work of our dinner committee: COL **John J. Ryneska**, MAJ **Emilio Di Giorgio** '74, MAJ **Colen K. Willis** '74, CPT **Scott Kellar** '80, CPT **Stanley Heath** '84, LT Co **S. Nguyen** '87 and COL **Leonard W. Wegner** (Ret) '50.

—Arvid P. Croonquist Jan '43

NEW ENGLAND

The WPS of New England hosted BG **Dave Bramlett** '64 at our annual Founders Day dinner. **Chip & Sally Smith** '61 along with **Jim & Valerie Wiegel** '76 coordinated the well-attended (125 grads and guests) event. Our "most mature" grad was **MG Rush Lin-**

coln '32 and our youngest grad was Jim Clark '85. Both gentlemen provided quips about their cadet days and reflected on their West Point training and its impact on their lives.



MG R. Lincoln '32 (old grad) and Jim Clarke '85 (young grad)

Pat O'Neill '82 organized our first annual Networking Night. Grads and friends met at Natick Labs to meet potential new clients, to circulate their resumes, and to recruit for their golf foursome. The formal portion of the program included comments from Nate Gallagher '50, Pres, Academy Graduates Executive Search, Inc.

Future events planned for the WPSNE are the annual business meeting, 8 May at Hanscom, a new cadet send-off in June, and our summer picnic. For information, call Ellen Groschelle (508) 957-4139.

—Ellen Groschelle '82

CENTRAL NEW YORK

The WPSNY celebrated FD with a banquet at the Green Gate Inn in Camillus, NY on 22 Mar. Characteristically the snow and cold weather did not deter our group from the good fellowship and company.

Paul Curtin Jun '43, our society VP and perennial oldest grad deferred to Pres Howell Hodgskin '52 for the oldest grad honors and presentation. The most recent grad was new member, Mark Bergen '85, who not long ago left the Regular Army for an engineering position at NYNEX. Also among the attendees was the Fragnito family. Joseph Fragnito is a distinguished student at Solvay HS, class pres and captain of his school's football team. He has an appointment to the Class of '95.

After a pleasant dinner, the group settled down to an interesting presentation by LTC Walt Pacyga from the USAR Schools operations in Rochester, NY. The topic was the impact of the Reserve forces on the current force structure including the recently concluded Gulf Conflict. LTC Pacyga was introduced by Charlie Breeding '78, former pres and founder of the WPSNY.

PHILADELPHIA

The WPS of Philadelphia is playing a bit of catch up in the alumni information and relations area. We have been busy and just put off writing.

Joint Outing with West Point Parents Club of Delaware Valley: At the Duke game the society sponsored a joint picnic with the WPPC of DE. It was a great success except for the score. The Philadelphia Society has a close association with the WPPC. Pictured at the outing is John Mullen, pres of the PC presenting an appreciation plaque to Eileen Herrick, AOG Coordinator of the Parents Club, for her efforts and interest and enthusiasm (photo below). The parents need and appreciate the guidance and information from "old grads" in the AOG.



Army/Navy Dinner Dance was a great success (and Army won the game too): The WPS of Philadelphia and the Naval Academy Alumni Association sponsored the annual Army/Navy Dinner Dance on 7 Dec at the Union League of Philadelphia. This was held in conjunction with the Armed Forces Committee of the Union. Over 300 guests attended—a record turn out!

Honor guest and principal speaker was former Supe, LTG Scott '48. Harry Walters '59, former head of the VA, also attended. Pictured below are "Dusty" and "Scotty" Scott, Pat and Rod Vitty, WPS Pres.



The program included appearances by current Supe, LTG Dave Palmer, and the "Rabble Rousers" and the surprise

appearance by the Cadet Band (some Navy cheerleaders were there too). It was a great party and the society appreciates the support of the over 300 guests and the AOG.

The football game the following day has been well reported and documented. It was a great success. The society wishes Jim Young good luck in his retirement, but it is sad to see him go. Coach Young visited the society's summer board meetings at Eagle Lodge frequently in the past few years, and we always appreciated his visits, his candor and what he has done for Army football.

Well Done!

The WPS of Philadelphia and all of its "old grads" express their appreciation of the officers and the men of Desert Storm for their dedication, performance, discipline and their diligence to the operation. WELL DONE!

PHOENIX

The fingers of Operation Desert Storm reached out in many directions. The planned tour of Williams AFB in Feb was cancelled because of the tightened base security. We will be looking ahead to 1992 for a tour of either Williams or Luke presupposing no major military activities in that time frame.

Our disappointment from Feb was short-lived. FD dinner on 12 Mar was a huge success. Through the kindness of Bob Fye '45, Dennis Hawker '65 was able to make arrangements for the AZ Country Club. The setting was perfect and the program matched the setting. Duane Slater '62 managed the publicity. Duane also did the class photos with the help of Bill Lewis, retired associate professor of PE and an honorary member of several classes. Bill is an enthusiastic supporter of society activities. After a noisy social hour and time for class photos, Will Worthington '62, society pres, called us to attention to initiate the main event. Roger Neumeister '41 gave a layman's version of the invocation. A short business meeting, followed at which time we elected two new members to the Board of Directors, Roy Hendrickson '41 and Joe Gross '62. They replace retiring members Will Worthington and Lara York '83. The usual toasts followed the business meeting, with a special toast to the troops of Operation Desert Storm. Howard Penney '40, the oldest grad present, delivered a superb and timely message highlighting Operation Desert Storm and its significance to the military establishment. He was followed by Paul Lukert '83, the youngest present, who was indeed a credit to his contemporaries. His humor added sparkle to the atmosphere. With the well performed preliminaries over, we were ready for the highlight of the evening, the Supe, Dave Palmer '56. His message, dealing

with the Academy today, gave all of us confidence that WP is in good hands. Dave has a sharpness of delivery that keeps everyone attentive and amused to the end. The program closed with the singing of the Alma Mater. All in all, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening. Our grads are always impressive when they have an opportunity to perform. As graduates, spouses and friends departed, we had a renewed good feeling about WP.

The new officers for the 1991-92 year are: Pres—**Dennis Hawker '65**, VP—**Duane Slater '62** and Secy & Treas—**Tommy Rader '81**.

The golf meeting planned for May will be history when you read this news. It will be reported in the next issue of ASSEMBLY. Best wishes to all.

—**Rog Neumeister '41**

PUGET SOUND

The FD banquet was held at the Ft. Lewis Officers Club on 23 Mar this year. After a Benny Havens' hour and delicious dinner we were entertained by a series of speakers consisting of MG **Ed Trobaugh '55**, pres of our society; BG **George P. Lynch '25**, the oldest grad; 2LT **Eric Ness '90**, the youngest grad; and the guest speaker, Mr. **Denis F. Mullane '52**. LTC **Page Reitz '70** was the MC. Our thanks go to the alumni at Ft. Lewis for a most enjoyable evening.

Our prayers for victory in the war with Iraq have been answered. Glory be to God!

—**Win Curley '41**

RHODE ISLAND

The WPSRI held its annual FD celebration at the Quonset Point Officers Club on Fri evening, 15 Mar. In attendance were some 65 grads, their spouses, and friends of the WP society.

Hosting the evening were **Dick Bauchspies '58** (the RI Society pres) & his wife **Barbara**. Along with the help of the FD Comm, **Ted Bierman '60**, **Bob & Pauline deLaar '65**, and **Greg Voigt '82**, Dick & Barbara were able to present an evening of enjoyment highlighted by two unique events.

After Benny Havens' hour, the RI Society presented its first leadership awards to four deserving high school juniors in the state. This award, named after LT **Tommie Bates '86**, a Rhode Islander killed in Operation Desert Storm, was conceived and implemented under the guidance of **Roy Kirkpatrick '58**. After a several month selection and interviewing process, Roy and his committee were able to present four awards to three juniors of the Aquidneck Island HS system and one junior of the Coventry HS system. Helping with the presentation were Mrs. **Sandi Bates** (mother of

Tommie Bates) and US Congressman **Jack Reed '71**. All four presentees received a WP plaque and were treated to the evening by means of a special award fund created by the society.

The second noteworthy event was the address of our guest speaker, MG **George S. Patton '46**. MG Patton, a guest of his friend and fellow classmate, BG **Jack Burney '46**, spoke very highly of the operations involved with the recent victory in the Mid-East campaign. He emphasized his address with a slide presentation of the strategies and tactics used and commented that through his career of military service, his one "regret" was not being able to participate in a battle with terrain so aptly suited for the Air-Land battle!

Additionally, the society was pleased with the oldest and youngest graduate addresses by **Jim Edwards '45** and **Jim McCormick '82**. Both individuals were able to recount some very interesting events in their cadet careers which had their audience laughing!

The WPSRI continues to sponsor an active year round schedule of events which include summer picnics, garden parties, a football trip to WP annually, and our business meetings. We are a growing organization looking for new involvement from graduates and friends of the Academy throughout the SE New England area.

—**Greg Voigt '82**

UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA

Coming out of those "gray days" of Feb, the WPS of Upstate SC kicked off its spring activities with its third annual FD dinner on 9 Mar. This year's oldest grad, Dr. **Rupert Hodges '45**, opened the evening with his recollections of the "Old Corps" while **Bob Stokes '84** reminded us, as the youngest grad, that things had not changed that much. The evening's keynote speaker, COL **Al Vanderbush '61**, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, gave us a great update on happenings at WP. Many thanks go to **Charlie Dionne '81** for organizing the festivities.

The society followed FD with its social action—a day supporting Greenville, SC's Habitat for Humanity program. Several society members met on the west side of town and spent the day building a recently started home. We all felt the pride of helping another family achieve the dream of owning a home.

Spring continued as the society once again gathered to enjoy America's favorite pastime, baseball. Greenville's AA team, the G-Braves battled the Birmingham Barons of the Southern League. This family oriented event featured plenty of hot dogs and foul balls, and was another chance for the WPS members to

share some time together. Thanks to **Pete Selleck '77** for arranging the outing.

Our last spring event featured a challenge to the local Naval Academy grads. A call went out to gather all the woods and irons and meet head to head on the golf course. The society roused as many "middies" as would be found and met at Southern Oaks Golf Course in Powdersville. Prizes were awarded for low individual medalist, longest drive, closest to the pin, and to the winning team. The "fairways" of friendly strife proved more difficult than most had expected. Tournament chairman **Reg Fadden '74** closed the competition with a combination victory party and cookout for admitted candidates of USMA Class of '95.

With all of these activities behind us, the society is in the middle of its annual membership drive. Over the past three years we've managed to "recruit" over half of the eligible area graduates, parents of cadets, widows, and friends of WP to formally join the society and are looking for even greater support during the 91-92 year. Please contact any of the board members if you would like to join the best small WPS.

—**Mike Ungar '80**

TENNESSEE VALLEY— HUNTSVILLE ALABAMA

A highlight of the society program occurred last fall in Nashville. **Nancy Hecker** organized a gala football weekend for Huntsville's Army fans. The weekend was climaxed by an awesome display of offensive football. The Supe was heard to promise to one of our contingent that "Army will bring its defense to Philadelphia." Subsequent events proved him correct.

Approximately 150 grads, their spouses, guests and cadet parents convened at the Redstone Arsenal Officers Club on Fri, 1 Mar to celebrate the 189th anniv of the founding of WP. The attendees, the workers and all concerned are to be congratulated for making the event enjoyable to all.

We were fortunate in having as the Founders Day speaker BG **Gerry Gallo-way '57**, Dean of the Academic Board. Prior to the dinner, Gerry was able to give the admissions effort in the area a boost by talking to six candidates for the Class of '95 and their parents at an admissible candidates meeting. Gerry's candid remarks should make these prospective cadets better able to meet the challenges of academics in Sep. The meeting was co-hosted by the area admissions organization and the local AUSA Chapter. All those gathered at the dinner enjoyed the remarks by the youngest grad present, **Michael Jackson '90**. It isn't often that the society is treated to information "hot off the press," especially when it comes from a

local product and mom & dad (**Dick Jackson '61**) are present. The audience appreciated the remarks made by the oldest graduate present, **John Zierdt '37**. Both speakers observed the cardinal rules for this portion of the dinner: brevity and succinctness. The Dean was introduced by **Larry Capps '63**, the senior active duty graduate present. Gerry updated the attentive group on all aspects of the Academy. As an example of the evolution of the summer program, we were pleased to learn that this year cadets will be assigned to NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center and the Strategic Defense Command here in Huntsville. The planning and execution of the dinner by our pres, **Gus Hergert '50**, and the dinner committee consisting of chairman **Art Meier '63**, **Dick Black '67**, **Mark Vaughn '79**, **Jeff Cerny '74**, **Bill Adams '73**, **Bill McCoy '59**, and **Steve Sanders '82**, were superb.

—Ed Hildreth '57

GREATER HOUSTON

Greetings to our fellow alum societies from the Lone Star State and the WPS of Greater Houston. On 16 Mar we had our 189th FD banquet at the Wyndham Greenspoint Hotel in Houston. The enclosed picture of this event shows (from left to right) our Pres **Roger Balog '69**, **Beth Balog**, **Sam Gemar '79**, and **Char Gemar**. It was attended by approximate-



ly 250 grads, their spouses and friends. Our keynote speaker was **Seth Hudgins, Jr. '64** who gave a rousing speech concerning the future plans and needs of the AOG and WP, which brought him a standing ovation from the group. Our MC was astronaut MAJ **Sam Gemar** who has just recently returned from a space shuttle mission. **George McDowell '37** was featured as our oldest grad and brought down the house with his usual humor and reminiscences. **Expeditus Bolanos '90** accompanied by his new wife, **Susan**, delivered the youngest grad speech, which allowed the older grads to

realize WP is still developing outstanding young grads for the Long Gray Line.

Currently our members are continuing to take responsible and important positions in the Houston community. **Dwight "Sandy" Beach '59** has recently been elected pres of the Kiwanis Club of Houston, **Jack Bowen '45** has retaken over the position of CEO of Transco, **Luther Clyde "Bob" Campbell '45** is the newly elected pres of the Enex Securities Co., the Rt. Rev. **Maurice Benitez '49** serves as bishop of the Diocese of TX, **Douglas Elmore '86** has recently joined Compaq Computers as an engineer, and **Jarvis Hollingsworth '85** has been elected a representative to the Student Bar Association at the U of Houston Law Center where he is a first-year law student.

Our society meets monthly at Brennan's in Houston every 2d Thur. We normally have a cadre of about thirty, an excellent and provocative speaker, and lots of camaraderie. We welcome any grads in the area to join us. Beat Navy!

—Robert E. Lee '45

SOUTH TEXAS

The WPSST has approximately six-hundred members. Geographically it covers the entire region for telephone area code 512 with San Antonio as its hub, from slightly north of the capital of Austin southward 350 miles to Brownsville on the Rio Grande. The total area is roughly 52,000 square miles; larger, for example, than the entire state of NY.

The FD dinner this year was held on 16 Mar and, as usual, in the huge rooms of one of the largest office buildings on earth, the home of USAA. It was a colorful affair held in a spectacular setting. Cocktail hour was enjoyed in a room under state flags with giant displays of the crests of innumerable military units on the walls. Dinner was held in a high-ceilinged banquet hall with large picture windows providing a panoramic view of the TX hill country to the north. Use of this impressive sight was the courtesy of BG **Robert McDermott (Ret) Jan '43**, WPSST member and USAA chairman. There were about 300 attending.

In addition to a color guard from Ft. Sam Houston and the Fifth Army Band, Cadet Melvin H. Johnson, Class of '91 and a Glee Club member, led the singing of the Alma Mater. The credit for the success in coordinating this effort goes to **Walter H. Root, Jr. '45**.

Our guest speaker was LTG **Richard G. Graves '58**, commander of III Corps and the 339 square miles of central TX that comprise Ft. Hood. His talk includ-

ed the accomplishment of the mammoth logistical tasks involved in transporting a trained and properly equipped force of over two divisions to Saudi Arabia in short order. Gen Graves also provided interesting after-action conclusions regarding US versus Soviet tanks.

The oldest grad present was MG **Claude H. Chorpene (Ret)** of the Class of Nov '18. The Gen was born in 1897, reared in SD, and demonstrated a keen mind with an excellent sense of humor. Only to our society did he reveal his three rules for, and secrets of, his longevity. Events which occurred after the accompanying photograph was taken made it unclear who was the prouder—the cadets on having their picture taken with the oldest grad or the Gen posing with future anchors of the Long Gray Line.



Left to right: Cadet David E. Peek '91, MG Chorpene Nov '18, Cadet Melvin H. Johnson '91 and Cadet Eric Silver '93 at the WPSST FD dinner at USAA on 16 Mar.

—Wes Jones '52

GREAT BRITAIN

The WPS of Great Britain held its FD dinner at the Naval & Military Club in London on 15 Mar. We were honored to have as our special guest and guest speaker, LTG **Charles Otsott '60**, currently Deputy Chairman of the NATO Military Council. Traveling over from Ireland to do the honors as oldest grad was **Bob Rayburn '33**. He has lost none of his vigor and gave us all a rousing address. LT **Dennis Blaker '89** gave the address as youngest grad, and it was a truly enlightening view of the junior officer's role in the modern Army.

Gen Otsott delivered a thoroughly interesting and thought-provoking perspective on the history and current status of East/West relations, the role that the US military forces have played over the years in bringing about the virtual capitulation and withdrawal of Warsaw Pact forces in Europe and the prospects for a durable peace.

Attending were **Bill Knapp '50**, **Bob Devoto '56**, **John Fyfe** and **Mark Lowrey '60**, **John Mulvaney '64**, **Mike Murphy** and **Bruce Korda '68**, **Peter Spivy '70**, **Geoff Champion '72**, **Alan Starkie '79** and **Chris Miller '80**.

—John Fyfe '60

Bulletin Board



Lieutenant General Howard D. Graves Nominated to be West Point's 54th Superintendent

Lieutenant General Howard Dwayne Graves, 51, a 1961 graduate of the United States Military Academy, will become the 54th USMA superintendent in July, when his predecessor, Lieutenant General Dave R. Palmer, retires after a five-year tenure. President George Bush' nomination of LTG Graves as the Academy's next superintendent was announced by Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney on Tuesday, 23 April. His nomination was endorsed by Chief of Staff Carl E. Vuono and is awaiting approval by the U.S. Senate.

LTG Graves, an assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Colin Powell, since July 1989, has impressive credentials. As salutatorian of his class of 534 at West Point and the recipient of a Rhodes Scholarship, he graduated with a master's degree in international relations from the University of Oxford in 1964.

With over 27 years of active commissioned service in the Army, LTG Graves has held such notable positions as commandant of the US Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, PA (Oct 1987-July 1989); vice director of Joint Staff, US Army Element, JCS; deputy director of Strategic Plans and Policy Directorate, JCS; deputy chief of staff of the US Army Forces Command, Ft. McPherson, GA; assistant division commander of 1st Infantry Division, Ft. Riley, KS.

The decorations and badges earned by LTG Graves during his military career include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Medals, Army Commendation Medal and Master Parachutist Badge.

After graduation from USMA in 1961, LTG Graves returned to West Point for a three-year assignment as an instructor, and later assistant professor, in the Department of Social Sciences, from 1970-73.

LTG Graves will take command of the Military Academy at a crucial time: he arrives as West Point is set to become the standard for the leaner, tougher Army the Pentagon envisions for the post-Cold

War era. He will be responsible for reducing the size of the Corps of Cadets from 4400 to 4000 and for justifying the expense of educating these cadets.

LTG Graves' experience working at top levels during peace and war has provided him with a broad background. His role has been described by one of his predecessors as a combination of military commander, college president and mayor of a small town. "He was selected because he has the same qualities as LTG Palmer," said GEN Vuono. "He is dedicated to the Army and his country. He is extremely well qualified to lead West Point into the 1990s."



SCHEDULE FOR FALL REUNIONS

The following classes will hold reunions at West Point during the fall of 1991 as indicated:

Class	Reunion Period
1946	26-29 Sep (Harvard)
1956	19-22 Sep (North Carolina)
1961	24-27 Oct (Boston College)
1966	12-15 Sep (Colgate)

To ensure that you receive all details relating to a class reunion, keep the Association of Graduates advised of your current address.

Homecoming 1991

The following is the schedule for alumni Homecoming 10-13 October

1991. The Classes of 1971, 1976, 1981 and 1986 have scheduled reunions for this weekend. For additional information contact the Alumni Affairs Office, West Point, NY 10996; (telephone 914-938-3700/3024)

Thursday, 10 October

1200-1800 Alumni Headquarters
Open, Cullum Hall

Friday, 11 October

0800-1800 Alumni Headquarters
Open, Cullum Hall
1300-1600 Open House, Selected
Academic Departments
1430 AOG Board of Trustees
Meeting, Hotel Thayer
1700 Reunion Class Picnics,
Dinners and Social Activities

Saturday, 12 October

0800-1300 Alumni Headquarters
Open, Cullum Hall
0830 AOG Board of Trustees
Meeting, Thayer Award
Room
0935 Assembly for March to
Thayer Monument
0950 Alumni March to Thayer
Monument
1005 Alumni Exercises, Thayer
Monument
1030 Alumni Review, The
Plain
1300 Football, Army vs The
Citadel, Michie Stadium
1930 Alumni Cocktails and
Dinner Dance, Wash-
ington Hall

Sunday, 13 October

0800, 0900, Catholic Mass, Holy Trin-
1030, & 1200 ity Chapel
1030 Protestant Services, Ca-
det Chapel and Post
Chapel
1100 Reunion Class Brunches

1992 Reunion Schedules

Reunion dates for 1992 follow:

Graduation Week: Sunday, 24 May—
Wednesday, 27 May
CLASSES: 1921,
1922, 1927, 1932,
1937, 1942, 1952

Fall Reunions:

10–13 September Class of 1947
24–27 September Class of 1957
29–31 October Class of 1967
5–8 November Class of 1962

Homecoming: 8–11 October
CLASSES: 1972, 1977,
1982, 1987

[If additional information is needed,
call 914-938-3700/3024]

**Announcing A New
Scholarship**

The Association of Graduates is pleased to announce the establishment of the Estabelle K. Bodson Memorial Scholarship, endowed by COL Henry R. Bodson, US Army (Ret), USMA Class of 1941.

This West Point preparatory scholarship will provide the funds for a select category of candidates. In addition to meeting all of the standard requirements set forth by the Association, the candidate must meet two unique qualifications. First, the candidate must have been born in a foreign country; and second, the candidate must be the offspring of parents of whom at least one is, or was, a naturalized citizen of the United States. Col Bodson himself would have been eligible for this scholarship some fifty-five years ago. No doubt there will be some eligible candidates in the years ahead, as long as the United States continues its beneficent immigration policies.

Estabelle, the beloved wife of COL Bodson for forty-three years, died in 1984 after an eleven-year battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig's Disease). This scholarship is intended to honor her for a lifetime of total love, devotion, understanding and sacrifice for her family and many, many friends. All of them loved her dearly.

West Point is grateful for Colonel Bodson's generosity.

**COL Ellis '15 celebrates 101st
Birthday**

Birthday wishes were extended to Colonel E. DeTreville Ellis (Ret), Class of 1915, at his home in Chevy Chase, MD on the occasion of his 101st birthday on Tuesday, 12 March 1991. COL Phil Farris (Ret), Class of 1946, and MG Robert L. Ord, III, Class of 1962, presented COL Ellis with a framed birthday message from the USMA Superintendent and from the First Captain, on behalf of the Association of Graduates.



Omni Travel Serves the AOG

The USMA Association of Graduates (AOG) has selected Omni Travel Service, Inc. (OTS) of Atlanta, Georgia as its official travel agency. All USMA alumni, their family and friends, as well as cadets, are qualified and encouraged to use this membership benefit.

According to Seth Hudgins, USMA AOG Executive Vice President, "We are pleased to provide this program to our membership because both our members and the Association of Graduates will benefit. Omni Travel will provide a minimum of 40% percent discount on airfares on Delta and American Airlines for USMA class reunions and other special events. All USMA alumni, cadets, family and friends are encouraged to use Omni Travel's services for all travel needs year round. Travelers will be booked at the lowest possible fares for airlines, rental cars and hotels at the time of their call; all they must do is identify themselves as members or friends of the USMA AOG."

Omni Travel's owner, Chuck Russell (USMA Class of '56) explains how the program benefits the AOG and USMA.

"Anyone using this service will receive the very best in travel arrangements at the lowest possible cost. As we accumulate gross sales for all USMA AOG related travelers, Omni Travel will make a donation quarterly, on a percentage of business basis, to the AOG West Point Fund. The more the service is used, the larger the donation. We are dedicated to provide not only a broad spectrum of quality service to USMA, its graduates and friends, but to contribute a significant level of support to the fine tradition and goals of the United States Military Academy," Mr. Russell said.

Omni Travel's toll free number is 1-800-331-1810 from 8am to 6pm Monday through Friday. There is also a 24-hour toll free number: 1-800-524-4500. Omni travel is prepared to handle not only class reunion travel, but also any business or vacation needs.

Travel Tips

by Chuck Russell USMA 1956

We at Omni Travel are delighted to have been selected by the USMA AOG as its Official Travel Agency. We encourage all alumni, cadets, family, and friends of USMA to use our full service agency for all your travel needs. We commit to you that you will receive quality service at the lowest price. We also commit to make a donation back to the AOG West Point Fund no less than ten percent of commissions earned on related ticket sales.

Omni Travel has arranged travel with Delta and American Airlines to the below listed events at a discount of between 40 and 50 percent with limited restrictions. If a lower fare is available at the time of ticketing, Omni Travel will discount the lower restricted fare an additional five percent. Travel to attend USMA functions must be completed during the days listed with the event from any point of origin to Newburgh or New York City airports. Travelers to the Army/Air Force and the Army/Navy games will fly into Colorado Springs/Denver and Philadelphia airports respectively.

TRAVEL DATES	EVENT
June 28-July 2	Reception-Day, Class of 1995
August 30-September 4	Labor Day
September 10-17	Reunion Class of '66
17-24	Reunion Class of '56, Fall Weekend
24-October 1	Reunion Class of '46
October 8-15	Homecoming, Reunion classes of '71, '76, '81, and '86
22-29	Reunion class of '61
November 7-11	Army/Air Force Football game, Colorado Springs, Colorado
December 5-10	Army/Navy Football game, Philadelphia

Presidents and members of parents clubs and USMA society chapters should use the above list in planning attendance at these events. Additional events can be added with discounted travel to any destination as long as there are at least ten travelers. Presidents are urged to please call Omni Travel at 800-331-1810 to help solve your travel problems.

In deference to Desert Storm participants, Delta Air Lines has provided a 70 percent discount off regular coach fare through 30 September 1991 for domestic travel for all active duty military and dependents. **THIS INCLUDES CADETS ...** There is still time to book

cadet travel at these fares. If higher price tickets have already been purchased on Delta Air Lines, Omni Travel may be able to exchange them for the lower fare. Call as soon as possible because the supply of these discounted seats is limited.

Please keep in mind that with Omni Travel you will receive quality service, lowest available prices, and a donation to the USMA West Point Fund.

We wish you the best in your travels.

Appreciation of Funeral Service at West Point

Dear General Palmer:

Member of my class, 1934, are eighty years old. We are fading fast. Every month our class notes in ASSEMBLY report the passing of classmates and spouses. Funerals are sad occasions, to be sure, but the funerals of my class, as the Catholic church calls it, are recollections of joyous Resurrection. When morticians call to West Point and when friends and supporters of bereaved classmates call, everybody at West Point, from telephone operators to the secretaries at the Association of Graduates, know to transfer the call to the beautiful Grace Foster.

This wonderful person takes care of everything for everybody. The families of my classmates, and we add about two new families every month, sing her praises loudly and joyfully.

I, too, have had occasion to call her for the first time and have heard her reassuring voice say, "the burial site is selected and will be prepared, and the West Point Chaplain will call you right back" . . . and one does.

Families and caskets arrive at West Point and are treated with loving care and decorum. Accommodations and flowers have been arranged to the relief of sorrowing souls and worried undertakers.

Thank you for such an efficient organization that shares such a wonderful soul with graduates and families and people whose first contact with West Point is with Grace Foster. This lovely personality wears a crown of many jewels. May her rewards be great.

Very respectfully yours,
Jerome E. Blair
Class of 1934

USMA Equestrian Team Update

The USMA Equestrian Team finished up the spring season with an impressive record. Out of five events, the cadet team placed first in two shows, and tied for second at their own home show held at New Hope Farms, Port Jervis on 6 April. The cadets won two shows in a row, both of which took place on the two weekends

during spring break. The team placed 4th overall in their region for the year. By the end of the spring season, 16 cadet riders qualified for Regionals in 20 events (some qualified over fences and on the flat in their respective skill levels). The following cadet riders won their skill level classes or placed high enough to progress to Zonals: Cadet Jon Vannatta '94, Cadet Joe West '92, Cadet Gary Jeter '91 and Cadet Scott Seymour '91. (Cadets Jeter and Seymour are this year's team co-captains.) Zonals will be held at Syracuse, New York and Nationals are to be held in Virginia this year.

Miniature Wanted

Mrs. Gerald H. Duin (231 Via La Paz, Greenbrae, CA 94904) has lost her 1936 miniature ring. She desires to purchase *any* class miniature. Please contact her if interested in such a sale.

Retired Cadet Hostess Mrs. Beatrice Holland-Helmick Dies at Age 92

Mrs. Beatrice Holland-Helmick, cadet hostess at USMA from 1953-68, died Tuesday, 9 April at Mary Elizabeth Nursing Center in Mystic, CT. Mrs. Holland-Helmick, 92, was well-known and well-loved by the Corps of Cadets for her expert knowledge of military etiquette and helpful guidance. As cadet hostess, she had an important role during dance classes, dances, and the many other social functions at the Academy, including acting as wedding consultant to many prospective grooms and their future brides.

Mrs. Holland-Helmick was interred in the West Point Cemetery following a service in the Old Cadet Chapel. In attendance were representatives from many of the classes for which her caring influence was felt, members of the present Corps of Cadets, Mrs. Doty Schandler, who worked with Mrs. Holland-Helmick in the hostess' office in the 1960's, and Mrs. Carolyn Gaspard, current cadet hostess at the Academy.

Mrs. Holland-Helmick is survived by three children, three step-children, a sister, 17 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. Both her first husband, Colonel John F. Holland '25, and her second husband, George R. Helmick, predeceased her, as did her brother.

Donations in memory of Mrs. Holland-Helmick can be made to The West Point Fund, Association of Graduates.

Army Ruggers Take Second in National Championships

The Army Rugby Team lost a heartbreaking final game 20-14 to the University of California-Berkeley to finish as the second best of the nation's 392 col-

legiate rugby teams. Played in Houston under very hot and humid conditions 4-5 May, the "Final Four" of rugby pitted Army against Ohio State and Cal against Wyoming in the semi-finals. Against Ohio State, the number three ranked team in 1990, Army started strong and dominated the first half 21-3 due to the power of their forward pack. In the second half the Army backs put on a display of spectacular running to post a 42-11 win. Bill Marshall '91, a three-year starter for Army, broke his wrist making a tremendous play near the Army goal late in the game. His loss would hurt Army in the finals on Sunday. Scott Painter '93, who handled the kicking for Army, was perfect on the day, scoring 16 points.

The two finalists met on Sunday in very humid, 90-degree heat. Cal, who traveled to the championship with more players than Army had on its entire spring roster, started ten players who had not played in the semi-finals, while Army made only two changes. Army started strong and defensively dominated Cal, closing out the first half with a 14-4 lead. As the second half started the wind picked up, blowing directly into Army's face. As Cal pounded the Army defense they closed the scoring gap and, with about ten minutes left, went ahead 20-14. Army rallied under the determined play of forwards Muggs Malinowski '92, Martin Guillen '91 and Lance Kohler '91; and Gravelle Pierre '91 and Scott Painter repeatedly brought the crowd to its feet with bold, determined running. Several times Army got within striking distance of a score that could have tied the game but each time Cal managed to clear the ball. The game ended with Army threatening 20 yards from Cal's goal.

After the game, Team Captain Vinnie Torza '91 accepted the national runner-up trophy on behalf of his team. Army wing Gravelle Pierre '91 was recognized as the tournament's Best Back. The Army team presented rugby balls autographed by the entire team to Dr Tom Parr '67, who acted as the team doctor/trainer for the tournament, and to Roger Balog '69, President of the West Point Society of Houston, for supporting the trip. The society coordinated with the hotel, provided information about Houston, hosted a dinner for cadets and alumni on Friday night, and paid the hotel bill for the team's stay in Houston. Without this support many team members could not have afforded the trip. Especially appreciated were the hundreds of Army fans who attended the games.

Army's top rugby side ended its season with the following honors: National Collegiate runner-up, Eastern United States Champion, Northeastern United States Champion, winner of the Commandant's Cup and holder of an 18-1

record. This event closed the book for players in the Class of 1991 as well as for OIC MAJ Brian O'Gorman, who is being posted back to the UK and head coach LTC Mike Mahan '70, who is retiring from active duty.

Vietnam Veterans

For some time now I have felt that we veterans of the Vietnam War needed a special symbol or logo by which we can recognize each other, and also be recognized for our achievement.

About six months ago I was visiting in Tampa. When I stopped to ask a policeman directions, I noticed a USMC tattoo in his foreman. He seemed about the right age to have served in Vietnam, so I asked him. Suddenly things were different. We were brothers. I had a bond with this stranger. He had served as a Marine in the Central Highlands. We exchanged a few stories, and then went on our way, both feeling better about having recognized each other as brothers in a very special fraternity. Yes, we *are* brothers!

At that time I was struck with the irony that if it hadn't been for a tattoo, we would not have made contact. There had to be a better way for us to recognize each other. Then I came to realize that we, as brothers in that so special fraternity of men who served in Vietnam, should have our own special symbol or logo, just as a college fraternity has its own fraternity symbol. Thus was born the idea which led me to create my logo for Vietnam veterans.

It is discreet. It is personal. Its symbolism stands for much. It will allow us to recognize each other, and by so doing, to give each other the honor we deserve.



This logo symbolizes the following:

1. The double V formed by the wings of the two eagles represents Vietnam Veteran.
2. The two eagles are looking to each other, just as we Vietnam veterans should look to each other for understanding and recognition.

3. "Duty With Honor" displayed on the banner represents what we did. We did our Duty, and we did it with Honor. We now seek to honor each other, perhaps even to express to the world that we honor each other.

I am offering a complimentary set of the logos (bumper sticker and window decal) to any West Pointer or other Vietnam veteran who sends a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

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West Point Veterinary Medical Association Seeks Members

Graduates of the United States Military Academy who have entered the field of veterinary medicine are invited to join the newly-created West Point Veterinary Medical Association. For more information, please contact Dr. Jon L. Steel at the Kenwood Veterinary Clinic, 8910 Sonoma Highway, Kenwood, CA 95452; tel: (707) 833-1000.

General Joseph W. Stilwell Honored as Father of Army Basketball

Friends, family and admirers of General Joseph "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell, USMA Class of 1904, gathered together at West Point's Holleder Center on Friday, 22 March to unveil a commemorative plaque to honor the man who recruited, coached and played for the first cadet basketball team at the turn of this century, including its first victory, a 54-10 win over the Yonkers YMCA in 1903.

Lieutenant General Dave Palmer, USMA Superintendent, spoke of General Stilwell's physical prowess on the athletic field, and how it enabled him to achieve success on the battlefield. "He was not a single dimension athlete. He was also a cross country and track star, and a football letterman (1902 and 1903). They (athletes) were, indeed, ironmen in those days. That's where he got the will, perseverance, and physical strength that made him a World War II battlefield hero."

General Palmer added that General Stilwell also excelled in the USMA classrooms, first as a student and then as an instructor at the Academy. "He was as multi-faceted in academics as he was in athletics."

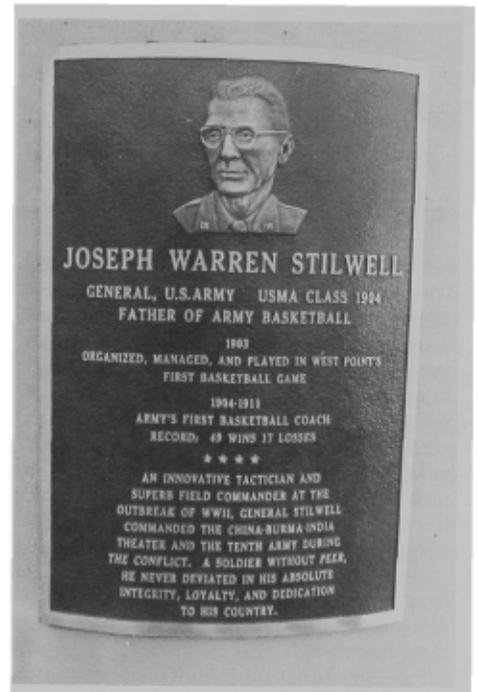
His daughter, Mrs. E. F. Easterbrook, said her father, a Distinguished Service Medal recipient, will best be remembered for his leadership of the Tenth Army in the China-Burma-India Theater and in Okinawa during World War II. She added, "but today we're recognizing a less well-known facet of him: his lifelong devotion to physical activity. Ath-

letics almost certainly contributed to his military successes."

Monsignor John J. Cunniffe ended the ceremony with this benediction: "We ask Him to guide and understand our talents, as we take General Stilwell's inspiration into our hearts."

Mrs. Easterbrook's only regret about the ceremony, which included a souvenir presentation to her by Army freshman basketball player and Patriot League rookie of the year Dave Ardafiyo, was that her father could not be there to help her enjoy the day. "He would have been amazed at all this attention to the things he liked."

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Sgt. Chuck Eisele, *Pointer View*

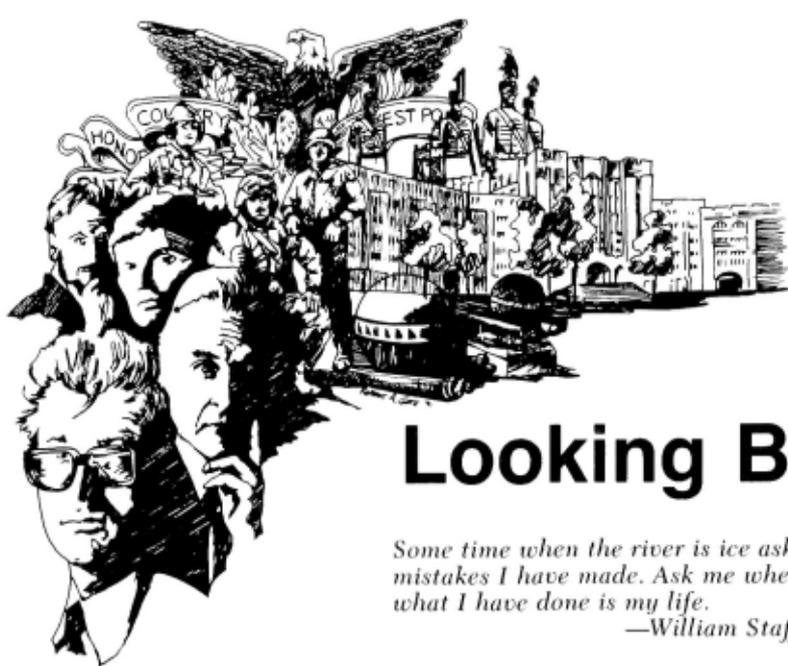


New York Celebrates "West Point Day"

On 15 May, a contingent of cadets and representatives of the USMA staff and faculty accompanied the Superintendent to Albany for the 42d annual "West Point Day." This event, begun in 1949 and principally sponsored today by members of the Assembly and Senate who represent Orange County in the legislature, has been organized in recent years by Senator Tarky Lombardi of Syracuse, a great admirer and supporter of West Point except on those fall Saturdays when Army plays the Orangemen.

In his remarks at the "memorialization" ceremony, the Governor of New York, the Honorable Mario M. Cuomo, offered the following comments concerning the Military Academy and its place in New York, America and indeed the world:

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Looking Back

*Some time when the river is ice ask me
mistakes I have made. Ask me whether
what I have done is my life.*

—William Stafford

We are all prisoners of the times in which we live. It has been our fortune as a class to pass through three amazing, and strikingly different, decades. We have seen assassination, war, social convulsion, constitutional crisis, governmental corruption. It seems at times that the visible events which so riveted our attention have been only ice on the river of history, concealing a powerful current of ideas and forces which now appears to have ended the Cold War in which we enlisted so long ago.

And what of us as individuals? There is a saying that life is what happens to you while you're planning something else. How many of us, looking back on the last thirty years, would disagree? Where are the women with whom many of us began this trip? How does our work now resemble what we were doing then or ever expected to be doing? How have our belief systems endured?

West Point's hold on its graduates is legendary. What is it about those four years we shared that accounts for the strength of the bond which most of us feel to each other and to this institution? It has to do, probably, with the special nature of the place which makes it much more than a college. In fact, the emphasis on rote learning, rotating teachers, and the dearth of electives or scholarly inquiry rendered our academic education undistinguished. That many of us were able to succeed in later study is more a credit to the caliber of student that the Academy attracts than to the instruction we received.

What makes West Point special is that its primary task was and is to be a vehicle for conveying certain values. Some of these are explicit (no lying, cheating, or stealing), others are implied (losing is like death, only worse). In this sense, the

Academy resembles a seminary or other training ground for religious life. What is being taught more than anything else is a way of thinking about the world, a guide to living properly, a moral map if you will, for navigating through life.

Once there was a young lieutenant at Ft. Bragg, trying to orient himself on a field problem. His platoon sergeant, a veteran of many junior officers, dryly observed, "Sir, if the map don't agree with the ground, it's the map that's wrong."

All education is devoted in some way to constructing maps in our heads that are meant to correspond to the world we inhabit. To the degree that these charts are accurate, we are able to function competently, perhaps even happily. If, however, our mental maps are defective, we have trouble getting what we want and need.

How have the preliminary maps which we created with the help of West Point held up under the reality of our life experiences? Each of us is likely to have a different answer, depending on his own story. For some, the results have been mixed. **Our time at the Military Academy taught many skills and values which have proved very adaptive.** The ability to work hard and focus on the objective of the moment, that is, discipline, has paid off handsomely for most of us in overcoming all sorts of obstacles in life. An aptitude for test-taking, honed by the years of daily grading, no doubt helped our pursuit of advanced degrees. Our cultivated taste for competition was also valuable later, though this reflex may have had some disadvantages when applied to areas other than work and academics.

The self-confidence born of the physical challenges we confronted was nearly always useful in convincing people that we knew more than we did. Not to be overlooked either, is the reputation of the Academy itself which, rubbing off on each of us,

has seldom failed to impress those who know about the place only from what they have seen in the movies. We were taught that we were special. Most of us believed it, and it has helped us.

Not so helpful, perhaps, was the black/white view of honesty embodied in the Honor System. This bedrock statement of values, absolute in its application, admitting of no ambiguity, was poor preparation for a world of many choices. Perhaps it is true, as we were told as cadets, that honor is like pregnancy, you either have it or you don't. From a thirty-year perspective, life just isn't that simple. It seems obvious that a thinking person can discern degrees of wrongdoing; our whole system of jurisprudence is founded on such distinctions. Happily, the Posvar Commission has recently endorsed a more realistic application of the Honor Code with graduated sanctions for violators. For us, however, it was all or nothing, which caused some confusion when people inevitably confronted ethically ambiguous situations in their lives.

We were not taught to question authority. Such skepticism is the basis for all critical thought. Many of us, of course, questioned anyway, but often only at the expense of offending a deeply-imbued principle. In general, we were trained to do as we were told. Whether this training served us well is another matter for individual decision. It is hard, in any event, looking at the list of our war dead, to feel that those with authority over our lives exercised judgment worthy of such sacrifices.

The last way in which we might have been better prepared for life after West Point is in the area of human relations. To say that we were socially unskilled is understatement. The confinement, suppression of feelings, manipulative attitudes toward women, the harshness of our calling, and simple lack of a kindly environment all combined to complicate our efforts to form enduring and respectful relationships. That legacy left many of us with difficult readjustments in philosophy in order to achieve some measure of happiness and intimacy.

Still, we feel drawn to return. We gave to this place our loyalty, our dreams, and a significant part of our youth. It gave back **a sense of belonging, a commitment to moral values, respect for tradition, and a power of conviction** that we have found nowhere else. We have all changed. So, we are told, has West Point. If what we were taught was not always sufficient to guide our lives humanely, we never lost confidence that we would somehow find our way, and that as long as we tried to be faithful to ideals of integrity and truth-seeking, we could, like any sons, come back, and there would be a place for us here.

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Class of 1960

Report from the Classes



'15

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Midge Strong died 9 Feb at age 100. The Class extends its sympathy to the family. **Mary Welby Cochran** will be 97 on 2 May. That also was the birthday of her late son, CPT Alexander T Cochran '46. She sent best wishes and happiness to '15. She appreciates what nature has provided in VA, esp on clear days in May when the Blue Ridge Mountains are lovely.

Mary Tate visited family in VA at Christmas. She sent best wishes to '15. **Bruce Eloise Lorch** rep that 17 of her large family spent Christmas with her son Don and his family for 5 days. All had a wonderful time. Her son John & Lois spent a week recently at Ft Leavenworth, KS with Donna & Eric Wilderman '74.

Alice Mason is still recuperating in a local conv home. Your scribe thanks all who sent him greetings on his 101st birthday, 12 Mar 91.

'16

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'17

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Messages have recently been received from my two most faithful correspondents—**Chief Brimmer** and **Art Pulsifer**. Chief said that he had just seen his dr and was advised to come back in Aug, which would indicate that Chief is feeling better and getting younger! He is getting ready to do some mowing and—you guessed it—reducing the fish population. Art sent me a clipping from the VFW magazine which described in some detail the Siberian expedition which consisted of 10,000 men sent to that bleak and desolate area during 1918–20. Several of our classmates served there and one, **Paul Kendall**, distinguished himself and was awarded the DSC. Paul was probably the first mbr of our Class to see combat. It will be recalled that he was one of the 3 Class mbrs to wear 3 stars. The other two were **Dad Ogden** and **Dick Groves**.

Just now with the morn mail came the sad news that we have lost another classmate, **Dad Miller**, who was the oldest non-turnback and the oldest living mbr. Dad resigned from the Army shortly after graduation, completed his med education and was a most respected and active pediatrician for many yrs. He died 9 Jan 91 at Akron, OH; interment was at Crown Hill Cemetery, Twinsburg, OH. Any correspondence should be addressed to Mrs Miller in care of her daughter, Mrs Meredith J Matthews, 55 Goodhue Dr, Akron, OH 44313.

Even though this will reach you two mos after the fact, all of you who know **Ruth Hastings** (and most of the 13 surviving classmates and widows do) will be most happy to learn that she had her second artery oper in late Mar and is now home and getting along in fine style.

In a memo to all Class scribes, COL Child, Assoc VP for Publications for the AOG, calls our attention to the "Ltrs to the Ed" section in the *ASSEMBLY* and encourages all of us to write.

Our Founders Day dinner was held on 16 Mar at USAA Hq here in San Ant. Following my custom of several yrs, I invited 5 Class widows who are able to attend such functions as my guests. All



Nov '18: Your scribe, surrounded by cadets

accepted but only ONE was able to attend. Family difficulties, flu, etc were reasons four had to regret. **Lella Dunkelberg** was the lone one attending. In order to augment the cheering section for the Oldest Grad (ME) and keep Lella and me from being too lonesome, I also had as my guest Gayle Lampley, widow of Jack Lampley '39. The photo is of me and Cadets David E Peek and Hayden Johnson, both of '91, and Eric Silver '93.

'19

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Please add **Hope Rogers** to your Cl List. I recently discovered that she has lived at Knollwood since 86. She says she is busy collecting great-grandchildren—now numbering about a half-dozen. She has a loving and loyal family who keep in touch and take her to special occasion family gatherings at daughter Ann's home in Arlington. Her address is: Mrs George D Rogers, Knollwood, Apt 214, 6200 Oregon Ave NW, Wash DC 20015; tel (202) 541-0214. Hope appears in the accompanying photo with 3 other Knollwood residents: **Dorothy Ferenbaugh**, **Marje Brannon**, and **Conchita Sorley**, all of whom declare that Knollwood is a fine place to live.

Katharine Flory is doing well and happy to be living at the Fairfax. Her neighbor **Dade Wedemeyer** rep that she is reasonably well, likes the Army ambience at the Fairfax and would love to see any '19'ers who happen to be in the area. After a visit with her daughter and family and attending the christening of her second granddaughter in Richmond this



1919: Dorothy Ferenbaugh, Hope Rogers, Marje Brannon and Conchita Sorley (standing)

spring, **Marjorie McLean** made a quick trip to Wash, where she once again marveled at the beauty of the cherry blossoms which she caught at their peak.

In CA **Emily McNamee**, who must hold the record for collecting new addresses after ret, is moving again in May to Madonna Manor in Salinas. Will rep her complete address next issue. **Mary (Nelson) Dickenson**, who enjoyed frequent visits with Emily, plans to stay put in her home in Corona del Mar.

Try this on your tongue: **Ruth Ruth** of the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma from Walla Walla will be attending the 60th reunion of her graduating class at Whitman Col in May. For people expressing disbelief at the number 60, she claims to have been a very precocious child!

As you must have heard on natl news, CA suffered a severe water shortage climaxing a 5th yr of drought, so '19 residents had to learn new ways to conserve. **Betty Vance** tried to keep herself and her house clean and some plants alive on a ration of 50 gal per day. A friend of **Deborah Nichols** requested to know well in advance the exact time Deborah planned to arrive for a visit so she could notify the water authority to provide more water to accommodate her guest! In my area of Southern CA voluntary efforts have been effective but hard to sustain.

Speaking of water, **Adna Hamilton's** father installed the first water system in L.A. circa 1910, laying the foundation for the vast and complex network it is today. The Hamiltons were to host a family reunion in May. Viv's two sisters, one brother, a niece and their spouses were expected in San Ant from NM and 3 places in TX.

As the oldest grad present, **Fred Marlow** was again asked to speak at a recent mtg of the WP Soc of L.A. He elaborated on last yr's speech (rep in Jul 90 issue) by describing the CI's "Good Will" tour of Italy which included stops at Genoa, Rome, Naples, Pompeii, Florence, Milan and Venice. I have heard stories about adventures of some of those high-spirited, newly graduated 2LTs! Fred also rep that he has enjoyed the conse-

quences of displaying his personalized "USMA" auto license.



1919: Fred Marlow shows off his USMA license

John Hardin was looking forward to spring and the prospect of blooms on some of his roses that had frozen and now showed signs of revival. Other bright spots in his life are phone calls from attentive grand and great-grandchildren who live in Columbus, OH and Atl, GA.

Alex Bennet has had his "15 mins of fame!" A local TV station running a series on med help for the elderly used an interview with him and his visiting nurse to illustrate the availability of home aid. Alex rep that he put on his best and most colorful robe which was red, white and blue, and praised his nurse for svcs she performs during her thrice weekly visits, some of which nurse and patient demonstrated for the camera. The day of this writing **Velma** had a bad fall at the nursing home where she lives, but severity of injuries had not yet been determined.

Syril Faine's blood disorder turned out to be a non-deadly form of leukemia. Treatment for that and a new type of medication for the hip pain he has suffered for so long have him feeling much, much better. **Billie's** own health problems seem lessened by her delight in Syril's increasing strength and relief from pain.

George & Connie Dillaway are holding their own and happy that George's grandson, George W Dillaway, returned from the Persian Gulf in Apr. They worried needlessly, since he declared that his unit of an arty bn of the 82nd abn "moved all over the area but never fired a shot!" No details were available about the activity of the medivac unit to which helicopter pilot CW04 Kent Gallagher was attached. Kent, the son of **Irma Lauben**, and George are the only people I could discover with ties to the Class of '19 who served in Operation Desert Storm.

'20

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With great sadness I rep the deaths of **Sid Hinds** and **James T (Jack) Spence, Jr.** We extend our deepest sympathy to their loved ones.

Sid Hinds died of natural causes on 17 Feb 91 after 9 mos in the nursing care section of San Ant's Army Residence Comm. The entire family had gathered just 2 days before for the celebration of his & **Gina's** 63rd wedding anniv. He was buried with full mil honors in the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cem.

As a substitute on the US Shooting Team in the 24 Olympics, Sid made a perfect score and won the Gold Medal. He was coach of the US Gold Medal Team in the 28 Olympics. Thereafter he amassed over 500 medals in competitive shooting, including the Triple Distinguished Marksmanship badges in rifle, pistol and intl. He received membership in the very old and exclusive Swiss Arquebus Club, only the second non-Swiss so honored since its origin in the year 1200. Some yrs ago I asked him, "Are you the greatest marksman in the world?" He modestly said, "Yes."

In WWII, **Sid** served with great distinction and collected more difficult medals—DSM, 4SS-LM-3BSM-PH-CI-4Cr—as CO 41A Inf 2AD T-ME from the North African through the Sicily campaigns 42-45 and as CG CCB 2 AD T-E 45 from the Normandy landings to Berlin.

After ret in 47 he served with the UN in NY, Geneva and India for several yrs. Surviving besides **Gina** are sisters Sybil P Hinds of Alexandria, VA and Helene Minney of Del Rio, TX; brothers Bruce of Denver and Daniel of Seattle; son ret COL Sid Jr, '50; daughter Martha Leilani, wife of ret COL Alexander R Macdonald '55; 10 grandchildren incl MAJ John A Macdonald '79 and CPT Anne Macdonald USA; and 5 great-grandchildren.

James T (Jack) Spence Jr died 15 Mar at Moses Cone Mem Hosp, Greensboro, NC. He was buried in Westminster Gardens, Winston-Salem, NC. A native of LaFayette, AL, Jack was appointed to WP by Sen Heflin but was found deficient in Natural and Experimental Philosophy in Dec 19. He chose his career in banking and started with 12 yrs in a Miami bank. In 36 he joined the Fed Home Loan Bank of Winston-Salem and Greensboro, NC for 27 yrs, becoming VP and treasurer. Ret in 63, he entered the mortgage ins bus for 25 more yrs as sr VP of the First Mortgage Ins Co and, later, the Republic Mortgage Ins Co of Winston-Salem, from which he ret in 88.

Jack prized his WP experience and

education. He enjoyed contacts with former WP friends and corresponded with **Lem Lemnitzer**. He & **Dorothy** visited WP a few yrs ago. She still has his cadet uniform. She says, "a graduate could not have displayed greater pride in anything connected with WP." Surviving besides **Dorothy** are two sons, **James T III** of Greensboro and **Franklin** of Winston-Salem, and 2 grandchildren.

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I greatly regret to tell you that **Carroll Sullivan** died on 7 Apr. On behalf of the Class I extend to **Dorothy** and their family our sincere sympathy.

On 18 Mar **George Olmsted** joined the 90 club. In a telephone conversation with **Carol**, she told me that **George's** health condition is about the same. On behalf of the Class I extend to you, **George**, congratulations on your 90th birthday. I am almost exactly one yr older than **George**. My birthday is 19 Mar.

There are only two more mbrs of the Class left to join the 90 club: **Harry Marsh** in Jul and **Carroll Marcus** in Dec.

For the 9th time I was the oldest grad present at our Founders Day dinner party here in Jacksonville. I talked about several incidents that I got skinned for when **Hazel** visited me when I was a cadet, such as holding her arm while walking across the area of south barracks, playing a victrola on the porch of barracks (she gave me a record but had not heard it played when she bought it), and for lending her my riding breeches so she could use the company bob sled and go sleigh riding. I got a standing ovation.

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With great regrets we have learned that **PD Weikert** failed to awaken from his sleep 2 Jan. The burial at WP was delayed until Mar due to inclement weather. PD served 10 yrs at WP, the first 4 of them as Phil instructor, and returned in 37 after CGSS to build **Stewart Field**. **Mary** expects to remain in their apt in Winter Pk, FL, where she has numerous friends and is close to her son, who has the Ford agency. **Bill Craigie** has sent **Mary** the Class condolences, and **Ken Sweany** has made the usual contribution to the WP Fund.

Jack & Alice White of White Rd, Brockport had a full dose of NY's hard winter, complete with the worst ice storm since record keeping began. The main attraction in their lives these days

is "a little blonde beauty," a great-granddaughter who amazes them with her mental development.

Wellness Report: when **George Stewart** was in San Fran last fall for **Laura's** burial, he tipped the scales at 231 lbs and was able to get around only with the aid of his two sons. Since then, with the help of a "Slim Fast" diet, he has shed 34 lbs and lost the swelling in his legs. He now walks on his own and feels well. Apparently **Stu Cowles** has been nagging **George**, since by keeping up the daily WP exercises, **Stu** has maintained his mobility. **Joe Hicks** also rep good news. After 3 heart attacks in 84, **Joe** was confined to bed and almost non-functional. He changed to a Japanese diet that enabled him to resume an active life. Now, at 92 yrs, he gardens, drives a car, etc. The new diet also cured a case of severe arthritis in his hands. Contact **Joe** for details.

Surgery Ward: some top-notch news from **Betty Hertford**, who phoned 23 Feb that **Kenner** had undergone double heart bypass surgery and aorta valve replacement the previous day. Subsequent conversations indicated that he was recovering nicely. I am more than ever convinced that he can do anything. His only daughter, an RN in a cardiac ward, is the mother of two children—I hope they inherit their grandfather's genius. After a 10-yr bout with bladder cancer, including chemotherapy and radiation, I had it taken out at Stanford U Hosp. I highly recommend the hosp. Recovery is too slow to suit me, but I have company. While I was at Stanford, **Eleanor** had a cataract removed from her right eye and is doing fine. We are moving in late Apr to an independent living arrangement in a nearby ret comm. Note change of address at left.

Marge Rich rep that she and **Punky Jamison** had lunch together. While at a wedding in Albuquerque with her daughter, **July Allright**, **Punky** got a full report on **Kenner's** surgery. **Joe & Anna Perle Smith** enjoyed the festivities at Founders Day. **Anna Perle** had an enjoyable luncheon for **Marge** at the A-N Town Club, while the latter was visiting her daughter in VA. **Katy Lawrence** is happy that son **Bill** has rented an apt in San Ant to escape the computers.

Mary & Ray Pierce are both using walkers, and **Ray** is currently living in the health ctr at the Sequoias-Portola Valley. They were pleased when granddaughter **Deborah** & her new husband phoned them from their wedding reception in Alexandria, VA. **Bill Craigie** writes from the Village that the fearsome foursome were one mbr short at the Founders Day dinner there. **Robbie Robinson** was not doing well and could not attend. But **Mo Cavender**, the oldest grad present, gave interesting and well-received reminiscences of WWI. **Bill**



1923: Joe & Anna Perle Smith at Founders Day 91

adds that **Lyle Rosenberg** is playing golf, and **Lyle & Louise** enjoy a lot of bridge.

I have been trying to gather little or unknown incidents in the svc of classmates which might be of general interest. **Ken Sweany** has obligingly described "a tense moment" in his career. In Jan 51 **Joe Swing** volunteered **Ken** and **Bill Sexton '24** to take abn training. They did not know that anyone taking abn had to volunteer and to have a physical. Eventually they graduated without either. After completing preliminary training, they had to execute 5 jumps for grad. For the first 3 the class followed the leader "like a bunch of sheep" out of the plane. On the 4th, **Ken** had to go by himself. He recounts the experience:

"As scheduled, I was shortly alone in the plane with the jump master. On his orders I stood up and hooked up, while he inspected my equipment. Then I moved over and stood in the door. In a quiet voice he said, 'When it's safe to jump, I will tell you.' Here I was, some 2000 ft in the air and I had to decide to propel myself into the air. I saw the red light on the wing change to green. The jump master said to me quietly, 'It is safe to jump.'

"I shall never forget that moment. What flashed through my mind at that time I have never forgotten. 'You don't want to jump, you want to sit down, but you can't. Why in hell don't you jump?' Then, next thing I knew I was in the air. . . . I have never forgotten that moment."

Kenner Hertford has promised to write something for us of his 6 yrs in the devel of nuclear weapons. We look forward to that. Any other volunteers?

'24

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Greetings were received from **Pat Stebbins**, who celebrated her 86th birthday last yr and continued to blaze a trail from No to So and East to West attending and participating in her many patriotic and genealogical assoc's. She rep that her daughter, Patsy, has moved in with her and that has brought her a lot of happiness.

Tom Malin sends news that they had a Cl get-together on Fri, 22 Feb. Present were the following: **Pat Stebbins**, **Bettie Stephens** and her daughter, **Bettie Van Wyk**, **Mae Coombs**, **Martha Conrad** and her son & daughter-in-law, **Den & Diane Conrad**, **Julie Justice** and **Tom Malin**. Also **Mike & Elenor Buckley '23**. Absent on acct of illness were **Gwen Malin** and **Leonora Tandy**. **Bettie Stephens** invited everyone to her home in Pacific Grove for cocktails, after which they all assembled at the Del Mesa Carmel Club for lunch. A fine time was had by all. Their next get-together will be in Sep. **Tom** also says that on 6 Mar at Ft Ord the Supe of USMA gave a fine speech at their Founders Day mtg. **Tom** gave the Old Grad talk. Regards were extended to all classmates.

The arrival of a new grandson, **Daniel Nathan Palmer**, has delighted **Jean & Charlie Palmer**.

Mrs **Clarita S Wright**, widow of **Andrew M Wright '30**, was kind enough to catch us up on news of the family of our classmate, **Ramon Ricardo Arias**. The second of **Ramon's** 3 sons has now achieved a high public off in Panama. Last yr **Clarita** visited WP to join with those celebrating their 60th class reunion!

Bob Finlay sent greetings and enclosed a generous donation to the WP Fund for the Cl of '24.

The Alumni Assoc of the Natl War Col, Ft McNair, Wash, DC asked **Bob Dewey** to be their principal speaker at their mid-winter dinner. Full of reminiscences and anecdotes, **Bob** led the gathering down memory lane. He will celebrate his 90th birthday in May.

Word is that **Peter Hains** is just about to celebrate his 90th soon also. **Kitty & Doug Smith** are still gallivanting. First, two wks in the Caribbean, and now off to HI. **Art Trudeau** has been in Walter Reed Army Hosp, Wash, DC.

The DC Daughters of the American Revolution held "A Memorial Svc for our Departed Daughters" on Sun, 17 Mar. **Mae Kane Hincke** was remembered as a part of the Army and Navy Chapter.

Got word from **Eyerly** (San Ant Chapter) that **Maria de la Rosa** died on 9 Feb

after a prolonged illness. She was cremated and interred in Ft Sam Houston Cem.

Ken Strother's brother in CO dropped us a note concerning the **Partridges**. He recounted that **Pat & Ann** lived in Jupiter, FL, since 85. **Pat** developed Parkinson's Disease and died in Sep 90. **Ann** died 3 mos later. There were two daughters but he didn't know their names or addresses.

A ltr from **Diana M Page** (Australia) was received, telling us how much she appreciated all our help with **Dave's** obituary. Her son **David** & his wife are expecting their first child in Aug, and **Diana** is looking forward to the happy event.

Best wishes to all.

'25

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Don Dunford died in Fairfax, VA of cancer on 6 Dec 90. He was buried with full mil honors in Arlington Natl Cemetery. He is survived by a nephew, **LTC Larry Cahoon** (USAR Ret), of 2506 Ft Scott Dr, Arlington, VA 22202. **Don** ret from the Army in 1955 and worked for the CIA from 1956-63. **Pat** passed away about two yrs ago.

Heidi & I attended the WP Founders Day dinner at the Ft Lewis, WA Off Club on 23 Mar. I was not only the oldest grad present, but the only rep of the Cl of '25. **Harry Spillinger**, who lives in Bellevue, WA, usually attends, but he has stopped driving at night and this yr decided to pass it up. We were very fortunate to have as guest speaker **Mr Denis Mullane '52**, the pres of AOG.



1925: **Brandt F Grubbs '54**; **Susan & Haydon Y Grubbs**; **Lyn & Haydon Y Grubbs Jr '53**, taken at the 91 Founders Day dinner at Eglin AFB Off Club, FL, 15 Mar

Haydon & Sue Grubbs attended the Founders Day dinner at the Eglin AFB, FL Off Club on 15 Mar. As at our celebration at the Ft Lewis Off Club, **Haydon** was the only rep of the Cl of '25. But he did have two sons, **Haydon Y Grubbs Jr '53** and **Brandt F Grubbs '54**, present. **Haydon** had prepared a beautiful oldest

grad speech, but graciously cut his talk short to allow more time for the guest speaker. **Haydon** is a very pragmatic individual. While most of us oldtimers get our exercise mowing the lawn or following a little ball around a golf course, he gets his by planting and cultivating a garden of mouth-watering vegetables.

Received a nice ltr from **Shirley Harper Lobsiger** of Mitchell, SD, the daughter of our deceased classmate **Harry Jean Harper**, who as a Japanese POW died of malnutrition in the Philippines in 44. Her son, **Bob Jr**, is still in Saudi Arabia, but is scheduled to marry **Susan Thompson '84** at WP in Oct. More about the wedding later, I hope.

A note from **Benny Bennett** indicates that he & **Anne** are doing well. **Dr Alfred C Young Jr**, **John Beatty's** uncle, rep that **John** was taken from the rest home to St Margarets Hosp in mid-Mar suffering from severe depression. Extensive tests were conducted and he has improved to some extent, but still refuses to eat. **Dr Young** hopes that a forced feeding prog may strengthen **John** sufficiently to allow him to return to the rest home soon.

Frank Steer celebrated his 90th birthday in early Jan, and so far as I can determine, half the people on Oahu turned out to help him celebrate. Obviously it was a huge success. **Frank & Toots** have a one-yr-old great-granddaughter, **Bianca**. On 19 Feb they attended a party to celebrate the 70th birthday of **Bianca's** great-grandmother. All 4 generations, **Frank & Toots**, the great-grandparents; his daughter, **Dovie**, the grandmother; his granddaughter **Malia**, the mother; and **Bianca** were all present. In honor of the occasion, **Toots**, a former professional entertainer, **Dovie** and **Malia** performed a beautiful, perfectly synchronized hula dance. May we persuade **Bianca** to perform for us at our 70th reunion, **Frank**?

And a pleasant summer, everyone.

'26

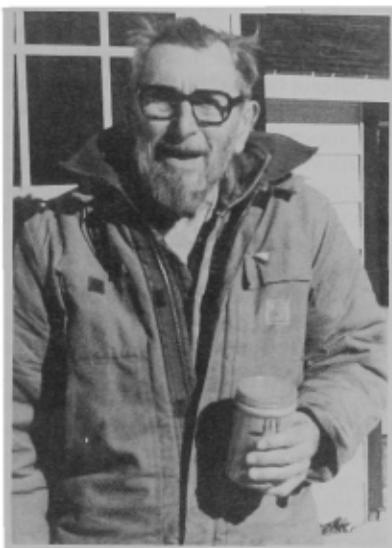
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While grubbing about a pile of old ltrs recently, I came across one which, at the time it arrived, seemed inappropriate for publication in **ASSEMBLY** but certainly deserves venting today. It is a message of heartfelt gratitude to classmate **Parker Reeve** from one of his former ROTC students who, inspired by **Parker's** personality and his bearing, obtained an appt to USMA, graduated and is now ret from the Svc. Here are passages from the ltr which *in toto* is a sparkling tribute to **Parker**:

"I have not ever written a fan ltr before, but I can think of no better classification for this one. I was one of

the ROTC students you instructed at Johns Hopkins in 1935-36 and 1936-37. . . . During that period and always thereafter you were an example I looked up to and tried to emulate, the well-tailored uniform with its rampart buttons, the Luxenberg cap, your own square-jawed but friendly look, your evident engr and mil expertise—USMA and MSCE U of CA; but most of all the outgoing and patient instruction. . . . I followed your career, sketchily, noting at last your Williamsburg job, but only this wk stumbled on what purports to be your present address. Please accept my admiration and thanks.”

Our Class is fortunate in having had a mbr like Parker, whose simple and daily performance of his duty shone so brightly. We '26 mbrs were enriched by our contact with him.



1926: Hal Forde, Thanksgiving 90

The handsome bearded gent you see above is **Hal Forde** during a working vacation around Thanksgiving at the ranch of his Betsy's family in Iron Mtn, WY. He explains the beaver: "In Kenya two yrs ago I had probs trying to keep the adaptor plug firmly seated in the wall socket while shaving. After a couple of days I said, 'To hell with it!' and haven't shaved since."

Many who read this *ASSEMBLY* will be grieved to learn of the death of **Mary Louise Purcell**, widow of classmate **Frank Purcell**. Both had a legion of close friends who remember them with love. For a time Mary used to attend the Wash DC '26 CI parties and an occasional A-N football game. Our Class offers condolences and sympathy to Mary's remaining family.

After a protracted illness, our classmate **Ralph Osborne** died in San Ant on 10 Apr and was buried in that city's Sam Houston Natl Cem on 15 Apr. The CI offers **Kathleen** and mbrs of Ralph's family consolation and sympathy over the loss of a beloved and respected man.

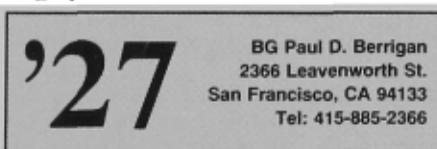
Effie Doyle has not lost her love for flowers and plants; so she chose to live in one of the separate houses of AF Vil #2. While it is being built she sold her home and moved into an apt close to **Marey & Jimmy Burwell**. She'll travel with them to the 65th Reunion. See change of address below for her new location.

Our sr (in yrs) classmate **Oka Wade** wants to notify '26 that he is doing well and hopes to squeeze in a few more yrs beyond the 91 he now has. **Jessie** has been troubled with shingles and has borne her afflictions well and now is near recovery. The Wades find it a great help to have access to the bounty of the cadet kitchen at Marion MI. Oka has found an amanuensis so that his ltrs are now easily legible.

The husband of **Marge Conzelman Davis**, Gov Everett Deane Davis, died in VT 8 Dec 90. He was a man of many talents: a farmer, a lawyer by training, an author, a pres of one of the great US life ins cos and twice gov of VT, though he had never previously held any elective office. Our Class sends condolences and sympathy to Marge and to her family, as well as respect and admiration for the accomplishments of this remarkable man.

Two changes of address to note: **George Hickman** to c/o Judy Chambers, 6 Mile Chota Rd, Maryville, TN 37801; and **Effie Doyle** to 5100 John D Ryan Blvd #107, San Ant, TX 78245.

Here is a grand slam to **Rod Smith** and his dauntless computer. We have certainly the most accurate and up-to-date rosters ('26 and widows) of any living USMA class through his efforts to keep current on our flittings about. Thanks hugely, Rod.



A nice note was received from **Bill Carlock** at Avon by the Sea, NJ. Bill & **Bunny** moved there from San Fran and missed the earthquake and water shortage problems. He has a daughter living nearby and another in Seattle. He rep no serious infirmities.

Jack West sends an interesting photo from Morrow, OH. Jack is wearing his WWII khaki, regulation at the time of his ret for physical disability. It fits beautifully. How many of us can still get into our pre-war tans without busting a button? The occasion was the "bar-pinning ceremony" for 2LT Brian J. Poe '90, a collateral descendent of Edgar Allan Poe. Jack and **Gar Davidson** helped Poe get his appt.

A long ltr from **Mac Miller** rep news derived from Christmas cards. **Stu & Mary Wood** rep that Mary has improved



1927: COL R John (Jack) West and 2LT Brian J Poe during bar-pinning ceremony 14 June 90 at the Poe residence, Goshen, OH

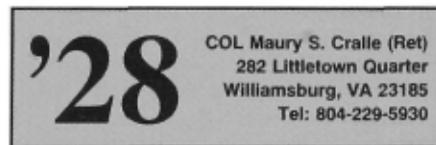
from a light stroke last May. Stu is the perennial oldest grad at the Ft Bragg Founders Days. **Albert & Grace Dickerson** rep that they keep going most of the time and hope to make it to our 65th.

Cy Williams writes from San Ant and rep "never a dull moment in his declining yrs," and "he can find no reason whatever for having been allowed by our Maker to enjoy so much with so little effort."

Your scribe attended the WP dinner at the Presidio, along with **Woody Hocker** and **Cal Whittle**. This is half of the local contingent. The reasons for not attending by **Art Roth** are valid. He rep that in a crowded rm, his hearing aids at high volume interfere with TV reception and drive everyone "up the wall."

CI Pres **Gar Davidson** and **Tom McManus** sponsored a lunch at the Claremont Country Club in Oakland and included your scribe and **Art Roth**. We heard a report on the present status of the CI projects in the Memory Corner and the ongoing repairs to the Chapel windows. Lunch was interrupted only once by a complaint from another diner that someone's hearing aid (Art's) was squealing!

After a big response to my request for notes following my Christmas appeal, sources seem to be drying up like rain in San Fran. Time to begin thinking about our 65th! 27 + 65 = 92!!! This is 1991.



It's spring again! After our mild winter here, with an explosion of bright yellow forsythias and red tulips in bloom everywhere, it almost seems like summer. Happy to say we do not have any bad news this issue. **Mercer Walters** sent in some good news about their youngest daughter, **Judy Gappa**. A few classmates and widows who know her will be interested to hear this. She has taken up her new position as VP Human Relations at Purdue U in W Lafayette, IN. As such,

she becomes the first woman VP in the history of the univ.

As for "Fairfax:" **Jean Barnes** has returned from her trip to HI, and **Karla King Harrison** is back from Tampa, FL. **Pop Thayer** is very lonely while recovering from a broken hip; he has had a rough time of it. The **McNamaras**, **Frank Trent**, and the **Walterses** keep busy and healthy at this lovely ret ctr near Ft Belvoir. My sincere thanks to you, **Merce**, for your timely and interesting ltr.



1928: The Cralle family: Julie & Maury in front; behind them are Maury Jr '56 & Christine; Ed Richards '56 & Patricia; and Charles & Jane Cralle

On the homefront, your scribe has answered the "call to duty" for the 4th time as the "oldest grad" at the 91 Founders Day dinner at Ft Monroe. A table full of **Cralles** gathered there this yr to hear my talk about "the good old days." The main topic was our required equestrian training, which is no longer taught.

'29

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These are likely to be sparse, for what time was available has gone for revising and issuing the 1 Apr Class Roster and Locator which you will have received before you see these notes. For some of the needed changes I didn't spend time enough, but I plead "Murphy's Law"—"if something can go wrong it will!" **Marion Sheppard's** apt came out #510 instead of #511 and similarly the zip was one too small and should be 32792. **Sarah Palmers'** name was right in the copy but came out "Susan" in the Roster—sorry. Somehow the "E" changed places with the "R" in **Vickrey**. As long as you are (hopefully) making some changes in the roster please put in the "Widows" section that **Louise Woodbury** died 21 Mar and is to be buried at WP. Also delete from the geographical section. **Josie Cuno's** roster was returned with no new address. Hope someone in San Ant can come up with her present address. Same problem with **Bobby Andrews** in Murfreesboro, TN; and **Doran Bellamy** (X-

29) from New Orleans. **Whitside Miller** did send in a "change of address" but not in time for the roster; it is 4025 Pulitzer Pl #114, with the same zip. **Molly Winn** has moved to Knollwood (Army Distaff Hall), 6200 Oregon Ave, NW, Wash, DC 20015. In the geographical section please switch her from VA to DC. **Dave Angluin's** middle initial is "X" and his phone no is 415-944-9429. For the X-'29'ers I put too many ltrs in "Bo" Shepard's and Fritz Weber's names. Checking the *Register* would have caught one but not the other. **Hank Royal** said both "Bo" & his wife died in 83. Fritz & Kate live in No not So Carolina. Zip OK. **Thelma Russell's** new address is 101 Turtle Creek, Apt 3, Charlottesville, VA 22901.



1929: Pat and Bill

Pat O'Hara and I attended the Founders Day dinner, which was excellent. Two hundred forty-two attendees made it the largest in recent memory, if not in history. We and **Bill Deyo '26** sat at table #1 with **Florence Cleland '25**. **Gerhart '34** was the designated "oldest grad present." **Bill Deyo** is planning on attending his 65th Reunion in May with 10 other classmates, 4 of whom are bringing their wives. That is a remarkable turnout for the smallest graduating class in our time (152 vs our 299). They are planning on staying at the Thayer which, after the current renovations, will be fine for us but too small for the classes now graduating or those that will grad after the planned 10% reduction in the size of the Corps (and the ROTC Prog) in line with the announced DOD retrenchment prog. Two of the attendees at the Founders Day dinner recalled my remarks as the "Oldest Grad" after our 60th when I said, "Everyone should plan on returning to the Point for the 5-yr reunions, for the way you are reimbued with the ideals DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY is remarkable and almost unbelievable. I've quoted **Freddie Lin-**

coln telling of "Big Abe's" similar comments. I strongly urge ea of you and all of you to find some way around the obstacles and plan to be there for our 65th in May 94. Other attendees were **Betty Harkins'** daughter & son-in-law, **COL Leslie Carter Jr**, and **Bob & Mary Cook's** daughter **Roberta Lytle** (a guest of **Lloyd E Fellenz Jr '69**). The Carters will meet Betty at WP in Apr with other descendants of 1891 to celebrate the 100th reunion of that class. **Roberta** expressed appreciation for the CI flowers at the svcs for both **Mary & Bob**. **Paul Thompson** was amazed when he learned that **Bob Cook** qualified as a "soldier skier" at 37 and a parachutist at 50. Me too.

Betty & Pat O'Hara are planning a trip back to Wales (her old haunt) in May. They have deferred plans for future trips until they return from this one. **Marion & Harvey Sheppard** are going to AK via the Inland Waterway in Jul and plan to spend a few days on their return in Vancouver and Victoria to see the Butchart Gardens, etc. I suggested that they include Seattle too. Unfortunately, the one they had planned to take with other CBI veterans was cancelled. It was to be a personally escorted "Merrill Marauders" tour of Taiwan, China and Japan to meet counterparts in all 3 countries. **Murphy's Law** wasn't working, for in that time span her younger son, wife and 18-yr-old daughter will visit them. **Libby Latimer Bracken & Jack** are setting the pace with travels to the American and Intl Bar Assoc mtgs; cruises in the Caribbean, and on the Snake and Columbia Rivers and a vacation in Palm Springs. She needs the rest to get ready for the Jun wedding of another granddaughter and the arrival of another great-grand (?) in the fall. At the opposite end are **Ed & Marge Wright**, "stay at homes" in TX and enjoying visits from their children. **Lee Meyer** is, despite degenerative arthritis, enjoying the many changes in the "new Knollwood." About the time you read this, **Ducky & Martha Hail** should be vacationing at the Hale Kai in Honolulu. They are taking their oldest daughter **Carolyn Morton**, and one of the twins, **Linda Goldes** (who was at our 60th), so they can revisit a former station and Kawai.

We extend our sympathy and condolences to **Senta Bell** on the sudden death of her son-in-law **Charles McEver** in Elizabeth City, NC, and to **Constance W Keefe** on the loss of her mother, **Louise Woodbury**, who died in Manchester, NH 21 Mar and will be buried beside **Ken** at WP at a yet-to-be-determined date.

Several cards that were enclosed with the 1 Apr Roster have been returned and are most welcome. **Roy Vincent** says there are about 150-160 grads in the Pittsburgh area but he's the lone '29'er. . . . Hopes to get to Nantucket in the summer. Most of you know that **Fred Chafee**, **Fenn Sykes** and **Nelly Lynde**

have earned stars in their crowns for the long and devoted care they gave **Wini-fred, Linda and Trude** (continuing). It is exemplary—hence this second comment. Trude is out of the hosp now. A dislocated shoulder has further complicated matters for Nelly, but they are fortunate to have their daughter living nearby and lending a hand when trouble strikes. Both **Hank Royal** and **Ken Brinkhouse** confirmed what I thought was true—that “**Bo**” **Shepard** died in the 80s. Both “**Bo**” as athletic dir and Ken were at the Univ of NC. Ken was Emeritus Prof of Pathology and holds the longest continuous research grant from the Natl Inst of Health—over a 44-yr span. Remember “**Bo**” on the basketball court? He carried on at NC. Recently, Duke’s (and formerly Army’s) coach Krzyzewski ’69 and last yr’s high scorer, Kimball, have made some real contributions to col basketball.

John Viney rep that his mother **Allene** is still in the nursing home in Huntington Beach and doesn’t always recognize him when he and Marlowe go over from Corona. **Billy Greear** is pleased none of ’29 were called back in Desert Storm, as he hates dust storms. **Keene Watkins** is “of counsel” in his law firm of some 600 lawyers, which he visits twice a wk in L.A. That’s the extent of his travels. **Paul & Josette Thompson** leave about the middle of May to visit the site of the US Assault Training Ctr in Devonshire, which he established and commanded. **Miles Brewster** was one of his key assistants as ch, Doctrine and Dev Section. (Miles was back for our 45th Reunion but died in England before our 50th.) About 3 mos before D-Day he closed the ctr and assumed cmd of the 6th Engr Bde (one of 3) to put into practice what he had been teaching. His bde and one other landed on Omaha Beach. He was wounded early on and evacuated. After the wk in Devonshire, they will head for the Basque country and spend the rest of the mo in Biaritz. **Johnny Theimer** said he hadn’t realized that **Charlie (B Food) Lynch** was a classmate and wondered what happened to his brother **Francis**. He was ret on physical disability in 37 and died in NYC 9 Aug 69. Johnny’s Easter message was “no news is good news,” but I can’t agree, for I need news to keep these notes coming your way. **Hank Royal** has had a pretty rough yr, as he broke into the Durham, VA Hosp on New Yr’s Eve with a bad case of flu, ending up in “post-viral syndrome” with neuropathy. After two mos they let him out, but only if he continued his extensive physical therapy in Chapel Hill. He’s progressed through a 4-leg walker to a cane, but it will take mos to build up the muscles in his legs, particularly his wounded one.

The Mar notes had info about **John Wolfe**’s exhibit in the ’29 Gallery. The

current one is in conjunction with the Public TV station in NYC and is called “Rainbow Harmony.” There are 120 pieces created by gifted pupils in NY schools from kindergarten through HS. It is to be followed, also in conjunction with PBS with Stage Settings from Broadway and Off Broadway Prods. With the Eisenhower Theater drawing large audiences for top Broadway shows such as *Sound of Music*, *Anything Goes*, etc, the ’29 Corridor is widely used and not just at intermissions. Cadets are some of the most frequent visitors.

Dick Scott writes that he & **Eleanor** are really enjoying their sr yrs, with exceptionally good health, delightful friends, and both hit a lot of shots “down the middle.” With the civic activities he had, such as Redlands Sch Bd, Community Chest, and several other bds, topped by 17 yrs on the San Bernardino County Parole Bd, he’s really entitled to enjoy frequent rounds of golf. It is good to hear of such activities by ’29’ers, and they are more numerous than most of us are aware of. It brings to mind some of **Glenn Williamson**’s accomplishments while working with the “Suicide Prevention Gp.”

A fitting item to close off these notes. **Jim Gavin** is being honored, as the new 82nd Abn Div Admin Bldg is being dedicated 24 May as “Gavin Hall” at Ft Bragg, NC. That will be the final ceremony during the Div’s Annual “All American Wk.” Gen Johnson, CG of the 82nd, wrote **Jean Gavin**, “The dedication of the Div Admin Bldg, as ‘Gavin Hall’ will be a fitting conclusion to the celebration of the 82nd Abn Div’s heritage to which Gen Gavin contributed so much.” Wish more of us could be there.



In my last notes for the May 91 ASSEMBLY, I rep **Thad Broom**’s loss of his dear **Virginia** on 29 Dec. Immediately thereafter, Thad started trying to get in touch with “**Hank**” **Royal**. Hank wrote him finally on 24 Feb, telling him of his physical problems, just as **Bob Porter** had advised me previously, and, as you read in the last issue of these notes. Thad added that he was able finally to reach **Sarah Wood** and speak with her. She seemed in good spirits. Thad promised to keep in touch with her, and to keep me advised. So far as I know, her address and tel no are unchanged. My sincere thanks to you, Thad; hope spring has reached you folks down on “the” beach.

Mary & your scribe slipped away from Falls Church in mid-Feb, attended a wedding in Savannah a few days later, then took 3 days to drive to Dallas, our first visit ever to Big D. We found that it

really is BIG in every dimension. We had a delightful brief visit there with a godson who has made good in many ways. We then slipped on down to San Ant’s suburb in the fringe of the Hill Country known as Helotes. This is where **Mary** & I like to hide out from winter storms, as pampered houseguests of a very dear friend.

In San Ant we talked first by phone with **Anne Watson**. She was glad to hear from us. **Al** is in good shape physically. Anne was delighted to say that he still knows her and greets her with a big smile ea time she visits him. She wanted me to relay her love to all her friends, which I am indeed happy to do. Anne has moved to 2104 Peninsula Dr, where the tel no is 512-590-4901. We wish this lovely lady the best of luck with her patient.

We then talked to **Winnie Kilborn**, whom we found most responsive. She seems to be getting along fine in San Ant, still living in the same house she shared with “**Johnnie**” on Mulberry St before he died in 88. She has a brother in Lubbock and a sister in San Angelo, so TX is really home to her. She looks forward to a visit this summer by **Julia Miller** from Atl, a longtime friend.

Next day I had a delightful chat with “**Happy**” & **Loni Brooks**. **Happy** is not playing any touch football, but he is well recovered and definitely enjoying life again. **Happy** wants his friends to know that he was 85 on 18 Mar, and is feeling well for his age. Every happiness to both of you young-at-heart people.

Ralph & **Martha Swofford** were their usual charming selves when we talked to them in late Feb. He does not drive too much these days, so they don’t socialize too much outside AF Vil. They had talked with **Hal** & **Ceci Stokes** at a New Year’s party. **Ralph** set up a lunch for us in early Apr, but the ubiquitous flu struck, so we have a rain check for our next visit to San Ant. The Swoffords send their best to all our classmates near and far.

Spring in San Ant is beautiful. This yr they had rain in Jan, Feb and Mar. The result was a vast display of blue bonnets, pink poppies, and yellow daisies all over central TX. San Ant would be a good place for a mini-reunion if we had 2 or 3 classmates there in good physical condition, willing to volunteer to undertake the arduous chores of even a small reunion.

On our return to Falls Church, we found that **Bill Harris** had another heart attack about 7 Apr. He was transferred to Leland Memorial Hosp, Rm 317, 4400 Queensbury Rd, Riverdale, MD 20840; tel 301-699-2069. He was still there 13 Apr. **Mary** & I saw him there, where he was in good spirits, anxious to talk to visitors and seemingly fully recovered. He chatted at length about past svc at Ft

Sam Houston, at SHAPE with Larry Norstad, and in Brazil. Bill needs to hear from some of y'all out there.



1930: Bradley, Wood, Swofford and Odom

For want of more current pics, see the above group at our 20th Reunion in 50, which I found in **Ralph Swofford's** file. Thanks, Ralph.

We are enjoying a second spring in VA and look forward to our CI luncheon, which I will rep in the next notes. In the meantime, WRITE TO ME. If I don't hear from you, there will be no notes at all!!

'31

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Our latest CI directory discloses that since our 55th Reunion we have been on the move—many to ret digs—for a total of 56 new addresses. Sadly, 39 more of our number have taken their place in the Long Gray Line, and we have lost, so far as we know, 22 of our wives and widows.

Meanwhile, we no longer know the whereabouts of **Duke Burroughs**, nor of 8 of our widows, **Ruth Beishline**, **Agnes Cave**, **Mim Ellis**, **Donna Gallup**, **Kay Harris**, **Babs Leinster**, **Mary Rogers**, and **Mildred Truly**. The story was the same for **Carl Carlmark** and **Charlie Baldwin** until, thanks to **John Ruggles** and **Pat Carter**, respectively, we learned, but too late from the new *Register* that their recent changes of address are: for the Carlmarks, 1434 Punahou St, Honolulu, HI 96822; for the Baldwins, Edificio Patilera, Apt P1114, Prado Humboldt, Prados del Este, Venezuela. Furthermore, the directory has been returned for lack of forwarding instructions for the **Bakers**, **Virginia Blanning**, and **Helen Miller**. Responding to my quest for info, **Jack Gordon** rep that **Sam Jones'** widow, **Mrs Charles A Clark Jr (Irene or Reenie)** has moved to One Towers Pk Lane, #2308, San Ant, TX 78209-6441; tel (unchanged) (512) 822-7291. **Ruth Marnane** writes that **Tom** has progressed from wheelchair to walker and lately to a cane after having heart surgery last Jul, followed 3 wks later by a mild stroke. Their new address is in the beautiful ret comm, 8700 Post Oak Lane, #124, San Ant, TX 78217, next door to '32's Zitzmans. **Dick Lane** tells me that **Bill Jones'** widow, **Truxie**, lost her second husband and is now Mrs Walker Peter Holloway. Her address is the same as when she was Mrs Rankin.

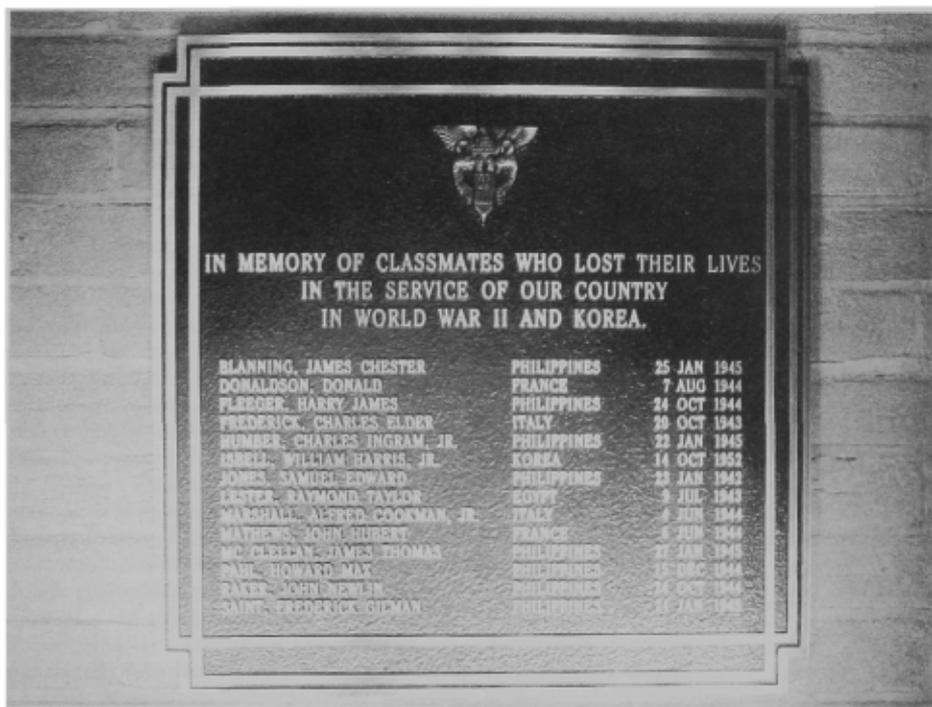
Errata: **Ted & Nina Parker's** Albany tel no is (518) 436-7657, not as listed in the directory. The computer, for reasons of its own, cited only **Ozzie & Allison Tyler's** summer (15 Jun-15 Oct) place in NC but failed to list their longtime per-

manent FL address: 1817 Willowbrand Ter, Jacksonville, FL 32205; tel (904) 389-3038. Unforgivably, **Seiss Wagner**, who died on 29 Jun 67, was omitted from the Long Gray Line. This grievous mistake was picked up by **Carl Kohls**.

Hotspur Lash, who roomed in a mess in 44-45 with Hq Com of SHAEF, **Quinny Brown**, writes that Quinny's widow, **Tim**, after an extended illness, died on 2 Feb at her home in Wilton, CT and was buried at WP. After a long battle with cancer, **Bobby Westermeier** passed away at Walter Reed on 18 Feb. She was a "genius at flower-arranging," says **Cornelia Read**, who, as well as **Margaret Parker**, lives in Knollwood, the former non-co-ed Distaff Hall. Bobby brightened the lives of all with her brilliant floral displays throughout the premises, esp on the tables in the dining room. Bobby was laid to rest with **John** at WP on 21 Feb. **Bill Train** has given me the sad news that **Chet Diestel** answered the last roll call on 16 Feb. He had been operated on for a brain tumor at Letterman, where Bill had visited him several times and found him apparently recovering. He was later moved to the Veterans Admin Hosp at Menlo Pk, where he expired. **Mary Bogart**, after a long illness, died in Pensacola on 28 Mar and was buried in the Ft Barrancos Natl Cemetery. It was on that post that she had spent several yrs of her childhood, where her father had been stationed 3 times.

I have just received word through **Ockie** that **Alice Webber** died in Greensboro, NC on 6 Apr.

In the last quarter of 90, all of us note with deep appreciation the generous gifts to the CI Fund by **Paul Burns**, **Pat Carter**, **Frank Corbin**, **Johnny Davis**, **Dick Lane** and **Moppy Perry**. In citing them in these dispatches, we do not imply that we have forgotten earlier donors, for it is just now, according to **Ockie**, that we have begun to receive complete qtrly reports. There is ample room in future CI columns for additional citations. On Law Day, 1 May, the JAG Sch at Charlottesville, VA dedicated its auditorium to the memory of **Ted Decker**. I'm happy to hear from **John E Easterbrook '62** that his mother Nancy "is doing extremely well." Her activities are certainly proof of it. On 22 Mar she traveled to WP for the dedication of a plaque to recognize the contribution of her father, GEN Joseph W Stilwell '04, to Army basketball. He organized the first game, played on the first team, and was the first coach. Nancy is still very active raising money for the Chinese Scholarship Fund at the Monterey Inst of Intl Studies. She also continues to lead tours to China. **Jack Gordon** writes that he is deeply grieved by the necessity to call off plans to attend the 60th because of the onset of cancer, and asked



1931: Clyde McBride and Andy Adams were the prime movers in accomplishing this worthy project. It is located at the entrance to the Thayer Award Rm

that I extend hearty greetings to all in attendance, which I did. We all missed you, Jack, and send our best to you.

Ozzie Tyler was alerted to make the oldest grad speech at the Pensacola Founders Day dinner but didn't get to the podium, he rep, because an older grad showed up. **Dean Herman**, however, is no doubt one of our most experienced "oldest grads;" he can still use the shop-worn notes from his first performance as such at the Founders Day dinner as long ago as 61 in Oberammergau.

From what I hear, **Helen Westpheling** is recovering very well from a heart attack. **Willy Wilroy** phones that he also has had a heart attack but is back in his office. **Lester Kunish** says he won't be able to get to the 60th reunion because of "age and health" but sends his best wishes to everyone. **Bill & Charlotte Train** continue their fast pace of golf, skiing and travel. They had two wks of excellent skiing in Park City, VT in mid-winter, although the area is suffering badly from lack of snow. In Jul they are off to an Alaskan tour.

Administrative costs, though frugally controlled by Treas **Hoover**, require an upping of our annual dues, starting this yr, to \$25. Our widows need not be concerned. The lively Apr session of the Wash gp was graced by the presence of **Adams, Armstrong, Boyd**, newly admitted to membership **Cooper, Dick, Eaton, Hoover, Little, McBride, Passarella, Ockie** and me.

Please be sure to correct entries in your copy of the CI directory to accord with changes cited in these notes, since you will not receive a revised edition until our 65th.

'32

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FOUR SCORE AND GOING FOR MORE! It is 63 yrs since we rep into the rockpile, 424 plebes having been born in every st of the Union, as well as Russia, Sweden, Holland, Cuba, Sicily, Italy, Siam and China. Then and now, the regs say that to enter WP you have to be at least 17 yrs old but not more than 21 and a butt on 1 Jul of the yr you enter. (The butt, of course, can be 364/365ths.)

Milt Ogden was eager to join '32, so his birthdate is 1 Jul 11; 17 yrs old to the day according to the regs. Since 1 Jul fell on Sun in 28, we all entered the mil the next day. **Frank Jamison** also wanted to be part of '32 so he held off to the end; he turned 22 on 17 Jul 28. Right in the middle are two good guys who have passed along, **Al Gerhardt** and **Al Graham**, both of whom were born on 9 Jan 09.

A happy note from **Charlie D'Orsa** told how daughter **Kathy & her husband Bill**



1932: Frank Jamison and Milt Ogden—grandpa with the baby



1932: Octogenarian Essie Baer with Archie Lyon



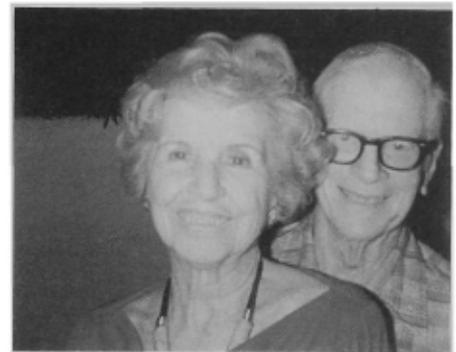
1932: Daughter **Kathy** behind **Charlie D'Orsa**; husband **Bill Shields** and **Margot** are next to her

Shields came from Portland, OR to Cape Coral, FL to celebrate **Charlie's** 80th (see pic). The couple on the flanks in the pic are old friends and neighbors of **Charlie & Margot**. Son-in-law **Bill Shields** had just been promoted to Exec VP of **Wehayerhauser Industries**, which proves that our small fry are still moving upward and onward. **Charlie** said that he had recently talked to **Lauri & Edna Hillberg** in Tacoma and that both sounded fine.

Two others of our CI who were born on the same date, 15 Oct 06, but not the same day, are **Jude Abell** and **Chih Wang**. (**Jude** was born in IN and **Chih** in China).

If you have trouble figuring that out, don't be discouraged. I have heard that there are guys who never could compute their per diem correctly when they crossed the Intl Date Line. I personally have been around the world twice in the same direction so I'm either two days older or younger than you think I am.

And our ladies more than keep abreast of us. The queen bee, **Louise Rude**, turned 86 in Apr. With the possible exception of some replacements that I don't know about, **Tiny Hartshorn** is our youngest. She was just out of col in 41



1932: Louise & Red Rude

when **Eddie** brought her to WP as his bride.

I think that **Lauri & Edna Hillberg** are our only couple still intact who joined up on grad day. **Pat & I** had a fine 56th when daughter **Kay**, her husband and 3 of our 4 grandchildren homed in on us to make it a very happy day. The absentee granddaughter was busy at her TV prod job with the ABC pilot station in Houston, but she did send us a cute little chocolate chip cookie, 24 inches in diameter, suitably inscribed. See pic.



1932: Ken, daughter **Kay** and **Pat Zitzman**

So all of us are over 80 now. When we go to WP for our 60th next May, the plebes who see us are going to have the same feeling that you and I had in 28

when we saw old grads who were Spanish-American War vets. But to paraphrase Archie the Cockroach, "There's life in the old boy (& his gal) yet!"



1932: Helen Lyon, nee Hutchinson, Archie's date from 1930 until she died in Feb

WAY TO GO, TINY! Tiny Hartshorn sent a long ltr to Pat & me, 4 pgs in her own handwriting. You can tell a lot about a person (and his/her intellect) by handwriting, and Tiny's was just as regular and controlled, while expressing her thoughts lucidly, as it has ever been. To top it off, her Healthcare Ctr pals elected her their Valentine Queen, complete with a gold cardboard crown and a Whitman's Sampler. A subsequent ltr said that she has since advanced to assisted living in a large unit with a complete kitchenette: refrig, microwave, the works. She has a view of the Catalina Mtns, walks a couple miles regularly and says, "I guess you can tell that I'm happy."

As of that writing she was anticipating a visit by Harvey Fischer, who was driving with his new hip in his new car from his home in Lake Wylie, SC to Lampassas, TX for a wedding; then on to AZ. Tiny closed with, "I have many things that I yearn for but they don't seem to be impossible if I keep at it. Then I'll show you at Reunion 92." Keep it rolling, Tiny.

FINAL FAREWELLS. Charlie Carrell has again been tagged "deceased," and I regret to say that this time it is final. The first time was by combat medicos in WWII when the glider carrying Charlie's combat team crashed into Normandy on D-Day. He removed the tag when he recovered a couple hrs later and resumed cmd of his unit for the duration and beyond.

A phone call to Amy in Santa Rosa revealed that Charlie developed Alzheimer's in 83 but played his excellent golf for several more yrs. Devoted Amy gave him supervised care at home, then at the



1932: Todd Slade, Amy Carrell and Bill Fraser at Charlie's memorial at Santa Rosa

nursing home for his final yr.

Charlie was born in Lawrenceburg, TN, and he was buried there with all of his kin, including his father & mother whom he never really knew, as ea died before Charlie was 3 yrs old. So long, Charlie.

Bruce McLane Jr phoned me to say that our Bruce died on 2 Apr and was buried at WP alongside his Eleanor, who passed on in 63. In 86 Bruce was hit by a car while in Springfield, MO tracing his family roots. He lost part of a leg and never regained top physical condition thereafter.

Bruce spent his final yrs comfortably in a nursing home in San Diego, with all of his needs met under the affectionate monitoring of Bruce Jr. I immediately liked the latter when I met him at our 50th Reunion at WP where he accompanied his dad. He describes himself as a ret NYC cop who was once thrown off a roof by two bad guys. He didn't say so but I'll bet that those two bad guys aren't in the public domain anymore.

We're glad that we have a Bruce Jr, backed up by a Bruce III to maintain our memories of the original.

As I was about to push "P" for print to meet the deadline for this issue, I got a phone call from Tom Darcy saying that Ed Simenson had just died and would be buried at Ft Sheridan. Ed was a big guy in every way and was active until almost the end. (See the Mar issue of this col for his participation in the 100th anniv of football at WP.)

And a follow-up on Dave Kennedy: Elmer Grubbs '36 sent me a photostat of a pg from the Congressional Record of 26 Oct 90 tribute to COL David H Kennedy.

Sen Strom Thurmond started; "Mr President, I rise today to mourn the passing of COL David H Kennedy, USAF (Ret) of Williston, SC. COL Kennedy was a man of character, capacity, compassion and courage. I knew him for many yrs, and am saddened by his loss . . ." In a few hundred words it described Dave as we knew him—a man of dry wit and great gentility, a true southern gentleman—many exceptional traits greatly endeared him to his family and

friends. Sen Thurmond said, "I was fortunate to have him as my exec secy for part of my term as Gov of SC, and he did an outstanding job."



1932: The Slades' 40th and Todd's 80th birthday party, put on by their church choir

FROM THE WEST COAST. Todd Slade wrote that Founders Day dinner at the Presidio had a solid '32 table, with Bill & Viv Kunzig, Todd & Kay Slade, Bill & Hap Fraser, Reina Bowen, Anne Cochran, Dottie Lankenau and Lynn Childs. Todd also said, "our adopted classmate, Mary Paul, the wizard secy of the WP Soc, San Fran Bay Area. . . was honored with a bronze plaque that night."

Referring to our new home, address above, Todd added, "Enjoy your Salado Creek countryside—that's where in 56 Bill Hood and I set up the Olympic Modern Pentathlon Equestrian Cross-country course."



1932: Chris & Phyl Dreyer at Founders Day in FL

Chris & Phyl Dreyer are not in the pic with their San Fran gp because they were with a FL gp on the other coast on Founders Day (see pic). Chris was in the super sr tennis tournament and was put out in the second round by a young whipper-snapper who had just turned 80. Chris had just entered the 85-yr-old class and the regs say the match-up was legal.

LUX ET VERITAS, or what else is new? I've subscribed to the *Smithsonian Mag* for yrs but had not read an item in the Mar issue until Duncan Hallock '33 wrote to call my attention to it. Entitled "Dave Henderson was becoming an Embarrassment," and written by the scribe (or whatever they call them at Yale) of Yale '43, it told how the scribe finally invented a classmate in order to produce some news.

I've never invented a classmate but I recognized most of the problems that my Eli counterpart went through. I have also had some he didn't mention, e.g., one of the earliest eds who told my classmates on duty at WP that I wrote the best col of any scribe. My comment on that was, "He should know—he is the only one who gets to read the whole thing as I submit it."



1932: Joslin Morris, Ruth McCawley, Helen Hunt and Mary Ellen Gillette at Valentine's luncheon

But that was yesterday. I don't have to invent classmates and my copy doesn't get cut. All I write is what you send me and as long as you keep going, I'll keep going.

All for now. Send in news and pix like this good one from Ruth McCawley, anytime.

'33

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THE BALLOON of our national euphoria has leaked a bit in recent wks; it seems from here, the high spirit of triumph is giving way, as often it must, to the realities of insoluble problems and unworkable solutions. . . . But it was great while it lasted, and there's one thing they can't take away from us: our pride in the splendid performance of America's armed forces, including their leaders.

At more mundane levels we pursue our daily tasks, thankful for the good, and fretful at the rest of it. Your scribe, for instance, is grateful for inputs to this col—messages and pics—but always a bit anxious when the deadline approaches and the "next notes" file seemeth thin. . . .

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Further in this context: COL Child, ed of *ASSEMBLY*, is running a feature on USMA grads' participation in the Gulf War, to incl various generational levels: children, grandchildren, etc. We've so far managed only limited response. Please let me have some input on this, at least for our notes.

One death to rep: on 28 Mar, Dick Moore died at Mt Kisco, NY following protracted illness. Memorial svcs were held at St Matthews Church in Bedford, NY. Dick is survived by his widow Marjorie, daughter Mary Louise Bright of Middlebury, VT, son Dick Jr of Wellesley, MA; and 5 grandchildren. We thank Dick's neighbor, Rod Gott, for passing the word, and we extend our deep sympathy to Marjorie Moore and her family.

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From loyal supporter Charlie Carver we have word that he & Barbara are still flourishing at USAA Towers in San Ant, and an excellent pic of the gang down there.

"Been busy supporting my neighbor, who ran for City Council," writes El Conway. "She made it and is now the vice mayor!" [Right modern city, St Pete, El—do they have a mayor for virtue, too?] "In Jul I'm flying up to Eagle, AK with daughter Ruth & Walter Williams, to visit our granddaughter Meg, husband David and our great-grandson Daniel." [Readers may remember the story of Daniel's wintry birth in an ambulance on the Alcan Hwy?]

Don Cubbison is prompted to reminisce by Sparrow's piece on "The Military vs the Media" (which appears elsewhere in this issue): "My bn, plus a

gaggle of other troops, sailed to the ETO on the *Louis Pasteur*, a luxury liner the English captured and used as a troop ship. The sr off aboard, 87th DivArty cmdr Wally Ford '20, appointed me troop cmdr. . . . My duties incl daily inspections with the British 'Staff CPT.' Frequently we were followed at a distance by a civ reporter from NJ. The latter often asked me how our troops were getting along with the British crew, clearly looking for a 'friction' story.

"One day I had occasion to call a mtg of our food carriers. The ubiquitous reporter wanted to know what it was about. I told him it was none of his business; he showed up anyway. When he refused my polite request to leave, we had a couple of MPs help him out the door. This led to a second confrontation between us, this time in Wally Ford's cabin. Before Wally could utter a word, the reporter began shrieking 'freedom of the press!' at him, well-laced with obscenities. When we reached Liverpool, Wally entered a complaint against the reporter, who was barred from the ETO and sent home." (Incidentally, the Cubbisons are celebrating arrival of a new granddaughter.) Bob & Marian Cyr have had two of their kin participating in the Gulf War, rep Charlie Carver: Bob's son, MSG Joseph E Cyr, was with Special Forces in Saudi Arabia in Jul and Aug 90; he arrived back in the US 20 Mar. Husband of his granddaughter Patricia '85, CW 2 Rick Reno, was in Saudi Arabia as a 'chopper maintenance off in Dec 90.

A welcome note from Bobby Gabel: "Here's a copy of 33's 10-Year Book, as requested. A 20-yr loan at this stage is a



1933: '33 luncheon, San Ant: (standing) Cooper, Hetherington, Carver, Thorlin, McCrary, Blanchard; (in front) Dahlen, McClelland and Cyr

bit optimistic, don't you think?—so I'll gladly give this copy to the CI. I enjoyed going through its pages, reliving many happy memories. . . .

Ned & Gladys Gee rep (early Apr) they're driving to Atl to attend the wedding of their grandson Jimmy Bowers. Another Gee grandson, 1LT Donald B Smith, son of daughter Jane & the late Donald B ("Skip") Smith '56, has been serving with "D" Co, 1/187 Inf, 101 Abn Div in the Gulf area since early Oct.

Pat Guiney, as many of us will recall, was an avid collector of the old (old? No older than we are!) 78-rpm records of the 20's and 30's with the tunes we knew so well. "We still have *all* our records," sez **Rita**, "and plan to put the best ones on tape, with the kids' help. . . . Our New Yr's resolution: to get better health and move into our new home without too much difficulty."

Word from **John Honeycutt** (to **Lincoln**) is that the former has taken up reading books on mathematics, of all things. . . . Better keep an eye on him, **Es!** In all other respects John still appears to be a normal person.

"We've had a lot of warm rain and some tradewinds not so warm," postcardulates **Hurly Hurlbut** from Oahu. "Organized a CI luncheon and had 100% of those present on the isl. **Disosway** and I were the snowbirds. Present were **Hap Tubbs**, **Ed Doleman**, **Dunc Hallock**, **Wally Andrews**. . . Dunc will send pics." Since that card the Hurlbuts have been Wash-FL and back. No flies on them!

The **Lincolns** too had progeny in the Gulf. "On arriving in Saudi Arabia in early Feb, 2LT James B Lincoln Jr '90 became a plt ldr in Btry B, 6/27 FA MLRS (Multiple Launch Rocket System). Interestingly, Jim's father, JB Lincoln '60, was project mgr of that system, as well as 3 other systems used in Desert Storm: the TOW anti-tank system, the ATACMS, and the M-198 155 mm Howitzer; and since ret he's been involved with the APACHE helicopter. Jim Jr was in combat in spt of the French forward units, the 101st and 82nd Abn and 24th Inf Divs, thus earning the right to wear the XVIII Abn Corps patch (rt shoulder) for the rest of his svc."

From **Harlow Miles'** widow **Pete**, a copy of a 10-Year book and a ltr, "Some classmate is sending me *ASSEMBLY* and I'm very grateful. When Harlow died I just couldn't 'cope'—so gave up subscribing. However, that delightful luncheon in Wash rekindled my interest. Also, I bet I'm the only classmate's wife employed, and I love it: 5 days/wk secy-receptionist for the Ocean City Tabernacle, a Protestant non-denominational summer church."

"I sent *all* the old Yearbooks," sez **Posie Neely**. "High time to start weeding out the accumulations of the yrs.

. . . They're dingy because they were in our basement back in 50-51, when the Highland Falls reservoir overflowed"

Sam Otto's grandson, Robert W Otto '91, graduates next mo and has chosen Inf and 1st Cav Div, a star performer in Desert Storm.

Latest word from **Joey** is that **Jimmy Polk** continues his slow but steady recovery from the surgery last rep. We wish them well and hope our next news will be much better.



1933: Babs Scoville Brown celebrates her "big 80!" in Largo, FL

From **Barbara Scoville Brown**, guess what? You got it: another 10-Year Book! Thanks, Babs. "Be sure to return it in the yr 2011," she writes, "I'll be 100 then. Have just celebrated my big 80th, with (my & Dale's) 'joint' 4 children & spouses. . . . It's strange, you don't feel 80 inside, but one look in the mirror clues you in."

An item of '33 interest: Nov 90 wedding of granddaughter Dana Wiley to Jim Ryan at Ft Myer Chapel; they're now stationed at Ft Knox. Dana is daughter of Joan Scoville Wiley & Jim Wiley '60, and granddaughter of Kitty & Buck Wiley '28.

"**Charlie Pottenger** was just here, playing in the mbr-guest (matches) at Tequesta CC," rep **Oscar Senter**. "He looks great and is still a 7 handicap. His first wife, **Dail**, died several yrs ago, and he has remarried—a lovely lady, **Joan**, from the Chicago area, known to many of our CC mbrs."

New **Pottenger** address: 650 Galleon Dr, Naples, FL 33940; tel (813) 263-8718.

"We (**Senters**) ret to Carmel 1 Jun-1 Oct; our address there: 32 Del Mesa Carmel, Carmel, CA 93921; tel (408) 624-2873. We hope to see the **Van Ways**, **Leslies**, **Elys**, **Harriet Harrell** and **Ansley Hill**. Have found **Tom Evans'** address in Tequesta but have not seen him (no phone). PS: Charlie hopes to attend our 60th." Thanks, **Oscar!**

From **Bob Thompson's** widow **Margaret**, a change of address to 9229 Arlington Blvd, Fairfax, VA 22031.

Bob Turner has kindly shared ltrs from his & **Ann's** Navy son, Mike (USNA '80),

LCDR and head of the Weapons Dept of the *USS Foster* in the Persian Gulf. "It's noteworthy," sez Bob, "that his ship fired the *first* cruise missile launched from any ship on the night of 16-17 Jan [something like the first shot fired at Lexington?]"

Now let's hear from Mike directly: "We were supposed to be the fourth ship to shoot," he writes, "but the others experienced delays, so we were the ones to launch the first Tomahawk in anger. It's a weird feeling, knowing that you're shooting at actual targets. . . ." In a second ltr Mike wrote, ". . . we continued to be on the front line. Several days ago we destroyed a bunch of mines. . . . We were there when the *Tripoli* and the *Princeton* hit mines. . . . We've finally gotten some mail (8 Mar; the first since Dec)."

From **Red White** we have welcome material about their grandson, SSG James L Yahraes, who "found himself in Ger with the 40th FA, cmdng a MLRS tank, moving to Saudi Arabia in early Dec. . . . according to all reports his unit participated fully and with distinction in the ground war. Following the cease fire, his unit remained in Kuwait and later in southern Iraq for some time. . . ." His pic suggests that he inherited his grandparents' good looks.

Further from Red—news of their son, COL Lawrence K White Jr '70: "Since completing the Army War Col in 90, Larry has been dir of Combined Abn and Tactical Tng at the Inf Sch (Benning). He just got his eagles and in mid-Jun and will assume cmd of the 11th Inf Regt, a rather special 4-bn regt in spt of the sch. We hope to attend the change-of-cmd ceremony."

CLASS MATTERS

Gulf War Participation. Re request (start of notes) for info on '33 kindred involved in the Gulf War, my records show the following: **Cyr** (son MSG Joseph E Cyr, granddaughter Patricia '85's husband CWO2 Rick Reno); **Gee** (grandson 1LT Donald D Smith); **Lincoln** (grandson 2LT James B Lincoln); **Turner** (son LCDR Michael Turner, USN); **White** (SSG James L Yahraes, 40th FA). Surely there are others? Please share your pride with the rest of us!

'33 Yrbks. Thanks, everybody! (Clearly more than one person reads this col.) Your scribe needs no more. But a word on those yrbks: apart from sentimental interest, they also have some degree of historical value; and they are helpful when *ASSEMBLY* obituaries have to be written. The 50-Yearbk Golden Anniv is of particular value, so don't dispose of them lightly.

'34

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Classmates have provided a lot of input for these class notes. But that old man with the scythe also has been busy. Frequently news comes via **Ken Cunin**, Hon Sec. He relayed a note from Mary Paull, daughter of **Susie & Sid Telford**, which contained an obituary from the Newport, VT *Chronicle* announcing her mother's death on 31 Jan. Susie was a graduate of Wm Woods Col in MO and attended Chicago Art Inst. "Mrs T, as she was affectionately known, gave love and inspiration to hundreds of HS students." She is survived by Mrs Paull and a son, Sid Jr, who served in the Persian Gulf. You will find his pic elsewhere in this issue of grads and relatives taken in the Combat Zone. Sid Jr served in USMC and joined US Foreign Service after 2 yrs at Norwich U, the brainchild of Alden Partridge 1806, 3rd person to serve as Supe USMA. Susie is buried in VT, just a short stone's throw from the Canadian border. Our Sid was killed in 44 as his bn breached the "invulnerable" Siegfried Line. **Faith & Hal Edson** wrote the survivors, "Your mom & dad are having one heluva reunion!"

Ken forwarded the following ltr from Bill Rusteberg, Harlingen, TX. "I am saddened to inform you that my father, **COL E Rusteberg**, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly 16 Sep 90. [This obituary was reported at length two issues ago.] You recently sent a ltr to my mother concerning your upcoming reunion to be held in Wmsbrg. Unfortunately, my mother passed away 1 Dec 84 [an obituary not recorded in Cl files.] However, if you could somehow arrange to get her to attend, you can count on our being there, too!" Bill and family will occupy a big old restored farmhouse full of antiques collected by **Marjorie & Rusty** around the world. Ken, after correcting his master file and mailing lists, satisfied that the record is straight, comments on his recovery progress: "I am progressing to a 'better' estate." Marge & Rusty are with us every day and will surely be at reunion with all our classmates whose joyous resurrection has been celebrated through the yrs.

On 4 Mar **Tete Brown**, beloved and beautiful widow of **Charles E**, passed away after brief illness of lesions on lung and tumor on pituitary gland behind the eyes. She died at the home of son, Carey, with daughter Suzie and their families present. **Tyson and Blair**, with Brown progeny, attended a memorial svc with church filled with loving neighbors at St Mary's Episcopal Church in Fleeton, VA, a small fishing vil of all waterfront properties, across the "crick" from Tete



1934: Tete Brown at US Naval Hosp, Portsmouth, VA, the wk before she joined Charlie

& Charlie's home in Reedville. Burial was at WP next to Charlie's grave and near their son Charles Jr, killed in Vietnam. The Cl was represented by the **Finkenaurs, EO Davises, Mary Baker, and Bucknams. Ruth & Ralph Bucknam** were at Wmsbrg for their anniv with **Renfroes and Diefendorfs**; they missed memorial svc and traveled non-stop to be at the funeral. Their daughter, Joan, is widow of Charles E Brown, Jr, who was Bucknam's godson. This acct ends with the florist's truck having an accident on Storm King, and truck and flower wreath from Cl being confiscated by the highway patrol. Florist set beautiful flowers at Easter for us.

Mary (Mrs **James O Baker**) is a '34 rep at WP and is everybody's friend, esp the lonely. Mary is cordon bleu when it comes to cake baking and decorating. She delivered more than a hundred Easter egg cakes to the Cadet Hosp. At the time of Tete's funeral, Mary's car had been stolen. It was found by the police, and Mary resumed her volunteer work for the comm of Highland Falls and WP.

This saga of the passing of heroic classmates and widows continues. On 18 Mar **Jeanne Finkenaure** wrote: "Bob has had a heart attack. He's in Cornwall Hosp ICU. . . I have been handling Bob's increasing problems for mos. He seemed better yesterday so I hope I can care for him at home." **Dave** informed me of Bob's death two days later, and this ltr came the next wk.

"**Bob & I** were dancing at a St Pat's party given by the New Windsor Srs, when he developed a pain in his arm, then in his chest. I drove him to Cornwall Hosp where he stayed in ICU 3 days. The dr was with him when he was transferred to a regular rm, but when I walked in to feed him, I found Bob dead. The dr assumes he just slept away. The

funeral would have pleased Bob—a high Mass at Holy Trinity Chapel and full honors at the cemetery. It was beautifully done. Bob's site is near the **Browns—Grave 51, Row F, Section 34!** How about that!" **Jeanne** added a note about a wonderful lady at West Point, Grace Foster, who handles funeral arrangements, chaplain, cemetery site, everything. "Need I say Grace was a jewel. What a beautiful person she is! She has served our Cl so well. Our *kinder* are great to me, but there's a great big hole in my life."

Bob & Jeanne had been our perennial Cl reps at WP for more than 30 yrs. They arranged our reunions, our funerals, even our personal visits. Their dedication to our welfare and morale, and their sacrifice of time and effort for Cl affairs became proverbial among the Supes and staffs at the Academy. We thank you, Bob. You will be sorely missed. To Jeanne, a Cl treasure, we send our most fervent thoughts and prayers in her bereavement, a great loss to the Cl.

The news from El Paso is that **Harry Hubbard** died 13 Feb. **Charlotte** said their daughter Carolyn stayed with her 5 wks. You recall they ret early, when Harry inherited the ranch in Marfa. It became too much to handle, and is now leased. Charlotte recalled they participated in the reactivation of Ft DA Russell, TX by transporting there from Ft Bliss the first payroll.

Other news from El Paso: **Dottie Waugh** is recovering from a stroke, putting **Axel** under a strain, like the rest of us: taking care of ourselves and ea other. **Charlotte**, like **Dick Moorman**, recently had a corneal transplant.

Polly Elliott and **Alex Stuart** are still dating. The single life, while not of their choosing, seems to agree with them. No matter where you turn in WP history you may find one of Polly's ancestors. To select the first, **Rene DeRussy 1812**, for whom Ft DeRussy, HI was named, became Supe VI and went on to invent the Barbetie disappearing gun carriage.

Eddrea Hillyard rep that **Harry's** heart is holding OK after a bad spell over a yr ago. Like most of us he suffers a loss of memory from time to time. Eddrea, like most of our wives, has taken control of the money matters, establishing trusts, etc. Trusts, by the way, should be in your near future. For free assistance write to the AOG.

Francie & Johnny Stevens send their gracious and perennial invitation to classmates to visit them at the Fairfax. You won't be the first to be entertained in their lavish style. It is a plush but not expensive lifestyle. **Anne & Bill Kern** are recovering from problems unmentionable in a family mag but beginning with Pee. They are well on their way to see their new grandson in Ger.

Foss & Tom Foote regularly check

into VIP qtrs at Amphib Base in Norfolk to visit son Fred, just back from Desert Storm, his wife and two grandsons. The latest, Andrew O'Donnell Foote, was born in Jan. Young Fred is sr med off at a Navy clinic equivalent to a gen hosp in numbers of patients and variety of illnesses. The Footes enjoy substituting their time-share condo worldwide: most recently at Hilton Head where they were dinner guests of Whipples '33. Tom lent me **Dale Smith's** latest book, *Screaming Eagle, Memoirs of a B-17 Group Commander*.

The book brings to life the air war in 43. Battle scenes and non-combat duties are related with eloquence. Dale's reunions with WP'ers we have known recalls our own rendezvous with destiny. In this brief encounter Dale gives us another visit with his mother, dad and siblings. What a devoted and loving family! Other reviewers have taken potshots at Dale's lacing the story of his bombing heroics with a recital of infidelities and separations. But I believe most personal war memoirs would contain a lot of one and a little of the other.

Lydia McCrary dropped plans to stay in Wmsbrg during the reunion and now will stay with **Deede Cunningham**; she will commute from nearby Mathews County, where **Herb Andrae** once lived and where she now resides. Lydia has *galloping* arthritis in her knees (it comes and goes). Right now she walks with a cane and hopes the recurring illness will disappear forever. Lydia, we hope so, too, and may our prayers be answered.

George Gerhart, recovering from **Sal-lye's** death, plans to stay in Largo, FL to be close to daughter Harriet, who plays church organ and teaches 40 piano students. George praised the nearby Bay Pines VA Hosp and natl cemetery, planning to use either when necessary. Classmates in AL and HI get ready: George is coming soon!

Joseph Lemual Johnson writes and I extract. "Martha & I regret that we may not attend the mini-reunion: too many physical problems. Four wks ago I fell on a small patch of ice and broke my rt humerus (upper arm bone). I also fell twice from a home repair job. So Martha won't let me drive until cleared by dr. My long-distance driving was already under suspicion because I missed a turn-off, ran into a highway sign and had the car totaled by a student. [Jo let it out!] Martha, while driving, was blinded by the sun and ran into a guard rail. That, too was damage in big dollars. We want to see our classmates, best people we have ever known. [Are there any of you who can echo this state of health, and not make it to the reunion? Read on.] Martha & I do not smoke. We share a cocktail about every 6 mos. We eat almost totally vegetarian foods. I have not had a hamburger or a good steak in 20 yrs. As a

result our cholesterol is below 200, and our pulse is between 55-60. But we do have a bit of arthritis. [Which just goes to show: clean living is not all it's said to be.]

Which reminds us: classmates and friends are encouraged to send donations to the CI Fund at AOG memorializing deceased classmates, spouses and family mbrs. Contribution is acknowledged by personal card to the family and the donor.



1934: Founders Day at Ft Monroe: Pete Ward, Eddie Farnsworth '32 and Jerry Blair

Eddie Farnsworth let me read *West Point: The Men and Times of the USMA*, a long book which you won't put down until you finish its bio of all of WP's great and some not-so-great. Every pg adds form and substance to the words "Duty, Honor, Country." This book was reviewed in *ASSEMBLY* a few yrs ago, when it was published. We should have read it then, because copies are impossible to find now. A single quote will send you looking for a copy. "WP does many things for its men [and women] but the highest quality it gives them is character, and in national emergencies our success rests on the character of our leaders. The record of The Long Gray Line is one of unblemished dedication to flanking the devil and making the open in spite of the odds." You can thank the author, Thomas J Fleming, for honoring the Immortals, as foundlings of WP are referred. What would our reputation be without those ex-cadets who, representing Duty, Honor, Country as deliciously as Lee and MacArthur, with their spouses carried the brunt of war and continue in svc to classmates and *alma mater*. The glamour of the Plain never dims.

It is like I told you before: reading about somebody in this col without referring to them in your Fifty Year Book is like going to the races without a racing form. If you look up **Joe Free (Spirit) Surratt**, you will note that his first wife **Sideni (Dean) Yetman Surratt** died in 47, leaving him with 2 young children. In 50 he married **Dr Mary Alice Norris**, whom it is my sad duty to inform you died in Feb. Dr Surratt specialized in pediatric ophthalmology in Indianapolis.

Survivors include 4 children and 11 grandchildren. She was a diplomat, medical col prof, and an off, including pres of every hosp, bd and professional fraternity in the field of ocular medicine. In life Joe flower gardened *par excellence*. Mary Alice & Joe together enjoy tenure in elysian fields so richly deserved.

The no of us planning to attend the mini has not been overwhelming. In fact, we have not the minimum to qualify for the package deal. But do not let that upset your plans. We are negotiating a concession for *a la carte* accommodations and attendance at social functions. By the time you read this, everyone planning to attend will have received the announcement. Everybody else is welcome and should call or write to **Blair** for instructions. With more than 50 attending, we will have the largest mini ever.



1934: Aboard the Royal Cruise Line, *Golden Odyssey*, (clockwise from back right) Bill & Anne Kern, Gene & Hope Corrigan and Moon & Nancy Northam

The **Northams, Kerns, Corrigan** and **Snees** sailed the Caribbean in a posh cruise liner as Desert Storm was about to break, and the ship had no TV or radio in the cabins. As the 15 Jan deadline approached, they went ashore in Sts Lucia and Martin where there was not even a newspaper. And that was frustration personified because the Northams had a grandson in the Gulf, and the Kerns both a son and a son-in-law. The cruise ship eventually picked up Pres Bush's announcement, and the sunliners went on eating, drinking, and basking in that luxurious Caribbean setting. **Nancy's** ltr did not tell us, but the word is out: **Bill Kern's** surgery is called "TURP" for Trans Uterine Resection Prostate. Look out, guys. That medic with the enormous funnel is looking for us.

The good news about reunion in Williamsburg is: with our new arrangements, it is never too late. The Lodge will accept us as long as there is space, and there are hundreds of rms at prices to fit everyone's means and needs.

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The DC and vicinity contingent met in Mar at the Fairfax for an excellent lunch, with 35 in attendance. The Exec Comm announced its unanimous choice as Cancun, Yucatan, Mexico as the site for our mini-reunion in fall 92. Under **Bud Schlanser's** capable and proven stewardship as CI Reunion Chm we are assured it will be a winner. So—dust off your sombreros and mantillas and let's have a max turn-out. Full details will be mailed shortly from CI Hq. On subject of minis, **Harry & Edith Lewis** are congratulated for their zeal in organizing the May cruise from Ft Lauderdale. With some 25 FL addresses in our roster it should be well patronized; we know of one couple from here who have signed up. Trust all participants will give us a report promptly on return, to make 15 Jun deadline. Founders Day news is trickling in very slowly. Here in San Ant at USAA we had an above-average turnout—16 total; **Al Shower** was our guest from Riverside, CA; he's come in annually for this event, escorting **Ella Wallace**. **Ralph & Sally Haines** had as guests **Slade & Ruth Cutter**, USNA '35; reminiscences were plentiful ref the gridiron "mud-bath" Franklin Field, early Dec 34. (CI notes, Mar issue). Ralph delivered an eloquent opening blessing and closing prayer. At the Radisson Hotel in DC for Founders Day were **Bud & Jill Schlanser**, **Al & Jean Robbins**, and **Charlotte Rumsey**,



1935: Bill Lapsley and friend Carmen Mahone, also a resident of USAA Towers

guest of **Russ Vittrup '29**. **Chuck Symroski** from Williamsburg rep that he & **Ann**, along with **Joe & Dottie Russell**, attended Founders Day at Ft Monroe. Bud Schlanser sent in an article from the *Armor Journal* authored by our own **Tom Gillis** ref Cav's early "exposure" to armor. Seems as though in fall 35 the ch Cav called upon ea regt to design and construct a prototype vehicle that would protect its crew against small arms fire (of the day) and, furthermore, such should be accomplished with "items on hand"—i.e., "no cost to the govt." The 11th Cav at the Presidio of Monterey scrounged the peninsula and, using as nucleus a WWI Liberty truck chassis, came up with what might be construed

as an armored car. It *did* move (?) and roared out of the stable area, downhill to the excitement of the assembled garrison. However, complete success was not its lot. "It" (was never named!) forthwith displayed basic equine characteristics (the mule) and refused to negotiate the hill—budded not an inch. End of experiment! Tom adds that oldtimers have "muted" the entire performance. Appears the reflective moral to be drawn is that in both our actual and professional lifetimes, we've seen the growth of armor from the (supply your own adjective!) to the sublime—or dollarwise, from zero sum in Tom's "tank" to the ultra sophistication of the Abrams fighting machine at cost approx \$2.5M!

On Desert Storm participation by CI offspring, **Walt Bryde Jr '62**, BG, USA was involved through his asgmt to USAREUR as DCSPERS, a role involving shipping units and coordinating dependent support. Young Walt is on the selected list for MG, due out this coming summer. Bud Schlanser merits "shadow participation" through his capacity as "honorary COL, 2nd Cav Regt," a unit that was featured prominently in the sweeping encirclement of the enemy forces in Kuwait City. Also, socially and family mentionable, CI daughter **Terry Critz Mericle**, wife of **Russ '56** and local resident, was introduced to husband by **H N Schwarzkopf '56** at Christmas 57.

Ruth Ellen Totten came through San Ant for a visit with **Jim's** brother **Jack**, who is stationed here as a Brother of the Marianist Order and teaches philosophy at St Mary's Univ. Many of our pre-USMA classmate "Army brats" will recall **Jack** fondly as a contemporary. **Ruth Ellen's** visit was nowise a recon of the many ret facilities here; she's happy and a fixture at "Brickends." **Ralph & Sally Haines** entertained at a dinner party at USAA Towers; additional guests were **Chas & Peggy Ferguson '42** and **Ed & Marie Ferris**.



1935: Founders Day 91, USAA: **Ed Ferris**, **Sal & Doreen Armogida**, **Sally Haines**, **Sid Spring**, **Marie Ferris**, **Slade & Ruth Cutter**, **Ella Wallace & Al Shower**, **June & Downs Ingram**, **Jack Rhoades** and **Ralph Haines** (Bill Lapsley was a "no show" at pic time)



1935: **Ruth Ellen Totten**, seated behind her granddaughter and daughter, and **Sally Haines**; (standing) **Marie & Ed Ferris**, **Jack Totten** and **Ralph Haines**

Your scribe & spouse did a 3-wk junket in FL in Feb mainly on family matters—to **Marie's** sis in Ellenton and son **Pat** in

Cape Coral. We targeted as many classmates as possible en route. At Ft Myers we "Sun-brunched" with **Al & Marty duMoulin** at their grand yacht club; we covered the news gap since their last rep in Mar notes; they're doing nicely. In Sarasota we contacted **Jim & Kay Worthington** and were hosted for lunch at the 306 Bomb Gp Restaurant, one of a most unique chain of establishments throughout the USA. We exchanged news and views over an extended and enjoyable afternoon. They are very content with their style of condo living and keep busy with Condo Assn matters and Jim's fishing and tennis activities. He has run the sr men's league of 36 teams in two counties and is looking ahead to joining the "80-Plus" tournament come Jan. We



1935: The Ferrises and Caugheys in Ormond Beach

made a rewarding detour over to the E FL coast for a two-night stay with **Hart & Betty Caughey** to fulfill a longstanding invite. Their home is truly fabulous—right on the Inland Waterway; one can read the menu on passing ships! They are our nominees for "Gracious Hosts of the Yr" award. We see their reluctance to exchange their beautiful domicile and accompanying lifestyle for ret facilities. On the "it's a small world" theme (AND Caughey thoroughness and thoughtfulness) it turned out that one of their neighbors & wife are also staunch friends of ours dating back 46 yrs—to WRGH days where we were patients. He was an ex-POW and med evacuee (lower leg amputee) and 1LT, 3rd Inf Div. It evolved that there was an entire range of common interests, social and civic, among our 4 fast friends.

In Feb, **Phyllis Glass** had a total hip replacement at Arl Orthopaedic Hosp; she is now home and recovering nicely. Congrats, Phil, you are now a mbr of a classwide prosthetic club. **George Ruhlen** was accorded local news recognition as the driving force behind the San Ant Lacrosse Club, and was influential in setting up the Invitational Tournament as kick-off event of annual Fiesta Wk. **Bill & Charlotte Chapman** and **Jim & Connie Kimbrough** converged on Hilton Head Isl for a golf tournament and met with **Charlie & Eleanor Rich** for

dinner. Sadly, the 3rd day of golf was rained out—good time was had despite.

In closing I can't resist sharing gratification with all of you for the fact that compilation of these notes entailed no losses nor serious illnesses—let's keep it that way! Again—another reminder—we're well into the every-other-mo cycle **ASSEMBLY**. Hence, as soon as receipt of an issue, it's time to think about notes for the next—then do it! Want a "P.S."? **Jack & Leah Rhoades** did wkend in Las Vegas—"made all expenses!" The horse-shoe and 4-leaf clover are available on request.

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"The weather's great as we start this, but it's hotter 'n hell when you read the rest!" (Apologies to the "MO Natl" that in *hazing* days, plebes sang before parade formations.) Also it might be pointed out that, as we all should know, the US has an horrendous deficit, but today being 15 Apr, by the time you receive this **ASSEMBLY**, several billion \$ will have left your pockets and arrived at the US Treas. I hope our Govt appreciates this!

On this beautiful day, we hope it is appropriate to say that our great CI has lost only one mbr this yr—we regret to announce that the energetic and always friendly **Walt Faiks** passed away from a stroke and heart failure on Good Fri, 29 Mar. **Jeanne & Walt** were always busy, always traveling, always a great part of '36 affairs. We'll miss both so much. Walt is buried at the Acad.

As we all realize *Desert Shield* and *Storm* will become the most miraculous mil devel and oper for all history. It's hard to conceive that any war of the future could match it. Appropriately, therefore, the **ASSEMBLY** ed, Paul Child, decided to include in this issue a personalization of ea class' participation in *Desert Storm*. You will see herein pics of sons, grandsons, daughters, etc of the various classes. The CI of '36 has a share, but in gathering together this info, we found a *no of children* who are "svc-connected," but not in the Gulf (with one exception). We also are aware that we have probably overlooked many. We found one civ son who *was* in the Gulf: **Dr Tom Kerkering** is on the staff of the Med Col of VA, Richmond. He volunteered for duty with the Intl Red Cross and has been participating in the Iraqi refugee problems. Our highest ranking academically and militarily, **Brad Hosmer**, and another two-star, **Howell Estes III**, have been in Stateside activities. **Scot Carmichael** (Navy) is on S & F at Naval War Col while **Tom Page** is a student there. **Bill Connor III** is a ret Army off, a PhD and a consultant for the

CGSC at Leavenworth. We're told that he and his dept have a remarkable faculty for feeding in strategical questions and receiving "out" superior answers. This facility was marvelously activated in the "Hail Mary" portion of the Hundred Hrs War! Another Connor, a grandson, we believe, was a paratrooper who broke his back last summer and the 82d Abn (?) wouldn't take him to the Gulf. He told his grandmother that he presumed (therefore) that his career was finished. Perhaps it was she who consoled him with—"well I know of two from USMA '15 who didn't go to WWI, but ea wound up with 5 stars!" And then there was **T-Willie Morris'** son who was ordered to Korea back in Aug just when Desert Shield started. We apologize for all those who've served, but whom we could not find. But, to all of you, just remember that it won't be long before many would have given their eye teeth to have been in the Gulf sometime after 2 Aug 90!

Jack Arnold said the Tallahassee WP chapter turned out for *Founders Day* with himself, **May, Dorie Barrett** and the **Hiesters**. **Gordon Austin** called for a pleasant early spring chat. He said that **Westy** had attended the Wash luncheon in Mar—on WCW's birthday. Since we did not write the last col (**Sally** did) we offer **Herb Cady's** new address (Jan): 8400 Vamo Rd #265, Sarasota, FL 34231. We know he'd be more than delighted to hear from anyone. Unfortunately, we don't think his condition will permit his replying. **Mimi Whipple's** area code has been changed to "508;" and **Larry Laurion** has moved to "the assisted living area" at Fairfax. His new address: 9160 Belvoir Woods Pkwy #246, Ft Belvoir, 22060. All info courtesy of **Dave Chaffin**, whose computer has every detail on every '36'er! **Ken Dawalt** spent time in



1936: The Dawalts at DC soiree in Mar

Feb-Mar up at WP getting our reunion details up to snuff—you'll know how well when you read this! He & **Karie** were at a ball in Wash in the spring as enclosed pic attests. The news slant is that he's wearing the same jacket that fit him over 20 yrs ago. We believe he's been on "Slim Fast" for a period! **Dorothea Duin** wrote that she had lost her

'36 miniature and would like to purchase a used miniature from any class. If any of you can help her, please get in touch with her! We were flattered and pleased to receive a highly complimentary ltr about **Howell Estes** initiating very successful cooperative working arrangements between Army and AF. The ltr was from a pleased "4-star." Received a very warm ltr of thanks to the CI from **George Finley Jr.**, who is an aspiring young artist with a gallery in Ger (?). Terry Hay Shannon and a friend arranged to take her father, **Bill Hay**, to our 55th. This certainly was a great feat of love and devotion. Another daughter, Stasia Hay Sears, is in constant touch with her dad. What would we do without wonderful daughters? Hayes wrote they'd visited with local '36'ers in the Bay area: the **Joneses**, **Buynoskis** and **Gillespies** (visiting). Also, they'd seen the **Pages** in Raleigh, along with **Broyles** and **Lib Finley**.

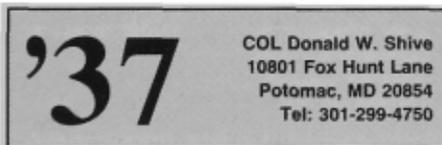
Because of many obligations (mostly family), **Jean & Tom** skipped our 55th. They did, however, get a trip to Europe. Some time in Mar, **Darrell Hiester Painter** & her husband sneaked up to the **Hiesters' Highland Falls' aerie** and painted and refurbished it as a surprise 55th wedding gift. This is again a wonderful example of devoted children, but it's sort of a bad precedent for offspring who are not inclined in that direction! While this house revamping was underway, **Doris & Dave** were down south. They visited with the **Quinns** in Savannah, the **Arnolds** and **McElhenys**. **Hosmer** continues to roam. . . he & **Aileen** attended several Elderhostels. Visited **Helen Nazzaro**, **Monteith**, **Hendricksons**, and called **Nan Cole** and **Elaine Prince**. Was quite flattered to receive a card from **Jim Hughes**—who can't write—written by daughter, **Nancy**. Heard (again) from **Elly & Bill Jones**, who are elated with their new home along the American River at Gold River, CA. They've seen son **Brice** several times, since he lives fairly nearby. **Larry Laurion** writes frequently. Unfortunately, his requirement for oxygen and his lack of energy prevented him from going to the 55th, but he *really* wanted to!



1936: Ben Turnage Jr, John Turnage '61 and John Turnage Jr, USAFA '88

A card just arrived from **Hosmer**—winding up his 5-wk trip—talked with **Fred Terrell** who, he explains, has had 3 oper in 9 mos: piece of his gut removed, multiple by-pass, and a hip replacement. Other than this, he's fine. But now his new wife, **Lorena**, is ill. The **McElhenys** visited **Peg Klock** in Feb. One night the **Meany**s called from Vegas and said they were going to the 55th. Then they started to tell us "how." The itinerary became too much for us after the 3rd location, so we stopped taking notes. However, one thing is certain—part of the trip will be by *boat*! **Helen Nazzaro** felt too strongly about **Joe's** absence to attempt to go back to the 55th. The two of them had such a wonderful experience at the 50th. She has visited the **Monteiths** several times and **Clint True** was out to see her. Along with so many, she's had her home up for sale for a l-o-n-g time. Received a nice ltr from **Oren & Vera Swain**, who were planning on being at the 55th—even though he was taking chemotherapy and Vera's mobility is restricted. **Peg Vincent** was planning on taking some of her children to our reunion.

We wish to express great thanks to **Sally Beard** for writing this col for **ASSEMBLY's** last issue. Our real and true reasons for welcoming her expressions periodically are that 1) she's a very high quality teacher-writer; 2) she has as many deep roots in '36 happenings and history as anyone; and 3) statistically, when all men die before women, Sally will have an all-female '36 audience!



Walt Lawson called awhile back to tell me to spread the word that **Esther Sterling** is offering **Phil's** ring to any classmate who has lost his. This is **Phil's** second one, a **Tiffany** replacement. Contact **Esther** for further details. Incidentally, **Chet Johnson** told me recently that he had replaced his, lost in PI, at a fantastically inflated price.

Eighteen of us assembled at the Ft McNair OC 15 Apr for the monthly luncheon. In attendance were **Byroade**, **Cain**, **Diercks**, **Drum**, **Duncan**, **Frazier**, **Gildart**, **Griffin**, **Hall**, **Hoska**, **Hyzer** and **Bob Seedlock**, just back from Belgium where he attended the Intl Waterways Coordinating Com founded by King Leopold. There are 41 mbr nations including Russia, which wasn't represented because of the high cost of airfare. Also, **Palmer**, **Teeter**, **Unger**, **Shive**, **Wilhoit** and **Jack Polk**, who is seeing better after a cataract oper. **Marty Green** and **Bob White** cancelled out for unknown reasons. **Scott Hall** proposed adding **White** to our list: **Robert M White**,

4000 Massachusetts Av NW #1401, Wash, DC 20016.

Stegmaier sent me an article from the 100th Inf Div Assn's Feb Bulletin, "The 100th's Most Dedicated: **Elery M Zehner**," authored by **Steggy** and **Frank Gurney**, the assn's historian and former rifle scout in Bud's 1st Bn, 399th Regt. **Steggy** was Div G-4. It details Bud's extraordinary bravery under fire and the actions for which he received two DSC's, a Silver Star, 3 Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts. Bud believed in leading his troops rather than directing them from the CP. When combat ops ceased, an overwhelming majority of his bn wore Bud's distinctive red silk scarf. And yet we remember him as the kindest and most considerate person. We feel good having known him. **Steggy** also noted that he had completed obituaries on **Jack Schermerhorn** and **Dan Russell**. **Fred Diercks** informs me that the backlog is down to 28.

In the Youth Soccer sec of the *Washington Post*, 1 Nov 90, there was a large photo of the **Luteses'** granddaughter **Susan** with opponents in hot pursuit while she set up a goal. The comely lass is a mbr of the Pizzaz Team of Prince William Soccer Inc. This should be esp interesting to those who attended their son **Bill's** wedding to **Linda Nixon**, 30 Jul 77. We very seldom see **Roy & Louise**, neither of whom are in good health.



1937: The Amoses, Fellows, Dotty Scheidecker and Peale

Dick Fellows sent a note and pics of the **Amos-Donohew** wedding in San Diego 23 Feb and the great reception by **Bill's** daughter **Sally** & her ret Navy CPT. He said that **Jim Peale**, who recently received a new knee, attended from L.A. He is taking golf lessons to learn to cope with it. **Bill Andrews** was unable to attend because of ill health. Later I received from one of the principals "a belated report from the outback on the nuptials and accompanying celebrations of one **Bill Amos & Dotty Donohew**. Married in St Dunstan's Episcopal Church. . . . Son **Bill** was my best man, **Dotty's** oldest, **Jack Jr**, gave her away, **Ken Donohew's** wife, **Ellen**, matron of honor, and two of my grandsons, out-



1937: Dotty & Bill at Santa Rosa reception

geously garbed, as ushers. My daughter Sally Graessle made all the arrangements and gave the reception following at her home. Dick Fellows, Jim Peale and Dotty Scheidecker represented the Cl. On to the reception in Santa Rosa with Howard & Peg Smalley. Jim & Elaine Skeldon and Tom & Ruby Compton kept us honest. After a trip up the OR coast we hustled back to a large reception at the ARC where 21 classmates, wives and widows joined the throng of well wishers. . . . Soon after, the Cos-



1937: McDowell and McElroy atop Mac's mtn

of their plans. . . in Nov, subject to approval of all their children at Christmas gathering. Over the yrs several have announced wedding plans after being in our house for a party or visit—it must be the ice in the drinks." Here is a photo of the two Macs, proving that Geo's Caddie is at least the equal of the other's 4x4 Nissan. It negotiated the driveway, rising 180 ft—straight up. Geo maintains Mac got the house at a bargain because no woman could handle the driveway.

Jim Skeldon called 23 Feb to say that Enid Forney was delighted with the floral tribute to Buck from the Cl and that they attended the Amos-Donohew wedding. He also rep that Dan Richards' brother Arthur died 22 Feb. An obituary in the *Washington Post* provided the following info. He was 83 and was ambassador to Ethiopia and at intl armament conferences. He joined the Foreign Svc in 30 and served in Guadalajara, Tehran, Jerusalem, Cairo, Capetown and Pretoria. He was a grad of the NWC and was Consul Gen in Istanbul before becoming ambassador to Ethiopia in 60. Ret in 66 and became exec dir of the Natl

Council for Comm Svcs to Intl Visitors. Later he was exec VP to Meridian House Intl.

A card from the Clagetts—while looking at what the ARC had to offer, they had lunch with the Cosgroves and checked out their cottage—very nice and homelike. The Grahams have moved to the ARC. Their address: 4204 Tarlac Dr, San Ant, TX 78239. Scott's new list will not be out for awhile so here are some changes not mentioned heretofore: Bonnie Chabot, winter-1304 Bluewater Dr, Sun City, FL 33573; in the first-ever communique from Kel Davis, Scott was advised that his gal's name is Inge; Eubanks, 1118 Fleet Landing Blvd, Atlantic Beach, FL 32233. Fellows, 16901 Doolittle Cir, Riverside, CA 92508; Franson, 4400 Fairway Blvd #406, Bradenton, FL 34209; Gehrken, change house no to 5025; add Mrs EG Hallock (Bits), 2202 Chestnut St, Carlisle, PA 17011; and Shirli Worcester, 101 Lombard St, SF, CA 94111.

On 15 Mar Delk Oden brought to the luncheon Clarke, Hyzer, and Palmer from the Fairfax. Kelley Lemmon came with his guest Rene Lopez-Duprey, who was on his way to Johns Hopkins for minor surgery from which he has recovered. He rep that Sally Mercado is happier now that she has been relieved of her San Juan condo. We compared notes on airfares to Seattle. Maliszewski seemed to be the winner—\$271/person/rt on Continental. Geo also heard from Jack Polk, who gave him a tip on Harry Wilson's filly, "Nothing Bad," to run in the 4th at Pimlico, odds 5-1. Geo instructed him to put 10 bucks on the nose. Nothing Bad came in first and when Geo called to collect he learned that Jack



1937: Blaha, Graham, McDowell, Mercado, Gray, Ohman and Cheal

groves entertained the Cl, where we picked up the Davidsons and the Holcombs. . . . Pudge Burton's problems kept both of them away. The Jack Brownings were unable to join because Jack's health is not so good. Mary Sanborn incapacitated herself in some sort of accident involving a pet. Enjoying it here at the ARC." They are in Dotty's apt until they can move into #621, a larger apt. Note: ARC is Army Residence Comm in San Ant.

My TX reporter Geo McDowell writes, "I spent all day Fri 16 Feb with McElroy while Rae was at a mtg in Austin. We had a great visit—looking out 30 mi in all directions from the deck of his hilltop, Swankena, touring the 1200-acre expensive sub-div on the upper reaches of Lake Travis, visiting his fishing buddies. He was in good form as usual, with strong opinions on any subject (two birds of a feather—scribe). We were both sorry (to miss the Amos-Donohew wedding) but will help them celebrate at the ARC. . . . They told Rae & me



1937: Reception for the Amoses at the ARC

cancelled out because of the weather. Geo ought to sue. **Kelley Lemmon** had visited **Kelsey & Mary Lou Reaves** in their penthouse overlooking downtown Minneapolis. They both looked great, but ML misses the warm weather of her native FL. **Joe Mitchell** put in one of his rare appearances. **Fred Diercks** is now in the Fairfax and here is his new address: 9120 Belvoir Woods Pkwy, #216, Ft Belvoir, VA 22060. The **Halls** plan to move there in the fall and are now in the process of cleaning out the accumulation of many yrs in their lovely old home in Chevy Chase, MD. Our CI is far and away the most numerous there. Scott rep the death of **Ed Stephenson** on 4 Nov 90. Ed was on the beast detail and greeted us when we passed through the sallyport. He was turned back to our CI and stayed in C Co. Just before grad he was turned back to '38. I believe that he has the distinction of being the only person to have his grad pic in two *Howitzers*, ours and '38. He was a nice person and had the respect of the 3 classes he was with. **Marty Green**, **Bob Gildart**, **Luke Hoska**, **Bud Teeter**, **Finn Unger** and I round out the gp of 17 who attended this very fine luncheon. Afterwards I called **Jim Duncan**, who was unable to attend because of an appt at the Bethesda Naval Hosp for his regular checkup. He gave me the latest on **Stan Smith**, who had surgery mid-Feb. Stan had rep that he was convalescing at home according to plan. It is a 4-6-wk deal. We are looking forward to seeing you & **Louise** in Seattle.

The **Fraziers** and **Shives** spent a few days during Easter in Wmsburg, the gals shopping at the numerous outlets and pottery factories while **John** and I poked around the historic section. We closely examined the private and ancient cemetery of the **Joneses**, **Trixie Zehner Callahan's** ancestors. The head of the clan owned Jamestown Isl for lumbering purposes, and lived in the quaint old brick house that has been restored as the records house and is usually open to the public. The brick-walled graveyard is nearby and has about a dozen **Joneses** in it, covering generations. **Trixie** spent some of her childhood in the Victorian frame house nearby. This info should add a bit more interest during your next trip to this lovely historic town.

Hal Hallock recently sent me pages from the *Yale Alumni Mag* dealing humorously with the subject of class notes. The writer mentioned that out of 825 of his classmates, only 25 sent in info *ad nauseum* and he wondered why the other 800 had nothing to be proud enough of to write him about it. This certainly is not apropos of '37. However, it does make me wonder about the 12 or so that we have never heard from or of. I also wonder about the 30 or thereabouts who

aren't interested enough in their alma mater to subscribe.



1937: Jim Pearsall with the Honorable Louis Goldstein, Comptroller of Treas, MD

From **Bill Lewis** with pics: "Margaret & I had **Lucy & Jim Pearsall** as houseguests on the wkend of 24 Mar for MD Day Ceremonies (anniv of the landing of the colonists at St Mary's City in 1634). Jim met many of our local celebrities, including the Honorable Louis L Goldstein, Comptroller of the Treas of (MD) and MC on this occasion." Jim enclosed pics of Goldstein and himself in the VIP section.

I'll close with a report on our ME warriors. Cmdr Robert F Stumpf arrived back to homeport in Jax aboard the *Saratoga* 28 Mar. Jerrie will go down to see him. I had it wrong when I rep him being promoted to cmdr. He's been that for several yrs. He has taken over cmd of his sqdn, of which he was the XO. Brother Harry is still sitting on 3-4 acres of spare parts in Saudi Arabia. He was originally Inf but transferred to Ordnance and is now in logistics. He was heavily involved in the critical job of providing logistical spt to the troops.

Our son Don, in one incident, had to stop Rather, Brokaw and Donaldson, who were trying to get to Kuwaiti City before the troops. Higher Hq let them go. Don was overwhelmed by their reception in Kuwait City and sickened by evidence of the savagery of Saddam's troops. His ret papers have been processed and he arrived back at Leavenworth 10 Apr. It looks like he will be able to get out in time to accompany wife, MAJ Rachel, to her station in CentSouth NATO Hq in Izmir as her dependent! Incidentally, Don flew Swissair into Chicago. It was great. Then UA put him in first class to KS City.

The **Seedlocks'** son Bob is still with his Med unit in Riyadh, from which his highly paid (in civ life) drs are getting much practice with the injured and ailing locals. Old warrior **Bob**, on the other hand, has answered the call to duty. He has joined Mettalcon Corp, an intl co specializing in manufactured reinforced concrete modules which can be stacked and arranged otherwise into multi-story apt and office bldgs. Presently they are negotiating to build a factory in Amster-

dam for this purpose and hope to have a hand in rebuilding the cities in ME. This puts them on hold for movement to their FL dream house, but **Tense** said it is furnished and stocked and waiting to be used.

I was unable to get any late info on the **Clarks'** son-in-law Pat Stevens.

My next report will deal principally with Fun in the NW in 91.



1937: 100th Anniv of Army Football at WP: Meyer, Hipps, Smith and Ohman



1937: The Ohmans and Hippses at 100th Anniv of Army Football at WP

A note just received from **Bill Hipps** with two pics of 100th Anniv of Football at WP. While we were on the Bermuda Cruise, he & **Jean** were touring Aus and NZ—a grand trip completely on their own, with help from the motor clubs. So Isl of NZ alone was worth the trip. On 1 Apr 91 the Am Battle Monuments Commission took over full responsibility for Cabanatuan POW Memorial. It was a long haul for him and **Chet Johnson**, but they are happy to see this tribute to those who died in the hellish camp assured of perpetual care. They are most grateful to the many whose contributions made their task successful.

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On 2 Mar **Paul Cornwall** died of cancer at his home in Cocoa Beach, FL. He is survived by his widow, **Frances**, and his brother, **Charles**, of Cocoa Beach. Memorial svcs were held there, attended by **Zoller**, **Harmon** and **Kelsey**, and inter-

ment will be later at Arlington Natl Cem. Paul endured 3 1/2 yrs during WWII as a POW of the Japanese, including transfer from Philippines to Japan and Korea. After ret from the USAF in 62, he worked for Martin Marietta until 72, with Zoller. He was "Man of the Yr" of Orlando Martin Marietta Club in 64, and was a mbr of VFW, DAV, Kiwanis and Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor. From Mesa, AZ his close friend Leo Harman was with Paul & Frances during the final illness. We sympathize deeply with Frances and Charles in their bereavement.

From **Bill Strand**, "I have been greatly moved by the story of **Joe Barker** in a new book *Lt Ramsey's War* by Edwin Prince Ramsey. He and Joe were in 26th Cav at Ft Stotsenberg, PI, when the Japanese attacked in Dec 41. . . . **Neil Van Sickle**, Joe and I were special friends, and I remember particularly the carefree days of yearling summer camp when we dragged 3 Army brats and often ended up on the front porch of then LTC Jackie Devers, where his gracious wife served us lemonade and cookies. . . . Ramsey says, 'I had never been close to Joseph Rhett Barker II; indeed, I had never particularly cared for his aristocratic Alabama manner and WP hauteur. But there was little of that left now. Barker, too, was emaciated; it was a brotherhood we all shared, an inescapable fraternity of malnutrition, exhaustion, and doom.' They went on with great courage and devotion in the face of incredible hardships to become leaders of our guerrilla resistance. . . . For Joe, however, there was a tragic end. He was captured by the Japanese, imprisoned, tortured, and finally executed on 1 Nov 43. Joe Barker has taken his place with the greatest heroes of our Long Gray Line. I feel privileged to have shared our cadet yrs with him."

A pic of **Ed Lahti** in cadet athletic uniform was featured on the cover of *Airborne Quarterly*, fall 90 issue. A highly complimentary article, "The Saga of Colonel Edward Henry Lahti," appeared in that publication. The Jan 91 *FL Track Club* includes many mentions and pics, plus a feature article, "**Cliff Riordan**—The Man, The Marathon, The Medal," regarding his first-place finish in his age group in the Marine Marathon last fall. Cliff plans to run with daughter Janet in Cherry Blossom, DC 10-miler in Apr. Recently **Chuck & Dottie Jackson** visited with **Ben & Elsie Sternberg** during their first return to HI since moving to Mt Pleasant, SC. The 21 Feb Ft McNair luncheon was attended by 17 classmates, wives, or widows. There were several cancellations due to flu or hosp appts. The Gulf War was subject of much conversation. We have addresses and phone nos for about 40 sons, daughters, grandchildren and spouses of



1938: Cindy & Ed Lahti at 50th Abn Anniv dinner



1938: Kathy Witkowski, Riordan and Eileen deMouilly—Marine marathoners, Nov 90



1938: Ben Sternberg and Dottie & Chuck Jackson—some light moments in HI

classmates in the greater DC area. Please inform your scribe of any newly located here.

On 25 Feb, from **Bob Offer**, Lawton OK, "Robert Jr cmds the Garrison at Ft Sheridan. . . His son, RD III, leads a FIST team in 7th Div Arty, Ft Ord (he recently made 1LT). His sister, Kathryn, graduated summa cum laude one yr ago and is now working in Dallas. Last Christmas, **Fran & I** went to FL to visit our oldest daughter, Jane. On New Year's Day we got a call that our house had been robbed and Fran's car stolen. We got home as fast as possible and, sure enough, one bdrm was a mess—boxes

everywhere, drawers dumped—a pretty good search and grab. . . . Fran's car was taken for a joy ride. It was abandoned in a driveway and recovered by police the next day—dirty, gas tank empty, and some junk left in the car. It is a strange feeling to know that people have been wandering around your house! The congestive heart disease is under control and I hope to make it to Williamsburg."

Paul Barker, brother of our classmate **Robert A Barker**, has published a book, *The Philippine Diary*. RA kept a secret diary while a POW. From **Castex Conner**: "I read the *Diary* and was quite touched in getting the POW story firsthand from one I knew! What deprivation! How I respect Bob, **Joe Barker**, and **George Kappes**—and all those subjected to such inhumane treatment. I plan to bring my copy of the *Diary* to the mini next fall. . . . **Petie & I** are enjoying our 11 grandchildren. We're expecting 8 of them to join us in Jun on the beach at Jekyll Isl." Paul Barker may join us at the mini. He has recently completed an obituary for Bob for *ASSEMBLY*.



1938: Billie Izenour, Mary Missal, Betty Bixby and Anne Brown at Ft McNair, Mar 91



1938: Izenour, Smith and Thackeray at Ft McNair luncheon, Mar 91

On 21 Mar the Ft McNair luncheon was attended with wives by **Barschdorf, Bixby, Brown, Conell, Damon, Lewis, Mrazek, Art Smith and Voegtly**; also by **Chavasse, Nim Collins, Davis, Dupuy, Trudy Hannum, Harrison, Jane Hulse, Schmidt, Bill Smith, Stilwell, and Walson**. The Barschdorfs had returned recently from their winter stay at Marcos Isl, FL. Trevor Dupuy had appeared on about 20 TV programs, commenting on

the Gulf War. On 12 Mar a featured editorial appeared in the *Washington Post*, "A Choice for POWs," by our classmate **Paul Davis**. Class of '38 attendees at the local Founders Day dinner on 16 Mar were **Dick & Alice Stilwell** and **Bill Smith**. Dick commented about the occasion and informed us that Gen Eddleman, who received the Castle Award, had made some interesting observations about changes at USMA.

From **Junie Lotz**, 17 Mar, Sun City, FL, about the SW FL Chapter's Founders Day dinner: "It was held in Tampa at the new USAA Mess Hall, giving us an opportunity... to enjoy this large, attractive dining facility. In an ocean of over 200 younger grads, we learned how rapidly time and tide sweep us into a tiny minority of attendees—we were Table Com of Table #2! Our gp consisted of mbrs & wives of '39 through '41. **Shirley Lotz** visited her



1938: Shirley & Junie Lotz at McDill AFB Founders Day dinner, 16 Mar 91

mother here during late Mar. She & Junie are planning to visit NVA during early May.

On 30 Mar from **Bill Strand**: "Founders Day dinner in San Ant was attended by over 300 grads, wives, widows, cadets on leave, or cadet candidates. '38 was represented by the **Artmans, Skaers, Wallaces, Wrights, Strands, Mary Kelley** and **Forest Harsh**. LTC **Richard G Graves '58**, CG III Corps and Ft Hood, was the guest speaker. **Batt Batterson's** health is greatly improved and he is making furniture. **Paulette** is a club mbr and her garden was one of two visited in Mar by the King William Area Garden Club. Spring storms have delayed the arrival of spring in Kalispel. The lake nearby **Neil & Faye Van Sickle's** was still frozen on 25 Mar and geese were standing on the ice. In Apr **Neil & Faye** are taking **Neil's** grandchildren, **Lynne** and **Mark**, on a trip to DC. **Elizabeth Sawyer** spent a delightful

wk in Puerto Vallarta during Mar with old friends of her & **Ted**, so it was a time for many happy memories. **Mack & Barbara Macomber** spent two wks in Mar at their condo in Gunnison. Mack enjoyed skiing at Crested Butte and also did some fishing."

From **Hugh Wallace**, 27 Mar, "Attending a very pleasant evening at the home of **Edna Cheal** (widow of **Ray '37**, and former 'B' Co) were the **Artmans, Evelyn Hartman, the Strands** and the **Wallaces**. The male contingent reviewed the two Deserts, concluding that the participants had done fairly well, in spite of not having the stellar guidance of the Class of '38. **Lou & Ellen Coira** were just back from a stay in Ecuador, visiting with **Ellen's** family. Lou said that he had not done as well fishing as on other visits. Indirectly it seems that he caught two nice swordfish and fell out of favor with his brother-in-law, who did not do as well. We still have no word about when and where **Sam Hogan** is moving on departing his farm near Quito. **Jeff Irvin Jr '72** has been transferred from Ger by his co and is now in Baton Rouge. **Jeff & Babbi** are pleased that they are much closer—only a day's drive away. **Mona Preuss** has taken up a new address, a very nice garden condo, where all she has to do is open the back gate of her garden patio and plunge right into the swimming pool—wonderful San Ant summer days! Her new address is 8033 North New Braunfels, San Antonio, TX 78209.

Those interested in attending the fall mini reunion at Williamsburg, VA will receive, during Jul, an action ltr containing reunion materials and hotel reservation cards. Current outlook is for a large attendance and an enjoyable occasion.

We appreciate quotable notes and pics which may be published in *ASSEMBLY*. Let's keep everyone informed through *ASSEMBLY* about significant achievements or noteworthy occasions involving our classmates and families!

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Operation Desert Storm—**Norm Farrell** extends the Class' congratulations to all sons, daughters and grandchildren who served in the Persian Gulf War and best wishes for a safe and early return to their loved ones.

'39 genes come through—Although we do not encourage notes and achievements of sons, daughters, and grandchildren of which there are many in all fields, we have a right to boast a little about two cousins—MG **Barry McCafrey (Bill & Mary's son)** and COL **Bob Higgins (Higgy & Ann's son)** and both nephews of **Dick Curtin**. Their accom-

plishments in key asgnts—**Barry** as CG, 24th Inf Div (Mech) and **Bob** as bde cmdr, 3rd Arm Div—are truly deserving of recognition. Three **Curtins** plus either **Bill McC** or **Higgy** make a formidable force!

During WWII while **Bill** and **Higgy** were in combat, **Barry** and **Bob** played in a little sand pile together; in this war they were together again in a big sand pile! Another '39 son in the Persian Gulf War was **Jim & Rachel Keller's** son **Scott** on a Navy cruiser. Undoubtedly there are several others unreported; we salute and thank them all.

Ed Hamilton's catastrophe (home and contents burned completely), chap two—Ed writes, "We're halfway through inventory value-wise. Prob is not only recalling items but tracking down present values, e.g., a replica of a Louis XV silver svc purchased in Tokyo '51 or set of hand-painted "China Rose" pattern china bought in Hong Kong same yr. Re insurance, we had \$150M basic coverage but est \$193M to rebuild. Other losses incl \$21.5M less insn cvg on contents and \$2+M on landscaping. On + side—oldest son is in contracting bus and youngest daughter was an architect prior to raising two children. We hope to start rebuilding in Apr."

Ed adds, "To dwell on local '39 cohorts is to gaze through mist. Both individually and collectively through cmte of two, **Andy & Lou**, Q's were, do you need money—wheels—house? We'll provide them! E.g., **Bill Banning** and **Kunzigs** offered their homes for a mo, **Jean Morrison** gave us a goodly amt of furniture when she moved to the Fairfax, and **George Pickett** offered a car. So, I take this opportunity to thank the WP Cl of '39 Protective Assn, individually and collectively, for all it has done and all it means... a premier Class!"

We asked **Ed** to specify his needs for these notes. His reply, "... extra copies of '36, '37, and '38 *Howitzers* and the two '39 yearbooks for which I'd be happy to reimburse. Re other items, I may advertise later when things settle down."

The **Hamiltons** spent 5 winter wks in the so w/stops in GA, FL and SC, incl several days w/ex-roommate **Ken Scott & Mary Lee**, plus the **Cleverlys** and **Meyers** at Indian R Colony Club. The IRCC has sold out its initial dev but has plans to expand w/400 more units. Re the **Baileys** at St Augustine, Ed rep that **Bill** is very active in the Exch Club (pres for two yrs), and **Kay** w/dress design, wall decorations and other artistic projects, and both spend a day per wk delivering meals on wheels to elderly and indigent.

Back in the DC area, **Ed** sent word that **Bill Banning** was married 23 Mar to a longtime acquaintance, **Shirley True**, whose late husband had carpooled w/**Bill** when both worked at NSA.

Army Football 100th Anniv, 3 Nov

90—**Jim Schwenk** writes that oldest letterman was from Class of '18, age 95; '34, '35, '36 w/one or two ea, incl Monk Meyer; '37 w/5, incl Stan Smith and Bill Hipps; '38 w/Kasper; and ours w/Schwenk, **Woody Wilson**, and **John McDavid**. Day was beautiful though hot. Army won over Rutgers in closing moments of exciting game, but Jim had hoped for a larger '39 turnout.



1939: Woody Wilson, John McDavid and Jim Schwenk at Army Football 100th anniv

Sleepy Coleman—If prizes had been given for bios in our Golden Anniv *Howitzer*, Sleepy's would have been among winners, incl everything from wilderness backpacking in Yukon to working on kibbutz in Israel to singlehanded boat race from SF to HI! Asked to update his bio, Sleepy has come through again! Excerpts herewith: "... Apr 87, left for Sydney. . . took a 23-day coach-camping trip through the outback. . . bought a 76 station wagon; next 4 mos, Tasmania and Australia, 19M mi; hunted for gems and crystals. All back roads were dirt. Never traveled at night to avoid hitting a kangaroo. Saw lots of dead ones on roads. In New Zealand, rented a pop-up top van and traveled around both isls. Left for US 1 Oct 87. Yrs 88-89 less ambitious, but helped son put house back together after moving it down st in Pasadena. To do so, movers first had to chain-saw it in half lengthwise. We helped build, rebuild, restore, repair, retille, etc, everything. In 89 on way to 50th reunion through Canada we stopped to rock hunt. In 90, youngest son, a dr, ret from Army w/20 yrs; oldest daughter gave birth to a daughter one mo before 41st birthday; and youngest daughter w/3 sons & Israeli farmer husband came to TX to promote Israeli method of farming dry areas in project called 'Desert Harvest,' e.g., raising things like melons and vegetables. Feb 91, went to Quartzsite, AZ to annual Rock and Gem Show (Claire is a rock hound); town of 700-800 expands to about 750M; even dealers in tents, displaying rocks and gems w/tarps or on motel beds—really amazing! Later, to Pasadena to help son rebuild another house just moved. See you at our 55th in 94!"

Tommy & Nernie Thomason spent 6

winter wks in the south, incl a mo in a Sarasota condo. En route they had a delightful stay in Savannah w/**Betsy Goodwin**, always the perfect hostess, who keeps in close touch w/'39 through regular contact w/her Hilton Head friends. Another stop incl Charleston, SC to see their 3 grandchildren. They lunched several times w/**Tom & Pat Crawford**, who winter in Venice, FL and planned to return to their home in Verona, Italy in Apr. About then, **Bart & Dorcas Lane** were scheduled to take a barge cruise through canals in France.

Lower peninsula of VA—now numbers 7 '39ers: **Hanchin, Hinternhoff, McFerren, Myers, Jim Shepherd, Simon and Hunsbedt**, who finally sold his NY house (corrected zip code in VA is 23554). **Betty Myers** w/Spanish teacher daughter Lisa spent 10 days in Quito in Mar. The Myerses are taking an AK Inside Passage cruise in Jul after a few days in Seattle and Vancouver. The McFerrens have both sons and families stationed not too far away—Dave at the NWC and Jake at Marine C&GSC, Quantico.

Walt Higgins rep from Hilton Head that all goes well w/the '39 contingent. GEN Meyer, ret CS, was the Founders Day dinner speaker. Attending were **Ken & Allie Lou Collins, Walt & Ann Higgins, Jim & Rachel Keller, Matt Legler, Jim & Lucile Muir, Hallie Patterson, Ed & Pat Smith, and Bob & Jean Williams**. As usual, the '39ers outnumbered all other classes. Other info: the Muirs are great-grandparents; they also enjoyed a visit w/the Dobsons at Bermuda Run Vil, NC.

Billy West forwarded many highlights (esp re polo) of his mil career (not covered in his 50th bio) to accompany his interesting Warrenton lifestyle: in 45 he raised the flag over the US Embassy in Tokyo; in 57 he endured multiple contusions when his horse fell and rolled on him during polo game at Warrenton; in 62, mbr of first US polo team ever to visit and play polo matches in Pakistan and India (under auspices of St Dept); tour incl Taj Mahal inter alia; in 69, US team captured the Pakistan Natl Open Championship. News article, "Veteran player COL WW West did yeoman svc in def saving situation often." (Another mbr of team was COL Arthur W Wilson '37, cpt of WP polo team.) He also corrected father's USMA grad yr in 50th bio from '05 to '06—same yr as **Kunzig**, father of our **Lou** and two other USMA grads (Bing '30 and Bill '32) and Hanford, father of **Lucile Showalter**. **John Carpenter** rep in early Mar that they intended to go to Panama City to play in a little golf tourney, after which they and another couple will take off in motorhomes for Jacksonville, Charleston and Savannah.

Jack & Martha Merrell, who have

lived in Stuart, FL since 72 but spend about 5 wks ea winter at AF Vil VII in San Ant, will soon be joined in Stuart by **Jay & Natalie Dawley**, who plan to build a nice new home there. In San Ant, **Phil & Donna Davidson** had a cocktail buffet for neighbors and golfing friends, who incl **Walt & Nancy Brinker, Matt & Elinor Bristol** and the Merrells.

Chuck Medinnis—" '91 started off first-rate with **Charlie & Pat Brombach's** Jan party. Present were **Tom & Lucille Shanley, Huey & BJ Long, Ben & Helen Miller, Fran Bestic** and **Gery Greer**. **Jack & Ann Habecker** hosted a sumptuous champagne brunch w/**John Dickerson** and other friends. **Bernice & I** stay in touch with **Libby McGowan**, the Studers (**Bob**, in addition to painting superb watercolors, continues to play golf in low 80s, interrupted by tours to AK and MN), and **Bob & Diann Cassidy**." Other gleanings by Chuck from Christmas cards (w/suggestion that others do likewise): "**Jan & Scott Kurtz** shopping for ret location in PA or Wmsburg; **Lynn Megica's** son is w/our Embassy in Riyadh; **John & Louella Bane** canoeing in MI and FL and getting lens implants to improve their tennis; **Tom & Lucille Shanley** touring the W visiting sons and daughters, w/Elderhostel in Leadville, CO, where Tom's mother was born; **Shanleys** won a Jeep Wrangler by estimating no of beer caps in 54-qt cooler, using a refined method and lots of 6-paks!" Chuck was grateful to 14 '39ers who helped him w/**Red McGowan's** obit.



1939: Chuck Medinnis, Jack Habecker and John Dickerson at champagne brunch, Feb 91

Margaret Twyman—visited by **Jack & Ann Habecker** in Tucson in Mar. Quoting Jack, "... as lovely as ever—tall, blonde and slim. Seems only a few yrs ago. . . Beauty Princess at Northwestern. After Bob's death, she was a dean of women at OK U and then worked for Motion Picture Industry in Mr Valenti's off in NYC, then in Dept of Interior at Santa Fe, NM. At ret, moved to Tucson and is on bds of dir of the Desert Museum and Univ of AZ Library, and is now judging a competition of outstanding students in a US-wide academic contest. This summer she plans to visit son in Hungary, who is in chg of US Co helping

privatize businesses formerly operated as part of socialist govt."

Jack Habecker added that **Ann** & he find the Elderhostel prog a good deal—Spain and France in 89 and Italy this summer.

Joan Nolan—attended Founders Day luncheon at AF Vil W w/**Joe & Kay Reynolds, Jack & Ann Habecker, Carl Hollstein, and Stan Dziuban.** Joan's new address: AF Vil W, 21291 McConnell Ave, Riverside, CA 92508 (lovely two-bdrm duplex!).

Tennis anyone/anywhere—AZ, CO and CA joined somewhat by chance at the La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club when **Harvey Fraser, Rocky Crawford and Huey Long** got together for a game during Christmas holidays, the first time Harvey and Huey had seen ea other since grad. From mid-May to mid-Sep, the Frasers enjoy their SD home.



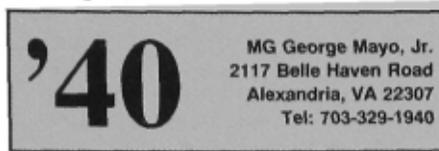
1939: Harvey Fraser, Rocky Crawford and Huey Long at La Jolla Tennis Club

Richard Moushegian—passed away 13 Mar in Salem, VA from a second heart attack, the first occurring in 60, causing his ret. Richard had been a math prof for the past 18 yrs at Roanoke Col. We extend our sympathy to **Mary** and their 4 grown children and 8 grandchildren. Mary will continue to live in their condo in Salem, where two of their children also live. Interment was in Salem.

John Mial—died 9 Feb in La Mesa, CA. He had become almost totally blind in 81 from unknown causes, but his 50th anniv bio revealed him as one with a fine sense of humor and tenacity. **Fran**, in reply to our ltr of sympathy, wrote, "Two of our children live here in La Mesa; the other one normally lives in San Ant with her husband and 3 children. She is in Army Res and was sent to Saudi Arabia 2 Jan. I called her home (Red Cross) when Johnny became so ill; she arrived about two hrs before he expired. She returned 20 Feb and is still there" (as of 2 Apr 91). Interment for John was in WP Cem.

Diann Cassidy—passed away 18 Apr in Burbank, CA after a long bout with Lou Gehrig disease. Memorial svc was held in Hollywood Hills 23 Apr. **Norm Farrell** expressed the CI' sympathy to **Bob**, who suggested that the '39 memorial contribution be made to the Natl Muscular Dystrophy Assoc.

Ltrs to the Ed—are encouraged on issues re our alma mater incl **ASSEMBLY** contents. Hope is to expand this section to develop a more dynamic relationship w/alumni.



What about our 50th anniv gift book? I talked to **Walt Winton** as I was finishing these notes in Apr; he confirms that **Abrams**, the publisher, is moving rapidly toward publication of *The Illustrated History of West Point*. It's going to be a very imposing volume. Walt still plans to send, when the special pre-publication edition comes off the presses this fall, a complimentary copy to ea living grad of '40 and to ea CI widow or next-of-kin we can locate. This explains my recent correspondence asking you to update your entry in the CI roster; we need your proper address for the time at which he'll ship the books. So, if you haven't done it already, please tell me of any changes in your roster entry. Further, let me know of any CI widows that aren't now, but should be, listed in the roster.

A few spot reports came in about spring activities. **George & Pinkie England** wrote that they were the sole '40 reps at the Founders Day dinner in Tampa, FL. Turns out that **Don & Sandy Baumer** couldn't attend because Sandy, now a full COL, USAR, spent her mo of active duty on a promotion bd in St Louis. Also, **Jim Tyler** had planned to drive over from Sarasota with **Tom Hargis'** widow **Helene**, but they were literally rained out.

On the other side of FL at the Space Coast Soc's Founders Day, **Jack & Louise Dibble** wrote, "Save for **Faye Roedy**, who was out of town visiting relatives, '40 had its full roster present at the dinner. **Scotty & Priscilla Case**, up from Jupiter, **Frank & Ann Colacicco, Pinky & Genevieve Miner, Harmon Rimmer, Frank & Celeste Sullivan** from St Lucie, and **Ed & Raye Wynne** made up the gp."

And in the Wash area, the Founders Day dinner included from '40: **Mike Ahmajan, John & Alleen Burfening, Joe & Mary Couch, George & Marge Mayo, John & Julie McLean, and Mel & Olive Rosen.** During the evening we heard that **Mel & Olive** had ea been presented the Medal of St Olav by the def attache in a mid-Dec ceremony at the Norwegian embassy. In the early 50's, when **Mel** was a student at CGSC, the **Rosens** befriended a Norwegian student in the class. Later, during **McL's** 4 yrs on the CGSC faculty, the **Rosens** sponsored several other off students from Norway. They kept in touch with the Norwegians during **Mel's** later tours in Ger and Wash, DC. The **Rosens'** awards, recom-

mended by Norwegian offs, were among 5 foreign and 3 Norwegian awards approved by the late King Olav before his death this past Jan.

Bill & Ann Shanahan wrote from Eureka, CA after spending a couple of early spring wks in Puerto Vallarta with **John & Alleen Burfening.** Bill & Ann obviously had a good time; they were counting the days until their flight to make the '40 lunch in the DC area on 28 Apr.

Pod & Ginnie Podufaly wrote to say that their Talbot County, on the MD eastern shore, has gone modern—now ea resident has a street address instead of the former rural route and box no. The emergency people can find them faster this way, but if you want to write the Pods, use 7049 Tilghman Isl Rd, Sherwood, MD 81665. To help recover from this complex change, **Pod & Ginnie** spent a few days this spring with his roommate **Pidge & Elaine Pidgeon** in their new ret comm home at 2055 Berry Roberts Dr, Sun City Center, FL 33573.

We were pleased to get the word that **Judith Silvasy**, wife of **MG Steve Silvasy Jr '63** and daughter-in-law of **Ann Silvasy** and the late **Steve Silvasy**, has been named 91 VA Mother of the Yr. She is now a candidate for the 91 Natl Mother award to be given at the St Louis natl convention of American Mothers, Inc. **Judith & her husband** live at Ft Monroe, where he is still a DCS with TRADOC; they have 4 fine children, ranging from 15–26.

We've had some tentative response to our requests for ideas on mini-reunions over the next few yrs. The CI offs are weighing these proposals and want to consider other suggestions you might have for the next couple of yrs. Drop a line to **John Burfening** or me if you have any thoughts on this. For your mid-range planning, though, note that there's serious consideration being given to a mini in 92 in Nashville, under the able coordination of **Marvin Jacobs** and **John Graf.** If their planning proceeds on schedule, you can expect a flyer from them shortly, seeking an indication of your interest.

I'm very sorry to rep a call from **Bill Francisco** telling of the death of **John Townsend** in Austin, TX on 20 Feb. John had had a heart attack in Dec 90, from which he never fully recovered. His funeral svc was held in the Cp Mabry Chapel in Austin, followed by interment at Ft Sam Houston Natl Cem. We offer our deep sympathy to **Vera**, who can be reached at 4204 Cat Mtn Dr, Austin, TX 78731. Incidentally, **Bill** offered (and **Vera** has accepted) to write roommate **John's** obituary for **ASSEMBLY.**

Were you there on 7 Dec 41? **Dutch Umlauf, Jun '43**, passes the word that a new Pearl Harbor Commemorative Medal is being presented (posthumously, too) to veterans and War or Navy Dept civ employees who were in HI during

the Japanese attack. For application forms or info, call 800-545-4052.

'41

COL B. C. Andrus, Jr.
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My goat spec, originally puny and now rusty, is trying to recall who said, "What is past is prologue;" was it The Bard? In any event, I am trying to find a way to discuss the Big 50th—still in the future, but which will be rep in the past tense in the Sep issue of *ASSEMBLY*. The **Gurfein** memos are out, reservations are in, and the agenda is firm. Attendance may set a record, but many will have to enjoy it vicariously due to illness, tight budgets and, in at least two cases, conflicts with family mbr graduations. The *ASSEMBLY* notes coverage will not appear until the Sep issue, and the comm has decided against professional video coverage. Congrats to all of you celebrating golden wedding annivs this summer.

Thanks to the ed, Paul Child, this Jul issue will feature an article devoted to *Desert Storm* and the relatives of grads who participated. We '41'ers have many reasons to "pop our chests up." *US News and World Report* has an article featuring Barry McCaffrey, CG 24th Div (Mech). As one of the star players, he has brought luster to his father, Bill McCaffrey '39, to the **Faulkner** family through his wife, Jill, to his own CI of '64, and to his son, CPT Shawn McCaffrey, 325th Regt, 82nd Abn Div, who was "in pre-attack patrol action and worked with the French Foreign Legion."

Horace & Chick Brown's son, LTC John Brown, cmds a M1A1 tank bn in the 2nd Armd Div. *The Washington Times* ran a feature article on 11 Feb entitled "Tanks Play Gridiron Game." The article states: "Huddling with his tank commanders and diagraming maneuvers for the coming ground attack, LTC John Brown resembles a coach plotting plays for the big game." "It is exactly the same idea as coaching," said Brown, "There couldn't be a better analogy." The author then went on to show the difference between desert tactics and those in the forests of Ger, their home station. Brown said, "You can use a bn of tanks (about 60) here the way you'd use a plt (4) in Europe." His men are extremely proud of the triangular patch designed by Gen George Patton, which they wear over their left breast pocket. They are thrilled at the prospects of having several dozen tanks rolling forward in a massed line of fire. These unusual tactics warrant the football team notion of practice. "That is why practicing like a football team works so well," said Brown. "We want an undefeated season!"

We had two airmen playing key roles. CPT Marc E **Stalnaker**, USAF (Regular),



1941: The Flying Stalnakers: Marc (F-16s), George (B-26 and B-57s), Jerry (F-4s) and Eric (NASA)

George's son, an F-16 pilot, flew in Desert Storm with the 69th TF Sqdn. He flew 37 missions, nearly all night and often two per night. He attacked communications near Baghdad, where the AAA was particularly concentrated, and had a few close calls with SAM's. He also struck SCUD sites, indus and tactical targets. He has been awarded the Air Medal with 3 clusters, the Aerial Achievement Medal and the Natl Defense Medal. His cousin, and George's nephew, CPT James L Stalnaker, USMC (career) flew 36 missions in F-6 and F-18 aircraft. He is one of a very few Marine LSOs (Landing Signal Officers) and is carrier qualified in both aircraft. He struck large power plants, Iraqi airfields, Republican Guard tanks and flew close support for the Marine ground troops. He has been awarded a "single mission" Air Medal plus 3 Air Medals plus the Navy Commendation Medal. Both lads are safely home.

Clearly, our special prayerful thanks should go in behalf of **Harriet Linnell**. Her son, LTC George S Eyster IV, cmds the 1st Bn, 159th Avn Regt, 18th Avn Bde. He was flying Apaches in support of the 82nd Abn. Her son-in-law, LTC Robert L Lossius '72, cmded the 1st Bn, 325 AIR, 82nd Abn. Her other son-in-law is COL (promoted in the desert) Scott W Hyatt. He is Dep J-1 Hq USCENTCOM, Riyadh. She is extremely proud of the fact that Frank's son, Charles C Linnell, has just received his PhD from Univ NC. She is also very proud of her grandson, Scott Hyatt Jr, who has set his sights on the AF Acad. He has been contacted by the golf coach, and we have invited him out for a visit to see the Army-AF game on 9 Nov.

Another key player in Desert Storm, and soon-to-be the 1st Gen Off from the second generation of the Class of '41, is **Walter Mather Jr**. His father rep that he is home from his final assgmt as C/S, XVIII Abn Corps. He is scheduled for the Army's "charm sch"—prep for gen off duty—and will pin on his star soon. We all know what problems gens would have without good sgts. Sgt Marcus **Troup** is home from his Medic duty in

the Gulf. **Mal & Alma** had the chance to give him a hug at a family reunion in Little Rock—where his sister produced the Troups' first great-grandchild. **Karma Gleason's** son-in-law, MAJ Basil Norris, was in the Gulf early flying a KC-135 Tanker. He was rotated early and promoted to sqdn ops off, Griffis AFB. Another CI son who is flying C-5A's from Kelly AFB, TX, in support of Desert Storm is LTC **Kenneth McClure**. He is acting sqdr cmdr and a "line A/C (acft cmdr)." He has logged more than his share of flying time since being recalled to AD with the 65th Mil Airlift Wing. He is also VP, Marketing and Financial Svcs for USAA, and his wife, Beverly, is the Asst VP.

Hugh Foster's son, MAJ Robert J Foster, Transp Corps, is in the G-4 Plans Off, USARCENT MAIN. He is now air redeployment transp off. **Henry V Ellis' son**, LTC Harry V Ellis III, is with the 12th Med Det with the Cent Cmd Surgeon. **Poopie** wrote me two mos ago suggesting to the ltr what Paul Child has come up with featuring our successor warriors in Desert Storm. How is that for perspicacity?



1941: Founders Day, Ft Carson: Curt Chapman, Cadet Chris Fellows and Terry Chapman

Founders Day here at Ft Carson had a good turnout to hear the Supe: the **Corbins, Troups, Andruses, Chapmans, Carrolls** and, coming down from Cheyenne, the **Briers**. The program was excellent, but the guy who stole the show was the youngest grad, Lt Mike Traver of Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. In introducing him, the MC said he was famous for giving his Tac grey hair. A special treat for all was a small contingent of cadets. **Mike Greene's** grandson, Chris Fellows '93, sat with us and endured our war stories.

Founders Day, DC had a good turnout: the **Reeds, Gurfeins, Fletchers, Canellas, Jean Moody, the Lanigans, Smiths, Greenes and Tanouses**. The Com was the speaker.

Founders Day, Carlisle Bks was rep by **Hugh Foster** who, along with **Mary Jane**, hosted **Ruth Adams**, #1 son LTC Hugh F Foster III (Ret) with his wife and their son, "... who aspires to USMA

in due course." They were joined at the table by **Bill & Marie Clifford**. It was the largest turnout for Founders Day in Carlisle Bks history. Gen Bramlett, the Com, was the speaker.

Finally, a first for this scribe, **Riley King** attended the Founders Day of the WP Soc of NW FL. It was held at Eglin AFB O Club.

The most exciting news in CO is that **Mal & Alma Troup** have joined the "Great-Grand" Club. Robert Christian Carpenter weighed in at 8lb 12oz on 6 Apr in Little Rock. Mal said the Army team scouts should take note; when he was less than two hrs old, he rolled over in his crib as his great-grandfather cheered from outside the nursery glass. The new mother is Marissa and the special event was reinforced by the return of her brother, Marcus, from the Gulf.



1941: Prue & Bill Petre at the Brooks' cocktail party



1941: Betty McIntyre and Spec Powell at the Brooks' cocktail party

Kay & I had a fabulous trip to FL in Feb. Arriving in Ft Myers at midnight, we were greeted with cheerful smiles by **Janie & Johnny Brooks**. After sleeping in, we toured their lovely devel, and that evening we found ourselves in a FL mini. **Spec & Cleo Powell** drove down from Sarasota with **Bill & Prue Petre**, **Bob & Sybil Wilson** drove up from Naples, and were joined by locals **George & Betty McIntyre** and **Chick & Ginger Seamans**. After an elegant cocktail party in the Brooks' beautiful home we journeyed to a nearby restaurant, where we savored superb seafood. Next day, Johnny gave this goat a computerized



1941: Johnny Brooks at his futures console, and a mystified observer

futures lesson. Johnny knows what he is doing in this very tricky arena; the day's lesson—how to sell oil futures short and pocket a tidy profit. Our next stop was



1941: Sybil Wilson in her palatial new home in Naples, FL

Naples and **Bob & Sybil Wilson's** fabulous new home. Again we were given the VIP treatment and a tour of the gorgeous homes of Naples. After crossing "Alligator Alley" we were intercepted in Ft Lauderdale by **Tom & Cathy Cleary**, who led us up the Freeway to Manalapan and the lovely waterfront home of **Dick & Peggy Scott**. They had just completed closing on that home and were anticipating the move to a smaller, more manageable apartment (see new address in "Potpourri"). After an elegant dinner, the Clearys had to head back to Ft Lauderdale for a mtg early next morn. Dick & Peggy gave us a tour of Palm Beach, entertained us at the elegant country club and spoiled us completely. We capped the trip with a stop to see my sister, Kitty, in Stuart.

Our casualty report continues to be my most painful duty. **Harry H Ellis** died suddenly in Dallas on 27 Mar. He was buried in Elizabethtown, KY in the family plot. **Beth**, who can be reached at 15602 Ranchita Rd, Dallas, TX 75248, rep that he had been the oldest grad

speaker at the Dallas Founders Day celebration. And **Danny Danforth** died on 3 Apr at the Naval Hosp, Norfolk. **Jo** can be reached at 142 Dogwood Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949. He had been suffering from emphysema for some time and, on top of that, he had a stroke. His remains have been cremated and will be buried at WP this summer. **Ruth Freese** is now in Mt Vernon Hosp, having suffered a stroke last wk while recuperating from brain surgery. And **Ann Sherwood** went through horrendous surgery on her rt leg in Feb. According to **Dick Scott**, she is making steady progress and hopes to make the Big 50th. **George Stalnaker** continues to improve, but painfully, from his extensive leg surgery. **Wally Lauterbach** rep great improvement after his scary surgery and plans to be at WP in May.

POTPOURRI: We have a new bride: **Wanda Delaney**. They were married 1 Mar, live in the Army Ret Comm at San Ant, and plan to be at the reunion. New address: **Dick & Peggy Scott**, 430 Australian Ave Apt 202, Palm Beach, FL 33480; tel (407) 832-2670. Correction to 90 Directory: **Jog Green's** house no is wrong—make it 6506, not 3506. **Jim Carroll** rep that the DGGAMIT Golf Tourney is back on "Go" for Sep 91—more details later. **Johnnie Fletcher** sent the pix of the "E" Co mini at the **McIntyres'** in Jan, and said they plan a Space-A trip to Ger to visit with young Charlie and family. **Bill Brier** and **Tom Corbin** were off to a reunion in Baltimore of the fearless guys who flew the B-26, "One a day in Tampa Bay." A wk ago, I flew the "All American"—only fully restored and flyable B-24J, from Waco to Houston. Old pilots go bonkers over old aircraft.



1941: The Zeke Edgers

Zeke Edger sent the pic of himself inspecting an art exhibit featuring a self-portrait he had created for an art show.

That's it, Lawrence Welk fans! Let's start honing the super special 55th Reunion in 96. Why not?



1941: "E" Co mini, 21 Jan, chez McIntyre: the Fletchers, McIntyres, Moores, Brookses and Uptons

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Barbara & I may be aging, but we're still sturdy! We've just bid **Butch & Bobbie Offley** goodbye after some 5 wks in our neighborhood, mostly in their own pad at Vanderbilt Beach. We broke the routine to live it up for a few days in Key West, but otherwise, much bridge, sunning, sipping and even a wee bit of sightseeing. Their plans to go on from here to Epcot and then the golf gaggle were reluctantly aborted to head homeward because Bobbie's ma is having a few problems. And by golly, we said goodbye with regret! Their motor trip East included a stop with the **Vivians** and another with **Bob's** sister in San Ant, where they saw many of that gang. We're sure hoping that when they get back to Yuba City they'll be able to send good news about Gerry.

Jack Deane wrote that he & **Carolyn** are again adding to the Castine Clambake by hosting a lobster roast on 3 Jul at So Goldsboro. Featured will be noonish Bloody Marys and a chance to collect your own mussels to add to the corn and lobster feast. They heartily urge attendance at **John & Jean Baker's** affair, so make some last-min plans to join the fun! Jack was bemoaning an extended absence from the golf course because of a bad back. A later note said that they'd be at the golf gaggle, but that he now had a sprained wrist to keep him from playing. Sounds to me like "The Saga of the '70's" has caught up! Now comes a

phone call from the **Deanes** out West, asking if I had **Jack & Betty Crowley's** new phone number—unfortunately not on hand.

We received an announcement that **Stella Shewmake & Wyley Baxter** had a friendly merger in Dallas on 8 Feb. **Bette Lou Plott** advised during the course of a phone conv that they'd received a pic of the mergees—but she still has it so we'll hope to have it for all to see with the next col! **Bobbie Offley** rep meeting **Stella** in San Ant and gives her high marks. Congrats, **Wylie**, and please learn quickly to bear with us, **Stella!**

Perusing a bridge col in hopes of improving my spotty game, I recently read, "When Shreveport expert **Jack Kennedy** opened 3 diamonds, Fisher (his partner) passed quietly." The gist of the col was that the pre-empt screwed up their opponents' bidding, and of course, our hero emerged triumphant!

Phil Wyman is running another golf tourney for the DC gang in May—a two-man scramble. Sandbaggers will be duly cited next time!

Fran & Polly Roberts made an early Mar departure from Bryce after the best skiing in 20 yrs. Of course he'd spent the afternoons on the chilly links and feels that swing model #19 is sure to do the job—if he can just figure out how to keep it on ice! **Rip Young** told him that all was on track for a gaggle at Kingsmill (Williamsburg) 20–24 Oct. A long way from here, but **Barbara** will probably insist on going in hopes of seeing **Curtis Strange** in person! **Fran** sent along Tables of Contents for sets of background papers he prepared for conferences of the Global Economic Action Inst in China and No

Korea this summer. Most impressive and searching.

A card from **Joel Dilworth**, who'd treated himself to a visit to the Hale Koa and can hardly wait to go back for a more extended stay. (Congrats, **Bud Ryder!**) He'd had an enjoyable brunch with **Poncho Palfrey**, who was expecting to hear from touring **Marsh Waller** shortly thereafter.



1942: Joel and Poncho enjoy MRE's at Ft DeRussy

Charlie Fergusson sent a snap of '42'ers celebrating the 155th anniv of TX Independence on 2 Mar. The color pic will probably not reproduce well—but please give it a go, ed! My tired vision believes the participants to be the **Fergussons, Wards, Gateses, Retzers, McAdams, Ted Marks, Boltons, Baxters, Koisches, O'Neals** and **Louise Stapleton**. **Millie Marks** and **Caldy Ryder** were purportedly at the—bar! But was **Bud** the photographer? If I've goofed, apologies, and whenever you send a gp photo, please take time to identify the participants!

Andy Anderson sent a delightful article from the *Mar Smithsonian* about a fictitious **Eli**, Cl of '43, who gladdened the Cl scribe with reports on his classy doings until the scam was finally discovered, and he was laid to rest! The perpetrator was indeed a master. Look it up for a real rib-tickler! **Andy** plans to join the golf gp, but **Lib** can't handle the travel because of her neck. Pity. You know we'd trade two **Andys** for one **Lib!** **Larry & Jane Adams** had **Larry & May Caruthers, Bob & Doris Short** and **Ginger Cage** over for a gathering. **Jane's** dinner was given 4 stars—minimum!

Jim Newman sent the sad—but nonetheless welcome—news that **Lois** had died in her sleep in early Mar after a stroke. Her 11 yrs of trauma have ended. God speed, **Lois**, and well done, **Jim**.

Thanks to my friends at AMAA, I learned that **Mercedes Townsend** died



1942: Real and adopted Texans celebrate its Independence Day

in Feb. My last contact was with her sons when we were trying to find a way for her to get USA-sponsored dialysis treatments in Spain. Never any follow-up from the family. However, she did have another 10 yrs after that last contact.

From the same source came word that **Jack Davies** lost his father in Jan. I can recall **Johnny Reid** rep on what pleasure he'd had from the stories that one of the fledgling mbrs of the Army Air Corps had passed along to him. Condolences **Jack & Barbara**, but I gather that the COL had a full and rewarding lifetime.

Pete Russell sent word of the same article that **Andy Anderson** rep on. Obviously, two of our number have couth! Pete said he might write more after skiing out West, commissioning a boat, building a summer house and going to Europe. Makes you feel inadequate, doesn't it!! I'm hopeful, Pete, but not holding my breath!

Crit Crittenberger wrote to censure me for being derelict in my CI pledge, but didn't tell me how much in arrears it was! He was concerned about an obituary for **Ray Miller**. Any of you out there who went to flt tng, served, went to schools or whatever with him? Also, any cadet or pre-USMA knowledge? Any help would be appreciated by Crit or **Jerry Snow**. Crit later asked if I could identify some "A" Co wives. My feeble recollection had **Arms and Pryor, Baxter and Wagner, Williamson and Rehkopf**, but no clues as to **Blair, Jones and Schmidt**. Surely there are those of you out there who can supply the correct pairings to him. Crit & **Kitty** attended Founders Day with the **Farringtons, Sittersons, Ulsakers** and **J Reid**. No problem with the quality, but pretty poor

quantity for '42! Most happy to learn that my mentor at AMAA, **GEN Clyde Edleman**, was presented with the Ben Castle Award by the DC Soc.

Eric Orme sent a snap of their dream house which includes so much of him & **Pat**. Looks cozy and comfy—but a Floridian wonders, what's that white stuff!! Their latest project was to move **Pat's** mother to an apt nearby, with all of the necessary packing, unpacking and acclimating. Forester son **Bill** recently pro-



1942: Eureka—the Ormes' new nest

moted; ditto son **Bill**, climbing the pole with a move to GA Pacific and daughter **Trish** and family to a new home in Napa Valley.

Joe & Ida Cannon met at Founders Day at the Presidio with **Luke & John Finney** and **Skip & Grace Young**. **Joe's** concerned about their proximity to the head table, but I'd suggest not to panic until they start querying you about being the oldest grad in such a haven of grads!

A welcome rep from **Dopey Stephens** explaining why he & **Jackie** didn't show up on our doorstep while the **Offleys** were here. Seems that **Jackie** pulled a

muscle in her back on the morn they were to depart and didn't get the green light from her dr to proceed until 3 wks later. By that time, **Dopey** couldn't get his dialysis appointments here so they finally worked their way up the coast until they made arrangements in Clearwater. Only one day of sunshine during their stay—and that was spent in the air-conditioned clubhouse at Tampa Bay Downs! They did get to join **Buck & Helga Tarver** for dinner and a visit. Further disappointment in the news that they'll miss the golf gaggle because **Jackie** has an invite to a big-time cookoff. Let's hope it's a big success for our cutest cookie! **Dopey** sez he's doin' great with the dialysis treatments and attendant strictures, to which we all say hooray!

A note from AOG of plans for a feature on USMA grads in Desert Storm. Called **Carl Ulsaker** and asked him to alert **Pete FlorCruz** so that **Jonathan** and **Cookie** could get appropriate recognition. No word from **Pete**, but **Carl** wrote that **Jon** came home on the first plane load of combat troops! Imagine a "U" at the head of the line! He appeared on TV boarding the plane in Dahrán, noting that he'd missed cold beer, good pizza and—ta-da—wife **Becky** most of all! The two of them later appeared on "Good Morning America" capping his (I quote) "15 seconds of fame and glory!" He'd led an M-1 plt in the vanguard of the 24th Div, covering more than 100 mi on the first day in a blowing sandstorm which shielded them and an Iraqi defense position from ea other! On the 3rd day they fought and decisively defeated a Republican Guard armd regt at **Jalibah Airfield**, ending up but 30 clicks from **Basra** after clobbering another RG unit—and all without the loss of one soldier or one tank! A heartfelt salute to a worthy warrior and his many worthy compatriots!

Ray & Elaine Murphy had a great visit to **Barbados** in Mar, but again scratched **Marco Isl** in order to get to NJ for a brief visit with **Lu & Betty Clay**. Despite her problems, **Betty's** morale was as high as her morals, but **Lu** was wrestling with a bad siege of bronchitis to complicate the emphysema. **Murph** had a total shoulder replacement in Nov, paying for his grid-iron exploits. He was left with more pain and less mobility, so he's having a repeat as I write this. All join in the hope that you'll be catching up on the golf and fishing soon, sooner and soonest, **Raymond**. Bite that bullet and show those therapists how it's done!

With thanks to all who responded to my plea in the May col before even reading it, I'd ask that all please disregard all of that baloney in the press about **Naples** being one of the garden spots in the USA. Didn't you watch the **Aetna Challenge Sr Golf Tournament** and see the high winds one day and the bitter cold the next?! On second thought, may-

be *you* can come, but please, please, discourage your neighbors!!

Jan '43
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As **Bill Knowlton** (our "CI obituarian without equal") is wont to observe when we learn of the death of one of our classmates, "you know, we're all in that zone of consideration now." And so it was with **Bob Burlin** and **Roy Sanders**, who recently left us to join our hallowed "Long Gray Line." Although it was previously rep that Bob's med reports were all quite favorable and that Bob & Kay were moving into their new home in the Indian River Colony Club Comm, FL, his long struggle with pancreatic cancer ended at home in Melbourne, FL on 16 Mar 91. Following a poignant funeral svc



Jan '43: Our late Bob Burlin, 23 Aug 1920-16 Mar 1991



Jan '43: Kay Burlin with daughters Mary Jane, Patty and Ann, and grandson Brendan at the reception following Bob's funeral

in the Old Chapel at Ft Myer, VA, with Kay, family and friends and some 35 classmates/wives in attendance, Bob was laid to rest with full mil honors in Arlington Natl Cem on 22 Mar. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the Corps of Engrs Historical Foundation,

Kingman Building (CEHF), Ft Belvoir, VA 22060. Ret in 71 as the dep dir of Mil



Jan '43: Bill Pietsch and Don Thompson at Bob Burlin's funeral

Engring in the OCE, he was quickly involved in a no of major transit, port and highway projects with such engring firms as Parsons Brinkerhoff and the Ralph M Parson Co until 88. According to Kay, she will continue to reside among our classmates & wives (**Lundbergs, Geans and Nazzaros**) at the Indian Colony Club, but will spend the summers with her family at her home on Cape Cod.

Meanwhile, **Roy Sanders** also died in FL following a heart attack, multiple by-passes and subsequent complications on 23 Feb. Although he was commissioned in the Coast Arty at grad, he quickly transferred to the CE and was involved in all types of mil const worldwide until he ret in 71 and settled in Port Charlotte, FL. According to **Barbara** and



Jan '43: Our late Roy Sanders, 29 May 1919-3 Feb 1991, at his favorite pastime, having just caught two fish on one lure

son Roy Jr, Roy "did a little work on the local water and sewer advisory bd after he ret, but spent a lot of time fishing." Now there's a man after my own heart! Funeral svcs for Roy were conducted in the Port Charlotte Chapel; expressions of sympathy may be sent to the American

Heart Assoc, PO Box 2226, Port Charlotte, FL 33952.



Jan '43: Adrian St John is congratulated by none-other-than the Pres at the signing of the CFE Treaty in Paris, 19 Nov 90

From his long-time residence in Vienna, Austria, **Adrian ("the Saint") St John** wrote to say that, with the signing of the CFE Treaty, he had expected to be operating primarily in Wash with Congressmen as the "CFE ratification fellow." But, in view of the Soviets juggling of forces and data, "the Saint" is back in Vienna talking to the Russians again. So, as the song goes, "when will you come home, Bill Bailey?" In notes from other classmates here and there

• **Quent Goss** rep that **Jack & Cecily Wood** and the following CA classmates & wives "made a small splash at the Founders Day celebration of the new WP Soc of the Inland Empire and Palm Springs: **Jim & Marge Aleveras, Hal & Charity Barber, Dave & Barbara Barger, Quent & Jerry Goss, Bob & Shirl Fishel and Bill & Doris Pitts**—who constituted by far the largest gp present for this event." "Tiger Jack," of course, was instrumental in establishing the new WP Soc and organizing the Founders Day affair, which included "rounding up" our southern CA classmates & wives.



Jan '43: About to depart from a CI luncheon at the ANCC: **Wendell Bevan, Jim Frankosky, Ed Doran, John Ross, John Baer and Jack Armstrong**

Here in the DC area, our CI was represented at the dinner-dance celebration of the 189th anniv of Founders Day by **Bob & Robin Baden, Ed & Dot Bennett, Ben & Jane Anne Edwards, Bill & Rose**

Marie Pietsch, George & Joyce Rebb and Bill Fritz.

• **CQ Croonquist** advised me that, in addition to serving as a docent (guide) at the Monterey Aquarium, he also conducts VIP tours, works for the Dept of Education on the Aquarium's Outreach Prog (which involves conducting classes at schools in the surrounding area), and is a mbr of the Aquarium's Speakers Bureau. As CQ commented, "the job is



Jan '43: CQ Croonquist at work as a tour dir/guide/lecturer for the Monterey Aquarium

lots of fun with a great deal of interaction with the 'GAP,' but the pay is simply friendship with a gp of wonderful people."



Jan '43: Jim & Jo Hackler visit Grenada with Tut & Francis Frakes on a Caribbean cruise

• The traveling **Jim & Jo Hackler** (i.e., Scotland, Italy and the Caribbean) have decided "to test their 48-yr-old marriage by building a new home instead of entering a sr citizen ret comm."

• **Bob Lawrence** of Bob Lawrence Enterprises on Madison Ave in NYC claims that he's "never going to ret—too many things to do and I enjoy most of them." Meanwhile, **Marjorie** continues her very successful enterprise, the Pillowry.

Time now for our congratulations to

• **Fly Flanagan**, whose marvelous lead article "The 100-Hour War" appeared in the Apr issue of *Army Magazine*.



Jan '43: Ralph Hofmann visits Vic Cherbak in CA



Jan '43: Peg & Fly Flanagan at their home, Parade Rest, in Beaufort, SC

• **Joe Benson**, who stepped in to become a star as Mr Columbo (the detective) in the Arlingtines SPEBSQSA production of "Murder, He Sang" with only two wks' notice. Now there's a real trouper!

• **Pete Grimm**, whose fine Op Ed article ("History leaves Questions Unanswered About US Mil") appeared in the 5 Apr ed of the *Washington Post*. Incidentally, Pete would like to have snapshots of any classmate's wife who served in the mil for our 50th anniv yr bk ASAP!

• **Jackie Armstrong**, whose pic appeared in the 16 Mar ed of the *Washington Post* in the Coldwell-Bankers' President's Club (i.e. \$3M or more in realty sales).

• **Bill & June Dannacher**, who became great-grandparents with the arrival of Justin in FL in Oct 90. Do we have any more great-grandparents out there? Meanwhile, both the **Badens** and the **Camms** had new grandsons—Shelby Lauren Baden (the 7th grandchild) in Atl

on 5 Mar, and John Camm Melen (the 3rd grandchild) in Palo Alto on 8 Mar. Incidentally, **Bob Baden** has upstaged both **Ray Ruyffelaere** and me with his new VA license tags "WP JAN 43."

• **Pat Wardell**, who starts teaching "how-to genealogy" in Fairfax County, VA in Jun. Pat (our CI secy) also provided me with the following address changes for your roster of classmates & their wives: **Bob & Glenys Lacy** to 1232 Fleetridge Dr, San Diego, CA 92106; **Ray & Hannah Ruyffelaere** to 716 Ithaca Dr, Boulder, CO 80303 (a correction); and **Bob & Frances Wood** to 230 Perry Cabin Dr, St Michaels, MD 21663.

Oops, it's time to hustle off to our mini-reunion in Atl (11-14 Apr); **Cobbo** rep that more than 100 classmates & wives will be present-and-accounted-for. Look for the details in our next CI notes!

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Down in Augusta, GA the 91 Masters tournament is over, preceded by only a few wks (and much less media coverage) by the first annual Jun '43 FL Golf Classic at the Indian River Colony Club (hereafter "IRCC") near Melbourne, FL. This event, which probably will become known simply as "the O'Connor," or "the O'Connor Jun '43 Open," got off the ground when, as old master **Bud O'Connor** himself wrote, "A bunch of the guys & dolls of Jun '43 kind of invited themselves to this Shangri-la for a 20-22 Feb golf game, so we locals took it from there and made a spectacular 91 highlight out of it." From the IRCC/Melbourne area, 18 of our clan linked up with 21 from more distant courses for this 3-day gala. How many can you identify in the photo on next page?

Out-of-town golfers at the IRCC included **Bettie Baldwin**, **Billie & George Cantlay**, **Mary & Dave Davenport**, **Pat & Dutch Ingwersen**, **Fran & Tim Ireland**, **Lynn & Alan Jones**, **Barbara & Jack Loughman**, **Peggy & Wally Magathan**, **Nancy & Bill Malone**, **Vivian & Bob Mattox**, and **Nancy & Bud Rundell**. The IRCC/Melbourne "locals" included **Gloria & Bill Dudley**, **Janie & Bill Glasgow**, **Anne & Lee Hogan**, **Cobe Hurley** (co-chair), **Helen & Bob Hoffman**, **Elinor & Bob Mathe**, **Bud O'Connor** (chm), **Yvonne & Knobby Oswald**, **Barbara & Art Surkamp**, and **Jane & Jim Walker**.

After arrivals on Wed, 20 Feb, a cocktail party and buffet followed that evening in the IRCC's At Ease Club. Next morn, early practice began at 0730 hrs, with assigned tee times commencing at 0830, and play continuing throughout the morn. For those interested, briefings on the IRCC comm were



June '43: Golfers at the Indian River Colony Club



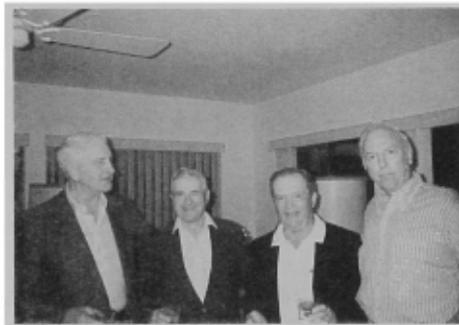
June '43: Nancy Malone, Janie Glasgow, Lee & Anne Hogan and Bill Malone

and hanged there in "Charlestown," WV. This elicited a response from **Johnny Lucas** up in New Bedford, MA, saying that he & **Rosemary** are fine, but adding the following: "I read with great interest your acct of the march on Sharpsburg. In our many yrs together I have never found any mistake in your reports, but in this case I must state that Charles Town is two words, and people from there are very sensitive about this. Also, of more importance than John Brown, is the fact that two mbrs of the Cl of Jun '43 were born in Charles Town—**Charley Crane** and me." Thanks, Johnny. Between you, me, the ed, and the keystrokers, we'll get that town right!

From the NH glacier, **Felix Kalinski** made it to DC again for another bd mtg, and also made it to Ft Myer for our lunch on Fri, 15 Mar. The WP Soc of DC observed Founders Day on 16 Mar with a grand dinner at the Mark Radisson Hotel, Alexandria. Now that this event has been expanded to include spouses, it produces an attendance of somewhere near 800 and surely must be the biggest such event on earth. On hand for Jun '43 in 91 were **Liz & Quint Atkinson**, **Betty Anne & Deke Childs**, **Ruby & Harry Heintzelman**, and **Connie & Dick McAdam**.

As part of the funeral svc for **Dale McGee** on 7 Nov 90 at Trinity Episcopal Church in St Augustine, FL, **Tommy Tomlinson** delivered an eloquent eulogy. Fittingly, he appeared in uniform for this occasion, and, thanks to **Helen McGee**, we have the pic on next page.

Somewhere around the middle of Feb, the incorrigible **Quintus Atkinson** collared me in the Ft Myer parking lot and pressed into my hands a copy of *Smithsonian* magazine for Mar 91. "Turn to pg 100," he ordered. I did so, and there found a truly remarkable article by one James Nelson, entitled "Dave Henderson was becoming an embarrassment." Atkinson went on: "Don't try to read it now; you'll laugh so much you won't be able to drive." So, I took the mag home and devoured the piece. Atkinson was right, as he sometimes is; and I laughed pretty hard, causing **Cecile** to call out, as she often does, "Is something



June '43: Bud O'Connor, Bill Dudley, Wally Magathan and Bill Glasgow

scheduled in the afternoon. That evening, **Jim & Jane Walker** expanded the customary Thursty night sqdn party into a real hoe-down, I'm told. On Fri, it was back to the links early again for another day of golf. **Janie & Bill Glasgow** hosted the gp for cocktails late that afternoon, from whence all proceeded to the IRCC main dining room for the awards dinner, shifting to the exercise room for coffee, dessert, awards and speeches.

Having left the IRCC course somewhat the worse for wear (something like the landscape of Kuwait), the tourney came up with some fine award winners. In the team competitions of the first day, first place went to **Janie Glasgow, Jane Walker, Bud Rundell** and **Alan Jones**; the second place team consisted of **Gloria Dudley, Pat Ingwersen, Tim Ireland**, and **Bill Malone**. On the second day of play (individual), the women's lo-net and second lo-net awards went respectively to **Fran Ireland** and **Bettie Baldwin**, with the comparable men's awards to **Tim Ireland** and **Dutch Ingwersen**.



June '43: Tim Ireland, Bud O'Connor, George Cantlay and Lee Hogan

For "Closest to Pin," **Jane Walker** was recognized, as were **Bill Dudley**, **Dutch Ingwersen**, and **Jim Walker**. An event listed as "Most Balls in Water" was won on the first day by **Bob Mathe**, and on the second day by **Bud Rundell**. Finally, the prog included as an extra the **Jack Morris** Award of a beautiful piece of crystal to whomever shot closest to his or her handicap. This "all right, sir" prize went to **Bob Mattox**, but all joined in a rousing "Thanks, Jack—next yr, please send Waterford." And so, with participants' pleasant memories and gratitude for the organizational efforts of co-chairs **O'Connor** and **Hurley**, the first Jun '43 FL Golf Classic passed into history. As a follow-up item, I've learned that **Bill Dudley** was evacuated to Tampa early in Mar for heart surgery, but by late Mar was back home and doing well.

You may recall that in the Mar 91 *ASSEMBLY* I described the Oct expedition to the Sharpsburg/Antietam battlefield and environs by our local chowder and marching unit, including the comment that **John Brown** had been tried



June '43: Tommy Tomlinson, Nov 90

wrong with you?" Well, turns out that this James Nelson is a former author of CI notes for the *Yale Alumni Magazine* (YAM), CI of—are you ready for this?—'43. It seems that back in 82, when he took over the job as scribe, he quickly learned that only about 3% of his classmates were sending in news. The remaining 97% were just sitting out there being good fellows (sending their addresses to the *Directory*, and their annual contributions to the fund, etc), but that's all. Nelson concluded that their lives must be dull.

Then, in early 84, came a postcard from a classmate named Dave Henderson, which Nelson duly rep in his column. This Henderson had been entirely inactive, but now colorful, exciting news from Dave frequently showed up in the '43 YAM column, along with invitations for all '43'ers to visit. Dave & his wife, it seemed, were based at Cancun, Mexico when not cruising the Caribbean or, indeed, the Seven Seas in their 197-ft yacht. Dave, who had floated down on a golden parachute from a Chap 11 bankruptcy, was both fabulously wealthy and incredibly gross.

Eventually, classmates began writing to Nelson, asking why Dave's name could not be found in the *Directory of Graduates*. Reprint items from YAM began appearing in newspapers, and reports surfaced of another mystery man, this one of Yale '44. Like Henderson, his name could not be found in the *Directory*. A sr '43 CI off, who had been scribe before Nelson, then chanced to mention privately that during his tenure he had, in fact, invented a classmate in the consular svc. Nelson now "learned" that Henderson had been killed in Belize, so he wrote a smashing obituary for him, which the ed at YAM emphatically refused to print. Therefore, Jim Nelson sought coverage in *Smithsonian* in order to get poor Dave's story to the public!

Not the least amusing aspect of Mr

Nelson's entertainment is his total familiarity with the jargon and style of CI notes scribes. He is *magnifico*, I am but an amateur! I would never invent a classmate, although an "AKA" might sometimes suggest itself. Occasionally, you may have noticed the appearance in a list of Jun '43 names or in a pic caption in this col of one "JW Krobar." He never says anything, but he's there. And I'm here to tell you, I wouldn't even consider doing away with him!

John Cobb, down in Austin, is still working half-time at the TX Higher Education Bd; says he & **Mayme** are both quite well, doctor-wise. In Feb, the Cobbs rounded up the **Teagues** and went out to dinner, as shown below. (Incidentally, **Jack Teague** considerably called me to insure that I knew about the *Smithsonian* piece.)



June '43: Jack & Mary Elizabeth Teague and Mayme & John Cobb

Joe O'Hare writes that twice in Feb he underwent laser beam eye surgery to prevent attacks of close-angle glaucoma in both eyes. Follow-up exams showed that the ops were successful and recovery good enough to enable the O'Hares to start planning another overseas vacation trip. . . . And **Jack McGregor** notes that Sovietologist **Harriet Scott** has again contributed to *AF Magazine*. Her latest article, in the Mar 91 issue, is entitled "The Soviet Hard-Liners Return." . . . From Danville, CA **Dick Orphan** advises that he, **Harvey Short** and **Dwight Johns** (ex-Jun '43) represented the CI at Founders Day at the Presidio of San Fran. Dick continues to work on his county advisory commission for jails and prisoners, and assists Harvey in presenting natl security seminars and progs in their area.

Last time, I rep on the 15 Dec Christmas party arranged by **Alan & Lynn Jones**, **Ned & Nikki Burr**, and **Arch Hill** at the Fairfax Ret Ctr, Ft Belvoir, and I had a few pics for you. Now it seems to be Jul, but I thought you would want to see a few more of the good shots from that event.

By early Apr the famous cherry blossoms were in full bloom in the Wash, DC tidal basin, and the WP Glee Club came to town to participate in the spring pa-



June '43: Jack & Vivian Novak



June '43: Sandy & Chris Sembach



June '43: Harry Heintzelman and Christine Roos

rade and other festivities. The Glee Club appeared with the US Army Band and the Revolutionary-era Fife, Bugle, and Drum Corps of the Old Guard in a patriotic prog on Sat, 6 Apr at the Mt Vernon HS field house. **Cecile & I** attended, along with Robert, Patty and little Billy and Kristy, and there encountered **Miriam & Bill Roos** during intermission, as well as **Harry & Ruby Heintzelman** with their daughter, son-in-law (USNA), and grandchildren. **Bill & Miriam** were hosting two of the yearling cadets from the Glee Club, and **Bill** commented on what a pleasure it was to talk with young people who were so alert, straight-forward and enthusiastic about what they were doing. It was



June '43: Bob & Patty Cover with JW Krobar

wonderful to hear them all sing, esp at the end, the heart-stirring arrangement of "The Corps" that we know so well. Then the dir, LTC Frank Dubuy, invited all former Choir and Glee Club mbrs to come forward and join the cadets for the singing of the Alma Mater. About 20 went forward for this emotion-filled finale. We sang as best we could, but confess to being a bit choked-up. Dave Ott '44 and I were, I believe, the oldest.

We all knew "Big Bad **Bob Hersberger**," immortalized as the one who held us all up, the last man in the CI! And remember how some of us at reunions used to try to have a pic taken standing between **TK Oliver** on one hand and **Bob Hersberger** on the other? I must rep, with sadness and regret, that Bob is now holding us up "from the shadows." Some yrs ago, he had to have a prostate oper that, after the event, proved unsuccessful. Later, another oper intended to correct the first was also ineffective. Increasingly, Bob became a victim of depression and pain. Finally, the end came on 18 Mar at his home in Peru, IN. Following cremation, Bob's remains were conveyed to WP, where a funeral svc was conducted at the Old Cadet Chapel on 25 Mar, followed by interment with mil honors in the WP Cem. Present were Bob's children: Mr & Mrs R Scott Hersberger (eldest), from 2901 Osage Dr East, Kokomo, IN 46902; Mr & Mrs Roger Hersberger; Mr & Mrs Richard Hersberger; and Mrs Janet Hersberger Edwards. To them, and the entire family, the CI extends sincere sympathy. A floral tribute was provided by the CI, and, alerted by **Jack McGregor**, **Leo Hayes** drove from his home in Cos Cob, CT to be present at the ceremonies.

Our living now number 314, by my count. So, hang in, take care, and let me say so long for now.

'44

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Ah Guys, you must be true to one another,
 For the world that lies before you,
 like a land of dreams,

So infinite, so beautiful, so new;
 Has really neither love nor joy nor light,
 Nor certitude, nor peace, nor help for pain;
 And you are here, here on the darkening Plain.

—Matthew Arnold

In Mar, the **Otts** and **Ginsburghs** hosted the **Carters**, **Maishes** and **Parsons** for a wk of tennis, boating and other diversions at their Bath and Tennis Club in Naples, FL. The **Campbells**, **Jacksons** and **CS Johnsons** dropped in to join the fun and boost the level of on-court competition. However, I can't help wonder who was chosen "jefe" when they put to sea? With a wealth of experience off the Cape, Belize and on the Loire, the report was surprisingly silent on how many uncharted sandbars were disturbed.

Bill Fairbrother, a regular wheelhorse in the oper of the AF Vil, San Ant, sent along the snap of the golden lads & girls of '44 at the Ring Knockers Ball, Ides of Mar. You can plainly see the **McGlothlins**, **Fairbrothers**, **Fred Smiths**, **Almquist**s and **Sims**. All looked certifiably sober, except perhaps **McGlothlin**.

Mixed feelings to learn that **JR Flynn** has left Glenwood Springs, CO for the Big Time in Denver. **Betty Wear** welcomed his help with **George**, who will now probably be more under foot; both will miss the **Flynns**. But on the other hand, how nice to have friends "in town!"

In Apr I went to the Second Biennial A-N Lacrosse Game party in Crabtown, hosted by **Hale**, **Cushman** and **Hayman** from Army's '44 Natl Collegiate Championship Team (which also held

Almquist, **Donaldson**, **JR Flynn** and **McCoy**) and watched Army pull out a thriller against Navy that was too dramatic for a believable script. Afterwards we sifted through the traffic on that halcyon spring day, downhill on Duke of Gloucester St to waterside opposite the Yacht Club. There we were greeted in their stunningly renovated 19th-century house by the **Hales** and their co-hosts, the **Cushmans** and **Haymans**. **George** was masterful with the oyster knife-and-glove. **Barbara** kept him in gin and tonic.

Jack Cushman was safely posted as salad chef (about 2.8) with only modest guidance from **Nancy**, and **Joe Hale** was everywhere with bottles under both arms.

Now, I didn't take names and imbibed lightly—with an eye toward the MD state police, but I spoke with, or listened to, the **Cowherds**, **Connell**, **Carlsons**, **Eisenhowers**, **JR Flynn**, **Graves**, **Frank & Sylvia (McElvey) Gilchrist**, **Morrisons**, **Parsons** and **Whites**. **Dick Groves** '45 and other lacrosse teammates were there, too, and I listened to authoritative game commentary, with low comprehension. (It was "Indian baseball" when I was a kid in the Choctaw Nation—no gloves, pads, shoes or time-outs, just a stick, ball and a plank stuck in the ground. Ask **Bill Courtney**—mayhem!) It was a handsome occasion; my belt's let out and my hat's off to the Old (and New) lacrosse Big Rabble and to our hosts for a fine dinner and gathering in a beautiful setting.

Regretfully had to decline a generous invitation to join **Fred & Joan Porter** for skiing at Vail. Wouldn't you know, that was THE wk all spring we couldn't leave town! However, was later able to wangle



1944: Golden ones at Founders Day 91, San Ant

an invitation to see my grandson and steal his father for a few days on the slopes at Snow Summit in the San Berdoo Natl Forest. Drove through heavy rain on the Foothill Freeway. With heavy snow blocking 4-wheel chains, my son learned at a pool table in the Golden Elk Saloon another slice of my misspent youth. The powder was deep, skiers few and sun brilliant—tho I wasn't.

Gentle Reader, there was a local power outage on Sat night, and my computer crashed on Sun night. With this 3rd effort, AOG gets an ORI—they are taking this text by fax, handwritten, or it's "Maggie's drawers!"

On a beautiful Sun we enjoyed a bubbly brunch at the Ft Myer Club hosted by **Mary O'Brien, Ruthie Scott and Louise Vitullo**. Forty-some attended,



1944: Spring brunch—thanks, Mary O'Brien, Louise Vitullo and Ruthie Scott

thoughtfully segregated from others more intent on food and less on conversation. Though I didn't take names, I faintly remember, among the bubbles, the **Brights, Callaghans, Cushmans, Carlsons, Connell, Coopers, Cowherds, Cutronas, Cyrs, Daniels, Darts, DiSilvios**(long-time-no-see), **Graveses, Gruenthers, Doug HARRISES, Hales, Haymans, Frank & Sylvia (McElvey) Gilchrist, Kinnards, McGuires, Micklewait, Morrisons, O'Donnells** (up from FL), **Pattons, Carl Petersons, Peughs, Rivers, Robinsons, Bob Samuels, Scharlds, Whites, John & Harriet (Black) McLucas and McAuliffes**. Thanks, ladies!

Rose Marks has moved from MS to VA



1944: Gourmands and glamour: the McAuliffes, Haymans and Rose Marks brunching

Beach to be closer to her children. We get the bonus of her presence nearby. She sent the snap of the **Buzzetts, Moulises, Ralph Sciolla** and Rose at Mardi Gras, New Orleans. Welcome, Rose.



1944: '44 delegation to Mardi Gras: the Moulises, Buzzetts, Sciolla and Rose Marks

We regret to rep the death of **Dallas L Knoll Jr** from bone cancer and complications on 15 Feb in Denver, CO. Knobby was buried in Ft Logan Natl Cem, Denver, CO. **Helen** will remain at 265 Moline St, Aurora, CO 80010. On behalf of all, this public expression of our sympathy is conveyed to Helen and family.

We were distressed to learn that **Helen Moore, Frank's widow**, suffered a stroke on 22 Feb in Rockville, MD. In the last two mos Helen has progressed through the local health care system, endured a modest relapse and is now at the Natl Rehab Ctr making progress with determined effort, her son answers. We wish a complete and speedy recovery of her health.



1944: The Pollins host the Murrays in Tucson

On reflection, the move of some of us to Crabtown is a good idea and to be encouraged; it enhances the civility of that little seaport and improves the IQ of both towns.

The 12 Apr CI luncheon passed with a good meal, no fistfights, and was joined by **Walt Harris**, visiting from OK, El Presidente rep. I was refereeing among two sub-contractors, and their workmen: Salvadorians, Cambodians, Iraqi, Mexican, Peruvian and one Hmong. We have met the world economy and "it is us!"

Hope you are all having fun. It's too bad when an old man can't laugh—or a

young one can't cry. Let's sing that Sep song one more time. GSOYP,A!

'45

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Bobbie & John Tyler were on a trip to White Sands Missile Range in late Jan. **Buster & Sugar Hayden** were their hosts and gave a dinner party for them and classmates in the El Paso area who could make it. Buster had just been awarded "Citizen of the Yr" for his successful and continuing recruitment of candidates for WP. John said it was a great party and his memories of tours at Ft Bliss were refreshed.



1945: El Paso, 18 Feb: (standing) Bill Holcombe, Buster Hayden, Bud Pitzer, John Tyler; (sitting) Ray Cavanna and Fred Parker



1945: (standing) Sugar Hayden, Iris Walker, Gabe Fitzpatrick, Ginny Holcombe, Carmen Pitzer; (sitting) Bobbie Tyler and Dot Parker

Nancy Taylor Evans, who knew many of our CI mbrs from her growing-up yrs as an Army brat, sent me a clipping from *USA Today*, 18 Feb, which had a pic of **Jack Burke** and his response to one of their questions on Desert Storm. Jack was described as a "ret Army COL, former tank bn cmdr and logistics expert." Nancy said that Jack's wife, **Betty**, was one of her very best friends while attending HS at American Sch in Manila 39-41. Don Frazer, scribe for '70, called my attention to Jack's bk reviews in Feb *Army of A Shield in Space? Technology, Politics, and SDI* and *Military Space Forces: the Next 50 Years*. Well done, Jack.

Rolfe Hillman was sorting papers at home and came across the Nov 59 issue of *ARMY* in which four classmates had bylines: LTC **John Carley** on high caliber of officer-candidates at Ft Benning; MAJ **Arch Arnold** co-authored a piece on arty gunnery; MAJ **Pat Powers** wrote about small missiles for tactical forces; and Rolfe did a short piece on the Army of the old days. Rolfe also sent me a copy of the article in the Jul 66 issue of *Army*, which was **George Eyster's** ltr to Boyd Bashore '50, with his suggestions for training an inf bn for RVN duty. George wrote in response to a request from Boyd. It was done hurriedly on lined tablet paper in pen. Boyd received it a few days after George died of wounds from sniper fire. George's suggestions were the practical, common sense, valuable comments of a cmdr who was in combat in Vietnam, was dedicated to having a first-class bn and wanted to pass on his experience to one who was scheduled to follow with another bn.

Rolfe also sent me news about the Ch of Engrs Award to **Jack Rhett** for outstanding public svc. When deemed appropriate, the Army's Ch of Engrs, together with all living former chiefs, presents an award for distinguished public svc to a ret Engr off who has made outstanding contributions to natl defense and world affairs. The award this yr, the first in 5 yrs, went to Jack Rhett. The award was a handsome Steuben crystal eagle on a properly inscribed base. The presentation speech by LTC Hatch covered Jack's active duty accomplishments, his duties with the EPA water program operations, his Presidential appt as fed inspector for the AK Natural Gas Transportation System and his ongoing contributions as a private consultant in environmental engring. We're proud of you, Jack!

Lynn Cummings wrote that the brief quote that I used in the item about **Jim Salter** in the Mar issue might have left the wrong impression of Jim for those of us who didn't know him personally. Lynn says that, with Jim's capacity for humor, his comments about WP and AF duty were definitely tongue-in-cheek. Lynn said that at Stewart Field in spring of 45, Jim demonstrated his dynamic power for verbal expression when he made his after-action report after becoming lost on his night solo flight. He landed in a small unlit field and crashed into a house occupied by a veteran who had just returned from the ground war in Europe. Jim emerged without a scratch!

Lynn rep that his wife, **Pat**, broke her hip in a fall. After several mos of rehabilitation she will probably be moved from Walter Reed to the skilled nursing ctr at the Fairfax. Lynn continues to substitute teach 2-3 times a wk in physics and math at the Jefferson HS for Sci

and Tech. Working with the gifted and talented students there, he hasn't encountered the problems often experienced by substitute teachers. Lynn said that the CI brunch on "Presidents Day" at the Fairfax had a record crowd. Among those attending were **Pat & Butch Foley**, **Pat & Fitz Fitzpatrick**, **Fran & Ernie Davis**, **Anne Swain**, **Peggy & Tom Curtis**, **Pat & George Berger** and the **Cummings**. **Lois Jones** could not attend because of the imminent arrival of another grandchild. **Toby Gandy** is buying a new (and bigger) balloon. **John Sherwood** will probably remain at the Grace-Jefferson facility in Richmond. He was moved there this past fall after brain surgery for a long undiagnosed hydrocephalic condition. The facility is just a few blocks off I-95 at Grace and Jefferson Streets. Thanks, Lynn, for all the news.

The CI micro-reunion for the A-N Game was particularly fun this past Dec since the game had such a happy outcome. The sit-down dinner party Fri night at the Airport Marriott Hotel was outstanding, and after the game Sat they returned for a buffet. During the traditional collect phone call to **Buster Hayden**, the fire alarm went off in the hotel. So while everyone was trying to talk to Buster there were firemen trampling through and around the '45 group. CI mbrs attending were the **Argos**, **Bensons**, **Broughtons**, **Dick Chidlaw**, **Fitzpatricks**, **Gandys**, **Gloria Hamilton** with her son & his wife, the **Holcombs**, **Groves**, **Bob Mantey**, **McCarthys**, **Ives**, **Hugh Parkers**, **Saxbys**, **Tylers**, **Waddingtons**, **Dick & Doris Williams**, **Dodie Powers**, and **Bill & Sally Sarber**, who are good friends of **Larry Jones**.

Harry Shaw sent the pic of "Mr Benson," who was the coffee corporal at his table during the CI luncheon in the Cadet Mess during our reunion. Doo-willie Benson couldn't pour the coffee without spilling it. When admonished, Mr Benson had some silly b-ache about the cups being cracked and failed miserably to pop off the expected "no excuse, sir!"

I asked **Don Henderson** how he happened to settle in Sierra Vista, AZ. Don said he didn't want to continue to run a homeowners assoc and that Albuquerque was too big. So he started looking on an increasing radius around the circle from Albuquerque. He found that Sierra Vista had a most pleasant yr-round climate, had what was needed either in town or on the post, and that it was still small enough that one was known as a person, not just a customer.

St Patrick's Day was the occasion for a mtg of the **Adairs**, **Holcombs** and **Larry Jones** to gather at the Adairs' home on Longboat Key in FL. All but Larry had just returned from celebrating the day at an Irish Pub named Lynch's Landing.

Wil Rogers provides us with a little



1945: 45th Reunion, Cadet Mess: "Mr Benson," Coffee Corporal



1945: Lillian Elkey's car tag



1945: St Patrick's Day, Longboat Key: Ted & Betty Lou Adair, Larry Jones, and Jim & Ann Holcomb

background on **Rayburn Smith**. **Wil & Agnes** were good friends of both **Rayburn & Norene**. **Smitty** married the daughter of a "juice" prof in the summer of 45, and a son, **Rayburn Jr**, was born in 46. In 47 when dependents were allowed to come to Ger, **Smitty's** first wife refused to come and filed for divorce. About this time **Agnes** and **Norene** worked together managing two enlisted special svc clubs in **Fritzlar** and **Kassel**. **Smitty** and **Norene** were married in Sep 48. **Smitty** had problems with heart disease—had a runaway heart during an attache tour in the Ivory Coast and had heart valve replacements after ret. His son, **Rayburn Jr**, was

KIA while serving as a rifle platoon leader in Vietnam with the 101st in September 70.

At the 1 March meeting of our Board of Governors, plans continued for our 50th reunion. **Jim Herbert** presented the options for billeting the Class Group. The best bet appeared to be The Seasons, located in northern New Jersey about 1 hour from West Point. Discussion also continued on the Class gift to the Academy. The Board also is nominating former Secretary **St George Schultz** for the Thayer Award and **Buster Hayden** to be a member of the Board of Trustees.

Kay Hadzima, wife of **Joe Hadzima** (H-1), died on 19 January. Our sympathy goes to the family and friends of the Hadzimas.

General **Bruce Palmer** was the speaker for Founders Day in Northwest Florida. **Al Blue** said that his talk was about Desert Storm. It was particularly interesting since General **Palmer** had been Chief of Readiness Command some years ago. The classmates and families in the area have welcomed **Harry & Pat Kelly**, who now live there. **AL** said it's been great to have all 5 of his children and 6 grandchildren in the area where he lives.



1945: Founders Day, NW FL: **John & Lolly Carley**, **Harry & Pat Kelly**, **Al Blue** and **Frank Davies**

Bette Root sent along some Class news that she received on Christmas cards. **Theo Bush** wrote that **George** is staying busy with his condo development in Mexico. He's about half through a 4-year program and at the same time is adding to their place—a 3rd bedroom and bath. She was looking forward to the drive down there in January with the **Feyes**.

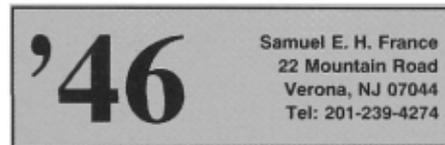
Nina McCunniff wrote about a trip that she and **Tom** made Space-A to Panama at Thanksgiving. She was sad that it had changed so much since 40 when her parents were there.

Ed Pickett wrote that in January 90 he had a vicious case of the flu which triggered a severe case of Guillain-Barre Syndrome. It's somewhere between polio and MS except that full recovery is more likely, although it often takes well over a year. He's come a long way from 80% paralyzed to now about 80% effective.

The **Broughtons** are hoping for more time at Angel Fire, NM during 91. **Bob & Gene Ives** sent a wonderful family pic

with their card. **Hal & Julie Moore** said that youngest son, **Dave**, jumped into Panama a year ago and was now in Saudi Arabia. (The 15 April *US News* had a piece about **George Nye**, ret Army sergeant, who welcomes troops home at Bangor, ME. He said: "I have been watching for one special young man, CPT **David Moore**, 82nd Airborne—he is the son of my old battalion commander, LTC **Hal Moore**. Last Tuesday morning at 3:35 AM I found him. He had written while he was in the desert, and I had prayed for him. We had a cup of coffee together.")

Pat & Murray Field had a fun trip to Castle AFB for a 329th Bomb Squadron reunion. They got rousted out of their VOQ at 0130 because of a bomb threat, but everything else was great. **Les & Audrey Ayers** have found an ideal home in Antigua, Guatemala where they plan to spend most of the rest of their lives enjoying the country and helping to rejuvenate the forests. **Betty & Bill Zook** are expecting their 12th grandchild. Everybody thought the golfing pic of **Bette & Jim** looked wonderful. **Bette** wrote that about 1 February she received a silly phone call from **Mack & Nancy McGovern** and **Mickey McMurdo**, who were royally entertaining themselves while the senator was working late. The McGoverns planned to rent a condo on Kaneohe for a couple of months.



(183) I started out my last notes hoping that the war in the Middle East would be a short one. Little could I have known that it would be as short as it was! I also said I did not know if any of our relatives were there; well, it turns out that **Ethel** has a first cousin who is an air traffic controller who was there, and, as of now, still is. When you read this column it will be 45 years since we graduated, and in a few short months we will gather together in lovely Sussex County, NJ to celebrate. Don't forget the dates: Thursday 26 September to Sunday 29 September 91. BEAT HARVARD!

In the March ASSEMBLY I reported, incorrectly, that **John & Elsa Schmitt** were recent grandparents, when in fact the young lady, their granddaughter **Tanya**, was married. I apologize to the Schmitts, to our Class godson **John**, **Tanya's** father, to young **John's** wife and **Tanya** for that error. **Tanya** married **Wade Morgan** in southern California last July 90 and, of course, **John & Elsa** were there. Shortly, **John & Elsa** will be leaving Verona for a couples' facility, located on Ft Belvoir property and run for ret Army or service people. We will miss seeing them at our church but wish them well and know that they will be where many of our classmates reside.

FOUNDERS DAY: You will find a number of photos below of some of our classmates at different affairs. On 6 March at Patrick AFB, FL you will find **Jerry & Pat Naleid**, **Larry & Mary Ann Gordon**, **Clint Friend** (mailed photo), and **Flo & Hal Stirling**. No photo, but joining **Sam**



1946: Founders Day 91, Patrick AFB

& **Ethel France** at Picatinny's celebration (2 March) were **Joe & Tomi Castelli**, coming from East Stroudsburg, PA where **Joe** had been a professor at E S Univ, but has since retired (a second time) from that job. They have spent a good deal of time traveling since, and it was sure good to have them at the table with us. Again, as last year, the people responsible for the dinner published a "year-book" with each attendee's **Howitzer** photo and write-up. This year '46 did not have the first photo; that went to a member of the Class of '30. It really is interesting, a big job, but fun to have. Although not present, former NJ resident **NH Schwarzkopf's** photo was included for all to view. The last line of the write-up, in part—"and will assure him success." I would say his roommates hit the nail on the head. Another photo of the group at San Antonio dinner on 16 March in the USAA building included, front to rear, **Jack McWhorter**, **Goose Gosling**, **Gene Sprague**, **Phyllis Tixier** (Class widow), **BJ Ireland** (Class widow), **Millie McWhorter**, **Mary Wray**, **Betty Fryberger**, **Clarice Book**, **Colleen Gosling**, **Jane Perkins** (behind), **Dee Case**, **Bill Wray**, **John Perkins**, **Phil Fryberger**, **Clair Book** and **Bob Case**. **McWhorter** sent the photo and in his letter mentioned info I will include under the necrology section. Although not a Founders Day dinner, another photo was received showing classmates at the Signal Corps Ball held at Bolling AFB in Washington, DC on 23 March. They are **Clint Friend** (sent photo), **Ming & Smiley Ashton**, **Julie & Bob Myer**, and **Bev & Bernie Pankowski**.

I was pleasantly surprised to receive a letter from **Bob Shackleton** mailed from Germany. He has been chief, US Forces Liaison Office, Hessen, stationed in Wiesbaden. He plans to retire this coming June or July 91 and return to Arlington, so his current address will be stale when you read this. **Bob** had been an FSO with the State Dept for 25 years before beginning his



1946: Founders Day 91, San Ant



1946: Signal Corps Ball 91, Bolling AFB

present job in 77. His svc with State found him in such locations as Bern, New Caledonia, Fiji, Belgrade, Sarajevo, Munich, Bonn, Saigon (during the period 68-69) and Martinique. Most of his yrs since grad have been overseas. He said he enjoyed working with Seventh Army commanders such as George Blanchard '45, Otis '54 and Saint '58. He also, as a so-called foreign expert, was surprised at the Soviet evacuation of Eastern Europe, as I am sure many others of us were also, albeit very pleased about the outcome. His knowledge of CI activities has been gained by reading AS-

SEMBLY all these yrs, so I am thankful that we were able to keep him up-to-date.

NECROLOGY: McWhorter has been informed that Copie Pence, Art's widow, died last summer. Jack has their daughter's address if anyone would like it. Jack, with the help of Cliff Parke, tracked down Kay Dickson, only to learn that she had died in 88. Kay had remarried and, with the help of her second husband, Jack has been in correspondence with one of Bob & Kay's sons who will help Jack with Bob's obituary. In the course of Jack's activities on our CI history, he has

received one disturbing ltr from Helen, the widow of John W Gillespie Jr, who died on 2 Oct 87. This info was not known by AOG so came as a shock to Jack. He has talked with her since and she will help Jack write John's obituary.

Other info extracted from Jack's ltrs to me: please return your questionnaire, if you haven't already—that includes me at this moment. He has asked me to inform you that the obituary in the Mar 91 ASSEMBLY covering Pete Arend was authored by George MacDonald, as will another obituary, for Art Pence, which will appear in about a yr. Jack now has copies of all the memorial articles of our deceased classmates; so if anyone would like a copy, check with Jack. The '46 gp at the San Ant dinner was the largest, with 19, including the two widows noted.

The next poop was mailed to me by Skip Strain, albeit news gathered during the annual get-together at the Kanes' for the A-N game. He admits it could be a little stale, but only mailed it out 5 Mar. He mentioned being an official starter for NCAA Ladies Intercollegiate Golf tournament at Ft Ord, but being rained out at the end. The gp at Bob & Edie Kane's numbered 37, including spouses. Skip stated that about half the gp hope to be with us at the 45th. Skip mentioned that he visits with John & Priscilla Doolittle ea yr during the Pebble Beach golf tournament. Their home is above the 14th green. This past yr John's dad, Gen Doolittle, was living with them since his wife died last yr. The gen, at 92, is still alert, and Skip enjoyed meeting him.

The attendees: John & Kathy Armstrong toured Europe and saw the Passion Play; their son Mark '81 received the GEN MacArthur leadership award. Plan to be east for reunion. Steve & Squeak Conner spent nearly 5 mos on cruises, with Squeak directing bridge on-board. Plan to make reunion. Ed Chynoweth may make reunion; he drove up from Frisco area, where he's still growing grapes, plums and oranges. Jack & Val Dayton plan reunion and did some traveling with classmates on cruises; Val's back is doing well after surgery in 89. George & Carol Fink plan reunion and plan to visit son Bruce in Japan this spring. Their son Keith received his MBA from Duke May 90. Joe & Jane Giza plan reunion; Jane rec'd BA May 90 and daughter Chris now at Naval War Col. Their two sons are nearby; Brian teaches in El Paso. Charlie & Lolita Hall plan on reunion and still are at Discovery Bay. Walt & Lenore Hamilton plan reunion; their son Walter working on programming degree. Burt & Jeanne Cameron, no on reunion, toured USA in 90. Pat Doherty SJ not sure on reunion; this his first time at Kanes'. He has been associate pastor at Holy Family Church, San Jose for past 6 yrs. Of course the hosts, Bob & Edie, do plan on reunion and



1946: A-N Game at the Kanes', 8 Dec 90



1946: The pass touchdown at the Kanes', 8 Dec 90



1946: Founders Day, Wash DC, 16 Feb 91

his firm, Presidio Press, has 4 contracts with Soviet military for publication in 91 and 92. **Ben Kinney**, no on reunion, made a 52-day around-the-world trip in 90. **Roland Kline** not sure on reunion. **John & Connie Molchan** may be at reunion; had a great cruise on the Danube River with the **Burneys** and **Brauns**; Connie's right wrist was in a cast from a break in a local boat boarding accident. **Bill & Vance Mendenhall**, not sure on reunion; their daughter Robin was married in Sep 90 at San Juan Capistrano Mission and Bill & Vance took the Skunk RR trip in Sonora City. **Bernie Petrie** no on reunion. **Jack Paden** may not make reunion; has two new metal hips and still lives on his boat; also plans trip through Panama Canal and across the Atlantic. **Skip & Jane Strain** do not plan reunion; their daughter **Debbi** & her State Dept husband **Terry** will leave Paris after 4 yrs for 3 yrs in Barbados, where he will be political and economic advisor to the ambassador. I have enclosed a photo of the gp and a photo of a few classmates celebrating the pass touchdown.

Was just about to close out when the

mail arrived with one more photo of a Founders Day dinner in Wash, DC on 16 Feb 91 showing **Pat O'Connor**, his guest **Margaret Hamilton**, and **Bill & Patty Schneider**; both men from H-2.

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Once again I must submit this col a mo early. Hopefully, there will be many pics and some text to cover, at least, what I missed last time. **Bobbi** & I are phasing down our environmental living space. Next mo we make our 30+ and FINAL move to 3255-E 62nd St (a no-maintenance apt complex). See above change of address. Make the change in your address book NOW!!

And think about the following quote (author unknown): "This life is a test—it is only a test. If it had been an actual life, you would have received further instructions on where to go and what to do." Now hear this: Get with it!... How about those combat troops in Saudi!!!



1947: John & Phyllis Gaddie



1947: The "Oscar" Sargents



1947: All "flankers:" Bill Reckmeyer, Jack Young, Roger Bate, Mark Kinevan and Meade Wildrick

John Kennedy is volunteering to help with the 50th Yr Book work in the area of sketching or cartooning. **John Nail** and **Tom Benson**, please note and be pleased. **Jim Egger** has moved to 253 Stanley Rd, Caledonia, MS 39740, nearby to Starkville where **Jetta & Bill Kuykendall** have ret. **Paul Roca** rep that not many have expressed a desire to "mini" in Queretaro, Mexico during 91 sometime! We need to express continued



1947: Christmas Day 90: Willis & Dorothy Knipe and Patti & Lee Haskin



1947: At the Mahlums' in GA: the Bushnells, Mahlums and Burners



1947: Jim Fraser on *Memory II* in Naples Harbor



1947: Remembering on *Memory II*: Bobbi Geraci, June Burner, Barb Boerger and Muriel Webb

support to **Gloria King** (tel 714-683-7591), **John Gerrity** and **Fred Jacoby**, recovering slowly from his second triple by-pass. (Jean & Don Robb, who flew in here recently, told me they were looking in on Fred occasionally.) **Mike Maloney**

keeps me well-informed by sending *NY Times* clippings on the war in Iraq/Kuwait, **Brent Scowcroft**, etc. A pic is worth a million words (however, I am allowed only 2 pp of space in *ASSEMBLY*.) So see Christmas pics of Gaddies,



1947: Bobbi Geraci in discussion with the captains of *Memory II*, Nelda & Jim Fraser



1947: Naples mini: Perry Gainey, Bud Vockel, and Bill & Marge Henry

"flankers" at CO Springs mini sent by **Meade Wildrick**, who says that he met **Glenn Davis**, **Jim Enos**, and **Hal Tavzel** at WP for 100 yrs of Army Football celebration. Another Christmas pic, taken when **Pat & Doc Haskin** were visiting their children and family in IN, sent in by **Dottie & Willie Knipe**. **Meg & Howie Sargent** held a joyous "Oscar" entertaining evening on 25 Mar for CA contingent. You may have seen Meg in recent Sears commercial! We are pleased to welcome into the Class **Virginia Dodge Johnson**. I have just received an announcement of marriage, 26 Jan 91, St James Episcopal Church in Henderson-



1947: Naples mini: June Burner and Dick McAdoo

ville, NC from **Virginia & Ed Robertson**. They will be at home in Flat Rock, NC 28731 and 2102 Bermuda Hills Rd, Columbia, SC 29223.

Pics covering the Naples 91 mini were provided by the **Burners, Frasers** and **Geracis**. Once again, this mini was a tremendous success (the main bash being held at the Pelican Bay Club), hosted by **Sue & Mal Wright** and **Mockie & Mike Maloney** (who were not there; Mockie's brother died suddenly and they traveled north for the funeral) and greatly helped by **Dottie & Scott Pitt**, friends (the Pitts' son is Cadet Chaplain at WP). If your pic



1947: Naples mini: Perry & Sissy Gainey



1947: Naples mini: Betty & Pete Boerger

doesn't show in *ASSEMBLY*, you were either in the wrong place at the wrong time or not in the right place at the right time. Or you were a Gen Off (professional military analyst) speaking on local or national TV. Next issue we hope for all the close-call alligator stories, along with all those pics dropped from this issue by AOG.

Take care.

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It's cold and blustery outside as I write this in Feb and Mar for your review in late Jun. We here in DC are still waiting for that enterprising soul or gp of souls from AZ, CO, or NM to begin planning for a fall 91 (AZ) or spring 92 (CO or NM) '48 regional gathering. Just give me a call and I'll put our helpful CI Pres (**Pomeroy**) in touch to speed you on the way of your planning.

In any case it is always nice to start out with happy events; in this case word that **Beany Livesay** has married Charles Berkeley of San Ant, a former HS mate and long-ago friends of Beany & Robin—trust some of their friends will send me more info so that I can inform the Livesays' many friends. Note elsewhere in this issue the pic spread of the sons of grads serving in the Gulf. Add a couple more names to these of our classmates whose children are serving in the Gulf: 1LT Thomas A Kelsey—**Jess & Anne Kelsey's** son is with the 42d Arty Bde Hqs of VII Corps. **Tom Clark** sent me a clip from the ltrs to the ed section of *USA Today* wherein a CPT Eric Schoenberg, a USAF flight surgeon, was writing his parents, **Ann & Iry**, about his experiences. It's a whole different, but pleasant world nowadays; does any vet of Korea or Vietnam out there recall his ltrs to parents or spouses getting natl coverage? Here's a pic of some nice people—**Ware, Selig, Jo Hoffman, and Bellinger**—that we haven't featured in awhile—all enjoying themselves in their penguin suits and spangles. **Tammy (Richardson)**



1948: Three thorns and one rose: Ware, Selig, Jo Hoffman and Bellinger

Henderson writes that she & Jim passed through the MD, DC, VA area over the holidays visiting family (shame on you for not calling). Tammy rep that son Steve is a sound ed for the Hollywood movie "Total Recall"—he and his team were nominated for an Oscar. Tammy cautions us also to be more watchful of TV show "credits" and the name Richardson, because he is featured in a no of those too. **Merce Hughes'** daughter Sarah married in the San Xavier Mission in Tucson in mid-Feb, helped along in the celebrations by the attendance of the **Coopers** from DC, **Sargeants** from NM, **Footes** from TX and **McCrays** from AZ. **Jim McCray** came whizzing through DC recently for a convention and, after a nice pub lunch, an obliging passerby captured both of us in DC's Farragut Square.

Beware those of you who feel you had an excessively tough plebe yr, punctuated by bouts of forcibly induced physical exercises. **Charley Horn** sent me a newspaper clip from our local rag (read



1948: Petersen and McCray

Washington Post) wherein the lawyer of a convicted felon of 3 local "ladies of the evening" blamed all his troubles on "... being driven to the brink of sanity by hazing and other negative experiences at a mil col." The jury in the case had the last say—rejecting the defendant's excuse and finding him guilty. I hasten to add that our beloved alma mater was not the col in question—the alleged hazing event took place at Norwich U. Having said all this, I'm not sure what I've got—a story about lawyers, a desperate client looking for a reduced sentence, or the evils of hazing. We do have a CI mbr on the faculty at Norwich who can give us the facts—will you, **HAB**? Thanks to **Pete & Lila Shively**, we have a pic of **Sims & Kathi Dildy** happily ret in HI. The Shivelys were sailing the Pacific and when docking in Honolulu, looked up the Dildys, and "cracked a few coconuts" together.



1948: Lila Shively, Sims & Kathi Dildy and Pete Shively

Thanks **Jim & Sylvia Dingeman**—I appreciate more than you know your letting me know on a postcard sent in the middle of our winter that you both are hitting the beaches in FL, playing golf and taking in the spring baseball games—God may get you if I don't first. It was a pleasure to note in the announcements section of the local paper that **Anne Griffith** announced the engagement of daughter Anne to Peter Hennessy of Atl. A Jun wedding is in the cards. CI scribes have been known to get desperate sometimes for news. Mbrs of '48 do not willingly or easily toot their horns. **Jerry (Mrs Thomas T) Jones** sent

a clip from *Smithsonian* magazine about a CI scribe so discouraged by lack of info for the CI col in the Yale U counterpart of *ASSEMBLY* that he invented a classmate and regularly rep on his outrageous (and fictitious) escapades while encouraging his classmates to write him about this fictional character and get more news. No one ever did, nor did anyone ever question the person's activities or even that he was a classmate. Eventually, yrs later, the secy rep his death, still without a ripple of comment from the CI. CI of '48, are you going to make me do this for lack of news? Say it isn't so!

Jack & Jean Dooddy write from FL that they were off to Ft Stewart at the end of Mar to see son Mark of the 24th Mech, just home from the desert. **Sally & Jim Macklin** are celebrating son Jeff's return from the sand and the 101st Abn Engrs. In the midst of all the homecomings, it's well to remind ourselves that all our servicemen and women are not home yet—**Annie Osteen Voigt's** husband Jeff '87 is still there as of this writing. At Founders Day in Tampa the Doodys rep as present, besides themselves, **Les & Ginny Carter, Bako & June Bayer, Hugh & Barbara Perry, Bob & Jeri Whitfield, and Bill Burrows**. Thanks to the on-the-ball scribe, Don Frazer from '70, I found out that the Mar 91 *Army Times* and Feb 91 *Field Artillery* contained two excellent articles by **Donn Starry**. In the former, Donn extolled the success of the Army's Air Land Doctrine in the Middle East War, and in the latter he credited better training and leadership and strongly stated that, based on our experiences in this war as well as all the others back to WWII, it was time to bury the individual replacement system once and for all in favor of unit replacement. We're delighted that it's all over, over there, and '48 related servicemen and women came through safely.

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Jerry Schulz sent in the first photo, taken at the Founders Day dinner in Dallas on 15 Mar. He says there have been other "official" photos taken in past yrs but none ever got into *ASSEMBLY*. Shown are **Jack Hammack, Jerry and Dean Teece**. Jerry adds that he has a computer database (for IBM compatibles) of the CI that he would be glad to share; phone him at 214-422-4574. **Pat Vollmer** sent a note indicating his gratitude for the time and effort of CI offs. He sent special regards to **Ted Swett** and noted they had last seen ea other in Thailand in the early 70s.

From Albuquerque, **Frank Wol.k** sent a Founders Day dinner photo. From L-R: **Jack & Donna Rust, Bob Kemble**



1949: From Dallas: Jack Hammack, Jerry Schulz and Dean Teece



1949: From Albuquerque: Jack & Donna Rust, Bob Kemble, and Jane & Frank Wolak

and **Jane & Frank Wolak**. Frank says Jack is busy with Rust Caterpillar Co; Bob is ret but doing some consulting. Frank claims he is a full-time jock and says he achieved his goal of a natl ranking in both squash and tennis. He's #7 in 65+ singles squash and #46 in 65+ singles tennis. He plans to "rest up this yr." He also sent a clipping re son Frank, Asst Prof of Economics at Stanford. Dad says, "he continues to surprise me with his academic achievements. And all those



1949: From Annapolis: the Hinchions, Englishes, Swetts, Jartmans and Summers

ysr I was pushing tennis and squash on him!" The younger Wolak received a Presidential Young Investigator award from the Natl Sci Foundation. The PYI purpose is to induce the nation's most outstanding and promising young scientists and engrs to an academic career of research and teaching. The award is a matching grant of \$37,500 per yr for 5 yrs.

The Founders Day dinner at Annapolis on 2 Mar found a goodly crowd showing the flag in Navy territory. "Shy" Meyer '51 was the principal speaker. He noted that more than 60% of '88 and '89, and a large percent of '90 were involved in Desert Storm. He went on to speak of lessons learned there and what they mean to the future. Attending '49'ers shown are (seated) **Frank & Bette Hinchion, Allan English and Cay Swett**; (standing) **Sachiko Summers, Ted Swett, Cindy & Marc Jartman, Audrey English**, and your scribe. Cay continues to teach courses in English-as-a-second-language. Frank has had pneumonia (or something that acts like it) on and off since Aug. The Englishes are planning a safari in Southern Africa during Apr.

Stan Ellenthorpe, now living in Dingman's Ferry, PA, provided the Founders Day photo from Dayton, OH. He & **Ruth** had been on an extended holiday and had stopped to see **Bill & Anne Stemple**, who persuaded them to attend the dinner. Stan says, "**Bonnie & Bill Dirkes** joined us for this fine soiree. '49 was #1 in attendance." Bill & Ann are leaving (PCS) for Seagirt, NJ in early Apr. Stan adds that, earlier, he & Ruth had a delightful time with **Fred & Mary Fritz** in Melbourne and Sanibel Isl, FL. Both Fritzes are in good health and spirits.



1949: From Dayton: the Ellenthorpes, Dirkeses and Stemples

At the Founders Day dinner in DC on 16 Mar, there was a photo taken, but as of mailing time for these notes (10 Apr) it had not arrived. Present were **Bob & Wren Ennis, Web Ivy** and **Doris Pappas, Bob & Sally Springer, Phil & Mary Deane Feir, Ed & Jan Townsley, Tom & Pat Bamford, Charlie & Cindy Adams, Duane & Jean Smith, Sachiko** and your scribe. Learned from the Townsleys that they and **Bert & Vonnie Turner** had toured New Zealand last Nov. The featured speaker was **David Bramlett**, Com of Cadets. His thesis was that, in spite of what one might have heard, the Corps has not. He related statistics indicating that the mental, physical, and leadership qualities of entering cadets are very high.

Ted Swett called to suggest I take a look at the 21 Mar *Washington Post* coverage of the White House dinner given for Polish Pres Lech Walesa. Along with a list of other notable attendees was "**Bishop Maurice M Benitez**, Episcopal diocese of TX, & **Joanne Benitez**." Benitez is a Polish name? Well, maybe Ben has other qualifications. The *Post* thought fellow attendee **Georgette Mosbacher** was worthy of a photo. **Clay Moran** called to say he had recently visited **Malcolm Lewis** in FL. He learned that Malcolm is vice-mayor of his W Palm Beach suburb of Lake Clark Shore. My question is: Malcolm, wouldn't the title Dep Mayor better handle any confusion about vice?

Jack Hayne sent a photo of himself and some friends at the WP Soc of Long Isl watching the A-N football game on TV. That's Jack in front. **Ed Marks** had been there but had left before the photo. Jack adds that not all people are WP-connected; two "squid" are present. Glad to see these ecumenical gatherings. Jack notes that it's fencing season at WP and that he goes up about every other wk, spending Thurs-Sat giving the cadets some outside competition and advising them during the matches on Sat. During a recent visit he ran into **Jack Hammack** in the Thayer. LI Jack says that TX Jack has not changed much at all and that he enjoyed their 5-min mini-reunion.

Dick Gillespie wrote thanking me for transmitting a news clip from **Charlie**



1949: From Long Isl: Jack Hayne and assorted Army and Navy boosters

Smith concerning Peru. Dick commented on current events there under the new Fujimori govt and stated his work as consultant to the US govt continues. He expects to lead a small delegation to the Mongolian People's Republic in May, looking for opportunities for US firms to join in developing new mines. Last Oct he participated in a multi-natl delegation to Beijing, but came away disappointed in much of China's foreign and domestic policies. On a happier note he writes that #3 daughter, who had been teaching in China, married a Chinese prof. They are living in Delft, Holland, where he is completing his engring doctorate.

The Wash Bunch met at the Pentagon on 5 Mar. Attending were Ed Yellman, John VanderVoort, Ed Triner, Ed Townsley, Lee Surut, Duane Smith, George Pollin, Bob Pfeiffer, Phil O'Brien, Wayne Norby, Joe Muckerman, Dick Morton, Gene Mechling, Gene Marder, Hal Lombard, Kirby Lamar, Bill Lake, Wes Knapp, Art Kingdom, Marc Jartman, Bill Huber, Ed Howard, George Hoffmaster, Bill Hoffmann, Ed Hindman, Jack Hammack, Dick Gillespie, Carl Fitz, Al Fagg, Bob Ennis, Hill Dickinson, Bill Bumpus, Dick Bowman, Dave Bolte, Ted Boland, Charlie Adams and your scribe.

A few news tidbits were picked up at the luncheon. Paul & Pat Monahan were on a cruise in SE Asia. Kirby & Anne Lamar recently traveled by bus and skimobile from Jackson Hole to Yellowstone. Kirby plans to ret from AFCIA in Apr. Another Apr ret is planned by Bill Hoffman. Bill has been with AMTRAK for a no of yrs. Tom & Jo Marsh joined Bill & Ann Bumpus for a holiday in Acapulco. Rocky Marder was passing out "Support Our Troops" labels. Al & Doreen Fagg spent Nov-Dec at the Goethe Inst for Languages (in Ger) as part of a post-ret educational prog from IBM. The Faggs then spent 3 wks skiing at their Vail, CO, time-share place where they saw Jack Madison and Bob Black. Al says he missed seeing Jack Hammack this time.

Rigor Morton gave an update on Dick Stauffer, who had an oper for a growth in

his throat. Rigor says Dick continues to speak enthusiastically of the party-in-two-parts held last summer in his honor. Bob Pfeiffer noted that son Tom, USAFA '82, had flown 15 missions in his F4G in Desert Storm. In Tom's career he has received a '49 grad gift from Jim Hartinger, a gift of wings from George Sylvester, and sr pilot wings from Ab Greenleaf. Now, what souvenir from the Gulf, Bob?

Jack Hammack spoke at the luncheon, giving us a fairly comprehensive look at today's and future plans for USMA from his vantage point as an AOG trustee. He quoted COL Red Reeder as having said, "the best times in your life will be spent with classmates." Jack thinks that's true. He noted that the Hotel Thayer will be expanded and two bids are in. George Crall, who specializes in building hotels all over the world, has acted at no cost as consultant for this work. Jack said USMA would graduate the 1000th black cadet and 1000th female cadet this yr. He rep a new 4th-cl system in effect. Among other things, yearlings are to lead and not harass. Ex-USAF'er Jack was happy the Flight Memorial had been fully funded and said that 30% had come from 3 individuals. He spoke of a planned new AAA building, to be named for COL Blaik, and a new alumni building at the old Smith Rink site. He gave much emphasis to WP needs that grads, and we as a Cl, could help fulfill. Jack, the scribe would welcome your regular, or irregular, input to these Cl notes.

After the luncheon the Cl Bd (Lamar, Norby, D Smith, Swett, Adams, Bowman, and your scribe) met, thanks to Joe Muckerman vacating his off for us. Visitors were Hammack and O'Brien. The bd agreed to dissolve the incorporated status of the USMA '49 Assoc, as it offered no benefit but required payment of annual fees. It was esp noted that the present org is not tax exempt. In its place a Cl of '49 Admin Acct will be established within the WP Fund to support memorial, admin, and other financial affairs of the Cl. The new Cl Fund will enjoy the same tax-exempt status as the umbrella fund. Now take note. We will have two Cl of '49 accts with the AOG: the Gift Acct and the new Admin Acct. The Gift Acct currently supports the '49'er Lodge and is aiming for an \$80,000 endowment fund. Do not confuse these two accts with the WP Fund of the AOG, which accepts donations for many other purposes, not restricted to '49'er projects or activities. If you want to comment or ask a question, call Treas Duane Smith at 703-527-8123.

Our surprisingly mobile Charlie Smith is back from Brazil. His note said he was in OH, heading for Boston. In Columbus he visited with daughter Daria, who is "doing quite well" and currently is in remission in her battle with multiple sclerosis. Charlie sent a photo



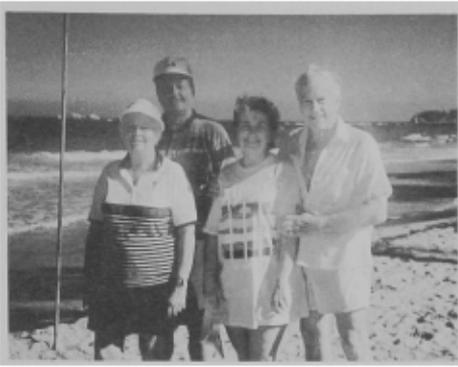
1949: From Brazil: Charlie Smith gets a kiss for paying the rent

taken just before he left Brazil. That's wife Geny standing behind him. He claims the young lady kissing him is his landlord's daughter. Perhaps that's what one gets in Rio for paying the rent. He says Geny will join him in the US before Jul. Stay tuned.

Kirby Lamar sent a note with info from Harry Maihafer and John Saxon, confirming the death of Jim Stillson on 7 Dec 84. Kirby says Jim was on a skiing trip in OR and died during his sleep. Kirby notes (dated mid-Feb) that John Saxon "is progressing very well after surgery and 2 1/2 wks in the hosp." But he didn't know why John was in the hosp. John, how about a note to bring everyone up-to-date?

Orton Spencer called to say that he & Gwen have new granddaughters: Morgan Catherine, born 5 Mar, and Alison Elizabeth, 6 Apr. Both Spencers continue to work; Gwen volunteers at the White House.

Jack Rust enclosed a newspaper article from the *Albuquerque Tribune* picturing Frank Wolak and detailing what he (at 67) does to "stay fit." Each wk he has about 3 1-hr weight workouts, 4 1-hr squash matches, and 4 1.5-hr tennis matches. Frank is quoted as saying what he may lack in skill he works to make up with "persistence and running." Ed & Fell Wilford, on vacation in Puerto Rico, ran into Andy & Ann Lay, who have a time-share condo there. Ed writes that the Lays sold their Huntington, LI home to their daughter & her husband (an Amer Airlines CPT), and have moved to a new home in Ocean City, NJ, near the beach. The happy beachcombers are shown in the final photo (next page).



1949: From Puerto Rico: beach burns Ann & Andy Lay and Fell & Ed Wilford

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When last I left you, the Gulf War had not reached the ground phase. Now that brilliant war seems over. We all have sympathy for those families who lost mbrs in the war, but we can be thankful that apparently none of the sons and daughters of '50 have been injured. To the best of my knowledge, **Bill Ward** was the only mbr of the CI to have been in Saudi Arabia during all this activity. Certainly he was the only one on active duty. If others were there, please let me know.

The 40-'50 books have all been mailed out. If anyone who ordered failed to get theirs or if someone wants a copy, drop a note to **Jack Wagner**, 3229 First Place, Arlington, VA 22201. Despite all the edits that were made and the attempt to have the book perfect, one switch of pics has surfaced. **Roy & Nancy Henderson**

have their pic where **Bill & Ann Clement's** should be and vice versa. Sorry for the mistake.

The **Hendersons** were not able to get to reunion, but promise to make the 45th. They have finally finished their consulting work in CA, so now they have the time to use their RV, visiting their 7 grandchildren and their friends across the country from their base in Maynard, MA.

While I'm on reunions, **Lou Prentiss** sent me an update on the mini at Ft Leonard Wood/Lake of the Ozarks. In Jan he sent a mailing to the 116 respondents that had been interested. So far he has gotten 33 reservations for about 60 people. Any of you who plan to come but haven't sent in your reservations should contact Lou at the Ramada Inn, Drawer L, Waynesville, MO 65583, or call him at 314-336-3121 before 15 Jul.

From **Tom & Bonnie Sharp** came word of their busy times, centered in CA but spreading all across the country, including reunions, trips, annivs, weddings, etc. They both stay very active in their church, to which Tom adds Rotary, tennis and piano. Bonnie continues her hectic pace as head of the English Dept in her middle sch. That sch, by the way, is one of 7 targeted for special attention by WP. Four of Bonnie's former students are currently cadets. Tom III is now a CPT stationed at Ft McClellan, AL. He & Michelle had a daughter, Joana Dana, 3 Aug 90, born while they were still in Ger. Other son Toby is a sr at Chapman Col, majoring in English. He has been hired as dir of the Emerald Bay Boy Scout Camp on lovely Catalina Isl, so he will have a busy summer.

After several mos of enjoying the convenience—and cold weather—of Seat-

tle, **Chuck & Peggy Tonningsen** should be heading for their new YWAM ministry, this time Namibia. After 5 yrs in India, the snow of the Pacific NW was quite a change. Peggy was thankful she could use an electric blanket this winter.

Tom Loper rep that there are now 10 classmates in the Melbourne area, with room for more. Those formed the base for the now annual '50 get-together in FL. This yr it started off on Sat, 2 Feb with dinner at the Jacaranda Golf Club, hosted by **Ed & Lee Pierce**. Earlier that day **Joy Viskochil** and 7 classmates braved the weather to get in a round of golf. **Tom** claims they did not get soaked this yr, just wet. Ed Pierce showed off on his windsurfer, not even bothering to change into a bathing suit. Never falls, it seems. On Sun **Bill & Lois Slavins** hosted a barbecue at their home. All in all, a great time was had by all. Tom did manage to gather everyone together for a gp pic and another of **Jinny Loper, Shirley Thomas, Joy Viskochil, and Lee Pierce**. The attendees this yr included



1950: Some of the ladies

Joy, Ed & Lee Pierce, GG & Shirley Thomas, Sib & Nancy Sipples, Tom & Jinny Loper, Ben & Malvene Lewis, Bruce & Barbara Petree, Lou & Elaine Dixon, Terry & Joan Parsons, Ed & Marcie West, Peggy Galiffa, Chuck & Betty Newcomb, Bill & Lois Slavins, Jake & Eloise Allen, Sandy & Beth Oliver, John Fahy, Emmett & Rowland Lee, Sam & Tillie Smithers, and Dick & Ruth Newton.



1950: Ros Round, Bill Ward and GG Thomas

While we are on FL, **Ros Round** sent a great pic taken when **Bill Ward** was in



1950: FL South 91

Sarasota to talk to the Ret Offs Club on Res Affairs. **GG Thomas**, our trusty area rep for the SE, came over from Bradenton to help form a small but classy welcoming comm for **Bill & Elaine**.



1950: '50 at the DC Armor Ball

Just to show you how the **Bill Ward** gets around, here is a pic, taken at the DC Armor Ball in Feb, of Eek's daughter **Jeanne**, **Laurie Eek**, **Elaine & Bill Ward**, and **Loel & Phil Bolte**.

Ed Allbaugh, after several yrs of frustration over a '50 photo at the No TX Soc's Founders Day dinner, got out his own camera and came up with a shot of everyone in the No TX gp except **Emil Pohli** and **Jim Donovan**. L-to-R: Ed &



1950: North Texas Founders Day

Leni Allbaugh, **John Shelley**, **Elsie & Don Payne**, **Margaret & Dave Briggs**, and **Jack & Dorothy Louqheed**. Ed also sent along a lot of news of the gang there, including his own ret from Westinghouse Electric after more than 33 yrs. He had gotten Unit 1 of the Comanche Nuclear Power Plant on line at 1120 MW. Now he will probably take on a real challenge—teaching math and sci in jr high or HS. **John Shelley** also is ret, leaving the real estate bus for the RV-square dancing circuit. Ed says John still looks good enough to play for the Cowboys. **Don Payne** has left the investment bus to younger people and now watches over his hometown of Garland, TX, as his family has done for several generations. **Dave Briggs** continues his law practice in Dallas and is active in many local orgs, including the Dallas Council of World Affairs and the WP Soc. **Jack & Dorothy Louqheed** are looking forward to his ret

from HUD at the end of May. **Emil Pohli** remains with **Woody-Day, Inc** and **Jim Donovan** with **E-Systems**.



1950: Founders Day, Patrick AFB

Another Founders Day pic came from **Tom Loper** at the Patrick AFB dinner in Mar. Again L-to-R: **Ben & Malvene Lewis**, **Pete Todsen**, **Joy Viskochil**, **Bill & Woodie Aman**, and **Tom & Jinny Loper**. I understand that **Art & Robin Porcher** and **Bruce & Barbara Petree** also attended but couldn't be found for the pic.

By the way, **Al Romaneski** rep that, as expected, **Carl Stone** spoke as the oldest grad at the Heidelberg Founders Day dinner.

A note from **Priscilla Glenn** gave word that their son **Randy & Joyce** had a "beautiful red-haired daughter" 26 Dec 90 in Savannah. **Pris** continues to do well with her paintings, including two children's paintings in the permanent collection at the Scottish Rite Hosp in Atl. Still she & **Russ** found time to get in about 10 days of skiing at Copper Mtn the beginning of Mar.



1950: A couple of CA golfers

Not to be outdone by FL, **Leo Wegner** sent along a shot of himself with **Ray Singer** at the 7th hole of the Pebble Beach Golf Course in CA during the Del Monte Forest Invitational in Dec 90. Both of them live in Pebble Beach, so I

suspect they have gotten rather familiar with the course.

Mel Johnsrud and his brother **Sherm** continue their wanderings, this time out to my hometown of San Fran, with a side trip up to the wine country. After Easter at home they went to San Diego and then to Mexico before returning to VA.

Time, in its 8 Apr issue, had an article on **Eddie Ramos**, his impact on the stability of the Aquino regime, and now his entry into the Presidential race out there. Good luck, **Eddie!**

CJ Matthiessen sent along the news that **Dee** must have really influenced the Hungarians, for it seems she arrived in Budapest on the morn of 24 Jun and that afternoon they withdrew from the Warsaw Pact. Also included in her trip were West Berlin, Warsaw, Krakow and Vienna. Their daughter **Marilee**, an arts mgr, has recently accepted a job as asst oper mgr with the Omaha Symphony. Some items of interest from all over: **Lou & Rose Genuario's** grandson, **Donn Hart III**, has been accepted for the CI of '95 at WP. As far as I know, he is the first grandchild due to enter. For those of you who watch some of the late-night news shows, **Phil Bolte** was interviewed by **Leslie Stahl** on CBS on 31 Jan as an expert in tank warfare. Along that line, you should all remember that **Chuck Means** was the program mgr for Patriot and was the driving force behind its anti-missile capability so in demand now. The 28 Jan *Newsweek* quoted **Art Blair** on the value of air superiority. **Tom & Betty Lou Austin** had their 15th grandchild on 27 Nov 90 when **Tom Jr & Cheri** presented them with **Rebekah Nell**. **Morris & Faith Herbert** now have 4 grandchildren with the arrival of **Emily Ruth Kleinburd** on 10 Feb 91, the daughter of **Faithie & Alan**.

The area reps continue to do great work for the CI—and for the CI scribe. It is great to get a ltr full of news about the people and events in their areas, particularly just before deadline.

From the W Coast **Dick Leavitt** passed word on a no of people: **Dave Carlisle** commented on the pride he felt on the performance of several sr offs in the Gulf War, a sentiment that we can all share. **Dave** also mentioned that **John Brinkerhoff** has served as the agent for **Charles Bussey's** book *Firefight at Yechon: Courage and Racism in the Korean War*. As many of you know, **Dave** has put a lot of effort into straightening out the record of the 24th Inf Regt in Korea. **Paul Vanture** also has been a big help to **Dave** in that effort.

June Elliot's son, LT **Bruce Elliot**, graduated from flight sch at Ft Rucker, AL. Son **Chuck** is back in sch after his 4 yrs with the USMC on embassy duty in Central and So America.

It looks like **Joe & Judy Gappa** will be leaving their lovely home in Hillsbor-

ough, CA. She has been appointed VP for Human Relations at Purdue Univ, IN after several yrs at USF, while Joe has a contract with the Purdue Sch of Technology.

Other Pebble Beach residents are **Bob Gard**, who also is pres of the Monterey Inst of Intl Studies, & his wife **Janet Wall**. **Dan & Helen McDaniel** had their first grandchild, a girl, last 17 Sep. Dan is still with Livermore Labs. Another retiree effective this Apr is **John McCleary**, who will leave Hughes Aircraft. **Drew & Kay Rutherford** recently returned from a trip to Hong Kong, hopefully not too broke.

For the past two yrs **Joe Shankle** has been the pres of the WP Soc of L.A. **Dick** says that Joe has really invigorated that gp and that his leadership is well appreciated. **Dick** also says that **Tom Sharp** brightens the Founders Day affairs with his piano playing.

Jack & Mary Lois Wheatley are due to return to Palo Alto, CA in Jul after two yrs as missionaries in Portugal. "It has been a wonderful and challenging time in a new land, new language, and in a country where freedom of religion has only been available since 74."

The other rep to rep this time was **GG Thomas**. Unfortunately, it was to share sad news. First was the death, after a long bout with cancer, of **Bob (Lilbern) Roberts** on 13 Feb in Phila. It was Bob who introduced GG to **Shirley** back in 49. Bob's widow, **Nancy**, lives at 321 Rowantree Circle, Yardley, PA 19067.

The second was the sudden death of **Ray Maladowitz** of a heart attack during

a tennis match on the Isle of Palms, 25 Mar. **Gladys** had all 3 children and two grandchildren there for the svc. **Gladys'** address is 2004 Ventura Villa, Mt Pleasant, SC 29464.

Still another tragedy was the death on 25 Mar of **Teresa Strickland**, daughter of **Hank & Muriel Strickland**, as a result of a collision on nearby Route 95 in MD. This was particularly sad, coming only 3 mos after the death of another daughter, **Kathleen**. The **Stricklands'** address is 3035 Holmes Run Rd, Falls Church, VA 22042.

I know that the CI joins me in sending our sympathy to all of these families.

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Class Activities: We wish to express sincere appreciation to the Reunion Comm for their exceptional dedication and commitment. While attempting to satisfy everyone's reunion desires re costs/schedule/time/travel/CI gift is both impossible and thankless, **Gary Sanderson, Gerry Hendricks, Chuck Ewing, and John Byers** richly deserve our thanks, appreciation and enthusiastic support for their outstanding contributions—both for this and past reunions.

DC area luncheons—A/N Club, Arlington, ea 3d Thurs, **Bob Hyatt**, coordinator; Tel: 301-320-5545. Interest continues very high. Valentine's Day luncheon included wives and was special, since **Ernie & Libby Peixotto** returned



1951: Another '51 luncheon with wives: the Peloquins, Mulders and Remson

for a visit from FL—55 classmates & wives attended and, to say the least, **Bob Hyatt** was very happy.

91 Founders Day. '51'ers in the Wash, DC area who attended the WP Soc dinner incl the **Hank Evanses** from CO, **Brad & Ken Holle**, the **Hyatts**, **McMullens, Mulders, Pendletons, Reeves, Bill Richardson, the Fred Rockwells, Steeles and Weyands**. As usual a great time was had by all. Other areas w/51 participation incl the WP Soc of Orange Cty, CA (as shown by accompanying photo) at the Tustin Marine Corps Air Station on 16 Mar. While at Ft Ord, we were again represented by **Roy & Mary Ann Herte**.

Distinguished Lecture Series. LTC **Jeff McNally**, exec secy for WPDLS, rep the enthusiastic reception of an address by **David P Billington**, Prof of Civil Engring at Princeton entitled "The New Art of Structural Engring." The audience incl approx 800 cadets and mbrs of the WP staff and faculty.

REGIONAL SPOTLITE: Far West and Pac—AK, ID, MN, OR, WA, WY: Rep—**Dan Sharp**; CA, HI, Pac: Rep—**Roy Herte**. **Dan** rep **Marilyn & he** shelved their plans to attend 40th due to the arrival in Boise of their previously unseen grandson w/son **Tim**, his wife, along w/the **Sharps'** other grandchild; in addition, son **Pat** from Albuquerque also joined the **Sharp** reunion. **Dan** also rep **Nub & Carolyn Reed** were gloomy over the inconsistent and lack of skiable snow in the NW. Both enjoy skiing while golf carts and clubs undergo annual maintenance. **Nub** is Spokane's dir of Engring while **Carolyn** teaches at Eastern WA U, runs her software consulting office and assists in the start-up of a pilot prog to provide increased educational opportunities for children of the homeless. While **John Croan** represented OR and the Great NW at the 40th, **Tom & Marjorie Foster** had a son's marriage to attend; a second son, **Tom IV**, now wearing gold leaves, joined them from Ft Benning. **Tom** continues as liaison off for the WP Admissions Off; he approached this spring's circuit of sch visits most curious about what effect events in the Gulf might have on student and/or counselor interest in the academies. In Wash due to cataract surgery, **John Hemphill** had to curtail his treatise, which covers the contribu-



1951: Our Orange County entourage: the **Bangerters, Depews, the Sully Johnsons, Paula Sherman, Esther Malmgren, Sherman and Malmgren**

tions WP grads have made to that state's first 100 yrs of statehood. So happy was John with the outcome of the surgery at Madigan AH, that the dr, who is a grad, may find himself another chapter in John's book. From ID Falls **Dick Schwarz** writes of a very unsuccessful bear hunt in ID's Salmon River Wilderness area. As a bit-sweet reward, Dick later bagged a much-sought-after mtn goat but had to retrieve it from the 9000-ft level in the Teton Mtns. Absent from the note was the disposition of the meat. Rumor has it that if **Margaret** made the decision, the goat will remain in cold storage until Dick delivers it to the next wild game banquet. Also, recently **Margaret** was honored by the local Civitans as "Citizen of the Yr" for her longtime work w/the Girl Scouts and her efforts to establish and operate a local food bank.



1951: They enjoyed their visit to Japan too! Roy & Mary Ann Herte

Roy Herte rep the CA report has expanded in size both due to an enthusiastic response from the "CA Gang" and the incorporation of classmates from HI being included in his sphere of interest. Speaking of the latter, **Jim Hackleman** still rep "for the isls." After 40 yrs in the news bus, Jim is down to "only" one full-time job, that being the ed/writer for Hill & Knowlton, a public relations firm. His daughter Suzy, married to a Navy man, has two children; son John, a respiratory therapist in CA, adds 3 additional grandchildren for Hack. **Dan Meyers**, who also lives nearby in HI, sends his regards to all and a negative "Sit Rep." **Bill & Shay Quinn**, who left HI in the very capable hands of **Kintz**, as well as **Hackleman** and **Meyers**, are located in Montgomery, AL where two of their children are stationed at Maxwell AFB.

In Laguna Hills, CA **Bill & Betty Depew** are busy enjoying the Southern CA lifestyle. While he stays busy as business mgr of the Anaheim sch district, she is much committed to volunteer

work w/the local hosp and women's club. The **Depews** have 5 grandchildren. '51's "thespian," **Bob Macklin**, continues to "trot the boards," w/over 1100 performances to his credit. He hopes to take one or more of his productions to Great Britain in 92. **Kathy McCrum** journeyed westward from NY recently and was a houseguest w/the **Macklins**. **Pat Lynch** has begun a new career, this time in real estate. **Lois** is once again a sch nurse, now w/the Coachella Valley sch system. Their children are doing fine: Shannon has graduated from USC w/a degree in physical therapy; Patrick is studying chem engring at UC-Santa Barbara and Erin is dir of comm for the Fed Mgrs Assn. **Greg Stone**, ex-'51 and a ret banker in the L.A. area, sees quite a bit of both **Norm Jorstadt** and **John Hinton**. In Natl City,

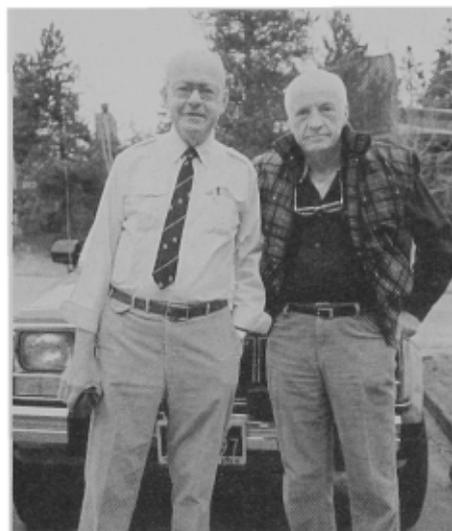


1951: Ed Zuver with children

CA **Ed Zuver** is working to obtain teaching credentials toward the goal of instructing at the HS/jr col level. He also writes sci fiction novels and looks forward to the future and that one big "best seller." In Aug 90 **John Glossbrenner** ret for the second time w/the intent to move N to WA, **Carol's** home state. However, plans changed when eldest son, a Marine, deployed to Saudi Arabia; they decided to remain in CA until normalcy returned—so John once again rejoined Bechtel and the ranks of the employed. Incidentally, in late Mar, John rep to **Sully Johnson** that his son was expected to return shortly. Sully, who plans to ret from Northrop late in Jun, stated that he & **Jamie** shared a table in Mar w/**Gerry & Fran Dingman** at their annual dinner dance with the Order of Daedalians in L.A. From Palo Alto **Bill Vandenberg** rep that he & **Betty** are deeply involved in a major home rebuilding project. Apparently at this time Betty is not quite as enthusiastic about the project as is Bill. Her rumored comment: "of course it makes sense. Now that all the kids have left the nest, we need the extra space." Bill calculated the work would not be completed by Milestone 1 (Apr Fool's Day), but is now confident it can be done by Milestone 2 (Halloween). **Alice Stockdale** rep from Clayton, CA that **Bill** continues with Kaiser Engring in Oak-

land. Their youngest daughter, now a 2LT, USAF, is stationed in CO Springs where **Don & Elaine McGann** have taken Theresa under their protective wing. **Roy** rep the **Stockdales** also have two other children in "Sam's svc": **Bill**, a CPT in the Army and **Mary Alice**, CPT, USAF. To date the 7 **Stockdale** children have produced 7 granddaughters and one grandson.

Now fully ret in Woodland Hills, CA ex-'51 **Gerald Boruski** spends his free time at his cabin in MN doing much very serious fishing. The "gray fox," aka **Bob Simpson**, is taking his traveling seriously—he has crossed the US twice in the past yr, once by BMW and the second time by jeep. Along the way, **Bob &**



1951: Would you really buy a used car from either of these guys? Nance and Simpson

Denyse visited **T Nance** in CO, **Ab Webber** in New Orleans and the **Sel Grahams** and **Bruce Robertsons** in Austin. **Milt & Elfriede Bangerter** are also busy with their travels, plus his studies. At present, he is researching the history of the ancient Celts. **Adam Gorski** ret from Procter & Gamble and is enjoying the good life in Atascadero, CA, where his two daughters and 8 granddaughters also live. Obviously, the **Gorskis** do their share of babysitting. **Frank Winfield's** two sons are Navy pilots who took part in recent Persian Gulf actions. Also, daughter **Elizabeth** is in med sch on an Army scholarship; a married daughter in Richmond and a son in AK round out the **Winfield** team. **Frank & Ann** stay busy with their flooring bus, civic interests and church activities.

In Feb while in DC, **Jack Craigie** sat w/his old roommate **Gorman Smith** at the DC Soc luncheon at the Ft Myer O Club. Jack remains in contact w/**Buzz Aldrin** on a prof basis re "space exploration" and also works w/**Buzz's** son **Andy** at the Rand Corp. Jack professes to be "slowing down," as he is only swimming 1/2 mi a day instead of his usual mi. As **Herte**



1951: Frank & Ann Winfield

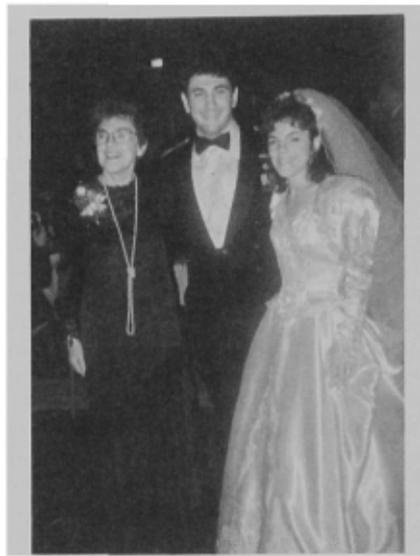
says, the rest of us should be so "out of shape." From San Carlos, CA **Bob Chapman** rep he has been working for the US Postal Svc as gen mgr of its Real Estate Div in the 11 western states, plus the Trust Territories. It includes over 5400 facilities, of which the largest 600 are owned and the remainder leased. Says the work is fascinating and includes much negotiating, contracting and travel. **Mary Ann** teaches elementary sch and is an avid traveler. Both enjoy cross-country skiing, the symphonies, and staying in touch w/their 6 children and 7 grandchildren. On 28 Feb, **Roy Herte**



1951: The Chapmans do enjoy life

hung up his "city mgr suit" and ret. But the last "perk" of office for **Roy & Mary Ann** was a visit to Salinas' sister city in Japan, Kushikino. The bad news: Roy's ego was deflated—the "bar girls" in Tokyo no longer remembered him; the good news—the police didn't remember him either!!! Since ret Roy has trouble trying to find where his time goes. According to Roy: "as a wise man once said (must have been **Des O'Keefe**) happiness is a full schedule."

Short Bits: **Dolores Bohan** has had another great yr: her exciting career in education continues; has had significant recognition and stature as an author; and had an elegant Feb wedding for youngest daughter—all a wonderful tribute to a tremendous person. During a recent trip to S Amer **Bruce Elmblad** talked at length w/ **Mike Mallea-Gill**, who had just ret from the Argentine Army. Now pres of an ins co in Buenos Aires, Mike remains content, cheerful and optimistic concerning the future. With the latest



1951: Dolores with lovely Michele & groom at Feb wedding

move from St Pete to Clearwater, the **Bill Bradleys** are now down to two homes (the other is near Asheville, NC); **Dell** says this move will last for a long time. Despite the overwhelming fatigue caused by watching the efforts of painters, paper hangers and decorators, they, along w/the **Volks**, acquired enough energy to attend the recent marriage of **Des & Ann O'Keefe's** son David. On 31 Mar



1951: All enjoyed the O'Keefe hospitality: the Volks, O'Keefes and Bill Bradleys



1951: With '51's party people!! Fred & Jean Rockwell and Pat & George Gardes

George Gardes ret for the second time—this time from the Nuc Reg Agency. He intends to stay in the DC area, at least initially. **Elmer Pendleton** says **Geo & Pat** have no need for any outside inter-

ests—they can stay busy just counting **George's** money. **Ted Atkeson's** article in *Army* magazine, "Iraq's Arsenal: Tool of Ambition," was very well received by numerous classmates and recommended for ref to all by '70's scribe—a nice tribute to Ted.

Since this is my last col as scribe I want to thank all of '51 for the exceptional support, tolerance, understanding and patience given to me throughout the yrs. As **Jean** says, "it has been great." '51 is particularly fortunate to have **Joe Rogers** as scribe for 91 and beyond!!

'52

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Quite a no of us attended final svcs for **John Hill** at Arlington on 1 Apr. **Ann**, their sons **John** and **Mike**, and several other family mbrs were there. **Jim Tow** came up with the family from Duncanville, TX to deliver the eulogy. He recalled a number of instances in which John's uninhibited imagination lightened the atmosphere at WP—and elsewhere throughout the yrs. John had been mgr of Intl Ops for LTV Aerospace since 85.

The Wash crowd got together in Mar for a brunch at the Bethesda Navy Club. I had an opportunity to speak with **Maxine Gilkey** and learned that her son **Steve** is with Mil Sealift Cmd and got to the Middle East. Also, she and **Nancy Roper** took a bus tour of Eastern Europe last Jun, hitting all the capitals and admiring all the sights. **Don & Pat Pafford** were present, so we talked about golf. And the **Deverills** were pleased to announce that their son **Dirk** (USNA '76) will attend the Army War Col. He is a LCDR and will be frocked for the tour. Others present: **Claybrook**, the **Clines**, **Colemans**, **Kenneys**, **Larkins**, **Lowders**, **McKnights**, **Moores**, **Parkses**, and **Perritts**, **Raiford**, **Charlie & Jane Sell**, and the **Yourees**.



1952: Founders Day at Lax Marriott, 7 Apr: Carrie & King Coffman, Wally & Maida Hastings, Preston & Nancy Maddocks and Denis Mullane

The 4th Ski Reunion was great fun, this time in Park City, UT. It was staged

during the period 2-9 Mar at the Snow Flower condo. From there a convenient lift took the skiers to the top of a small mtn and turned them loose to ski down to the main complex. They had two days of "champagne powder" there, then two more at nearby Deer Valley, followed by a day ea at Alta and Snowbird. A good no turned out for the trip, with **Cole** as OIC. Present for the entire wk were **Paul & Pat Brown, Tom & Dottie Cole, Mal & Carol Craig, Dan & Pat Derbes, Larry & Barbara Putnam, Bill & LuAnn Sadler, Don Sells, and Dick Weyhrich. Jim & Evelyn Lee** came out from Salt Lake City for the evening 7 Mar. The daily routine provided for trail and slope skiing, lunch on the run and a full evening of après ski. All agreed to go again next yr, but at Aspen, CO, with Larry Putnam making arrangements. All interested parties should contact him at 1057 Waverly Way, McLean, VA 22101 or call 703-790-5043.



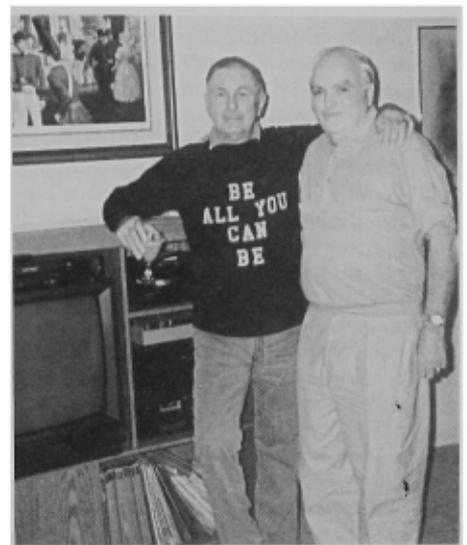
1952: Ski reunion: Weyhrich, the Coles and Sullivans

to be supportive of **John & Ann Hill** this last yr.

From FL, **Bob Haras** sent a photo taken with **Marty Celec** recently. Marty went down from Phila to look at his 4 acres on Pine Isl, near Sarasota, and to call on **Bill Ritter** (no details) and visit Bob for a few days. They recalled handball trips to NYC and planned to go fishing. Marty operates his own polling bus in Phila.

Bob spent the wk before Easter visiting in NY with his sons Bob and Stu. Stu & Melissa have 3 children. The youngest, Shelby Ann, was being readied for christening and provided the focus of the trip. They all live in the Newburgh-Poughkeepsie area, as does grandmother DeSales (Dee, as we know her), who was present for a family photo.

Bob called on the **Brismans** (just bought a condo on the FL East Coast) and chatted with **Judy Child** (**Paul** was here in Wash setting up a daughter's wedding.) Bob rep his new knee is holding up well, both on the tennis court and the golf course, and that he may visit



1952: Haras and Celec at happy hour

Norb Szymczyk at Norb's Spanish retreat this spring.

In corresponding with **Steve Nichols** about plans for this summer in New England, he mentioned he had provided continuing commentary for a local TV station during the course of the Gulf War. His efforts were appreciated, the more so because, as a perceptive local citizen assured him, he had not been guilty of second-guessing the cmdr of CENTCOM.

Bill Harrison has written a most welcome ltr from Huntsville, AL, where he has just recently settled. After 10 yrs with Hughes Aircraft in CA, he took a job with Booz, Allen & Hamilton in Huntsville. He & **Shirley** are happy to be back in the Southeast. Their daughter Denise remains in CA and son Dale is in grad sch at the U of TN in Knoxville. Bill has



1952: '52 ski reunion at Park City, UT, Mar 91: Brown, Mal Craig, Sells, Weyhrich, Derbes, Sullivan and Cole



1952: Ski reunion: the Coles flanked by the Browns

Dave Lyon wrote to ask for addresses to help him and others in I-2 compose an overdue obituary for **Bob Hatton**. (I was able to help, as I now have all known addresses.) He rep that he & **Mariann, John & Marianne Brewer, Jim Day, Jack & Mona Driskill, Joe & Irmgard Clement, and Jim & Pam Spell** attended the No TX Founders Day function in Dallas on 15 Mar. Not able to attend were **Jim Gerhardt, Gil & Gloria Scott, Bob & Mary Lou Truax, and Jim & Barbara Tow**. All live in that area and were able



1952: The Griffin-Flikeid wedding party, 9 Mar 91, at St Anthony's, Falls Church, VA

an interest in fishing for TN River bass, and hopes classmates will stop by to join him.

Wuzzy Scaman keeps up his interest in sports, noting that **Jim McInerney's** son Jake led the U of VA in kicking last fall. Wuzzy has recently heard from **Tip-ton** and **Richardson**, and hopes to see all of us at the 40th.

Metz Seebach is making a good recovery from an oper to relieve pressure on his brain. A shunt was inserted to provide continuous drainage, and it has eased his pain. His aluminum hip (last winter) continues to work well.

Art Erickson came down here from Salem, NY in Apr to see his new granddaughter, presented by daughter **Tenley**, a USAF off assigned to DIA. His younger daughter, **Marleigh**, is to graduate this May from the Uniformed Services Univ of the Health Sciences in nearby Bethesda.

Al & Cathy Griffin's only daughter, **Karen**, was married to **Robert Flikeid**, son of **Cmdr & Mrs Jack Flikeid (USNA '59)** on 9 Mar in Falls Church, VA. **Cathy's** brother, **John Scoblick '53**, escorted the bride. Pictured with the bride & groom are the **Larkins, Wileses** and **Yourees** (to the left); **Cathy and John** and the **Deverills** (center); then **Bill Moore**, the **Malones**, and **John & Diane Roosma**; and on the extreme right, **COL & Mrs Tracy B Harrington '38**.

Finally, here is a reminder that we will elect a CI pres at the 40th reunion. Our CI constitution requires this action every 10 yrs and spells out the procedures: in essence, developing a slate of 3 candidates, with election decided by a plurality of votes cast. An official mailing will be sent to ea CI mbr at a later date.

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Class, we've let one another down! I have not been able to flush out any newsworthy info—and not one of you has sent anything.

It is worth rep that our CI secy, **Whitey Miller**, has been working very hard to correct our CI roster. As you may or may not know, that is a very tough job. He will be issuing the roster of DC area classmates first. Still in the planning stages is a mailing to the CI. It will probably include the new roster and several other items. Nothing is definite at the time this is being written.

I hope we do better in the future. I will try; how about some help?

'54

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In Feb, Pres **Larry Skibbie** convened a 40th Reunion mtg at his American Def Prep Assn off in Arlington. Present were Reunion Chm **Jim Williams**, Gift Chm **Jack Miller**, Fin Chm **Doug Stuart** and Prog Chm **Jim Obendorfer**. Please indicate your preferences on the questionnaire you received and return it soon. No negative replies, pls. When sending contributions for the CI Gift, clearly specify that in your ltr and make the check payable to CI '54 Gift Fund. Otherwise the money might be spent foolishly.

A plan is underway to dedicate a med facility at USMA to **MG Lew Mologne**. The CI may be asked to defray certain expenses.

Never seem to know where **Fletch & Barbara Ware** are, for they are ensconced in **The Landings on Skidaway Isl** (w/6 golf courses) near Savannah, GA. They are close enough to daughter **Dianne** and the **Wares'** two grandsons in Macon. In his consulting travels, **Fletch** dined w/**Bob & Carol Reed** and **Leo Hobbs** near Denver. **Bob** and his son brew ginger beer and ship it nationally (no, not in Mason jars). **Fletch** also dined w/**Al & Sharon Milder** in L.A., where **Al** is a busy lawyer. **Wares** traveled to Hong Kong, China and Thailand where **Fletch** underwent the new Far Eastern torture, back here called golf, losing his sampan and chopsticks, respectively, to Gen

Pete Kullavanijaya '58, Royal Thai Armed Forces Dep Sup Cmdr, and his aide, **COL Boonsrang Niumpradit '71**.

Founders Day was celebrated by the DC Soc on 16 Mar at the **Mark Radisson Hotel** in Alexandria. Present were **Bob Adams**, **Bruce & Lee Bidwell**, **Bill Epling**, **Skip & Sue Forman**, **Frank & Betty Hart**, **Ken Sipes**, **Doug Stuart**, **Dan & Judy Tobin**, and **Jim & Bobbie Williams**. USMA Com **BG Bramlett** was the main speaker.



1954: **George & Jean Stenehjerm**, **Barbara Leone**, **Helen Button** and guest **Brenda Schwarzkopf** at FL West Coast Founders Day celebration

Ron & Helen Button in Tampa rep that the FL W Coast WP Soc also observed the occasion with its usual jollity. Other players: the **Booses**, **Kleins**, **Leones**, **McKenneys**, **Stenehjem**s and **Suppicich**s. This yr's event was honored by the presence of **Brenda Schwarzkopf**, whose husband (CI of '56) was otherwise deployed. During the ensuing dancing,



1954: FL West Coast Founders Day gp: (back row) **Bill McKenney**, **Pete Leone**, **Bill Klein**, **Ron Button**, **Vince Suppicich**, **Bud Boose** and **George Stenehjerm**; (ctr) **Mrs McKenney**, **Barbara Suppicich** and **Nancy Boose**; (front) **Barbara Leone**, **Helen Button**, **Lindsey Klein** and **Jean Stenehjerm**

some couples were politely requested to leave the floor and wait for the band to begin playing. This probably was not related to the arrival of the MPs shortly thereafter. *Nolo contendere*, i.e., I am not a crook.

Ed & Vinnie Aguanno joined with **Leif & Maureen Erickson** to arrange and host a social/buffet on 13 Apr at Bolling AFB OOM. Over 20 couples attended what is becoming a food fest. **Jack Miller** addressed the gp on reunion plans. **Jim & Bev Zerkel** attended from Joplin, MO. Y'all come in Oct, heah?

Thanks for communicating. If you ever need help, dial 911.

'55

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I must begin this offering with particularly sad news to me; our classmate, my long and dear friend, **Charlie Flynn**, passed away on 7 Apr in the VA Hosp in Prescott, AZ, after a yr-long struggle with cancer. Our hearts, prayers and deepest sympathies go out to **Rita** and the 3 children, Tracey, Jonathan and Mary Ann, whose loss is so great. The first classmate I met on entering day at USMA back on that hot Jul day in 51 was **Charlie Flynn**, who was to be my roommate during Beast Bks and bn-mate throughout our yrs as cadets. The friendly hand and warm smile that greeted me as I plopped down my duffle bag in that first of many cadet bks rooms were from **Charlie**, and they were there whenever I needed them for as long as he lived. I'm sure there are many of us that shared that same friendship over the yrs. How valu-

able, how meaningful, how potent. **Charlie** was a proven scholar, an accomplished pilot and AF off, a combat vet in SEA, a cmdr and ldr of admiring airmen. In ret, he returned to the flying he loved so much as a teacher at Embry-Riddle Univ in AZ, where he worked until he fell ill. Characteristic of the strong man that he was, he kept his illness from all except those closest to him. **Charlie** was interred on a lovely hillside overlooking the vastness of the west he had come to love. Yet another of our beloved classmates has gone to final muster; sleep peacefully, dear friend; Well Done.

In the aftermath of our 35th, I have gotten some interesting mail: first among the ltrs was a resounding protestation that our classmates from E-1 had, in fact, equalled the attendance of F-2 at the reunion. As the snap below attests, the Easy-One contingent did in fact come to proper scratch as attendees. My congratulations to a very active and rep gp of reunion gatherers; aside from that, it's a damn fine looking gp too!

As I compile this col, I know that **Jack & Marlowe Viney** have hosted a W Coast "Beat the Gloom" reunion party in their new home in Corona, CA on 13 Apr. By the time I get news of that gathering, it will have cooled in some memories, but I know that it represents yet another effort to keep our CI coming together in reunion kinds of gatherings. In that vein, I know that **Rich Cardillo** is doing some preliminary groundwork to look into the possibility of a 93 mini-get-together in the wonderful high country of CO. Those plans are still gelling, but the idea has distinct merit. Watch these spaces for further news. Collaterally, **Norm Blahuta** has agreed to take on the task of

researching the possibilities of mirroring a really outstanding exp the CI of '49 had at their 40th Reunion, in which they chartered a cruise ship from NY to sail to Bermuda for 2-3 days, then return to NY, sail up the Hudson, dock at So Pier, and serve as the housing base for the CI activities during reunion. The possibilities exist to buy into either the whole cruise, the NY to WP portion, to stay on the ship at USMA only or none of the above. What I can say is that the '49'ers thoroughly enjoyed themselves on this venture, but what Norm and the others who are associated with the planning that far out are concerned with *at this time* is the degree to which there is interest in this idea. Happily, we now have a convenient poll-taking organ to measure your interest! If you give the idea of the cruise ship some thought and decide that it is worth further pursuing, give me a call at our newly installed TOLL FREE NO, 1-800-521-9680, and tell me that you're interested. After about 4 mos, we'll tabulate your responses and see whether to continue planning in this direction for the 40th.

Had a nice note from our new VP, **Rod Vitty**, who advised that his dad, **Clarence L Vitty**, CI of '20 from Norwich Univ, has recently been inducted into the Hall of Fame at that sch. Congrats, Rod; surely you're extremely proud of your father.

Yet another quick note came from **Jill & Bob Wiegand**, who announced that they had shared an outstanding ski vacation in the ski vistas of CO with **Todd & Sue Graham**, who have recently settled in CO. Bob & Jill are planning to locate in No GA, and Bob will be doing consulting with the GD Svc Corp.



1955: The hordes from E-1 at reunion



1955: The Grahams and Wiegands in God's country

Jack McCloskey, writing from down among the Good Ole' Boys in Fayetteville, NC, brings news of a no of classmates in that area. Because DESERT STORM had, among its toll at Ft Bragg, the cancellation of the Founders Day dinner, the '55'ers took things into their own hands and staged a mini-Founders Day function. Among those attending were **Don & Joyce Reid**, **Pembo & Marty Pemberton**, **Dan & Henry Moses** and **Jack & Judy McCloskey**. That's enough

to make a proper reunion! They assembled at an appropriate site and celebrated the Academy's anniv in proper fashion. Don Reid provided remarks as the oldest grad—and he's that!—and Dan Moses as the youngest—he's hardly that! Pembo is an exec with Burns Security; Moses is a strong arm of the local H&R Block; and Don does church and Kiwanis work. Jack is still the mobilization planner at Ft Bragg, and with the lessons of DESERT STORM, has plenty of update work to do. Sincerely appreciate the very kind update from our NC brothers.

Carl & Jo McNair, who in ret are busy with Carl's new position with Dyncorp, sent along the news and snaps from the most recent Wash DC area Founders Day function. Those who attended this yr's black tie function were **Carl & Marcia Cathey**, **Dick & Sandy Wargowski**, **Bob & Linda Newton**, **Bud & Dotty Goldstein**, and **Ed Nidever** and his lovely companion, **Pat**. This is the first yr that the event has been combined here in DC, and it seems as though this will prove to be more useful than two separate events as in the past.

I must admit to something: try as I will, I sometimes mix up the identification of those who appear in the snapshots that I receive from you all to herald our activities. I think I did this in some of the snaps from the 35th. **Dave Pettet**, in a neat little note to me regarding the article just after the reunion, insists that I have incorrectly identified the folks in the nearby shapshot. If you know who you are, and you're in this photo, how about giving me a call or dropping a card. Never too old to learn. In a very nice note from a fellow scribe from '49, I



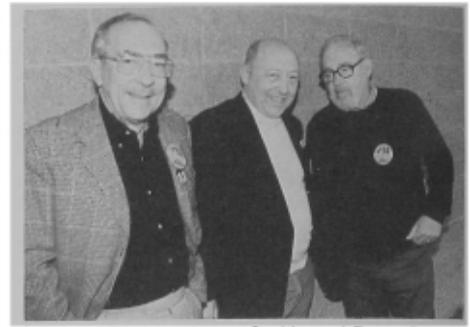
1955: Wargowski and mes dames McNair, Wargowski and Cathey at DC Founders Day



1955: Phil Bouchard at Dayton Founders Day

received a snap of **Phil Bouchard**, addressing the Founders Day function at the Engrs Club of Dayton this yr.

On 12 Apr, the DC group of '55'ers staged a luncheon at the Ft Myer's OOM to set the get-together tone for this yr. Seventeen of the local contingent gathered to discuss upcoming events and to enjoy the remarks of our new CI Prexy, Gov **Don Hilbert**, who outlined the remainder of our social yr here in the DC



1955: LaFrenz, Wayne Smith and Dave Pettet

area, and asked for thoughts and inputs on events planned as mini-reunions and ideas for the 40th. Those in attendance incl **Dick & Greta Masson**, **Bob & Pat Strati**, **Carl Cathey**, **Tom Herren**, **Dick Baker**, **Tom West**, **Ray Gunderson**, **Bob Newton**, **John Sloan**, **Day Troyan**, **Norm Blahuta**, **Ed Nidever**, **Ed Anderson**, **Dan Malone**, **Bob Carpenter**, **Dave Gilpatrick** and **Vicki & me**. Interesting point to this luncheon was that the CI of '35 was having a similar bash in the rm next to us, so if we wanted to check out what we would be looking like 20 yrs from now at such functions, we just walked next door. Amazing thing is that their affair was *packed!*

So much for now; as I alluded to above, if you have any photos of the 35th you haven't shared with me yet, I implore you to do so. Most important of all, if you've got some CI news, call the TOLL FREE NO: 1-800-521-9680, and lay it on me. As a final note, aren't we all proud of how our young troopers and airmen came through in DESERT STORM? As the trainers and mentors of many of those great warriors, we can take a special pride in the early-on contributions we made. Until later, take care.

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'56

Again, this col starts out with a sad report: **Vicki S Tripp**, wife of **Dick Tripp**, passed away on 28 Mar in St Augustine, FL. Representing the CI at svcs at the Trinity Episcopal Church were **Lynell & I** and **Les & Attilia Weinstein**, who drove up from their home in Orlando, FL. Our sincere condolences go out to Dick and their 3 daughters, Susan, Nancy and Amy. My thanks to **Wally Crain**, who called and advised me of the details of Vicki's funeral. Wally is presently in Clarksville, TN, teaching econ at Austin-Peay State U. Wally is also considering employment overseas. Anyone who has a good lead, call Wally at (615) 645-8972.

Stan Meador writes that he & **Caryl** will be attending our 35th in Sep. They are presently residing in Golden, CO after 25 yrs as a cpt with United Airlines



1955: DC Founders Day: Nidever and Pat, the Newtons, Wargowskis, McNairs, Catheys and Goldsteins

(concurrent with 20 yrs in the USAF Res) and 10 yrs active. Stan states they are looking forward to reforging their ties to the Acad and the CI.



1956: Founders Day dinner at Ft Monroe, VA: (back row) John Foss, Ed Richards; (front row) Dick Mackin, JJ Waldeck, Harry Crandall and Maury Cralle

Maury Cralle forwarded a pic of the '56'ers at the Ft Monroe 91 Founders Day dinner hosted by John Foss, TRADOC CG. A very moving invocation was given by Harry Crandall. Maury drove down from DC to attend with brother-in-law Ed Richards and his dad, Maury Sr '28, who was the oldest grad. Keith & Kay Barlow attended Founders Day in Columbia, SC, along with Charlie & Patsy Bagnal and Bill & Lynne Linder. The table was bedecked with memorabilia of "Stormin Norman." Keith recounts that when he was an advisor in 66 with the Vietnamese Abn Bde, his counterpart, COL Hung, said to him in French of Norm, "Il est tres formidable!" (Call Keith collect for a translation!). Keith is presently teaching Shakespeare at Coker Col and restoring an historic 1820 vintage bldg. Kay has her own private psychotherapy practice. Charlie Bagnal is a prominent Columbia, SC realtor, and Bill Linder is the Richland County treas. Lynell & I celebrated Founders Day in Jacksonville, FL, along with Jerry & Virginia Raymond (and Virginia's son, Michael) and Carlton & Jill Coulter. Virginia's daughter, Rachael Mayo, is presently a mbr of the Class of '94. Jerry is an atty with the Public Defender's Off in Palatka, FL, and Carlton is a full prof with the U of FL in Gainesville.

Fred & Cindy Rall and Fred Dent celebrated Founders Day at Eglin AFB, FL. Fred and I share a unique common bond in that we were "ranger buddies" in 57 at the Benning Sch for Boys. Fred & Cindy are living in Ft Walton Beach in their rebuilt waterfront home which his folks bought way back in 50.

Stan & Connie Diez's very delightful ltr finds Stan on the rd from Roanoke, VA to DC quite often for both his consulting bus and socializing. They attended Bob & Ginny Sorley's Groundhog Day party in early Feb. Also in attendance were



1956: Founders Day 91, Eglin AFB, FL: Fred Dent and Cindy & Fred Rall (he's the short one)

many other notables, to include the Le Hardys, DeFrances, McGinns, Rick Browns, Canbys, Ernsts, Dowells, Quackenbushes, Blunts, Nancy Cody (Bill was AWOL), the Munseys, Withers, Zimmermans and Gus Johnson. The main course was Buzzard's Breath Chile, as only Bob Sorley can prepare it. The Diez family finds son Eric & Susan moving from Austin, TX to Atl, where Eric is a software engr. Daughter Lesa & Phil have two sons and live nearby. Stan can hardly wait for his two "golf buddies" to grow up.



1956: 34th Reunion at USAFA: Nick Mayrotheris, Ray Cannon and Charlie Hamm

Greg & Shirley Wold's annual A-1 ltr was chock full of info. Joe Carroway is teaching hist at a local col in Greenville, SC, and his daughter, Caroline, presented him with his first grandchild in Aug 90. Son Stewart is attending law sch in Ger. Bob & Carolyn Nicholson live on 5 acres of land only 15 (non-rush-hr) mins from the Capitol. (Believe it or not!) They have two granddaughters, with #3 on the way. Young Bob is still a test pilot and recently married. Dave & Gail Muntz have opened an off in Augusta, GA for Eder Associates Consulting Engrs. That asgmt put them very close to daughter Carla & MAJ Kevin Bergner, who is assigned to Ft Stewart. Butch Harbold continues to have fun stunt flying at wkend airshows. Butch's youngest is now 6 yrs, and he is blessed with 4 grandchildren—16-mo-old quadruplets. As Greg Wold so eloquently states, "Butch should be thankful that he

is the 'grandfather' and not the 'father.'" Ivar & Ellie Rundgren are building a new home in NC—about 3 mi so of Cape Hatteras. Leroy & Carole Suddath are on the Isle of Hope in Savannah, where Leroy has been both consulting and selling real estate.

Ward & Judy Le Hardy continue their preparation for their 4-yr around-the-world odyssey on their sailboat. In my last ASSEMBLY I promised to give you their schedule so you can make your plans to "crew" with them. They will depart WP at noon on 22 Sep, after a gala champagne bon-voyage party; Norfolk (12 Oct); Charleston and Savannah (mid-Nov); Bahama Isls (end of Dec 91). 1992: Puerto Rico and the Virgin Isl (Jan and Feb); through the Panama Canal (end of Mar); stops in Galapagos, Tahiti, Samoa, Fiji, Guadalcanal, with arrival at Darwin, Australia by Christmas 92. 1993: Bali, Singapore, Sri Lanka, India and up the Red Sea to Cairo by yr's end. 1994: in the Mediterranean (Jan to Oct), Cape Verde Isls to Barbados (Dec). 1995: in the Caribbean (Jan-May), then sailing the Gulf Stream to the finish line in Annapolis (Sep 95). As Ward states, "if you want to join us for parts of this great adventure, please let us know early. We do need a few able-bodied sailors." I will keep everyone posted as to Ward & Judy's whereabouts by update in this col titled *Le Hardys' Log*.

I believe all of you share with me the pride and admiration for all of our Armed Forces for their outstanding performance during Oper Desert Storm. It was truly a magnificent and classical mil oper. No matter how you look at the events of that 100-hr land battle and accompanying air battle, the "bear's share" of the credit has to go to Norm Schwarzkopf. Lest someone may think that we are being too parochial in making this statement, I can only suggest that they read the hundreds of press articles from all over the world attesting to the cmdr's influence on the successful conduct of the oper. The very low casualty rates in a battle of this proportion certainly place our own "H Norman" in a very special place of honor in the annals of mil hist. Norm, we are all very proud of you! See you in Sep at our 35th where you can tell "war stories" until reveille.

The mail also brought two articles written by Rick Brown and Perry Smith and forwarded to me by Don Frazer, CI scribe of '70. Rick's article was in the Feb 91 issue of *Military Review*, titled "The Other Side of the Coin." The article examines the future of the US Army's Air Land Battle Doctrine and Tactics, and is very informative and interesting (WGR material). Perry's article was in the 21 Jan 91 issue of *Army Times*, titled "Leading In Combat." Ward Le Hardy has also written several great cols for *The*

Free Lance Star newspaper in Fredricksburg, VA.



1956: 34th Reunion at USAFA: Anne Verfurth, Bill McPeck (in back), Pete Verfurth and George Stapleton

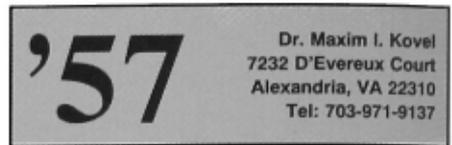
As for the Stapletons, Lynell & I, her daughter Teri and fiancée Tom Parr, recently returned from WP where we stayed with Dave & Lu Palmer. All the formal arrangements are now in place for Teri's May wedding/reception at the WP Mess. While there I saw John Snodgrass, who is working with the AOG. Speaking of the AOG, ASSEMBLY has a "Ltrs to the Ed" col. If you have questions or comments on our alma mater, pick up pen and paper and communicate!

Last but not least is an update on our 35th Reunion. The comm, composed of Farrell & Nancy Patrick, Gerry & Barbey Richardson, Dave & Lu Palmer, John & Betsey Snodgrass, Jim & Joyce Anderson, Jack & Nancy Conklin, Ed & Marianne Burhans and Doc & Peggy Bahnsen, continues to coordinate a superb prog. Farrell, CINC Reunion, passes along these notes: please send in your paperwork as soon as you can. If you

have a specific unique need, advise Farrell so he can begin working on it. His second title is "Mr Flexible." For example, if you want to play golf, participate in a Volksmarch, or start a "Beat Navy" rally, Farrell states all you have to do is advise him. He's already got it covered! Don't delay in sending in your hotel reservations. The CI has only a block of 250 rms available at the Marriott, with overflow to be housed approx 30 mi away. There is still a requirement for either corporate or personal contributions to help defray unexpected expenses, etc. Send this directly to Farrell. Gerry Richardson's plans for the NY trip on Thurs are very exciting. For this portion, contact Gerry directly if you have questions. If anyone wishes to volunteer to be a co rep to help Farrell contact every grad, call Farrell and so advise. It will insure that everyone has been contacted. Even in this day of hi-tech communication, there are still some classmates who have successfully evaded the info explosion.

While at WP in Apr, I received a very comprehensive update from Dave Palmer on a proposed CI project for our 40th Reunion. The centerpiece of the project will be a section of the Berlin Wall, which both Tom Griffin and John Shaud were instrumental in securing and shipping to WP at Dave's request. Since our CI hist and our own careers have paralleled the lifetime of the Wall, it appears appropriate that the CI of '56 consider this project as our gift to the Acad. At Dave's request, I reconnoitered the area by the Visitors Ctr/Museum where the wall will be the centerpiece of a display heralding the contribution of USMA to the nation in the 20th Century. I com-

mend this project to all; specific details will be provided at our CI luncheon on 20 Sep at the WP Army Mess. Best wishes to all from St Simons Isl—and also to you, Stan Wilker, wherever you may be. SEE YOU AT THE 35TH!!!



Happy Income Tax day. At least that's the date this was due. Like lots of filers, this is being written a little late. I have not received as many responses as I expected with respect to a reunion at CO Springs, but maybe that's because you didn't have the details. I just got a fax from Jack Murphy with some info and here it is. The important thing to remember is that this is not intended to replace the 35th. That will still take place next yr at WP and is being planned by the DC contingent in conjunction with our WP survivors. This is a reunion of opportunity, timed to coincide with the A/AF game and take advantage of the sponsorship that Don Kutyna can provide while he is CINC NORAD, etc. A skeleton comm of Tom Hicklin, Mal Duffek, Art Johnson and Jack met in CS to do some preliminary planning, and came up with the following prog. The reunion would start on 7 Nov, with registration and a buffet dinner. On 8 Nov we would have a tour of the AFA, Cheyenne Mtn (remember the movie *War Games*?) and a dinner at the Peterson AFB O Club. On 9 Nov we would have a CI memorial svc at the AFA Chapel, watch the P-rade, have brunch at the AFA O Club or a tailgater (you pick), watch A beat AFA, and then celebrate somewhere (Woodmoor CC party sponsored by Denver WPS or restaurant). The official part of the function would end on 10 Nov with a brunch, and you can go skiing or whatever. You might even go home. The next day is an official holiday. We would have some official support, courtesy of Don Kutyna. Sounds like a pretty solid plan. You need to contact Jack Murphy (303-226-5878) or Tom Hicklin (303-973-3441) to get more details and make your reservations. If you're reading this, please be sure to contact all our classmates in your area and pass on the info, since many of them do not (much to my regret) get the ASSEMBLY. On to the news.

Carl Vuono invited the CI to another gala affair in Mar. It started with a reception at the Ft Myer O Club, which was followed by the 69th Anniv Concert of the USA Band, "Pershing's Own," at the Kennedy Ctr. It was truly a magnificent evening, and I know that all of us who attended (and there were a lot of classmates, as well as most of the brass in DC) really enjoyed it. The band was simply great! For those of you who saw



1956: 35th Reunion Comm, hard at work in WP Army Mess

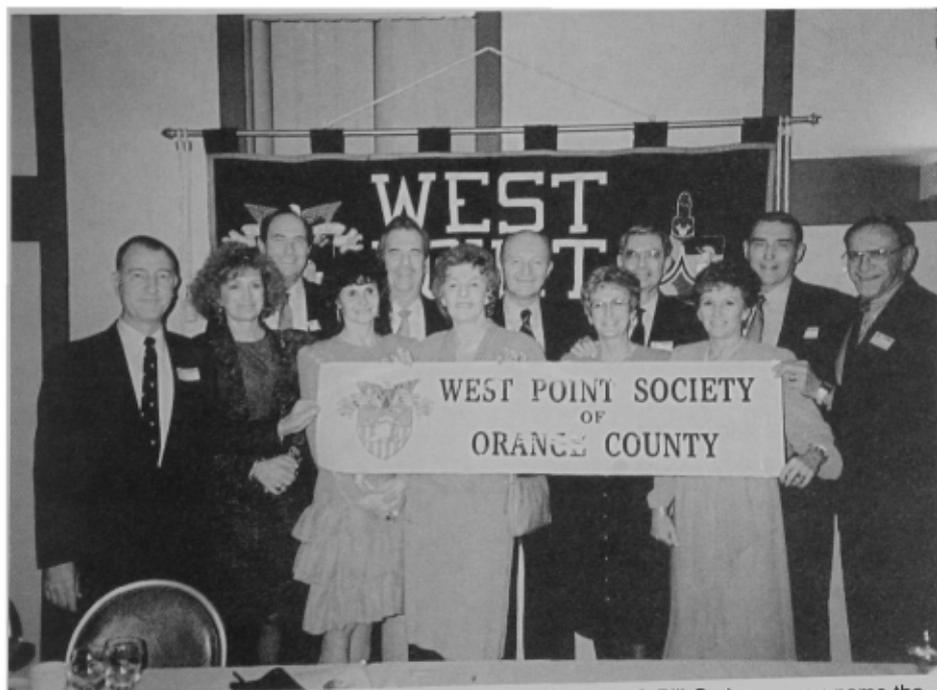
me there with that beautiful young lady, and didn't ask me who she was (I did get some interesting comments), she is my daughter Rebecca. **Bernice** was out of town. I should mention that several others, **Giles Harlow** and **Ralph Luther**, had their lovely daughters with them. There were probably more, but I didn't get to meet them. One interesting note. Each copy of the prog was adorned with a tiny yellow ribbon which had been attached by threading it through two holes punched in the cover. On behalf of the CI, thank you, Carl, for inviting us, and congratulations on the sterling performance of the Army forces in the Gulf. Their success certainly reflects the planning and training today's Army has been provided under your leadership.

Got a phone call and a short note from **Dave Beurket**, both with the same message. He & **Jeanne** are looking forward to CS in Nov. That was the first response I received. Got a ltr full of good info from **Margaret & Bill Cudmore**, with all the info from the Orange County WP Founders Day dinner. By coincidence, I also got a pic of the attendees from the AOG, and it's in the column. I've named the people on either end and in the middle. Now it's up to you to identify the rest from the info I'm about to relate. **Larrie & Jeff Amacker's** son, Carl, grad from USC. The Amackers live in Dana Point, CA (named after RH Dana, author of *Two Yrs Before The Mast*), and they invite all classmates visiting southern CA to visit them. **Dick Bone**, who looks quite distinguished in the pic, provided his usual long-winded quote, "all is well." **Jon Bokovoy** attended stag because Syd wasn't feeling well. Jon & Syd

were recently blessed with a second grandchild (first grandson), Thomas Jonathan. We have still another chapter in the continuing saga of "Bokovoy's Lost Reunion," which recounts his failure to org a local CI get-together for the last two yrs. He has persuaded the gp to give him another chance this yr. We'll learn how successful he is next yr. On the down side, Jon's German shorthaired pointer, Brandy, died after a distinguished mil and civ career, at the age of 14. Jon got Brandy while he was attending the AWC, and they hunted together during his tour in Japan. I guess that's one way to have a female hunting companion. Jon was just elected to the bd of dirs of the Orange County Chapter. **Tommy Thompson** was also on the ballot, but thought that only one mbr of any class could be elected and voted for Jon. I wonder if he also would have been elected if he had voted for himself. Should have voted for yourself, Tommy—every vote counts. **Janet** didn't even know that Tommy had been on the ballot until she got to the dinner. Tommy Jr completed his AF active duty tour on 24 Aug 90, got out, went to work for American West AL, and joined a Res outfit. Shortly thereafter his outfit was called up for a yr and he's been flying C-141's to the Gulf. Son Mike finished his hitch in the Marines in Sep 90, moved to AK, and joined the Natl Guard. Guess what? Shortly thereafter the Marines tried to recall him, but the Guard had preference and wouldn't let him go, so he's still in AK. After 1 1/2 yrs of ret, **Bill Cudmore** went back to work. He is prog control mgr for Sargent-Fletcher Co, which makes the external fuel tanks

and mid-air refueling systems used by most, if not all, the aircraft that were used in Desert Storm. I guess Bill is entitled to some of the credit for the successful air war. Bill Jr graduated from L.A. Chiropractic Col in Apr and is now committed to take care of Bill Sr's ailing back. **Bill & Margaret** had their 7th grandchild born on 2 Nov—a very auspicious date since it is also my birthday. His name is William Poor Indvik. Bill, in your next ltr I'd appreciate the origin of that name.

Ray & Jimmie Dixon put out a US flag on 2 Aug and vowed not to take it down until most of the troops are home. Given the latest humanitarian action, it may be a long time, and require a lot more repairs if they don't replace it. **John McClanahan** showed up for his first-ever Founders Day dinner since grad. He & **Suzanne** celebrated their first wedding anniv on 30 Mar. John Jr grad from Cal State Chico last May 90 with a degree in engring and is working for Acuson in Silicon Valley. Daughter Therese grad the same time from Cal State Fullerton, with a degree in early childhood ed and is staying at Fullerton for her master's in counseling. **Jim & Mary Lou Russell** did not set off the fire alarm at the MCAS Tustin O Club (see last yr's party news), but Mary Lou said that a train rang its bell at them. Bill is not aware of any train tracks in the local area. As a last note, **Margaret** was talking to a couple from the CI of '52, and they had never heard of Black '57. I guess it's time to do something spectacular. Thanks, Bill, for a great ltr. **Nick Monaco** gave me a ltr from **Darold Erickson**. Darold & **Patti** returned to their home in New Port Richey, FL in Oct after his long TDY up here for GE. Darold saw **Ted Voorhees** at the Srs Golf Tourney in Tampa in Feb, but the ltr doesn't say whether either one of them was playing. He also spoke to **Dick Emery**, who is living in St Petersburg and is recovering from leukemia. You may recall from a previous col that Dick is a victim of Agent Orange and was actively engaged in helping other vets with their claims against the govt. **Steve Glick** faxed me a ltr and then mailed it to me with a couple of pics. The first thing he wanted to do was vote for the reunion in CS this Nov. Noted, Steve, except that it will be in addition to the 35th, and not in lieu of. Steve had dinner with some of our CS contingent, including the **Hicklins**, **Murphys**, **Johnsons**, and **Casses**, while he was at a gun manufacturer's wholesale show in Denver last Nov. He also spoke to **Stan Pore**, who invited him to one of their CI dinners. He's getting the full sales pitch. One of the pics Steve sent is in the column. It shows two people on an elk and antelope hunting trip in CO, and he suggested that I let you guess who is in the pic in return for a surprise gift from him to the first person who identifies them. People in the pic



1957: Bookends: Dick Bone and Jon Bokovoy; middle: Margaret & Bill Cudmore; you name the rest!



1957: Guess who's on an elk hunt in CO?

are definitely not eligible. If I can get the *ASSEMBLY* to remove the caption I already sent them, let the contest begin. I won't publish the second pic he sent me so as not to compromise the names of the hunters in CO.

Steve lives in Eagle Pass, TX where he is the pres of Maverick Arms, Inc, a co owned by OF Mossberg and Sons. It is a Maquiladora plant, which means it has the benefits of no Mexican or US tariffs because there are actually two plants—one in ea country and both close to the border. They make 900 pump shotguns a day in all popular gauges. Steve particularly likes the location because it gives him the opportunity to hunt in Mexico, and he has graciously offered to arrange a hunt there for any of you who are interested. Steve confirmed the info in the last col that he has a daughter flying as a flight attendant for AA, and added that her husband is a LT in the 82nd Abn, which made the Gulf conflict a very personal one. The LT was in Panama last yr, so they have had only one Christmas together in the last 3 yrs. Steve's son is in AF flight training at Del Rio, TX, which is about 50 mi away, so they get to see him frequently and are vicariously experiencing the joy of learning to fly. Steve gets to see **Tommy Thompson**, who is a mil contractor, & his wife on occasions when Tommy visits the Houston area for bus. He also saw and had dinner with **Ed Olsmith** in San Ant. Ed's enjoying life and has a circle of friends who play a lot of golf. Sounds relaxing. Steve raised an interesting thought. How many of our offspring were involved in the Gulf conflict? The *ASSEMBLY* is planning a spread with pics, but I got the request for info too late to really put the word out. I would be happy, however, to include such info, including pics, in future cols. As a closing note, Steve sent the following message to **Les Bennett**: "Hunting is great in So TX and you're welcome anytime." Thank you Steve, and I'll let you know if we have a winner.

Got a ltr from Don Frazer, the '70 scribe, who kindly sent me a copy of an article written by **BG Raymond E Bell Jr**, AUS (Ret) and titled "Broadening the Military Police Role." It was published

in the Nov 90 *Military Review*, and can be found on pp 40-48. I commend it to you. It's interesting, but a little long to reproduce here. Thanks, Don. **Jim & Jane Henthorne** wrote to vote for the reunion in CS, convey some sage advice about the CS area and to pass on some family news. The news first. Jim said that 90 has been a yr of degrees and a baby for their family. Son Trevor earned a BS in engrng physics from UC San Diego, and Tyler got a master's in system admin from the U of Denver. Jane successfully traced her father's Chambers and Brown genealogy on-site in New Brunswick, Canada, which doesn't fit into either category, but is news. As for the baby, Jim acquired a JG&E Baby Nambu 7 mm pistol, vintage 1925 and one of only 550 manufactured by that arsenal. All babies are not the same. Although the Henthornes were not able to attend the **Langworthys'** son's wedding in Spokane, they did get a first-hand acct from **Bud & Nancy** when they passed through Alameda. Now for the sage advice. If '58 can do Bar Harbor in 90, '57 can do CS in 91.

I received a ltr from **John & Isabel Holland**, with a pic of his mother reading the birthday card we signed and sent her. Actually, **Giles Harlow** gave it to John to deliver, which he did in Feb. Regrettably, just as I was organizing to write the col, I received a note from John saying that his mother died peacefully, after a brief illness on 9 Apr. She was buried on a beautiful day at WP, near the Butterfield Monument. **Ray Ketchum**, **Charles Erb** and **Carolyn Gaspard** represented the Cl. John, please accept my condolences on behalf of the entire Cl.

John Setnicky also wrote to cast some votes, and sent a pic. During spring



1957: John & Elia Setnicky, Dick & Joyce Mollicone and Don & Peggy Miller

break from his teaching at Mobile Col, he took a trip to TX and passed through Victoria, where **Don Miller** lives. **Dick Mollicone** lives nearby in Goliad. As fortune would have it, the 3 were able to get together for drinks and some excellent Mexican food. Dick and Don voted for CS, but John wants to have the 35th at WP. Let's have both—at least that's the current plan. Thank you, John.

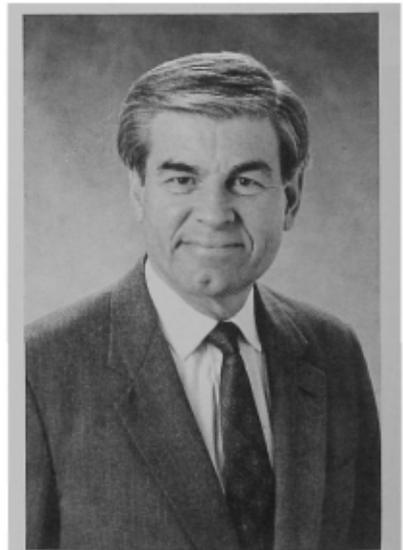
Esther & JD Smith attended the Gov's Award dinner at the No VA Comm Col honoring business and education partnerships, and sent me the pic of **Carol & Ed Hickey** being honored by the Gov of VA. They were recognized



1957: Ed & Carol Hickey with Gov Wilder of VA between them

for endowing a scholarship through the NVCC Educational Foundation's "Vision 20" campaign as a memorial to their daughter, **Paula Anne Hickey**, an 87 grad of the Nursing Prog. Paula was completing her BS at George Mason at the time of her death. We wish them continuing success with the endowment, and I'm sure that contributions for this very worthwhile effort will always be welcomed.

Tom McNeil '45 wrote from the WP Soc of N TX with info about **Bob Tener**. To quote Tom, "we are very proud of your Bob Tener. He is one of two men in our 400+-mbr soc who understands 'this super collider thing' (as our adopted George Bush would say)." Bob, who is



1957: Bob Tener

the dept head at the Superconducting Super Collider Lab and sr Sverdrup Corp rep for the SCC project, has been named Engr of the Yr by the Dallas chapter of the TX Soc of Prof Engrs. Bob was also credited with playing a key role in attracting the SCC to N TX. Congrats

Bob, and thanks to you Tom for sending the info.

I received a ltr and pic from **Alex Vardamis**, and the pic is below. I'll save the ltr for the next col. I did get calls from



1957: John Bloomfield and Alex Vardamis

both **Jack Murphy** and **Ray Karsian** to rep that **Don Kutyna's** wife, **Lucy**, suffered a serious skiing accident in Mar. The damage was mainly to her ankle and hip, but she is on the road to recovery. I'm sure she'll be looking forward to seeing those of you who attend the reunion in Nov. Have a pleasant spring.

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64th col. 2115 hrs 8 Apr, leave tomorrow for almost 3 wks: first to St Louis, then to England. Col is due 15 Apr (along with IRS). Sorry about my priorities—did the tax first. Now the col—to be a record for elapsed time—nothing in any order, just the facts.

Don Johnson writes from Lynchburg, VA where he is now the interim dean of the School of Bus at Lynchburg Col. The picture shows Don with 3 grandchildren, "Jeffrey (2), Cristin Elizabeth (one mo in pic), and Matthew (6). Cristin is the second girl in our family in 75 yrs,



1958: Don Johnson and grandchildren

first in 30 yrs. **Jeff** and **Matt** belong to middle son, **Andy** (28); and **Cristin** to oldest son, **Mark** (31). **Tim** (24) is still a bachelor. All live and work in Central VA. **Pat** still presides over a very active extended family. We have now celebrated 31+ yrs together."

Don said that **Doug Sedgwick** (FL) and **Jim Roberts** (Roanoke, VA) had called him recently. They were all at USMA Prep a mere 38 yrs ago! **Jim** and **Don** are hoping to meet soon for lunch.

Jim & Dottie Castle will have a daughter-in-law by the time you read this. Their son **James Charles Castle** will marry **Lana Kay Roeder** on 13 Apr in San Fran.

Sam & Joan Collins also had a wedding. The pic of daughter **Patricia Lee Collins** & **Daniel Lynn Foxhoven** appears, but the details are missing because the clipping **Joan** sent is AWOL. Do know that **Pattie** & **Daniel** work for Applied Materials in San Jose, the same co that **Ken Collins** works for as an engrg supervisor.



1958: Patricia Lee Collins & Daniel Lynn Foxhoven

Continuing the marriage theme, **Bob Higgins** will be father of the groom—son **Neil** & **Mary Miller** have an 8 Jun altar date in Attleboro, MA.

Ann & Linc Jones are in the commuting marriage routine a la **Terry & Harriett Connell** (see last col for Connell news). Seems **Ann** is building their dream house in San Ant, TX while **Linc** is working in London to pay for it. She was with him in Europe for 3 1/2 wks in Dec-Jan, and he was with her for 10 days recently. Son **Peter '85** commands Co C, 1st Bn, 6th Inf in Vilseck while daughter **Pattie** is asst SGS in 8th Inf Div hqs in Bad Kreuznach. Other than **Ann** in TX, still a pretty European-oriented family.

Some CI business. **Jerry Mitchell** moved from DC to NJ near Ft Monmouth with Thomson CSF, so he resigned from the Exec Comm. Big shoes

to fill, so at the annual CI mtg at ANCC on 8 Mar both **Lee Miller** and **Herb Puscheck** were elected to fill **Jerry's** vacancy. Is the equation two times A-1 equals 1 C-1? Anyway, we the CI are blessed that 9 are serving on our Exec Comm, so ably chaired by **George Lawton**. Reminder: the others on the comm are **Bob Rhodes**, **Butch Ordway**, **Tom Conti**, **Dick Schonberger**, **Palmer McGrew**, and **John Schroeder**.

While on CI business and reminders, the 91 Mini will be at South Padre Isl, TX 26-29 Sep—expect details from **Jack Tierney** and **Buck Griffin** in Jun. The 92 Mini will center on 12 Aug 92 in Bangkok for the Queen's 60th birthday (and the 60th birthday of **Pete Kullavanijaya** on 6 Jul), with details coming from **Bob Pointer**. And the 35th will be at WP for the Univ of Akron game the first wkend in Oct 93. Quite naturally, you will hear from **Garry Roosma** on the 35th. Don't hold me to the date, my notes are AWOL (probably with **Joan Collins'** clipping).

The Exec Comm sent in two names for nomination to AOG Bd of Trustees: **Corky Henninger** and myself, **George Sibert**. The chm recently called with good news and bad news. The good news was that AOG did in fact nominate **Corky**, and the bad news was that your scribe was spared. Seems to me the news was good-good, as in win-win. You can now, after the election, look to **Corky** to do everything you always wanted done to, with, for, by, etc the AOG.

Gene Scales surfaced after trying "for the past two yrs to keep a low profile, reconnoitering a near deserted shopping center bordering the park" when he heard a booming voice say "Jonathan, when grandpa calls you, you just come." Grandpa was none other than **John Buchanan**. They had a great reunion while **Gene** supported **Jonathan** in his insubordination.

Gene has recently been in touch with **Leroy Hayden**, who (quoting **Gene**) "sounds good and will be at Founders Day. Same for **Buck Griffin**. **Buck** rep that **Dick Buckalew** and **Paul Haushill** will come. **Ray & Gerry Coffey** were here (San Ant) for a convention in Jan. Actually, we had seen them briefly at youngest daughter **Julia's** wedding in Dallas. **Julia** married **John Carle** of Corpus Christi." **Gene** promises a photo. He also rep having seen the recently ret **John Soper**. And sees **Bud Davenport** from time to time in the grocery store. **Bud** relishes the teaching profession, with its long summers.

Note from **Mary Ann Maxson** rep that she "lives in Seattle now and works as an accountant for a seafood trading firm. My off is located over a restaurant at the entrance to the ship canal from Puget Sound to Lake Union. With a floor-to-ceiling glass along the west-facing wall,

I have a magnificent view of the Sound, the Olympic mountains, seals, all manner of boats from submarines to tugs. The children are fine—the last one is out of univ and on her own—yea! Grandchildren: one and two in the oven.



1958: Mary Ann Maxson with first grandchild

Mary Ann says she stays busy hiking, biking and skiing. She does miss the mil folk and classmates.

Tom Claffey is doing a great job chasing down obit-writers. Scribe knows, because I owe Tom info on the obit for Bob Stinson.

John Schaffer (C-1, not John Schaefer of D-1) brought a mystery guest to the 8 Mar CI luncheon/mtg/election. According to John he was "someone who had great influence over our lives at WP. In fact, he had the first influence." His guest was Harold Domchick, who as SFC Domchick was NCOIC of the Hellcats. John and Harold attend the same church in Greenbelt, MD. Wonder if their music dir has heard of the Hellcats?



1958: '58 in Orange County, CA

Pete Kusek sent me a clipping from *Insight*, 4 Mar 91, which informs us that Topps Co, the nation's largest manufacturer of sports cards is introducing an 88-card Operation Desert Storm series. The article featured pics of cards of UH-1 Huey, USS Midway, and LTC Dick Graves. Who will be the first on

your block to collect the complete set?

"While most of our CI is moving out of the mil ambience, I have moved back in. The AF contacted me in Apr 90 and asked that I apply for the newly-created position of dean of Academic Affairs at the Air War Col. Quite happy at SW TX St U, I was nonetheless persuaded to apply." So began a grand ltr from Chuck Davis. He went to work last Jun and says, though he's "essentially a natural science and numbers guy," he is "hustling to keep up with our faculty populated by historians, political scientists and economists." Scribe cannot imagine Chuck having to hustle to keep up with anyone. Congratulations on the appt!

Chuck rep that "Mike & Bonnie Jones live in Montgomery, where Mike is bus administrator for the First Baptist Church. Tonight (New Year's Eve) we celebrate together at the Steak and Ale. It has been great renewing acquaintances with the Joneses after a hiatus of many yrs." Hope all notice that your scribe is not touching the subject of ale, as in Steak and Ale, in connection with the church.

Chuck's last paragraph: "Mike Dugan gave the kickoff speech to our new class of Air War Col students in Aug. It got the class off to a terrific start. It well goes without mention that many of us in the AF community were chagrined no end when Mike left the active duty ranks. His contributions to our svc and our country were not only numerous, but will be shown to be enduring in the coming yrs."

The G-2 rep from CCQ Pat Donovan: "Wayne Weiss is still flying DC-10s on the Far East run for United. Perhaps we can get him to take us all to Thailand for

the 92 Mini-reunion. He has moved to 1135 N Kent Ave, L.A., CA 90043. Hope you saw the article in 20 Oct 90 issue of *US News and World Report* on John Herren and Tony Nadal. Worth looking up if you didn't.

"Betty (Donovan) and I (Pat) are really excited about the Mini-reunion in Thailand. Hope you and the rest of the G-2 bunch can be there en masse. Incidentally, we now have a good address for Dave Depew: PO Box 5, Phang nga 82000, Thailand."

Pat's G-2 rep continues with a quote from a Jul ltr from Jack Bujalski: "We had quite a scare this past winter, when our middle son, Blane, was diagnosed with cancer. Surgery to remove the tumor was followed by monthly, wk-long hospitalizations for chemotherapy and then another surgery to remove some lymph nodes. The first surgery was done on an out-patient basis in Las Vegas, but the second was quite serious, since it required going quite near the spine. It was done at UCLA Med Ctr, took 10 hrs, and was punctuated in the middle by a 5.4 Richter scale earthquake, which really got our attention. However, all's well which ends well. His treatment did give him a clean bill of health in Apr." We are glad for the final part of Jack's rep and wish Blane well for the future.

Pat rep two other new addresses for Peter Shunk (PO Box 782, Norton, MA 02766) and Barry Eveleth (99 Florence St #803, Malden, MA 02148). Think Pat sent the photo of G-2 files Edgie Waller and Tom Forman.

Fred Stritzinger wrote to order a reunion book (as did Mary Ann Maxson and Bill Murphy—still have a few, few boxes of books, so send in your orders).



1958: AUSA in Orlando, Mar 91

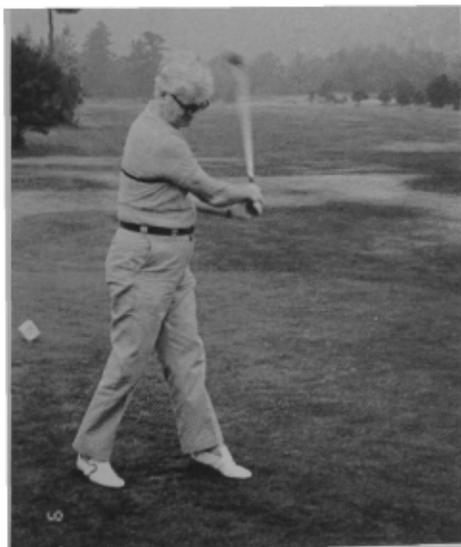


1958: Waller and Forman

Fred rep that he is "still employed by the US Govt as chief, Trng Analysis and Evaluation Branch, Reserve Component Trng Div, J3 FORSCOM. Responsible for evaluation of the trng of ARNG and USAR. There is little left, as most units are in, or on the way, to the desert. Oldest son is in the 10th Spec Forces and wants to get into it. I'm about ready for him to pick another line of work, but will support him, whatever his course."

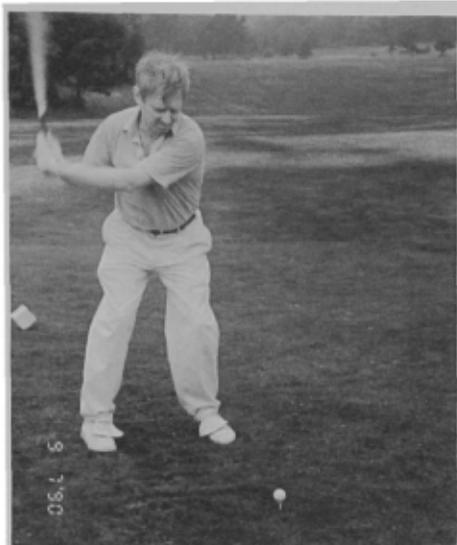
For one of our contributions to '59, Phil Gibbs organized a group of '58 and '59 files to appear on WNCV-TV (Channel 56 in Northern VA area) to help with fundraising to support the station's broadcasting of the Army-BC football game. More than \$5700 in pledges were received by Larry Bullis, Church Hutton, Dick Reidy, in addition to Phil and his '59 classmates Skip Schow and John Wilson, well-supported by John's wife. Thanks to their efforts and the continuing efforts of local WP Soc of DC, Channel 56 plans to broadcast 3 games this fall. Local DC types should contact Phil to volunteer for TV duty.

Here are a few photos from Bar Harbor, held over from last issue.

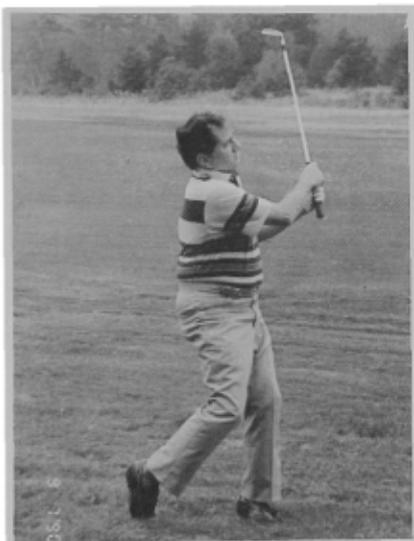


1958: Kubiak at Bar Harbor

It is 2330. Not out of poop, but out of time. Must pack for trip tomorrow and on to England on Sat. Apologize to you all for brevity of this col, and to those whose



1958: AA Smith at Bar Harbor



1958: Nadal at Bar Harbor



1958: TK Smith and Nun at Bar Harbor

news goes unrep this time. The ed can use the space for the Founders Day photos normally mailed directly to AOG.

So, will close with a photo from Phil Pryor taken at the AUSA annual affair in Orlando. The group almost qualifies for mini-reunion status.

Watch this space every two mos—that is 6 times per yr—for info about your classmates. To do that, *you must subscribe to the ASSEMBLY*. Your scribe still takes it personally that a third of us

do not subscribe. When you read this col, review your checkbook to see whether you met the May suspense date to keep receiving *ASSEMBLY*. If you did not, send the check immediately!

Spell check completed (merely 2032 words). Love my PC.

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I am sorry to rep that **Don & Hazel Tillar's** son, Donnie '88, was killed in Saudi Arabia on 27 Feb, the last day of Opn Desert Storm. 1LT Donaldson P Tillar III '88 was piloting his 1st Inf Div Black Hawk helicopter when it came under intense ground fire and crashed. He and 8 others were lost. Funeral svcs were held on 16 Mar in Emporia, VA at the First Presbyterian Church, which was built by his great-grandparents and rebuilt by his grandparents. Burial with full mil honors was at the Emporia Cemetery, next to the grandfather he adored. Many of Donnie's classmates were there, along with friends from flight sch. From our CI there were **Ray Beurket, Joe Enright, Jim & Phyl Walsh, Joe & Polly Coreth, Art Bair, Charlie & Jean Johnson, George & Beth Kleb, Ollie & Diane Langford, Al Rushton, Bill & Ellen Zaldo, and Bill Schwartz's** daughter, Lauren, and ex-wife Dana, who had been neighbors of the Tillars at WP in the late 60s.

Don asked me to thank the CI for the great outpouring of sympathy and support in the form of calls and cards. He & **Hazel** were overwhelmed. He wants us to know that they are at peace with what has happened, and that they and Donnie believed wholeheartedly in what Donnie was doing and to which he had dedicated his life. Donnie loved to fly, and Don had been proud to go flying with him last Dec at Ft Riley.

Other of our children reported to be in the Gulf include **Jack Poole Jr**, with an MLRS btry; **Art Bair III**, with a 1st Cav Div mortar plt; **Carol Anderson** & her husband, both in the 82d Abn; **Matt Moellering**; **Chris Cotts** with USAF in Bahrain; **Bruce Hilmes** with a 1st Cav Div tank co; **Tom Russell's** son with the 2d Marine Div; **Susan Reinhard** Robertson with the 659th Maint Co; and **Hank Larson's** son with an MLRS btry. **Jack Bowman's** wife, a USAR nurse, was called to active duty and sent to Ger. At this writing there has been a cessation of hostilities by coalition forces, so we trust that all these folks are safe.

Talk of these children was the focus of conversation at a luncheon for the DC contingent on 27 Feb at the Tivoli Restaurant in Rosslyn. There was also some crowing about **Fred Franks**, now joining Patton and Abrams in our armor lore.

After the chicken cacciatore, plans were confirmed for a summer bash at **Gerry & Marsha Stadler's** house at Ft McNair on 23 Jun, a date to mark on your calendar if you are visiting the area around then. There was a good turnout for the luncheon, including **Beard, Bennett, Breuel, Frank Campbell, Clark, Bill Cohen** (in from CA), **Croteau, Gibbs, Griffin, Guthrie, Harle, Hilmes, Darel Johnson, Kleb, Knebel, Krawciw, LeClere, Manzo, Mc-Nerney, Millick, Newberry, Novogratz, Jack O'Brien, Porter, Robinson, Roesler, Russell** (down from WP), **Schow, Socks, Stadler, Weaver, Weekley, Welch, Bob Wheeler, Bruce Williams** and **Wilson**.

Bob Shain opines that his old roommate, **Nick Krawciw**, was the most interesting, credible, and knowledgeable of all the experts interviewed on CNN during the war. He disclaims any bias in the matter. He & **Sherry**, his bride of 31 yrs, are in Warrington, PA where **Sherry** enjoys working at a local toy store. **Bob** is job hunting and finding the aerospace ind pretty dry at the moment. He is trying to sell the concept that mgt is mgt as he moves his search into nonrelated areas.

The **Shains** have 3 children. **Cindy**, 21, is a sr at Quinnipiac Col in Hamden, CT, and will grad in Jun with a degree in English and minors in hist and psychology. **Stephanie**, 19, is a sophomore at DE Col of Agriculture and Sci, lives at home, and is actively pursuing her goal of becoming a veterinarian. **Mike**, whom **Bob** describes as 15 going on 30, is a sophomore in HS and participates in any activity not associated with studies. **Bob** says he & **Sherry** would really enjoy seeing classmates who happen to be in their area.

Howard Stiles writes from Raymond, ME (on the shores of Sebago Lake, about 30 min from Portland) that he & **Eileen** hosted a mini-reunion last summer of some of the '59'ers who served their first duty asgmt with the 3d Avn Co in Kitzingen. In the accompanying photo are the **Stiles** and **Joe Hurst** in the back row; **Monk Hilliard, Beebe (Hayes) Graham, Joanie Poole, Nancy Hurst, Gil Roesler** in the middle; and **Betsy Hilliard, Peggy Evans, and Ina Roesler** in the front row. They had a great time swimming, eating, boating, telling lies, more eating, etc, says **Howard**. Have I mentioned the coincidence that **Bob & Peggy Evans's** son, **Jack**, works with me in the Trust Dept of Riggs Bank?

The **Stiles'** daughter **Sue** is a USAF nurse. She was stationed at Lackland AFB in San Ant but was deployed in Jan to an emergency hosp in England. Their eldest son **Dan** was married last Apr on Earth Day and lives in CA. **Howard** has been meaning to slow down in his real estate endeavors, but he recently purchased a RE/MAX franchise. He thinks he may be genetically flawed.

Ray Fisher visited with **Dick Roberts** & his wife in Dallas in Feb, and it was the first reunion of the old I-1 roommates since the summer of 59. **Ray** notes that in the interim the Berlin Wall had been built and torn down again. They spent two evenings swapping family pics and tales of their separate lives. **Dick's** sister lives in the East, so **Ray** hopes for a visit from the **Roberts** sometime at his home in Mechanicsburg, PA.

Ray works for EDS and, after living with computers all these yrs, decided to take the certified programmer's exam. He passed on the first try, something

only 29% of the candidates achieved. He adds that his #2 son, **Mike**, is a '90 grad of USAFA and was in flight training in OK during the Gulf War.

Founders Day was observed here on 16 Mar at the Radisson Hotel. The Com gave an update on things at WP and spoke of the grads in the upper echelons of cmd in the Gulf. The Army Chorus sang WP songs and **Lee Greenwood's** "God Bless the USA," a number that, judging by the crowd's reaction, was timely and in step with the mood. **Tom Boyle** was there from our CI, as were **Chuck & Carol Millick, Phil & Rosa Gibbs, Bruce & Dianne Porter** and **Ed & Pat Robinson**. There should be a pic of the gp included next issue.

The rest of this is freely filched from **Jim Walsh's** amazing A-1 newsltr.

Don & Maddy Davis in Lubbock are going to be grandparents again this yr. Both of their daughters are expecting. **Linda** any day, and **Darlene** in May. That will bring their total to 5, which we think is the A-1 record. **Darlene's** husband's AF tour was extended, and they remained in Ger so that **Bob** could do TDY in support of our troops in Saudi Arabia. **Don Jr** is a jr at Harvard and spent last summer on a world tour with the Kloko-dillos, a 12-man singing gp.

Fred Wilmoth has settled into Seattle and is comfortably enjoying ret. He is taking advantage of the GI Bill and is a candidate for a BA in hist at a local col. He & **Cindy** are kept busy by their 9-yr-old **Clair**, who we think must be the youngest A-1 child.



1959: A-1 files: Enright, Walsh and Beurket

Joe & Terry Enright are now the proud grandparents of 3. Both his son and his son-in-law are Navy pilots. His son-in-law, a helicopter rescue pilot, was on station in the Gulf; and his son, a fighter pilot and USNA grad, was at last report on a training exercise aboard the *USS Lexington* in the Gulf of Mexico. **Joe**, who still works for FMC, has been spending quite a bit of time overseas lately.

Charlie Hayes left the DC area in 88 when he moved to CA to manage a co involved in optical lens prod. Since then he has started and owns his own co, Intl Lens Corp. **Charlie** has a total of 5 kids.



1959: Mini-reunion in ME

One son, Matthew, is a 1st classman at WP. Another, Bill, is involved in rock video productions in Chicago. A daughter, Breck, is teaching in NH, and another, Sarah, is a student at Sarah Lawrence. Charlie & Nancy still have a HS student, Lucas, at home. Is that 5?

TV Borlund has settled in the Clarksville, TN area. He & Frieda are actively building their new 5,000-sq-ft home. It has another 1,000 sq ft if you include the basement, and TV says they can use some help if anyone is interested. They hope to move in sometime this summer, and the new address is 555 Idlewild Dr (37043).

Thanks to Don Frazer, scribe for the Cl of '70, for an *Army Times* note that Bill Mullen, currently CG of the 1st Inf Div (FWD) in Ger, will become dep dir for Opns of FORSCOM at Ft McPherson, GA.

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Jim Lincoln called shortly before the DC quarterly Cl luncheon to advise that we have two more "3-stars:" Jim Johnson, formerly cmdr of the 82nd Abn in Desert Shield/Storm has become the LTG commanding First Army at Ft Meade, and Dane Starling, who was dep J-4 to Gen Pagonis in Desert Shield/Storm, is a new LTG and dep cmdr of the US Joint Transport Cmd in St Louis. Dave is serving under an AF 4-star. Congratulations are in order to both and the others from the Cl, as yet unknown, who served in this oper.

Red Seaward saved our bacon by

promptly sending in an M-1 update, rep that his last contact with any *significant* no of classmates from M-1 was at the 30th reunion in Sep 90. However, in the pic below the reunion gp with current roommates poses on the stairs to the stoops of the 42nd Div in (the *real*) So Area. Starting on the front row are Tom & Pat Valente (Tom teaches engring at MT St U), Jerry Jilbert (Marilou is in ctr of last row) of Cornwall-on-Hudson is the Mt Saint Mary Col Registrar, Don Hubbard (with Wells Fargo Realty Advisors in Monrovia, CA), Brenda Beavers (Les, directly behind her, is involved in land surveying and teaching in Stanton, KY), and former cadet Rufus Overlander (an engr with Boeing Houston, TX). In the last row are Jim & Robin Carver (Jim is in prog mgt with Cincinnati Electronics), Marilou Jilbert, Ron Trauner (wife Evelyn did not make the trip from San Fran where Ron lectures in engring at San Fran St U), and Gladys Seaward in front of Red (who is a physical scientist with DOD in Wash, DC). Not already mentioned in the middle row are Ray & Joanmarie Hapeman of New Monmouth, NJ (Ray does integrated svcs digital networking with Bellcore), Hank & Lucy Lee (Hank is a Nu Skin Exec independent distributor in Orangevale, CA), and Dyke & Jill Miller (Dyke is an IBM mgr in Austin, TX). Also attending but not pictured were Manuco & Roberta Hidalgo (Chester, VA) and Pete & Joy Hastings (Ellington, CT), who slept through reveille. Speaking of bacon, a shot taken at Pete & Joy's 200+ acre farm in ME has Pete hamming it up, so to speak. (Joy, you'd better keep an eye on Pete!) Pete ret as a VP of Gen Reinsurance and is currently pursuing a



1960: On Pete & Joy's 200+-acre farm in ME

"second career" (3rd even) as a sr VP with ITT-Hartford.

The next two photos were taken on Veterans Day 90 at Nick Rowe's gravesite after formal ceremonies at Arlington Natl Cem. Susan Rowe is pictured in one with sons Alex and Brian and Sec of Def Cheney. In the other, Nick's older son Alex is held by Charles Wallace, the playwright Nick had personally selected prior to his death to produce the script for the stage version of his book *Five Yrs to Freedom*. The play is currently the main focus of the James N Rowe Foundation, which was officially established last yr.



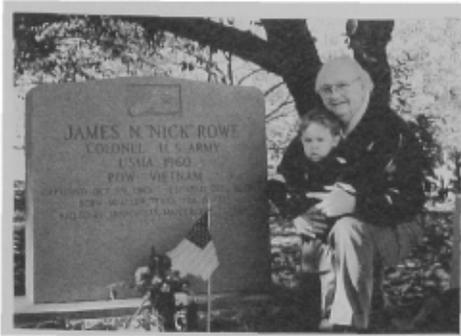
1960: At Nick Rowe's gravesite: Susan Rowe with sons Alex and Brian and Sec Def Cheney

Sad news to rep: Mrs Beatrice Holland-Helmick, former cadet hostess, passed away. Have written her son John X-'57 to send our condolences.

Chris Schrankel writes from Wampum, PA (great name for an entrepreneur's residence). It's 16 Apr and I should be renaming Short Hills where the Handlers live—NOWAMPUM/IRS.



1960: M-1 at 30th Reunion with current roommates



1960: Nick Rowe's older son Alex is held by Charles Wallace

Chris writes it's been a long time since he communicated to *ASSEMBLY* but thought some recent events worth mentioning.

Barbara & Chris, like many classmates, have a son Chuck Jr (27), a CPT Arty who participated in Desert Storm with the 1st Cav. They have a son Mark (25) who just presented them with a granddaughter, "Stormin Morgan." Daughter Marie is a sophomore at Slippery Rock U (yes, there is a Slippery Rock).

The Schrankels own Gardwell Manufacturing Corp, a coatings manufacturing co in Wampum, PA. They've been enjoying entrepreneurship for over 5 yrs. He continues to be active in scouting, serving on the bd of dirs of Allegheny Trails Council in W PA.

Ted & Marge Bara and Barbara & Chris, like other classmates, celebrated their 30th anniv in Jun. TJ and Chris surprised their wives with a Caribbean cruise, which they took in Jan. They had a super time, great memories and laughed from start to finish. TJ and Chris even took dancing lessons—remembering being dance partners in Beast Bks. The Baras now live in Bedford, NH. Speaking of dancing partners—Jane & I just did a refresher course on Viennese waltzing—Jane in contradistinction to other dance lesson partners (Aug '56) doesn't step on my shoes—blue suede or no. The Baras and



1960: The Schrankels and Baras, CPT's dinner on the *Nordic Prince*, somewhere in the eastern Caribbean

Schrankels debated which pic to send but settled on the formal one.

Also had a note from Elizabeth Romery Chamberlain rep her divorce from Bill Chamberlain in Oct 90. She gives her new address as 5143 Lake View Court, Austell, GA 30001; tel 404-739-6099.

Yours truly spent last wk in El Paso, TX interviewing witnesses; wanted to look up our two classmates living there (LTC Frank N Cremer and COL John P Fanning), but worked mostly day and night. Next tim0e.

'61

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Here is the next-to-last col before our 30th Reunion. Pete Heimdahl and his reunion comm have been pulling together a spectacular show for all of us. This event will be a terrific time to play catch-up; for example, Lee & Penny Anderson are "looking forward" and can't believe the time has gone by so fast. . . sound familiar? They are in Minneapolis where Lee is the CEO of a large constr oper and both are very involved in svc to their communities. Jim & Carolyn Harmon are still at Ft Lewis where Jim is doing well as the DEH; they've also built a home in Olympia (isn't that where they do that great beer?) and are committed to the outdoor life, as well as to maintaining friendships. He reminds us that: Chip Wanner was in the AO; Chip is living in San Juan Bautiosta, CA. Chuck Armstrong has turned over the 9th ID. Quincy & Marilyn Holton want everyone to note that somehow the AOG Register is out of synch: he is not a ret admiral! Instead he is a ret LTC (USAR) and they are enjoying the good life in Sierra Vista, AZ while he serves as logistics mgt specialist at Ft Huachuca. Frank & Liz Tilton have returned to Frank's hometown of Laconia, NH where they are relishing in their roots and the amenities of the Lakes Region. Three of their 5 children have their fingers in the mil pie: Paul is in Special Forces, Melinda is '92, and Jay is in ROTC at Notre Dame. Frank wants us to know



1961: Frank Tilton and daughter Melinda '92

that Carl & Pat Sciple are in Harvard, MA; son John is '94. Bruce & Arlene Cowan are in Cleveland. Larry Stoneham has broken his own record and has sent his first-ever missive to a scribe—WELL DONE! The Stonehams have 3 sons in uniform: Michael '85 and Peter '88 (who have been in Saudi) and Patrick USAFA '85. Daughter Anne is



1961: Larry's boys: Michael, Peter and Patrick Stoneham

finishing her undergraduate work at Cornell and expects to enter the sch of Vet Med in fall 91. Not yet in uniform are 4 lively grandchildren. Tom & Dhana Magness have two sons who have served with VII Corps during Desert Storm; daughter Jennifer is on a full scholarship at U CA (Santa Barbara) in nuc engring; son Paul is a cadet at Valley Forge MA where Donn Miller is holding forth as academic dean.

In and around the DC area: the Founders Day held in (of all places) Annapolis saw Bart & Dora Chambers, Frank & Joan Raush, Bill & Lyl Hathaway, Jim & Bobbie Blese, Joe & Esthel Clema and Paul & Sue DeVries. Later in Mar, Bob Glass and DeVries put together a CI party in Burke; that was a well attended extravaganza; even the "benos" were interesting: George & Marianne Henderson were unable to fly in from Wellington, NZ. However, among the gathered throng were Jon & Roseann Aaronson and Joe Stringham, who will become the Def Attache, Mexico.

As the last point, your scribe and the *ASSEMBLY* can use some info in the next mo: would any and all send in info regarding who among the CI did what for Desert Storm? And who were the CI sons and daughters who also served? Many thanks!!



'62

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Hello again! Seems as though I just pounded out one of these articles. News was skimpy this time so I will be brief.

My roommate, **John Dargle**, wrote; can you believe it? **Sally** normally does the writing. John is part of a small WP Soc of Central NY. Other '62 files with him are **Chris Stanat**, **Bill Cross** and **Don Denton**. He is also pleased to have an impact on the WP selection process as a mbr of the local Congressional Bd which evaluates candidates. The Dargles' son John is a 1LT in the Army, took part in Desert Storm and had the chance to visit Iraq. Younger son Peter is a yearling and doing well as a mbr of Varsity Soccer and with the Academic Dept. The athletic ability I'll concede to John's influence, but claiming credit for his son's academic prowess... that's not the way I remember it. John rep that **Ralph Burr's** daughter Kathy is a helicopter pilot somewhere in the Gulf theater.

I came across an article from the 7 Dec 90 *CaseMate* from Ft Monroe telling of **Tom Faley's** brush with embarrassment. It seems while in RVN, a .30 cal round that might have caused a wound in a sensitive area was stopped by a wallet. Tom received much notoriety over the "near miss" 25 yrs ago. He now keeps the wallet in his off as CofS, US Army ROTC Cadet Cmd, as a topic of conversation. "Every now and then someone will ask me about getting shot in the tail," jokes Tom.



1962: Classmates at Founders Day 91, Orange County, CA

Got a letter from **Larry Smith**, who resides with **Maren** and two sons, Mark (15) and Tom (11), in Sacramento. Larry was recently elected pres of the WP Soc of No CA/NV. He is also pres of his own real estate dev firm, Infinity Dev Gp, which is presently building 52 single-family homes. Venture is good and he expects to launch other projects in the near future. Larry occasionally gets to San Fran, where he is able to catch up with **Jim Heldman**.

Could not get all of **Art Brown's** photos in last issue so will sneak one in here. To remind you, these pics came from the **Walkers' A-N party** in Orlando.

As threatened, I am also throwing in another Wash luncheon photo. That will continue to be the practice when you do not send input.

Mom always said, "no news is good news." Clearly, she was not the scribe for the *ASSEMBLY*. While on the subject of *ASSEMBLY*, ea of you receiving this has a mission: ask a classmate if he receives the *ASSEMBLY*. I am told that



1962: Maren & Larry Smith at Founders Day 91, Sacramento



1962: DC luncheon: Walt Chrobak, Stan Shutes, Jack Reavill, Tom Pearson and Dick Chladek

we, '62, are not well represented. Also, please send clear photos and, if possible, make them close-ups. Do not write on the backs—the ink ruins other photos. Attach a note with the info. Until the next issue, take care.



1962: Ron Lane, Carolie Sherard, Sharon Lane, Mary Jean & Tom Walker, Gary Hyde '61, Art & Karen Brown, Stu Sherard, Linda Guenther, Don Stewart and Rat Campbell

'63

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Our Northern CA residents held a mini-reunion over A-N wkend at **Diane & Don Conrad's** (1401 Augusta Pl, Monterey, CA 43940); others attending included **Tom Griffin**, **Ginger & Gene Bassett** and **Carol & Bill Kelley**. Seems that Gene is the only one with a real job—he manages a business insurance co. Don rep the others work for various beltway bandits in the area—all are doing well and the families are thriving. Don indicated that **Jeff Ellerson** ret last summer and moved to Saudi Arabia as a mil advisor to SANG. His family remains in the St Louis area.

Speaking of Saudi, we all had the opportunity to see our own **Pat Stevens** on several of the live news conferences; I assume Pat continues his important



1963: Tom Griffin (unfortunately, his wife was unable to attend), Ginger & Gene Bassett, Carol & Bill Kelley, and Diane & Don Conrad

duties as coordinator of all host nation assistance. **Doug Johnson** was co-author of an article outlining Iraqi's use of military deception. Doug is an Iraqi's expert at the Army War College's Strategic Studies Institute.

Received a nice note from **Hal Nelson**. He's the Army's Chief of Military History and indicates that he's still finishing the history of WWII, Korea and Vietnam. Just Cause and Desert Storm will keep him in the catch-up mode for quite some time! Daughter Karen was married at Ft Myer in Dec 90; classmates attending included **Dave & Judy Jackson**, **Bill & Pauline Robinson** and **Sue Boice**. Seems that **Bill Boice** was diverted from his duties as Dep Cdr, Carlisle to serve as acting CS CENTCOM-Rear. As of today (12 Apr), **Al Genetti** is in full hull defile—at 1400 Sec Def Cheney announced the latest round of base closures. Al has been working closely on that effort as chief of the Army's special task force; he *may* get promoted to BG and will probably be sent far away.

Bob Farris reports that the '63 golf team of Farris, **Tim Grogan**, **Dan Willson**, **Danny Willson** USAF '89 and **Jack Woodmansee** '56 thoroughly trashed a team of sr folks from USMA '60. The beating took place in Haines City, FL and was hosted by **Tyler Willson** '60. Let me know if you are interested in next year's event. Dipper indicates pics will follow.

Last item—bulletin—"USMA '63 supports CBS coverage of Desert Shield/Storm." **Mitch Mitchell** was an on-camera ops expert providing his views on how the battle was unfolding. Mitch traveled with **Dan Rather**, and his reports were from Saudi and Iraq. Mitch has been a prof at Natl Def U here in DC. The Marine air ops expert for Gen Crist was **Larry Medlin**. I understand Larry provided behind-the-scenes analysis of both air and ground ops for our Naval and Marine forces—well done, guys!

More next time—let's keep in touch.

'64

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Just to make those of you who live in the north country feel a little better, I will note that we have had a terribly rainy Feb and Mar here in HI. Fortunately that has passed and I am off to play golf in Maui and Kauai this wk.

Thankfully the war is over. **Barry McCaffrey** made the news numerous times before, during and after Desert Storm, and was the subject of many kudos (one of which was uttered in my presence by the Vice Cofs). I will not endeavor to repeat the reports here, as I am sure everyone who wasn't on the moon during the last 4 mos saw them firsthand. To those kudos, let me add that of the CI for a job well done. Possibly not so well-known is that **Jill McCaffrey** also made the press several times, most notably in an *Army Times* col entitled "I am not alone," which spoke to the feelings of the families left behind.

As I have often observed in the past, wars are the exception to the rule that "the pen is mightier than the sword." Obviously you all have been beating your pens into swords during the last few mos, since they certainly have not been available for use in corresponding with the scribe.

My lone correspondent was **Phil Shoemaker**, who ret in Jan. The ceremony took place at Ft Bliss and was attended by **Art & Michele Kelly**, who made it over from White Sands for the event. Phil's second career is as a project engr with the Univ of TX. The ret dream house is being constructed, as I write, in Austin.



1964: Michele & Art Kelly and Phil & Bonnie Shoemaker

A late-arriving ltr from **Dan FitzGibbon** doubles the no. of correspondents for this issue. Dan is practicing corporate, tax and public utility law in Indianapolis with the largest law firm in the state. His pro bono activity is oversight of 12 schs as pres of the local sch bd. Dan provides us with a photo from last yr's Founders Day with the explanation that, this way, everyone looks a yr younger. Perfectly good lawyer-like

thinking. **Dan & Joan** have the welcome mat out for all visiting middle America.



1964: Bob & Kay Tetu and Dan & Joan FitzGibbon

No ltr, but a more timely Founders Day photo just arrived from **Bob Read**. From the return address and other sources, I note that Bob continues to excel in the real estate bus while presiding over the local WP soc.



1964: LTG Dave Palmer & Lu with Bob Read, Pres of WP Soc of OR

The Army is finally trying to pry me out of HI. I probably should get out, but as many of you know, it's hard to overcome the inertia of 27 yrs. Civ prospects in HI, DC and FL are always welcome. Watch this space for late-breaking news!

'65

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Greetings once again from Chicago. I'm sad to start this edition off with news that **Guy Riley** passed away in Mar. **Harlan Fricke** was kind enough to call and report that he and **Tony Livic** attended the memorial svcs, first in Santa Rosa where Guy lived and then in Reno, Guy's hometown. The CI has sent our condolences to Guy's widow, **Suzanne**. Harlan and Tony will do the obituary.

While in Memphis in early Mar to watch the Army baseball team, I ran across an article about our former CI treas, **Jon K Thompson**, who is the bd chm of the Def Orientation Conf Assoc, a Wash-based org with a natl mbrship of private citizens who travel extensively

throughout the world on fact-finding missions dealing primarily with def policy. The locals spoke very highly of Jon and what he had done for the area.

Last yr, your scribe sent out over 200 personal requests to recalcitrant classmates to subscribe to the *ASSEMBLY* mag. Who could turn down such a request, you might ask? Well, 194 did. So, if you see any of these recalcitrants floating around, punch them in the nose for me.

ASSEMBLY is running an article this issue on grads in the Persian Gulf. After some significant digging and a little help from **Joe DeFrancisco**, I was finally able to determine that only two of ours were there. **Dick Tragemann** went over in Aug as CG of the XVIII Corps Arty but then rotated back to the States in Nov. Then in Jan, **Ralph Locurcio** received an unexpected call and after a few wks of briefings in Wash, was sent over to head up the Engr-sponsored rebuilding prog of Kuwait. He heads up the Kuwait Emergency Recovery Org which will concentrate on power plants, seaports, etc. The nearest shower, **Ingrid** rep, is 20 mi away. If only the Kuwaitis knew what was in store for them. The nearby pic of Ralph, Ingrid and Daniel was taken while they were visiting their friends at 1600.



1965: Ingrid, Ralph and Daniel Locurcio

Speaking of **Tragemann**, he is now the CG at the Training and Doctrine Analysis Cmd at Ft Leavenworth. He wrote an interesting article in the Feb issue of *Field Artillery* magazine. If you're interested, send me a note (with an update on yourself) and I'll send you a copy.

Speaking of **DeFrancisco**, **Joe** visited Saudi Arabia and Kuwait in Mar with the SA and relayed his impressions on the unbelievable destruction that the Iraqis vented upon Kuwait. **Joe** also rep that according to his records, **Zig Roebuck** is now AWOL but in Huntsville, AL. I'll try to track him down. The DeFranciscos' boy **Eric** is in Baumholder and daughter **Laura** is a jr at LaSalle U in Phila.

Our most prolific info provider, **George Ruggles**, called while he was at O'Hare to rep that he and **Doug Gentzkow** attended Founders Day in Portland. **Doug** is now in Corvallis where he owns the Witness Tree Vineyards (white and Pinot Noir) and apparently got the idea to be a vintner from our good friend in Napa. **Doug** is a pilot by training. **Bob Huffhines** is still in Long View, WA where he represents indigents for the local county. **John Olson** is in Portland. **George's** daughter **Stephanie** graduates from Northwestern this Jun with a BA in radio/TV/film. She will work for one yr before going to law sch. Son **Jonathan** is in a local col in Bend, OR. **George** wanted to remind everyone that the 11th ACR is going to have a reunion in DC from 23-25 Aug. A lot of our classmates, including this scribe, belonged to that unit in VN.

The Supe passed along an interesting chart showing the percentage of all offs in relationship to the rest of the Army, by USMA yr gp. Our CI has approximately 27% while '64 has 45% and '66 has about 33% of the general offs by yr gp. The percentage of the specific yr gps that are still on active duty shows a steep decline from the 20% in '64 to our 18%, about the same for '66 and then about 8% for '67. Thereafter, the numbers start to go back up slowly to the 20% range in '75, and then level off. If I'm reading the data correctly, what it says is that even though the percentage of the yr gps that are still on active duty is going down starting with the CI of '64, the percentage of gen offs that are USMA grads is going up.

Bob Wolff wrote from Potomac, MD that he had attended the 91 Black Engr Of The Yr Conf in Baltimore. He was there talking to black col students about employment opportunities in the Engr Corps. While there, he ran into **Joe Anderson**, who was one of the finalists. **Joe** looked great. **Joe** lost out in heated competition to **COL Bluford**, the first black astronaut. **Bob** will be ret from the Res after 26 yrs. **Dave Hurley** wrote from Princeton where he was elected to his local township council, soundly beating his main opponent, "unopposed." One of the first jobs was to eliminate their Fire Dept, thus becoming the first NJ town to contract fire svcs from a neighboring comm. He followed that chore with negotiating the police contract.

Also at the Black Engr banquet was **Ed Armstrong** who was representing GE. **Ed** is in Springfield, VA.

That great swimmer of ages ago, **Jerry Merges**, wrote from Boca Raton where he proudly rep that **Kyle Anthony**, grandson #1, was born in Feb to his son & daughter-in-law in Frankfort, IL. His other children include son **Doug**, married in 90, **Laurie**, a jr at Wittenburg U in Springfield, OH and **Samantha**, a HS sr at Culver Girls Academy in IN. **Jerry Sr** and **Doug** both work at Crown Equip-

ment which **Jerry Sr** joined upon leaving the svc. **Jerry** & new wife **Peggy** now live in Boca Raton where he is in the financial planning/svcs field.

While visiting WP in Feb, it was interesting to see **Jim McEliece**, in the Hotel Thayer, in his BDU's and what he described as a "gas mask"—obviously ready for Saddam and for the trustee's mtg (it was his briefcase). My thanks to **Merritt Bumpass** for helping me out with some OH legal bus. He is still in Cleveland. **Rollie Stichweh** was nominated as a trustee-at-large for this upcoming 3-yr period. That gives us **Tom Barron**, on the Audit and Finance as well as Pension Comm, **Coll** and **McEliece** on Societies Comm and **Dave Kuhn** on the Thayer Award Comm. Incidentally, the plaque underneath the '65 Arvin Award in the old gymnasium has been installed, thanks to **Bob Doughty**.

I tried to get over to **Max Thurman's** ret in DC but had to cancel at the last min. The CinC came over to personally address the gp. This happened in the middle of the Iraqi attack. The Pres reiterated the famous Panama music story—who, someone asked, was playing that loud music outside the Papal Nuncio in Panama? Could that have been a Max idea? Max is in remission and looks good.

Everyone is always asking about gen offs in the CI. So here goes the latest list: **Benton, Bliss, Christman, DeFrancisco, Genega, Gill, Longhouser, Mullen, Pickler, Shinseki, Taylor, John C Thompson**, and **Dick Tragemann**. That's the latest as of Feb 91.

Paul Schultz, Lew Green and I are working on a '65 roster. We should have it ready to go by the fall. You'll be getting a questionnaire from **Dave Kuhn** to fill out and return to us. If it works out the way we hope, it will have lots and lots of info not only about our CI but about offspring, grad schs, lines of bus, etc. The more people who respond to the survey, the more meaningful will be the roster. That's why it still bugs me that there are 194 folks out there that we don't know about via *ASSEMBLY*!



1965: The Kuhn and Coll families

The pic of the **Kuhns** and **Colls** was taken in CA last Sep.

Fred Smith asked for a list of classmates in San Ant: **Gordon Letterman**,

Jerry McMillan, Fred Timmerman, Dick Boerckel, John Anderson and Sonny Arkangel. I received word that Mike O'Grady was last seen in Martinez, GA and so I wrote him. This word came from

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Please, no more Slum and Gravy slides or photos! Gravy Cmd rep they have tons of "great stuff." Apparently **Dick Manlove** came up with movies that go from our plebe days through RVN. Special thanks also to **Norm Gunderson** and **Cooper Wright**, who have made great contributions to the production of the century. "**King George**" is now comparing his production to *Dances With Wolves*. This is something we will all remember and be proud of for yrs to come. The "time capsule" that was proposed as a reunion project has been scrapped—not enough time. So many photos and memorabilia have been received that disposition of the goods has become a topic of concern. We'll probably discuss this at the CI bus mtg during the reunion. Any creative ideas are welcome.

News this period has been real slow, guys. I need some help, esp since I am mounting a campaign to increase our **ASSEMBLY** subscription level, which is only at about 63% as of this issue.

Rich Howell called in to get reunion information. He is living in San Jose, CA and is a program dir for a defense contractor. His address is 8 Silcreek Dr, San Jose, CA 95116.

Also received a short note from **Bill Traubel**. Bill wrote that **Hank & Petra Nemec** ret in 87. Hank is using his math background helping some defense contractors in AL. Hank & Petra reside at 143 Oakland Trace, Madison, AL 35758.

They had been on the "missing list" for some time. Thanks, Bill.

Also writing about the 25th were **Gary & Kay Israelson**. They are at 1116 Woodland Ct, Boulder, CO 80303. **Art Lincoln**, a lawyer with Fusaro, Altomare, and Ermilio tracked down **Tony Buetti** for us. Art rep that a relative of Tony is an enlisted mbr of the JAGC gp in MA where Art is dep cmdr. Tony is located at 8520 Stratus Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Thanks, Art. Equifax, Inc, the Atl-based intl consumer info sves co, announced that Mr **John A Ford**, Dir-Public Relations, has been inducted into the President's Circle. This award is granted to a select gp of employees who meet or exceed the company's standards for outstanding performance, achievement and commitment.



1965: The Art Mark family

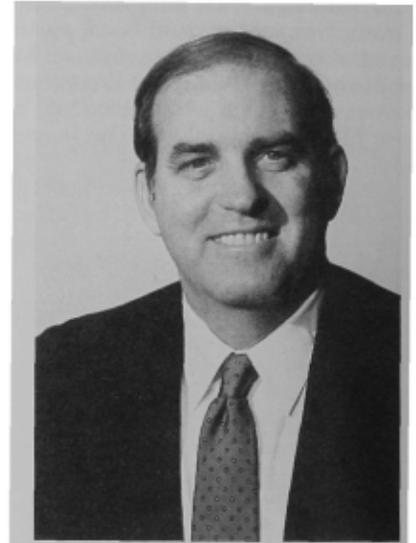
Art Mark, who also sent a pic of Terry & himself, as well as their 9 children.



1965: '65 Reunion

Unfortunately, we only had a few pics this time so I had to dig some out of the old files. The two of the reunion are self-explanatory.

Please keep those ltrs and pics coming.



1966: John Ford

We received only two Founders Day photos by the 15 Apr deadline. Bob Read '64 sent the photo of **Fred & Mary Rees**, shown listening to a speech given by LTG Dave Palmer '56, the current supe at WP. It's nice to see two stars on an old roommate.



1966: Fred & Mary Rees at Founders Day, Portland, OR

Rusty Correia, Justin Pleasant and **Ed Johnson** are shown representing '66 at the Orange Co WP Soc Founders Day dinner. Sorry I don't have all the wives' names.



1965: '65 Reunion



1966: Founders Day 91, Orange County, CA

Another reminder: if you're in the DC area we'll be having our qtrly luncheon Wed, 17 Jul. For more info contact **Bob Meccia** or **Tim Daley** at (703) 358-8915.

I had such a great photo of **Tom Zurla** that would not fit in last issue that I had to put it in this issue.



1966: Tom Zurla, fall 90

Don Frazer '70 sent me several articles written by our classmates. **Dick Swain** had a ltr published in the Feb issue of the *Military Review*. Dick's ltr was responding to an article in the Jan 91 issue regarding a review of Dr Carl Reardon's book *Soldiers and Scholars*. Dick is stationed at the Combat Studies Inst, USACGSC. **Bill O'Connor** had a 3-pg article in *Complementary Force Operations*' Feb issue. Bill's article was on "Heavy-Light Fire Support, Light Force Ops as related to Centurion Shield 90." Bill cmds the 10th Mt Div (Light Inf) Arty, Ft Drum, NY. Anyone who would like a copy of either article, please let me know.

I got lucky when I called **Jerry Edwards** for some last-min news. Jerry is dir for Combat Reg, HQ TRADOC, Ft Monroe, VA. His job is planning what future equipment will be required by the Army. Jerry told me that **MG Williams** is at Ft Monroe as head of the ROTC Cadet Cmd, and **Jim Turbish** is there as resource mgr. **George & Vonda**

Crocker are also at Ft Monroe where George is XO to the CG of TRADOC. **Tom & Jeanne Swain** have been at Ft Monroe since 89 where Tom has been cmdr at the Army-AF Ctr for Low-intensity Conflict. The evening I called, he was leaving for a new asgmt as asst to dir of Joint Staff at the Pentagon. He had been interviewed the previous wk, got the job and was then asked to rep in one wk. Jeanne will stay in VA until they can find housing in the DC area. **Joe & Sharon Musiol** and **Bob & Nikki Seger** are also among the large gp in VA. Jerry said they had a great turnout for Founders Day but no one took any pics.

Bill Hixon, who was on our "missing list," is at Ft Benning as TRADOC sys mgr for the Bradley Fighting Vehicle. Jerry had recently talked to **Lee & Deanne Fullerton**, who reside in Augusta, GA where Lee is a dr. He was unexpectedly recalled for svc during Desert Storm. Thanks for all the info, Jerry.

Please remember to get your bio sheets and photos in as soon as possible. Finally, please remember we still need to locate a few classmates. We're down to **Barnes, Basham, Caldwell, Canning, Cook, DeLaRosa, Dean, Donovan, Doo-gan, Ekstrom, Foster, Isenhower, Jones, Keating, Larson, Linder, McNaughton, Nesmith, Newhouse, Parker (Jim), Pelletier, Ray, Rice, Seith, Strokin, Wilson (Lynn), Woodward, and Wright (Adrian)**.

ARMY BEAT NAVY in Lacrosse 10-9 in a double overtime. **Kes**.

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16 Feb: Phone call from **Mike Hardy** this evening provided a few more details regarding **Harry Taylor's** death on 14 Feb, as rep in the last issue. Mike was Harry's next door neighbor in Burke, VA. On the evening of the 14th, Harry's wife **Mikki** came rushing over to the Hardys' house and asked for help, stating that she thought Harry was having a heart attack. Mike, a dr, ran to the Taylor house and found Harry in the bdrm with no pulse or vital signs. Both he & his wife administered CPR until the medics arrived, but were not able to revive Harry. Harry worked in the intl div of Mobil Oil and was constantly on the rd—as Mike said, "it was a very stress-filled job."

Mike, a urologist, ret from the Army in 87 and is now in private practice in the DC area. He rep that a couple of other Army drs who had ret in recent yrs, **Carl Savory** and **Joe Jackson**, both orthopedic surgeons, have been recalled to active duty because of the Gulf War and are now stationed at Walter Reed in DC. Saddam is touching more and more of our lives.

19 Feb: Lost in the clutter of my desk dept: while rooting through my bottom desk drawer—the one where I keep interesting junk mail, skin mags I confiscate from my kids, and other trash I don't ever really intend to look at again—I found a ltr from **Dewey** that had arrived back in Dec. Gee, it must have fallen in there by accident. It was a mercifully brief ltr, and I would ignore it altogether were it not for the photo he included. He



1967: Mike Kush, Chuck Rankin, Dewey and Dick Brawn in Heidelberg, 90

didn't send too many details with the pic, other than to say it was taken in Heidelberg and shows **Mike Kush, Chuck Rankin, Dewey** and **Dick Brawn** with a pleasant buzz-on after eating and drinking too much of Dewey's cheap wine. Brawn was up in the area TDY from his job at SETAF in Italy.

20 Feb: Once again, the eagle-eyed scribe of '70 has discovered a published article of great literary and military significance written by one of our own—in this case, **Mike Andrews**—and was gracious enough to send a copy along to me. Mike's article, which was published in the Nov 90 issue of *Military Review* mag, is entitled "Inactivation: A Commander's Perspective," and provides some valuable insights and lessons learned from his experience with the inactivation of a bde in the 4th Inf Div. Which reminds me—remember I told you in an earlier notes that **Ray Roe** was the ADC of the 9th Inf Div, another unit faced with the budget ax? Well, the 9th ID is no more. Where are you, Ray??

24 Feb: Nice ltr from **Craig Butler** in the mailbag today. Those of you who attended the 20th Reunion will surely remember Craig as the man with the world's ugliest necktie. Craig's a dr of some sort or other (he didn't say what kind, which leads me to believe he's probably a proctologist) practicing in Albany, GA. His wife **Gussie** is about to graduate from law school at GA State Univ; their son Bo is a jr at the same sch, majoring in pre-med/bus. Daughter **Leigh Ann** graduates from William & Mary in May and wants to go to law sch like mamma. Libby, the baby of the family, is a HS jr, quite active in drama

and music. Craig also sent a strip of negatives of photos taken at the A-N game. Cheap Charlie! Now I have to get the bloody things printed, to see if any of them are worth a hoot.



1967: Bunch of bad dudes at A-N game

11 Mar: Ltr from **Brian Hayes** arrived today with a current status rep on some of the Cl drs who had ret from active duty and are now feeling the effects of Oper Desert Storm. **Tom Parr**, **Carl Savory** and **Joe Jackson** were recalled to active duty, Parr going to Ft Hood and Savory and Jackson to Walter Reed. Brian, who had ret in 88, was in private practice in southern OR, and was recalled to active duty and sent to Madigan Hosp at Ft Lewis, where he ran into **Mike Casey**, who's the head quack at Madigan. Mike's wife is an Army nurse and is currently in the Gulf, as is **Dave Hale's** wife, **Janet**. **Al Seyfer** is the ch of plastic surgery at the Univ of OR Med Sch in Portland; as of the date Brian wrote the ltr, Uncle had not yet reached out and touched Al. **Dean Risseeuw**, if you hurry out to OR, maybe you can get Al to do

that body make-over you've been wanting, before he gets snatched away by the Green Machine again.

14 Mar: Another photo from Ger, this one from **Bill Eggering**. The occasion was his & **Jackie's** farewell party prior to their 9 Feb departure from USAREUR Hq in Heidelberg. The Eggerings are now at Ft Leavenworth, where Bill is the dep cl dir for Intl Off at CGSC. This means he gets to take care of about 100 foreign offs from 40+ countries, "ea of whom thinks he is an exception to policy." Fortunately, **Dewey** is mostly hidden in the pic.

18 Mar: Received a wonderful, long news-filled ltr from **Janet Hale** today, sent from her surg hsp in Saudi Arabia. She and her unit arrived in country on 27 Jan, after 2 long mos at Ft Riley getting ready. They spent the first 4 or 5 days getting acclimated in Dhahran, where they were treated to some SCUD visits, before moving to their forward operating location, about 20 mi from the Iraq-Kuwait border. Nothing but sand as far as the eye can see. She is in a 400-bed surgical hosp supporting VII Corps. Janet is head of a nursing section responsible for 160 beds, which includes a med ward, a surgical ward, an orthopedic ward and a burn ward. As her ltr was written on 23 Feb, the eve of the ground offensive, she didn't have much to say about the workload to date. She was able to give some more info on classmates: the oral surgeon attached to her unit is **Mike Lascher**; **Reggie Moore** is the Evac Task Force cmdr for her hosp and 4 others. According to Janet, Reggie has a new baby waiting for him when he gets home. Surprise, surprise, surprise! **Bob**

Griffin is also in her area somewhere, though Janet hadn't seen him.

26 Mar: The Public Affairs off of the Army Info Systems Cmd sent along a nice photo of **Chuck Suttin** being interviewed by ABC TV News in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia awhile back. Chuck is the



1967: Chuck Suttin, cmdr of 6th Signal Cmd in Saudi Arabia, being interviewed by ABC TV

cmdr of the 6th Signal Cmd in the Gulf, and has been in the region since last Aug. He was a key player in the establishment and success of the cmd and control communications system for the war effort.

27 Mar: While in the throne rm today, catching up on my backlog of reading, I was pouring over the 11 Mar issue of *US News and World Report*, when whose name should jump out of the pg at me but our own **Paul Kern's**. Paul is cmding the 2d Bde of the 24th Inf Div and, in that capacity, spearheaded one of the biggest armor assaults of the Gulf War. It was Paul's bde that captured the Jalibah Airfield in southern Iraq and, in the process, destroyed 10 jet fighters on the ground, including at least one MiG-29. The div cmdr declared Paul and his bde to be the Air Aces of the war, shooting down 10 MiGs. It's a great article; if you haven't seen it, track it down. Once again, '67 leaves an indelible imprint on our nation's enemies.

28 Mar: Remember way back when—2 or 3 issues ago (**Dewey**, don't you attempt that without med supervision—I don't want you popping a blood vessel in that soggy mass of nerve endings that serves you for a brain). I mentioned the fact that **Ken Carter** was writing a book about his cruise through the Chesapeake last summer, the highlight of which (the cruise, not the book) was his visit with the **Lowreys**. Well, he has managed to finish it, and it has even been published. All of you frustrated authors out there should not get too excited about this, since he published it himself. He even wrote his own press release, complete with glowing testimonials such as "a lighthearted and delightful book." For the \$19.95 price tag, you would hope so, but I can promise you the first chapter alone, wherein he describes his visit here, is worth the gouge. The



1967: Mike & Debbie Kush, Ed & Janet Dewey, Bill & Jackie Eggering, Ingrid & Mark Miller and Janice & Chuck Rankin at the Eggerings' farewell, Heidelberg, Ger, 91

book is entitled *Chesapeake Reflections: A Journey on a Boat and a Bike*, and will be in better bookstores sometime in mid-Apr. His sales rep in the Chesapeake Bay area has already lined up over 300 retail outlets, and he is expecting to have the book reviewed by the *Washington Post* and the *Baltimore Sun*. Keep your fingers crossed for Ken. My offer still stands: for a token fee (a good bottle of Malt Scotch), **Suzi** & I will be happy to autograph the first chapter for you. The book has over 300 pgs of text, but even people like **Bob Lenz** would enjoy it, since it's also got over 60 pics, as well as a truly lovely cover photo.

2 Apr: Just got back from an Easter trip to Fayette-Nam, NC, to visit my dad. Ran into **Bill & Millie Freccia** at the country club and had a nice chat. Bill is in private practice as an endodontist, and bus is obviously good, as he has offs in both Fayetteville and Southern Pines. For the uninformed among you, endodontists specialize in root canals. I've always thought of endodontists with the same warm, affectionate feelings I have for juice Ps and plebe boxing insts. Anyway, Bill tipped me off to an article in the local paper that rep our own **Mike Casey** is en route from his asgmt at Madigan Army Hosp in Ft Lewis to be the new hosp cmdr at Ft Bragg, arriving in May. Actually, he'll be more than just the hosp cmdr; he'll be the post MEDDAC cmdr, which includes Womack Hosp, 13 troop med clinics and the post vet activities.

3 Apr: News update on CI offspring at The Rock (aka kids on the tuition dodge) arrived from **Bob Lenz** today. If you have a son or daughter in cadet gray and you don't see your progeny's name here, throw your darts at Lenz, not me. CI of '91: Charles D Costanza, son of **Chuck Costanza**; Mark Viney, son of **Steve Viney**; and Christopher Wells, son of **Dan Wells**. CI of '92: Michael Doheny, son of **Bob Doheny**; William Hausman III, son of **Bill Hausman**; and Karen Roe, daughter of **Ray Roe**. CI of '93: Kevin **Bigelman**, Paul's son; Jeffrey **Blaney**, **Tom Blaney's** son; Robert **Lenz Jr**, **Bob Lenz's** son (daughter Penny graduated in '90, and is now a chem off serving with VII Corps in the Gulf); **Paul Lima III**; Patricia Lynn, **Bill Lynn's** daughter; Patrick O'Hara, son of **Kerry O'Hara**; William Olson, **Alan Olson's** son; Lisa **Pais**, **Randy's** daughter; Andrew **Phelan**, son of **Dick Phelan**; and **Tom White III**, A-Man's son. CI of '94: Kent **Gonser**, B-Man **Goose Gonser's** son.

6 Apr: Press release and photo from the Princes of Pescatorial Pursuits, **Jim Balkcom** and **Tom Dyer**, arrived today, announcing the fact that their co, Techsonic Industries (Balkcom is chm and CEO; Dyer is the pres) has received special recognition from the Natl Comm for Employer Spt of the Guard and Res for "outstanding support to the Natl Def

through continuing support of the Guard and Reserve." Specifically, Techsonic



1967: Jim Balkcom, with proud co-workers looking on, receives an award for support of the Natl Guard and Reserve

was cited for providing a level of spt for the Guard and Res well beyond that required by the Vet's Reemployment Rights Law. Among other things, Techsonic was cited for its extended pay differential and ins prog provided to those employees participating in Opns Desert Shield and Desert Storm. The photo shows Balkcom receiving a hand-dandy plaque (suitable for framing) from the vice chm of the AL Comm, etc, etc. Jim in his spare time also serves as civ aide to the Sec of the Army for AL. What the hell does Dyer do, besides play golf?

8 Apr: Man, am I steamed! Received a ltr from **Bob Haeffner** today, and among other things he rep that **Tony Nida** is definitely due into Ft Monroe as the TRADOC Engr in May, but get this—**Angie** and family are already here! Damn, and not even a phone call yet, much less an invitation to dinner. Angie, it's not wise to upset the keeper of the pen—after all, Tony's only an 0-6, not a REAL high roller yet. However, that may change, since he was quoted in the 11 Feb issue of *Newsweek* (pg 27) in an article about breaching the now-infamous "Saddam Line" of minefields and barriers. At the time, Tony was the dep asst com of the Engr Sch. But then, when I was stationed at TRADOC Hqs, I was once interviewed by the *NY Times* and quoted rather extensively, and you see where it got me. (I just happen to have several copies of the article lying around the house somewhere. For a small stipend, I will be happy to send you an autographed copy. I will apply the proceeds to the Dr Doom Legal Def Fund). The Nidas' eldest daughter, Nancy Taylor, is expecting sometime in late summer/early fall. That means Angie will be a grandmommy—the Mother of all Grandmothers! (I can't take credit for that line, folks—that's Haeffner's.) Speaking of Bob (& Gussie, of course), their son, Robert Jr, was married 4 days after Christmas to one Christy Michelle Cook, the daughter of an Army chaplain stationed at Ft Sill. (Remember Ft Sill

and the firstie trip?) I got as hammered there as I've ever been in my life, drinking Muzzle Blasts at the Fiddler's Green Bar in the O Club the night we got back from the buffalo barbecue. Tony Nida and I were trying to find something positive to remember about Ft Sill. The only thing I remember is the world's worst hangover (until we got to Ft Bliss and Juarez) and Nida sticking me in a cold shower after carrying me back to the bks. Of course, when the OC came around, he left me there, while he scurried back to his rack. Gee, what are classmates for, anyway?

9 Apr: High Roller Roll Call (we haven't had this for awhile, have we?): **Dick Kline** has made the 91 COL Cmd List, in a specialty area of Armament Laboratories. I gleaned this bit of trivia from the 15 Apr edition of *Army Times*. Congrats Dick, well done; you may fall out at Sun brunch.

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'68

Thanks for making my job easier in the creative sense, since I don't have to fabricate news or classmates. Thanks also for submitting so much news that my biggest concern is how to organize and present it.



1968: More of the '68 gang at the Swans' deck warming

I can't let another article go by without thanking **Jay & Patty Johnson** for the great New Yr's Day reception they hosted for the CI. The refreshments alone destroyed the willpower of anyone who resolved to go on a diet in 91. To prove that payback is due even to classmates, **Pete & Cathy Swan** announced their late arrival via car phone but couldn't talk for long because they had another call waiting on their other car phone. Now that he's out of the svc and with Maxwell Labs Systems, Science, and S/W Div, we're seeing a lot more of **Bob & Jann Swedock**. Although **Jerry & Eleonora Florance** attended, Jerry was still "on duty" due to people having a tendency to drive stupidly during the holidays,

and Jerry being required to investigate accidents in Prince William Co as the Dist Health Dir. We hadn't seen **Jack & Bobbie Munson** since A-N, and they brought the news that **Sam Wyman** is now a VP with BEI Corp in Ft Worth. **Marsha Wright** consented to share **Rick** with us on his last day in CONUS prior to returning to his DCSPER duties in Panama. **Surry & Dorothy Everett**, **Ed & Peggy Thal**, **Chuck & Phylis Giasson** and **Bill Higgins** remarked that the Johnsons ought to make a New Yr's CI reception a tradition by hosting it as long as they're in the DC area.



1968: Jerry Florance, Rick Wright, Jay Johnson and Marsha Wright at the Johnsons' New Yr's Day reception

Although we all got a chuckle out of it, we agreed that I shouldn't have left a msg with **Stott Carleton's** receptionist for Stott to call COL Sanders for orders and given the no for the local KFC. I didn't know until the next day that little trick caused Stott to sit at his desk and stare blankly out the window. **Henry & Karen Riser** and **Bobbie Carleton** tried to bail me out of my missed opportunity to exercise good judgment. He has yet to return any of my phone calls. As I have tried to do in earlier articles, I apologize for being insensitive.

Just when I think you guys have done it all, you prove me wrong—which isn't too hard most of the time. This time is really momentous—I'm happy to announce, to those of you who don't know already, that on 11 Feb, **Dick & Suzanne Steiner** became the proud parents of Charlotte Evalynne, who entered the world at 7 lbs, 14 oz. Dick's ultimate magic trick will be to send her to col on his soc sec pension.

Although we haven't heard from too many classmates regarding who's in the Gulf, the 1 Mar *Wall Street Journal* helped us out by rep on the exploits of the 3rd AD—led by **Bill Nash's** 1st Bde—cutting the Republican Guard to shreds. The article renders a thrilling acct of Bill's bde and the true meaning of high mobility and technology combined with firepower and shock effect.

David Martin rep that **Mike Cerrone** volunteered to return to active duty as a chaplain with the 3rd Bde of the 101st. Mike and Dave served together in RVN



1968: My bride with Bob Swedock at the Johnsons'

in the 3rd Bde of the 101st. Mike mentioned that when he arrived at Camp Eagle II in Saudi, **John McDonald** had just relinquished cmd of the bde so he could assume his XO to the CINC SOUTHCOM duties in Panama.

For those of you who wondered how our forces broke through the initial formidable barriers so easily, there are a lot of folks in VII Corps thanking **John Morris**, who commanded a CE Bde TF that knocked down berms, breached mine fields, blew and covered traps and cavities, and generally provided an 8-lane paved freeway to Basra. **John & Sandy** were at **John Cruden's** ret ceremony, which I hope signals that he's back in town to advise local planners on how to solve DC traffic problems.

During **John Keane's** meanderings through the halls of the Pentagon for Maddentech and the good of CI coordination, he ran across **Mike Peters**, who gave up his CA bn in Saudi to give some other LTC the honor of advising local natls on how WE would run govts—if WE had them to run. John also hears that **John Benson** is now in the Gulf area evaluating all those neat whiz-bang new systems we used to determine how good they REALLY were.

We almost had some great firsthand input; however, **Bill Mulvey** only got as close as Ger before his orders were changed, and he was directed to return to his Saudi post as dir of PAO for an ex-Mechanics P. In the meantime, **Suzy** had to cancel Bill's welcome home party and continue counting an unspecified # of days 'til his real return.

Aside from making it a matter of public record of how much the CI scribe has forgotten or never knew, **John Keane** (703-455-2511) still holds us together by trying to maintain a DC CI roster and phone tree, and by organizing periodic luncheons. He's given up on inviting guest speakers because we seem quite able to keep ourselves amused during these get-togethers. Last Mar the assembled masses included publisher and syndicator **Sandy Cohn**, **Surry Everett**, **Chuck Giasson**, first-time-in-uniform participant and SDIO/ASDC mbr **Norm O'Meara**, first-time returnee **Jerry Han-**



1968: Gordie Crupper and Jay Johnson at the Swans'

sen, Glen Hewitt, Bill Higgins, Nellie Laughton, Brian McKenna, Keith Merritt, Ross Nagy, first-time participant **Pete Paulson**, and **Bob Swedock**. A surprise addition to the gp was **Jerry Cobb** (301 Sharen Dale) who flew in from his new home in El Paso (79912), where he's a GE Aerospace Def prog mgr, for his 2 wks Res tour during which he helped write the NCS version of the Desert Storm AA report. Most of the guys still in uniform are planners in The Building and are looking pretty haggard these days. There appears to be a big run on erasers due to budget cuts, redeployment options, and base closing give and take. Future luncheons for 91 are tentatively scheduled at the Sheraton next to Henderson Hall on 10 Sep and 19 Nov.



1968: Sandy Cohn, Jerry Cobb and Keith Merritt solving our next Mid-East problem at the CI luncheon in DC

Rather than endure everyone knowing that he sneaks in and out of town, **Dick Shipley** checked in on his last DC visit from Ft Sam Houston where he's creating incentives for Army med professionals to remain in the svc. When he comes up with a few, he comes to DC to see which ones will fly with PERSCOM and the SSC gang. Despite a cold and hectic schedule, he came to dinner, where we called **Dick Witherspoon**, who didn't

want to come out and play like he did when **Dutch & Magen Hostler** were in town a mo earlier. It's hard to get anyone out on a wk night anymore. . . . We were going to call **Dick's** bride **Kathy**; however we pulled up short when we found out she was in HI visiting the **Hansens, Ohlies** and **Henslers**.

For all of you looking for **Steve (P) Bowman** between Ft Lewis and IA, check the Apr *AUSA News* and look a little farther east. After sightings of him in WA, OR, CA, with **Elvis**, and at numerous univs, Steve's pic shows up as the AUSA pres of the Berlin Chapter.

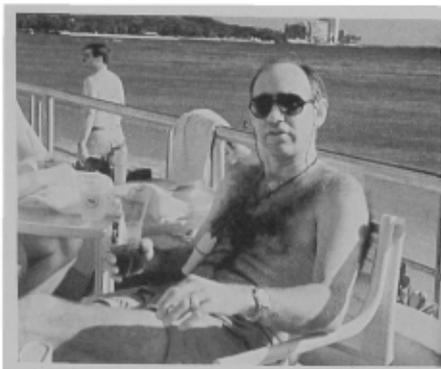
Speaking of preses, **Fred Johnson** breezed into town late this winter to help convince Congress that credit unions can police themselves and to contribute to the DC saloon business. Actually, he had little to do with the latter mission—he paid while **Barbara & I** ate and drank. Fred is so full of positive vibes these days with news of **Gary & Patty Halstead**: one son about to graduate from WP and one son just out of diapers, that he needs an accompanying cathode just to even things out.



1968: Fred Johnson and scribe outside the Omni in DC

David Martin also forwarded a flyer advertising **Ken Haven's** latest book, *The Killer Brussels Sprouts*. Ken has been making a living as an award-winning storyteller for several yrs now, crossing the nation to delight both child and adult audiences with riveting deliveries of original and endearing stories. David has 3 of Ken's tapes and vouches for his imagination and enthusiastic tales. And folks said that there was no value in calling mins when the mess hall would attempt to get rid of Army surplus rations from the Spanish-American War and serve dishes like "Tuna Lima Bean Prune Cabbage Omelet Casserole Surprise." As for Dave, he's still a VP with Natl Gateway Telecom and just completed a 5-yr project to install an undersea fiber-optic cable from us to Japan.

William Smith, pres of Southern Natural Gas Co, dropped a note to announce that he appointed **Eric Thomas** as VP-engring last Jan. Eric joined Sonat Inc, a worldwide energy co involved in natural gas transmission and marketing, oil and



1968: David Martin at work on Waikiki

gas exploration and production, oil services, and the parent co of Southern Natural Gas, an operator of 8,600 mi of natural gas pipeline in the SE, as a corporate planner in 78. He moved to Southern Natural Gas as a sr engr in 79 and progressed through a no of positions, incl operational auditor, mgr of R&D, asst ch engr, and ch engr.



1968: Southern Natural Gas Co VP Eric Thomas

Another classmate VP, **Chuck Hawkins**, with Data Memory Sys in Fairfax, checked in because he missed a couple of the past DC CI luncheons. Chuck's firm focuses on mil historical ORSA & simulations. He has recently examined defeat and breakpoint criteria for the Army CAA.

Chuck Jones, a sr PM with Woodward Clyde supporting the DOE facility at Rocky Flats, sent us a copy of a Jan *Engineering News Record* article. The article announced a joint venture between Geraghty & Miller, Inc of NY and Heidemij, an enviro engring firm based in Arnheim, the Netherlands, to introduce the Dutch co's soil washing technology into the US and boost American entry into developing enviro mkts abroad. The deal was put together by Geraghty & Miller VP **Mike Mann**, currently based in Tampa.

After reading the above, if you don't

think that the environment is all that important, read on to appreciate the help '68 is giving it. Last wk, I had the honor of witnessing **John Cruden's** ret ceremony at the Pentagon. John, who has had a stellar legal career in the mil and topped it off as the Ch Legislative Counsel of the Army OCLL, was lauded not only by his boss—something I've never experienced—but by the clerk for the Supreme Court and the congressman who appointed him to the Acad. Besides a handfull of classmates, the ceremony was attended by congressmen, ambassadors, judges, gens, the Chap to the House of Reps, Chap Ford, and John's family. What would entice the person we figured would be the Army JAG out of the svc? John has already moved over to become the ch of Environmental Enforcement, Environment and Natural Resources Div, of the Dept of Justice!

If that's not enough, **Joe Fowler**, another fast moving JAG and attendee at **John's** ret, is slated to become the ch of the Army Claims Svc after grad from the AWC. In prep for this new job, **Joe** wrote his AWC research paper on environmental requirements the DoD will have to deal with in the future.

In the meantime, **Jocko Merriam** has moved from Lawton to Cincinnati to direct an Intl Tech Corp project of hazardous waste disposal for Wright-Pat AFB and vic. Now, if **Vic Hiatt** would just check in. . . .

Other classmates at **John's** ret ceremony were **Jack Mayer**, who is trying to make sense out of the Ctr for Naval Analysis; **Bill Gardepe**, who is still with Raytheon trying to make order out of all the politicos taking credit for the Patriot missile while blaming others; **Terry Laughlin**, a Type B Govt Rel Spec with Bogle & Gates; **Ed Thal**, who is still with ATI; **John Armstrong**, who is with CIA C3I detailed to OSD; and **John Keane**.

In its fight to ban women students, VMI attacked our alma mater by highlighting unflattering statistics collected by the WP Off of Institutional Research, currently run by **Pat Toffler**. While the survey from which the statistics were gathered was conducted to see where we were, and where we needed to go, an old leadership and TQM trick, VMI attys kept Pat on the stand for over 5 hrs to ensure its 152 yrs of tradition will be unhampered by progress. Such badgering underscores what our first detail beast sqd ldrs told us—there is a reason for calls and shower formations.

Just as I was about to announce **Marvelous Marv Markley's** posting to the Schlumberger off in Jakarta, I received a ltr informing us of his latest change in plan. As he was packing for a 6-mo sojourn into central Sumatra for CAL-TEX, he was informed that some of his earlier presentations to UNOCAL in Bangkok took root. For those of you

putting your final Asian itinerary together, via the **Ohlies** in HI and **Jeff & Carlie Rogers** in Seoul, note that **John Headley** is back from Japan. However, **Marv** expects to have a good-sized place for the \$2,500/mo he'll be paying; he can currently be reached at the Schlumberger Overseas S.A. off on the 9th Fl, Central Plaza Bldg, 1693 Phaholyothin Rd, Bang-Khen, Bangkok 10900, Thailand (phone #66-2-5411275).

Gary & Cookie Roberson dropped a note to enclose a photo of the Western PA branch of '68—minus **Pres Miller**. In typical form, no names accompanied the photo, so I took it to the CI luncheon to see if anyone could ID who was standing with Gary. All I got at the luncheon was, "Who's Gary?" A quick call to Gary not only revealed names but a little info on the subjects. **Chuck Myers**, a neighbor of Gary, is with Carnegie Mellon working on an AF project, and hasn't seen a classmate in 15 yrs. **Steve Rogers** is still on active duty, working with Res components, and anxious to get his entire contingent back in PA by getting folks out of Saudi. **Dick Kent** opted for civies in 73, is a nuclear engr with Westinghouse, and is moving to Atl in his first move in 17 yrs. Gary & Cookie love their new home and surroundings and figured out a neat way to hear from the **Gerards**—just send in a pic with no names.



1968: Chuck Myers, Gary Roberson, Steve Rogers and Dick Kent at the Robersons' Gloom Period luau/house warming

Just because I've joked about lack of names attached to Founders Day photos in the past doesn't mean that you shouldn't GO or SEND pics. Our exciting times continue. Lots of changes are anticipated this summer. Let us know how you affect those times and how the times affect you. Taking care of ea other and sharing is important because there will never be more of us—YOU'RE ALL WE'VE GOT—Dave.

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This col is being written on 15 Apr (tax return just having been filed!), covering



1969: Coach K and family with the McGoverns, Robellas, Kimmitt, Landrums, Johnson, O'Tooles and Cornelisons

news received since 18 Feb. When you receive this issue, my next deadline will be 15 Aug.

The CI summer gathering will be held on 24 Aug at the Sleepy Hollow Bath & Racquet Club in Falls Church, VA. Flyers will be sent to all in the DC area and to anyone out of town who writes or calls me at the address or nos above. Please do make an effort to join us.

Congratulations first this time to all who participated in Desert Shield and Desert Storm, both those in-country and those who supported them. I enjoyed seeing **Rob Goff** and his 3rd Arm Div soldiers on ABC (yes, Rob, we did note that you took your glasses off for the Jim Wooten interview!). And **Tom Garrett's** 101st Avn Bde was complimented in Jack Anderson's col—a first for any mil person in that col!

Congratulations, too, to **Mike Krzyzewski** and his Duke Blue Devils. We were proud not only of the fact they won, but also how they won. Mike and his team were feted by Pres Bush in the Rose Garden, and **Cornelison, Ken Johnson, Landrum, McGovern, O'Toole, Robella**, and I behaved ourselves in the audience.

The fine performances in Saudi Arabia and Indianapolis, respectively, remind us of what a great gp of friends we were all blessed with over 25 yrs ago. Now is the time to carry that tradition forward by contributing to our CI Gift Fund. The fund is off to a good start, but it is being carried by too small a percentage of the CI. We need 3 new contributors for every one we have, and **Dennie Haydon** and his co reps need your help. If you do not have your co rep's name and address, or



1969: Pres Bush and Mike Krzyzewski with Duke and TN basketball champions in the White House Rose Garden

you just want to donate directly, write or call Dennie at 13001 Aurora Ave No, Seattle, WA 98133 (206-364-8500).

Some have expressed hesitation because we have not yet decided on a gift. Well, we have—a gift that keeps giving. We intend to create a CI Fund sufficiently large to make annual or periodic gifts from the interest generated by the fund. A second comm—the Charter and Giving Comm—is charged with overseeing the transition from fund raising to gift-giving. A firm proposal will be presented to the CI at our 25th Reunion, the breadth of which will be dependent, of course, on the success of our fund raising. **Ralph Artigliere** and **John Lucas** chair this latter comm, and are joined by **Casey Brower, Scott Church, Doug Freeley, Dick Jarman, Roger Loder, Mike Nardotti** and **Steve Rhyne**.

In short, a lot of people are doing a lot of work on this project. We earnestly solicit your spt.

Bob Ivany opened the mail from the

active duty contingent with a nice ltr from the Army War Col at Carlisle, where he & Marianne will be until he assumes cmd of the 3rd ACR at Ft Bliss this summer.

Joe Cornelison is now exec to the TJAG here in DC. **Ellita** & he were joined at the DC Founders Day dinner by **Bob Gregg**, **Roger Loder** (in from Detroit for a Res promotion bd) and **Hank Schroeder**.



1969: Terry Rice returns Navy goat to Alan Platt, USNA '69, in Rabat, Morocco

Terry Rice closed the mil mail with a note and A-N photo from Rabat, Morocco, where he is a sec assistance off.

George Albrecht sent the first note (and photo) from the civ side of the Cl. He said **Leo Carrigan** is now working for the Ames Dept Store chain; **Ed Jahnke** is a radiologist in Burbank, CA; **Steve Vitucci** is earning his PhD at the Univ of TX; **Jim Adams** is with Network Sys in Ger; and **Jerry Morelock** is at ICAF. George is still with SAIC, but now back in Germantown, MD for the DOE.



1969: Albrecht and Carrigan

Teresa & Mike Smith sent a nice ltr from Enid, OK, where Mike is now chm of the law firm of McKnight & Gasaway. They had seen **Susan & Bill Johnsmeyer** in Overland Pk, KS when their sons were in a tennis tourney. Mike had also seen **Bob Haines**, a sr counsel with Mobil now

in Bakersfield, CA, and **Dale Smith**, who is pres of the OK WP Soc.



1969: Carol & Gary Eiber and family

Carol & Gary Eiber are in Stow, OH. Their son **Jeff** is off to col this fall to study engring.

Last ltr was from **Siobhan & Bill Burke** in Santa Monica. They had attended **Don Randolph's** marriage to **Suzanne Edgar**, along with **Steve Brown**, **Dutch Harmeling** and **Kip Schaaf**.

Colette & Greg Smith sent word from Dallas that **Bob Allardice** was recently transferred to CA. At a farewell for him were the **Smiths**, **Cantlay** (just moved to Dallas), **Stafford**, **Pam & John Payne**, **Leilani & Bill Gagnaire** and **Kathy & Brian Wells**.

Paul Kessenich and two of his children visited in Mar. Paul saw **Suzanne &**



1969: Westerhoff and Yaap with LTG Palmer at Founders Day

Darby Boyle and their 6 (!) children in Lutherville, MD, and he rep **Jim Hillebrand** had attended the Final 4 in Indianapolis to see Coach K.

KC Brown and **Wayne Murphy** both accompanied **GEN Galvin** on a recent trip to DC and rep **Jim McDonough** now directs the Sch of Adv Mil Studies at Ft Leavenworth (as a recent *Army Times* article and photo confirmed). **Pete Heesch** is now the Army Mat Cmd liaison to the Bundeswehr, while **John Greathouse** is due to leave this summer for Vienna as a mil attache.

COL cmd selections included **Casey**, **Glacel**, **Tom Hayes**, **Kyle**, **Lasche**, **Lobdell**, **Moen**, **St Onge**, **Wallace** and **Zais**.

Mike Landrum is off to Harvard for a yr this summer on a War Col equivalent tour, while **Mike Nardotti** (whom I saw along with **Dennis Tighe** when the Army War Col visited the State Dept) is due to arrive in DC as ch of the Contract Appeals Div of TJAG.

Last item was from **Don Frazer** (scribe '70), who called **Skip Bacevich's** latest



1969: Going-away party for Bob Allardice in Dallas: Colette & Greg Smith, Cantlay, Stafford, Pam & John Payne, Leilani & Bill Gagnaire and Kathy & Brian Wells

essay in *Parameters* to my attention. Thanks, Don, for keeping an eye out for our erstwhile soldier-scholars!

That's it for this time. **Holly** and our 5 wish you and yours a safe, happy and restful summer. God bless to all in '69.

'70

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In my continuing effort to maintain good communications, pay attention to the new phone no above. My off is going through the throes of re-org (the way we measure progress) and has consequently come up with a new ding-a-ling for me. Note that the home phone hasn't changed.

Jim Crawford, PMS at Gonzaga U, CINC 70 Golf Tour, has published the LOI for the 1st Annual 70 Golf Invitational Open. If you are interested, and haven't heard, call him at (H) 509-448-7559 or (O) 509-328-4220 x-3111. Jim is hoping at least 30 will show up in Coeur D'Alene, ID (vic Spokane, WA) on 11-15 Jul. Facilities, agenda and attendees all point to a fantastic time. Note that non-golfers, spouses, and kids are permitted to attend, too. See you there.



1970: Joe Henn on the horn, backed by Happy Daze at the 20th Reunion

Steve Wilson, pres of Mid-States Technical Staffing Svcs, checked in from Bettendorf, IA, primarily to campaign for a golf tour stop in his AO. He informs us that he's always on the lookout for good technical people who want to work in the upper Midwest, so ret engrs, take note. He also points out that his house in the woods sleeps 10, and has invited the entire CI to stop by, challenge him to golf, or just visit while passing through.

After complaining about not receiving this fine publication, **Charlie & Beth Ennis** got into the bus of telling me what all they're up to. If it weren't for **Bob & Dianne Driscoll**, who saw them at the Heidelberg Founders Day and loaned them the back issues of *ASSEMBLY*, Ennis would STILL be an entry high on the "lost" list. Charlie & Beth are now in Moenchengladbach, Ger, where Charlie



1970: Founders Day 91, Ft Harrison, IN

has cmd of the Combat Engr Bn North. He assumed cmd last Aug. The bn has two POMCUS cos in Ger and two in Belgium. His dual-hat mission is to cmd the American subcommunity with another 85-person staff. Previous asgmt had been to earn a PhD in mech engring at TX A&M. Earlier asgmts can be found in *Register*. He mentions that prior to OS deployment, he saw **Gary & Debby Grayas** and their two children in Buffalo Grove, IL, where Gary is a self-employed home remodeler. He also saw **Steve Baribeau**, who "does something" at Ft Leavenworth when not biking for fun, and **Tom & Bev Kauza** and **Jacky (2)** in Woodhaven, MI, where Tom is a partner in a Detroit law firm while Bev teaches at a Catholic sch. It sounds like **Charlie & Beth** made quite a wide Mid-western swing while on the way to Ger.

Attendees at the Ft Harrison Founders Day bash included **Gary & Mona Steele**, **Betsey Jones**, **Bruce & Rhea Spear**, **Liz & me**, and **Eric & Joan Pedersen**, as shown by the nearby photographic evidence. **Gummy** (so named because of the "gum bands" he used to wear to hold up his socks during his old track days) since Jun 90 has been cmdr of an AIT tng bn at Ft Ben. **Betsey** was flying solo that night, but didn't want to miss the party even though **Pete** was stuck in Saudi Arabia, or points to the north, in Desert Storm. For all practical purposes, based on the no of soldiers he has, **Pete** has been serving as a cmdr of a Res component refuel bde, even though they call him a bn cmdr. **Pete** should be back from the Storm in the Apr-May time frame, so he can resume his duties with EAR in Indy and go back to being a part-time USAR bn cmdr. **Bruce** is still building ret

homes. **Eric & Joan** just moved to the Indy area so that **Eric** could be a highly paid corporate lawyer for GM.



1970: Waiting for her Pete, who was far, far away—Betsey Jones at Founders Day 91, Indy

Les Sumner rep that **Bill Addy**, previously asst com of the USMA Poop Sch, had been deployed to Desert Storm, as had **Jack Ryan** from USMA. No news as to when they're due out, though. He also rep that **Dave Wagner** is in Gainesville, FL, practicing law. **Les & Patti** were the guests of honor at a SURPRISE black-tie happy 10th anniv party on 7 Feb in NYC. Helping the happy couple celebrate were **Chip & Karen Lauckhardt**. **Chip** was clearly feeling better since his recent kidney oper.

Of the 13 of our CI who have joined the ghostly assemblage, only 4 have had



1970: Selected 3rd Regt Rabble at 20th Reunion

obituaries published in the *ASSEMBLY*. It would really be great if we could get memorial articles published on the other 9, to help us remember. If you knew the folks listed below, and would be willing to help put together an obituary, please let me know. Our classmates who have not yet been remembered in the *ASSEMBLY* are **Randall A Carlson, Michael A Hawley, Patrick M Dunphy, Howard M Steinfeld, John M Minor, Vernon R Stockwell, Kennard E Gillihan, Joseph F Ferraro and Charles T Connatser.**

the ability of "our vast intelligence establishment" to come up with similar predictions, and then lamented that he was not "convinced that the entire adventure couldn't have been avoided." Leave it to John to stir up controversy!



1970: Jerry Minor and Signe & Larry White at 20th Reunion

Sharp-eyed **Tom Secrest** found an article in the *Gannet Westchester* newspaper on 5 Mar written by columnist **Mike Royko** that touted Prof **John Mearsheimer's** powers of prediction regarding Desert Storm. Mr Royko described John as holding the "chair of the pol sci dept at the U of Chicago, and a mil scholar," and was commenting on an article that John had written (which I didn't see) describing his view of the conduct of Desert Storm. John had called the shots. Mr Royko then queried



1970: John Vermillion at 20th Reunion

Also stirring up controversy while contributing to the *Collected Works of Army Wisdom and Lore* is **Jim Etchechury**. He had his article "The Armored Gun System Debate: Let It Begin Before It Is Too Late" published in the Jan-Feb *Armor* mag. In the article, Jim raises several considerations which should be addressed during the open discussion he advocates while the Army wrestles with the problem of future armored weapons sys. Everyone, put on thinking caps for this one.

The *Official Army Book of Lists* has



1970: Rhea & Bruce Spear at Founders Day 91, Indy

provided many entries in recent wks. In the Movin' On list, it is revealed that **Bill Addy** is due out to Ft McPherson, GA; **Gil Harper** is stepping out to Ft Lewis; and **John Norton** is on the way to the Presidio in San Fran. In the Movin' Out list, **Eddie Mitchell, Vin Reilly, Bob Walton, Tom Shadis, Russ Thompson, Mearl Balmer, Gene Studer, Mike Mahan and Eric Pederson** all joined the ret rolls. In the Movin' Up list, **Mark Barbour, Boone Bartholomees, Julian Burns, Barney Forsythe, Matt Knorr, Pat Thornton, Greg Vuksich and Lanny White** all made 06 on 1 Apr. In the Movin' Up and Out list, **Pat Thornton and Butch Haislip (SC), Bill Ward (IN), Jim Lovelace (FA), and Mark Meranda (EN)** have all been selected for 06 cmd. Well done and good luck to all of you. An overzealous reaction to a case of mistaken identity in last mo's Movin' Up list perusal is hereby corrected: **Steve Westbrook** has been 06 for a LONG time now.



1970: Greg Smith and Brian Davis at 20th Reunion

Rapid fire, from a belt of high-caliber, but becoming perishable, Reunion ammunition: **BJ Alexander** is working as a congressional staffer on a one-yr fellowship. **Terry Nyhous**, who has been legislative liaison for SecDef Cheney, had the opportunity to receive the svcs of

Tom Boytim, a Bolling AFB periodontist. Tom has had no permanent attachments since his divorce. **Ken & Relva Clow** are in Philly—Ken is the cmdr of the Dist Corps of Engrs. Similarly, **Bob & Anna Bauman** are out in Sacramento, where Bob is the dep cmdr of that Dist CE, responsible for 9 mil and 1400 civ personnel. **Bill Hedberg** is also in Sacramento, but ret after completing his mission with the depot there. If you go to visit **John Cogbill**, be sure you have his right address. He & his wife moved about 3 doors down the street awhile back. **Temp Cumiskey** has been making the rounds of the automotive ind, starting with Ford, then to American, and now at Chrysler, where he's the mgr of dev engring. **Curt Newcomb** is full-time MN ARNG as the mobilization readiness off of the state. He also serves as cmdr of the 1/94 AR Bn. **Jim & Jan Price** believe that Jason, who plays good basketball, is a future prospect for the USMA team. **Tom Miller**, are you listening?

Bill & Susie Schmidt are practically neighbors, hailing originally from Merrillville, IN. Their children are Patrick (10), Billy (8) and Paul (6). **Max Kelly** is glad to be living in Miami, after having been "kicked out of Nicaragua." Can anybody verify if **Barry Pittman** has REALLY doubled his weight since his lean and mean cadet days? His wife, **Michelle**, who used to be a Cliff-dweller back then, is a little saddened by the use of her old campus as a USMA add-on. But there were enough Ladycliff alumnae present at our reunion for them to justify a mini-reunion of their own. If you need a boat and are out on the W Coast, see **Ray Gibbons**. And if you do, send me his address. **Mike Froncek** is a pers mgr for TRW. Rumor has it that **Bill**



1970: Bill Knowlton and Billy Jackson at Homecoming football game, 20th Reunion

Knowlton, the triathlete, worked out with the swim tm at Reunion and became discouraged when he couldn't keep up with the women on the team. **Steve Garrett** was in Saudi and is apparently due for bde cmd. **Penn Watkinson** and his boy pedaled across the US, literally, from OR to the E Coast. He may STILL be recovering from the trip. **Pat Moran** enjoyed the Reunion P-rade. He

& **Linda** have been married for less than a yr. **Bob & Marie Cousar**, married for about 3 yrs, are in Wilmington, DE. Bob works for DuPont there. **Matt & Jan Fleumer** are in Monterey, CA. Matt, currently the comptroller for the DLA there, claims he will ret after locating another job in the San Fran area.



1970: Gill & Frank Romano at 20th Reunion

The DC area claims **John & Joan Biddle**, where John is a software engr for Martin Marietta. He is in the USAR with the 80th MTC out of Richmond. Also in Richmond and the USAR is **Bruce Robinson**. He normally practices law in town. **Bill Johnson** is doing def contracting work in electronic warfare with E-Systems. His wife, **Paula Stone**, does public relations consulting. **Scott & Fran Isaacson**, after ret, moved from Wash to WA—DC to state. How embarrassing to go up to **Terry Keene** and say, "And this is your wife. . . ?" to be corrected by finding out that he was with his 19-yr-old daughter **Jeremie**, currently a coed at GA St. **Fred & Mary Lough** are in Reading, PA where Fred is a cardiac surgeon. Their twins, James and Samuel, are now about 1-1/2 yrs old. The other kids include **Jessie** (7), **Frederick** (5) and **Margaret** (3). Another dr is **Tom O'Meara**, who practices gastroenterology in Tacoma, WA.

Nuts. Out of ammo. But if you want to see your name in bold print in an internationally distributed mag later this summer, then send a ltr, a note, SOMETHING (with a pic), or even try out that new phone no up front, then I'll ensure that you make the big time. Until then—may all your news be good. Delta **Charlie Fox** out.

'71

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As we are apparently saving our lies for the reunion, this will be a short missive. It is now Jun. You have received your second mailing requesting that you fork over a great part of your life savings (that which is left after your purchase of lodging and airfare) and are now contemplating if this is really what

you want to do. . . it is. As I write in late Apr, we are approaching a classmate sign-up total of 350; over 600 folks in the queue prepared to do some basic get-down stuff. We minions here are trying to put together an effort that is worthy of your money and your time. If past experience is an indicator, it'll be a happening.



1971: The Crossmans and Wenzloffs at Founders Day, Carlisle Bks

Classmates continue to clean up the devastation of the Persian Gulf. I discovered that heretofore unmentioned **Jack Stevenson** and **Bill Sabata** also had an opportunity to excel in the sandbox. Jack has a monumental task in the field of procurement and maintenance. Upon seeing a copy of the *ASSEMBLY* in Kuwait City (I have a wide distribution), Bill picked up a bayonet and carved me a note. In Feb, Bill was plucked out of his ROTC job at NC State Univ to serve first as the staff engr for the Third Army Mobile Cmd Post in King Khalid Military City and then as the task force engr for Task Force Freedom, which has the mission of the restoration of Kuwait. At last word, he and **Jeff Jones** were attempting to put together a Founders Day dinner somewhere in the remains of Kuwait City.

In yet another battle. . . that for the distinction of the oldest new father, two new nominees have come forth. **Kevin & Phyllis Cogan** now have a lucky SEVEN children with the addition of **Sean Michael** in Dec 90. Yes folks, we're talking major league sibling rivalries here. Far as I know, that breaks the 3-way tie for the most children between the **Cogans**, **Bapples** and **Ericksens**. Any takers? On the other hand, **Bob & Barbara Watson** love their FIRST child, **Elizabeth Morgan**, born in Feb, just as much. Stay tuned to these pgs for a birth announcement from that old coot **Jeff Rock** & his young bride **Shirley**.

We had 3 selections on the recently released bde cmd list: **Rick Capka**, **Tom Metz** and **Al Fox** (reslated because his current bde in Ger is being deactivated). This is even more impressive because of the finite no of cmds available as we draw down the force. Congratulations and a shiny new breastplate to you guys.



1971: The Bremers with Ann Julian and others in Miami

Spring has sprung around here. You can tell... firsties' hair is getting long, grades are falling, and plebe rms don't smell anymore. I'm off to the roof.

'72

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Hello again, and a hearty "welcome home" to the '72 Desert Storm participants. Our sincerest thanks for a job well done. Did anyone doubt that our own would serve with dignity?

Bobby Curran has established himself as the DC connection and provides an update of '72'ers in that area. In fact, due to short turn-around on submission deadline, I will go to Bob's report in its essential entirety. Also, Bob provides a review of the Desert Storm vets at the end.

Larry Baltezare is attending the Def Sys Mgt Course at Ft Belvoir and is instructed by **Dave Nicholson**. **John Bonin** has completed most of his pre-cmd courses and will assume cmd of a bn at Ft Knox. **Roger Bowen** is working for Dept of Energy after becoming the first person in the CI to ret with 20 yrs' active fed svc (they include your enlisted and poop sch time). **Jim Camp** just arrived from Ft Ord and will have **Linda** join him after the sch yr is over and the kids can move. **Howie Carpenter** changed jobs and now works for a new "Parkway Patriot."

Chuck Clements is now back in DC working with the Special Opns folks and has news that his youngest brother just graduated with the CI of '90. **Rollie Desert** will leave this summer with his football team and assume cmd of a tank

bn at Ft Stewart. **Ed Durham** is now working with the Army Personnel Cmd in Alexandria and arrived in DC last Nov with wife **Terrie**.

Steve Curry is cmding the 720th MP Bn in Saudi and recent reports have shown that this bn was responsible for providing local ground security at the 91 Founders Day celebration in Kuwait City. Is that the main reason for the war lasting only 100 hrs—so that the FD supper could be held?

Dan Grogan arrived in the last few mos and will be working at the Def Nuclear Agency where **Jim Lyon** use to work until he ret on 31 Jan. He is supposedly still in the DC area but will move out west where he will be employed.

Brad Holtz is now working in the Pentagon after doing "time" at AMC and working on PROJECT VANGUARD (which is the plan to reduce the size of the Army). Now with his work in the Pentagon, he can be seen hanging out a lot around the E-Ring where wife **Lynn** is a secy for the Staff Judge Advocate. **Roger Cunningham** is rep to be somewhere in the vic of the Himilayas as the Def Attache to Nepal.

Charlie Fletcher has been rather busy as his unit oversaw the movement of equipment and ammunition from Europe to the Middle East. Wife **Dale Anne** was on alert the entire period and prepared to deploy with one of the hosps if the need arose. Charlie has been keeping me informed on the latest med status of **Ken Searcy**, who had colon cancer. He is out of the hosp and by the time you read this, will be back to cmding his bn at Ramstein AFB; the prognosis is good—none of the cancer had spread to

other organs outside the colon. Say a prayer.

Hud Berrey pinned on his eagles in the Mid East but has not yet returned. **Steve Skoog** is still awaiting word of when he can come home. There are plenty of patients awaiting the return of the "ONLY" child urologist in the Army.

Ty Hughes (my compatriot in keeping the DC crowd straight) will be going TDY to Kuwait and will serve as legal advisor to the US Mil overseeing the rebuilding of Kuwait City. Rumor has it that he had no field uniforms in his possession and that a fellow lawyer from Ft Bragg (**John Smith**) is now coming to his rescue with an emergency shipment of BDU's. Hopefully, Ty will remember to remove the old name tapes and put his own on. **Joanne** will stay on in DC and raise the 4 kids while also serving in the Dept of Ed.

John Donovan is now a CPT (COL) in the Public Health arena. When is the promotion party? If he already had it, he's in big trouble. **Jerry Williams** wrote and said that he, **Howie Kuschick** and **Bruce Barlow** went to Dallas in early Apr to serve as witnesses at **Russ Bolling's** wedding. **Russ & Elaine** will stay in Dallas.

Rick Kuening is an inst at "USNA-Canoe U" in English and will be there for the next yr or two as he works on his PhD. **Jeff Donald** is in the DC area for a language sch and then PCS to Europe in Jul. **Felipe Frocht** has just arrived in DC and will work with the FBI and **Steve Grantham**, who is also in the org. **Bruce Scott** has just come out on the bde cmd list, which means that he should get to skip DC after War Col completion.

George Webb just returned home from Desert Storm with his unit, having gotten to the outskirts of Basra before being called back. Since returning he said that he was going to take the family to Disneyland and go up and see brother **Willy** at Ft Ord and the latest addition to **Will & Kay Webb's** family, a baby boy born earlier in the yr.

Andy Kim is in DC for the interim as a Res MAJ. Normally, he lives in Japan after doing time in HI and teaching in Pusan, Korea.

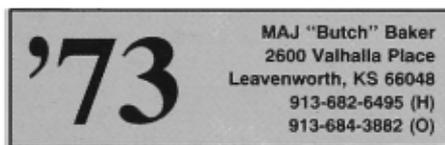
Mike Donaghy is still a SJA off with the Res, and when not doing that is practicing law in NH. His family still has their summer house just around the corner from this guy named **George** in Kennebunkport, ME.

Jack Opiola has been in the area for 3 yrs but has been maintaining a low profile out there in Reston, VA. His co is working on the toll rd extension out by Dulles in order to maximize the profits from this addition.

Bill Pavlick's son starts USMA in Jul with the CI of '95. Anyone left off the list please let Ty or me know. I know that I've sent some info on classmates in the

Gulf but here goes again: the ones that **Rollie**, Ty and I can vouch for being there from either ltrs, press reports or visual sightings on CNN are **Tim Lupfer**, **Steve Skoog**, **Hud Berrey**, **Rich Olson**, **Bob VanAntwerp** (who also came out on the War Col list), **Mike Deegan** (a lot of the refugees arrived at his unit's guard post in Iraq, according to quotes in the *Washington Post*), **Bob Wood** (seen on NBC news), **Woody Collins**, **Dave Kirk**, **Jeff McCausland**, **Mike Kobbe**, **Tom Davis** and **Dan Merritt** (who had an entire article in the *Wall Street Journal* about his "Iron Dukes" and how they would crush the heads of the Iraqi opposition). Also, **Hank Kinnison** (who's bn was the first unit to be airlifted to the Euphrates), **Matt Kriwanek**, **Bill Chamberlain**, **Jim Silcox**, **Bob Lossious** (also on the War Col list), **Steve Curry**, **Steve Main** with the 1st Cav and supposedly **Wally Wodjakowski**, too. **Tom Greco's** unit was written up in the Apr issue of *Soldiers* while **Dick Cody's** unit can claim to be the first to enter Iraq since it was his Apaches that went in and destroyed the radar sites that then allowed all the AF to fly in unimpeded at the beginning of the conflict.

Thanks for the update, **Bob**. That will do it for this issue.



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"I am done with great things and big things, great institutions and big success. I am for those tiny invisible molecular forces that work from individual to individual, creeping through the cranies of the world like so many soft rootlets, or like the capillary oozing of water, yet if given time will rend the hardest monuments of men's pride."

—William James

Thank God all went well in the Gulf. I hope all our friends and family have returned home by the time you read this.

Little has changed here. The highlight of my day is when I meet classmates going through the Pre-Cmd Course. Last wk I talked to **Tim Hoffman** and **Tom Gannon**, both here for the course. Tom will take his cmd at Ft Leonard Wood while Tim returns to Ft Carson. **John Feeley** was also here for the course, but I wasn't able to talk to him and get the real truth about his heroics in Kuwait.

I received a beautiful "first-timer" ltr from **Chuck & Janie Rittenburg** in Newbury Pk, CA. Chuck is with Northrop Corp as an oper research engr specialist. Now I don't want to get this wrong, so for you engr, Chuck is the lead engr for msn analysis on the Army variant of USAF Tacit Rainbow anti-radiation missile (TR) prog. Chuck's engring accomplishments could take up pgs. As a humanities

guy, I'm impressed by just about everything I don't understand. The detail of technology involved in Chuck's job makes me realize why CNN had so many tech specialists translating for us dummies during the Gulf War.

Chuck left the Army in 85, but like so many of us he didn't make a clean break. He enjoyed the MI branch during active duty when he served in a counter-espionage/counter-terrorism asgmt in DC. Today Chuck's a MAJ, MI, USAR and serves in the J-2 section for unconventional warfare, SOUTHCOM. In addition to this already full schedule, he serves as a tech advisor for some producers in Hollywood and is working on his own screenplay.

I can see why **Chuck** doesn't write often. Did I tell you he has 4 children?—**Julie** (15), **Betsy** (13), **Charlie** (9), delivered by our very own **Paul Smith**, and **Rebecca Jane** (4). At this point we'd better stop kidding ourselves about **Chuck's** superhuman abilities. **Jane's** the one who really keeps things together, and has since she became **Chuck's** OAO. **Jane** recently taught in a Christian HS but is staying at home this yr to re-group the family.

The motivation for **Chuck's** ltr was his discovery that **Steve Kirin** lives in the same area, a fact he stumbled onto when their kids met at sch. Finally, **Chuck** rep that one of our old Soc "Ps," **Stan Russell & Penny**, are ret in VA Beach. **Chuck** has the address if anyone is interested. **Chuck**, God bless you and yours, and thanks for the great ltr.



1973: The Rittenburg family: **Chuck**, **Becca** (4), **Julie** (15), **Charles Jr** (9), **Elizabeth** (13) and **Janie**

I'm saddened and angered by the announcement that I must now make. I've spent many 3 a.m. morns over the past two mos composing this col, and I've burned my efforts. I'm not certain whether a fresh start will better capture my ideas, but know that above all, my comments will be sincere. This is the beginning of my obituary as your scribe. Given the circumstances of my impending demise, I feel fortunate to have the opportunity to speak to you directly. Less gentle societies silence their minority voices without allowing a final whisper.

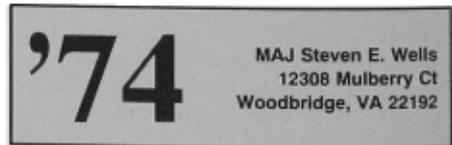
... In Feb, I agonized over the col that I had to write relating the tragic death of **Dave Pickett**. I spoke of the pain to my friend and office partner, **Bob Dela-Cruz '74**. He understood, but he asked me a question he'd asked several times since learning that I was your scribe. **Bob** is a sincere and open friend, like those we all know who ask straight questions that should have easy answers but don't. He simply asked why I would volunteer to write the col. It's a question similar to why do you love your wife. I formulated about 7 great answers and then paused to ask myself to be honest. It wasn't duty—I hate extra work. Not glory—the pats on the back aren't worth the perpetual due date stress, and it isn't getting all your money every few yrs to build another granite gray "something." My honest answer was that I could not replace the friendships I'd started at WP with any other personal relationship I'd ever experienced, and my job as scribe allowed me to extend and expand those friendships with hundreds of classmates and their families. You people, as individuals and families, live the ideals of the Academy. That was the soul of my col—no apologies.

I thank all of you who've befriended me over the past 6 yrs. Regardless of what some might think, the relationship that joined me and the col to you and your families has been one of love and respect. I'm still not certain why I was asked to step down as the scribe.

To all of you who supported me, thank you; you made my labor a joy. And one of my greatest joys has been coaxing so many of you to write to the CI for the first time. To all the ladies who've supported me and assumed the values of our fellowship, I give a special thanks. To all of you who've written, we haven't changed our address. To **Kathleen**, **Nicole**, **Joshua**, **Gregory** and **Megan**, thanks for accepting my sacrifices and understanding that they were for my friends, many of whom have become your friends.

Your new scribe is **Pat Putignano**, an able and faithful classmate. His address is 8340 Brockham Dr, Alexandria, VA 22309.

To all of you the best of luck and above all... GOD BLESS.



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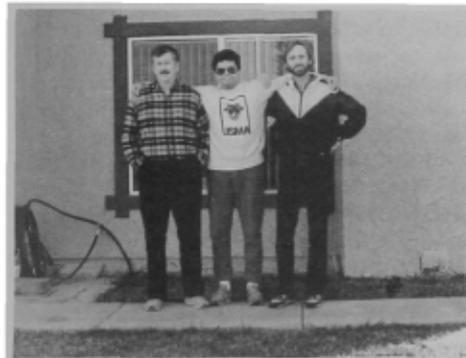
This col is being written in mid-Apr while in MAC terminals and on C-141 aircraft—who needs a break. The campaign in SWA is nearing history and the victors are slowly making their way home. Soon the Army life will return to its normal hectic schedule.

This article is heavy on pics and light on



1974: Pham Tam & Trang Kim Chi in Vietnam

content. I just got my "Free Tam" ltr from **Pat McBrayer**. Pat's worked hard to set up this trust fund so **Pham** can get himself and his family off to a good start when he's released. If you need more info or didn't get a ltr, please write to Free Tam Fund, c/o Pat McBrayer, Osteotech Inc, 1151 E Shrewsbury Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702; tel (908) 542-2800.



1974: A-N party in Las Vegas: Army friend, John Blanco and John Toth

Start off with some notes from folks deployed to SWA—most of this info sent prior to the ground opns. Some of the unsung heroes of Desert Storm are the Reservists who were called up. **Andy Knight** is one of these lucky ones—is this what you signed up for?? He's the S-1/XO of the 404th Civil Affairs (CA) Co, partly supporting the 3rd AD but primarily coming under Special Opns Forces Cmd—they wear SF patches, Abn tabs and red berets. His unit specializes in the Mid East and trains others on customs, traditions and area studies. The highlight of his deployment thus far had been the SCUD attacks, being awakened by MP's at 0200 blaring "SCUD launch, SCUD launch." In civ life, Andy is a sales engr in Newtown, PA, selling electronically-controlled actuators to steel mills, power plants, etc. His wife **Suzanne** is a pharmacist at a major Philly hosp; Eric is now 12 and the man of the

house till Andy gets home. Andy notes that **Ejner Fulsang** is an electronics engr in San Fran, doing computer work for the mil.



1974: John Sladky with children, Tegan and Erica

Wally Bransford also sends some info on SWA folks. Wally himself was in the midst of inactivating his FA bn in Augsburg, and then in Dec the call came . . . overnight he became the Dep FSCoord for 3rd AD. He was able to spend Christmas with **Patti** and the kids prior to flying out. His Jan ltr listed the folks he's met: **Tom Goedkoop** was asst G-3 for VII Corps and was to take over a tank bn soon; **Jon Porter** was there with the BCTP Tm from Leavenworth, putting cmdrs and staffs through wargaming sessions. **Chip Wentz** was S-3 for 2d Bde, 3AD; **Marty Dempsey** is XO for 1st Bde; **French MacLean** is S-3 of 5/18 Inf, part of 3d Bde, 3 AD. French's wife, **Olga**, verified this and added that he had been ch of V Corps' PLEX shop prior to this asgmt.



1974: French MacLean prior to SWA deployment

Received a couple of notes from folks making sure that mention was made of **Jim Blackwell**, who did some superb TV and media work on the war. Also, **Skip Sharp** gained notoriety by his pic on the cover of *US News and World Report*. I

heard also that **Vince O'Connell** was in Saudi doing some Res JAG time.

Now for some normal news. It was good to hear from **Ron Morrell** again. He's a MAJ in the Res and serves as the admin off in the 361st CA Bde based in Pensacola, FL. They have a Central and So American orientation. For full-time Ron is pursuing a doctorate in institutional research at FL St U in Tallahassee. He had also picked up an MA in sch psych at Trinity U, San Ant. Hi to all the G-1 folks!



1974: 15th Reunion, Co C-1: Buto, Mudd, Marino, Cantwell, Mitcham and Kling

The annual Founders Day dinner in Heidelberg had a small but mighty showing this yr, thanks to a little exercise down south. The pass-around sheet reveals the following: **Myron & Naomi Lynch** are now in Frankfurt, having moved there from Neubrucke, Myron with the V Corps G-6. They welcomed #2, Sarah Ellen, on 1 Dec 90. Sister Miriam is doing great in swimming, having recently picked up several medals in the Euro Forces finals.

Tim & Teresa Rippe are at Heidelberg, Tim with the USAREUR Host Nation Acty. They had just finished 3 yrs at Ft Ord and the 7th ID (LT), then a stint at AFSC, Norfolk. Their sports-oriented youngsters include Benjamin (10) and Michelle (7).

Dan O'Brien and **Jan Sloan** are still in Heilbronn where Dan is XO of the 237th Engr Bn. Molly (6), Libby (4) and Janet love the circus, bowling and fests.

Rob Minor is the Dep SJA in Wurzburg with the 3d ID. He & **Bridget**, Erin (13) and Kelley (10) are enjoying Ger and welcome any visitors.

Gary & Regina Anderson are also in Wurzburg, Gary finishing his 4 yrs there as the 3d ID Dep IG. His clan consists of Tamika (14) and sons Kelley (13), Warren (7) and Wesley (6), all sports-oriented. Regina is teaching elem sch. They're all due to PCS to the DC area this summer, Gary most likely going into the ODCSPER.

Others at the dinner included **Dave & Jenny Norwood**. Dave is on the 18th Engr Bde staff in Karlsruhe. Also **Linda Edwards** was there; **Ty** was still in SWA. **Cathy** & I attended too, being hosted by



1974: 15th Reunion, Mess Hall, WP: Joanne & Dave Buto, Toni & Jim Mudd, Ragi & Steve Marino, Joanne & Don Cantwell, Julie & Jim Mitcham, Chris Giacometti and John Kling



1975: The USS Nassau

Bob & Sue Bell, who couldn't attend due to Bob's flying in from the states; he's in the CENTAG G-3 shop.

Quick shots: **Russ Goehring** was due to take cmd of a tank bn in 2d AD (Fwd) this summer—location either in the desert or back at Garlstadt. On a recent swing through D-Land, **GEN Vuono** brought along his aide, **Dave Petraeus**, and his PAO, **Don McGrath**. **Tim Peterson** is due to take an FA bn in HI; he's married now.



1974: Bob Mixon with Russell (1) and Robby (3)

As you may have noted, our CI has matured to that point that our upper echelon guys are pinning on silver leaves and taking bn cmd. This is a significant benchmark for these guys, and I hope the turbulent times allow for a smooth transition. Sure would like some pics and commentary of these changes of cmd.

As you note my address has changed and we're ending 4 great yrs in Ger to go do something in ODCSPER, Pentagon, about which I know nothing. **Gary Anderson** will join me there in Aug. The ed

of *ASSEMBLY* wants to make special note that anyone can write a "Ltr to the Ed" on anything of significance to our Alma Mater. Better yet, write a "Ltr to scribe" to me on any topic, anything at all! The old Desert Shield/Storm excuse for not writing is wearing kind of thin by now. Have a good summer!

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Greetings to all mbrs of Courage and Drive '75. I am writing this col as spring comes to TX. Lawn mowers come back into focus and "O Dark Thirty" phone calls disturb my sleep as SDOs warn me of thunderstorms and tornadoes heading toward the flight line. Hopefully, Ft Hood will not have a repeat of the tornado of 89 that took so many helicopters in its rampage.

Deployed units from 1st Cav and 2AD are returning from Saudi Arabia. No news yet from classmates who have returned to Hood, but will update you on this as soon as possible. The return celebrations have made for joyous occasions here in Central TX. I'm sure the town merchants ran short of yellow ribbon mos ago.

On with the news. . . .

Bob McConnell sent a terrific pic and track chart of the ship on which he is currently serving, the *USS Nassau*. At the time of his ltr, he was located in the Persian Gulf. He says he is (was) following the tank battles as if he were in Armor. He says he also did a feint to Bubiyan Isl the day before writing the

note. Bob is the electronic warfare off for Cmdr Amphibious Group-2 on the *Nassau*, which deployed in Aug. Bob joined them in Feb, after going from Norfolk, through ME, Scotland, and Italy, to Riyadh, to Dhahran to Bahrain to Fujaivah, UAE, and then on to the *Nassau*. I'm sending Bob's pic on to the AOG in hopes that it will appear in our col, or perhaps somewhere else in *ASSEMBLY* featuring grad involvement in the Gulf War. Bob can be reached by writing to 1208 Mondoro St, Norfolk, VA 23511.

I received a great ltr from **Charly & Debi Peddy**. Like my unit here at Hood, Charly's unit in HI did not deploy to Saudi Arabia. The frustration that I feel, and I'm sure Charly shares, is impossible to put into words. **Barbara & John McNally** are the Peddys' neighbors and have two great kids, Jennifer, who babysits for the Peddys, and Jay. John will become the deputy G-1 in Jun and Barb teaches in her spare time. Mouse, I don't think I've heard from you since grad. How about a ltr to an old F-4 mate? **Mike & Bridget Smith** also have two little ones and were the Peddys' neighbors until Charly & Debi moved uptown to bigger and older quarters. Mike is the 3rd Bde S-3. **Dan & Yvonne Judy** are also in HI. Debi and Yvonne have become fast friends, both being pregnant with their 3rd babies. The Judys had a baby boy, Dan Jr, who was 9 mos old at the time of Debi's ltr. Dan is the XO for the Signal bn. Yvonne is the asst mgr at the Schofield OC. The **Vuckovics** are also in HI and have two children. **Chuck** is the XO for 5/14 Inf Bn. The Peddys had a great phone call from **Jim & Marty Marks** just before Debi's ltr. After SAMS, Jim went to Ft Ord where he's G-2 Plans. The Marks have 3 beautiful daughters, Bess, Maeve and Clare. **Critz Hardy** deployed to Saudi with 2/70 Armor from Ger. **Michelle** and their two children, Kevin and Kelly, remained in Ger. Critz is an XO. The **Peppers** wrote to the Peddys at Christmas and were due to return to the mainland this summer. The **Boykos** plan to leave Ord this summer for a joint asgmt in IL. **Kaaren & Bob Dunn** are assigned to Ft Knox. Bob deployed to Saudi while Kaaren held the family together. The Dunns had their

second baby girl this past Jun. In Oct **Jayne Belanger** called Debi from Waikiki. **Van-George** was in HI on TDY business and called Jayne to hop on over for a much deserved vacation. She scrambled around finding sitters for 4 kids and came to HI. Debi was supposed to write Jayne and let her know about the Peddys' new baby, but Debi lost the address. If any of you know it, please forward it to Debi or to me, and I'll pass it on. Van-George was in Charly's SAMS cl and is now at Ft Lewis. Debi says that rumors have it that Van-George went to Saudi. (I hope this last part is not too confusing) This was the first yr since 76 that the Peddys did not get a Christmas greeting from **Dan & Judi Kinsey**, so Kinseys, if you're out there, please drop the Peddys a line. Charly Peddy was to go to JRTC for the mo of Apr and expects to become the 2nd Bde S-3 in Jun. Debi's nursing career is on hold once again while she looks after the newest Peddy. Debi, thanks so much for a great ltr.

Chuck & Sue Rogers wrote from Langenselbold, Ger. Chuck has been working in my old stomping grounds in Hanau since Feb 90. He is currently the S-3 of the 559 Engr Bn, 130 Engr Bde. Sue rep that 20 of the 26 bns in Hanau were deployed to Saudi. Sue keeps very busy as a vol caseworker at Hanau MILCOM Red Cross. Sue says this asgmt is a 3-yr break for her, professionally. She is spending her time writing fiction and plans to begin work on her PhD in biomedical ethics when they return to the States. Sue rep that **Bert Webb (XO)** and **John Carpenter (S-3)** are in the 317 Engr Bn (Eschborn). Bert's wife **Anita** and children, **Patty** and **Matt**, are living in Eschersheim. Anita has been very busy with the family spt gp since the cmdr's wife was called to active duty. In a ltr to the Rogers, Bert said that he didn't like the desert or the weather. John's wife, **Kathy**, has also been very busy with family spt. Sue rep that John found an interesting solution to laundry in the desert—he doesn't do it. Word is that his mother has been sending clean underwear so that he can throw the old stuff away. The Rogers' neighbors in Langenselbold are **Tom & Kathy Berens**. Tom is the XO of 3/20 FA and deployed



1975: The Berens family

to Saudi in Dec. Kathy is busy with their two children, Luke and Chris. Kathy keeps busy with family spt and finds time to volksmarch every Sunday. **Pat &**



1975: The Keating family

Kathy Keating wrote to the Rogers from FL. They have two children, Erin and David. Kathy works part-time as an RN at Baptist Hosp in Homestead. Pat is an F-16 pilot in the AF. In Dec, Pat was ch of Weapons and Tactics for the wing at Homestead AFB and is flying the F-16A. Sue, thanks for a great ltr.



1975: The Hetz family at the Wall

Mary Hetz sent a Christmas card from Ger with Easter greetings attached. With trying to keep the 5 little Hetzes in line, I'm surprised she had time to do that! **Steve** deployed to Saudi on 5 Dec with the 12th Evac Hosp. At the time of her ltr, Mary had received several calls from Steve and rep that he sounded like he was doing well. Mary sent a list of Hetz children activities that would wear out all the guys in my sqdn. I'm not sure how she keeps up with it, but I do wish her continued energy!

Tom Grubbs wrote from Saudi where he says he is now eligible to join the VFW. Tom hasn't been able to venture more than 20 mi from where he landed since the powers that be decided Tom is "too sr to go forward." (Please don't tell me we are that old!!) Tom is involved in some planning for civ affairs opns, but says it appears the Kuwaitis will eventually take care of themselves. Tom had the opportunity to eat in a nice hotel where several Kuwaitis were staying. It was the day Kuwait City was taken, so Tom rep that Kuwaitis were coming up

to shake hands and thank the gp. He says it felt quite strange eating in a fancy dining room wearing BDUs, mask, weapon, etc, but rep that the food was excellent.



1975: Greg List, David Tate and Bill Hoffman

Bill Hoffman wrote from Atl. He rep that **Ben Freakley's** name was mentioned at the Atl Founders Day dinner by the FORSCOM cmdr as a grad who'd played a significant role in the offensive opns. Bill sends congratulations to all who played a role, and a welcome home. Bill sent a photo of **Greg List**, **David Tate** and himself taken at a celebration after the Army victory over Vanderbilt. Bill and David have made attending at least one game per season an annual event. He rep that **Greg List**, **Gus Murby**, **Steve Ward** and **Mike Kershner** have also made appearances at one or more games. They are already making plans for the 91 season when Army plays at Louisville. After 7 yrs in the recruiting business, Bill has finally gone independent. His firm, HPR Professional Recruiting, specializes in JMOs, manufacturing engrs, and some tech sales. He welcomes inquiries, particularly from anyone looking to hire quality people. You can reach Bill at HPR, 3088 Vinings Ferry Dr, Atlanta, GA 30339; tel 404-434-0151. Great to hear from you, Bill. If you're traveling west, come and stay with the **Pardues**.

Roger Kaplan sent another of his great ltrs to **Kathy**, thinking that I had deployed. Roger's prayers are that all of our classmates return from Desert Storm unscathed. I'm sure those are the prayers of us all. Roger is currently in Egypt helping to maintain peace on the Egyptian-Israeli border. He is the press and visits off and defacto XO to the C/S. He has an intl staff of an American SFC, British photographer, Royal Marine illustrator, British driver, and two Columbian translators. Before leaving for Egypt in Jan, Roger had to process through Ft Bragg. **Lou & Maureen Kovar** had just cleared qtrs en route to their PCS to Dugway Proving Ground in UT. **Lloyd Austin** was at Bragg for a TDY from Ft Drum. He's the XO of 2/22 Inf. Roger and Lloyd stumbled into one another at a Korean restaurant in Fayetteville. **Tom Warren** was also at Bragg, although Roger didn't

know that until after he got to Egypt. Tom left his CE job because he wanted to stay in the active Res and so was called up with the rest of his unit. Tom had moved to LA while his affiliation remained with a MD unit. Roger didn't know whether or not Tom had deployed to Saudi, but he did make it as far as Bragg. How about an update, Tom? Roger, thanks, as always, for a great ltr.

Kathy & I attended the Founders Day celebration at Hood. Someone in the planning dept failed to reserve a seat for Kathy, so I stood for a good portion of the opening remarks. Just so you know, I was not a hive for all of my four yrs, nor a female-lettered athlete, mbr of the first CI of female grads, or a CI goat. However, I was standing to be recognized during all of the above. The evening's guest speaker was BG Galloway, Dean at USMA. It was a great pleasure to have the opportunity to renew an old acquaintance and talk to him again. But I was greatly concerned that some of the younger classes present found it appropriate to boo and hiss during BG Galloway's speech. I found this practice highly offensive and hope not to witness such in the future. Enough said on that issue. . . .

Attendees included the following: **Luigi Magnanti** arrived at Hood in Aug 90 and is assigned as a test off in the Inf Dir at TEXCOM. **Vickie** is working as a chiropractor's asst. Children **Nellie** and **Lu II** are doing well. **Bob Hadden** has transferred to XIII Corps Spt Cmd and is assigned as a materiel mgt off in the AC/S, Materiel. Wife **Su** is doing well and operates a beauty salon in Killeen. Daughter **Jamie** (9) is finding 3rd grade challenging and fun. **Pat Leake** moved from S-3, 17th Engr Bn to bn XO in Dec 90. Wife **Michele** is very busy being the XO's wife and working with family spt for deployed soldiers. Their 5 children also take a large share of her time. **Victoria**, **John**, **Blair**, **Meredith**, and **Perri** are now ages 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10. **Len Grasso** arrived at Hood in 89 assigned to III Corps G-3 and then to XO/S-3 1/67 Armor Bn (my first unit as a 2LT). He is now the aide to III Corps Cmdr LTG Richard C Graves. Wife **Laurie** and boys, **Chris** and **Mike**, are doing fine.

Congratulations to **Jack Cage**, **Don Ramsey** and **Sid Vogel**, who pinned on O-5 on 1 Apr. If I've missed anyone else, please let me know.

All the best—**Bill**.

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Please bear with me as I write one more article for the *ASSEMBLY*. Now that the Gulf Crisis is over, **Ian** should certainly be en route home before long. Correspondence for this qtr has been slim, but I'll share what I have.

Mark Grotte is enjoying his job as a

marketing rep for Piper Capital Mgt in Minneapolis. **Marsha** still flies for NW Airlines as a flight attendant and **Marisa**, age 6, is finishing kindergarten. The



1976: Grotte points out to the Com that his shoes aren't shined!

Minneapolis Founders Day was dominated by '76'ers. **Steve & Yolanda Ricks**, **Doug Rogers**, **Geoff Schmidt & Cindy Marquandt**, **Max Thompson** and of course **Mark & Marsha Grotte** helped to make this a memorable occasion. As the Grottes live only 5 mi from the Minneapolis Airport, give them a ring when you're in town. They would gladly welcome any old friends.

Timothy R Decker is currently attending CGSC at Ft Leavenworth. Tim is quite an expert on armor and recently had a very interesting article published in the Jan-Feb issue of *Armor*. Congratulations for a job well done!

Thomas J Kelly is now S3, 44th Engr Bn, Seoul, Republic of Korea. A delightful article entitled "The Robots Are Here!" and authored by Thomas appeared in the Nov 90 *Military Review*.



1976: Ian M Thompson, Operation Desert Storm, somewhere in Saudi Arabia or Iraq

Latest report on classmates who were in Saudi Arabia: **Rand Cuthbertson** served with the 46th Combat Spt Hosp; **Pete Tuebner** was with the 7th Engr Bde. **Ray Ocherno** was XO of the 3rd AD

Divarty. **Bob Radin** was XO of the 47th Spt Bn.

Darrell Baker is now a civ engr in Prattville, AL. He's married and has two children. He also serves as a CPT with the AL Natl Guard and was thus sent to sunny Saudia Arabia.

Keep in touch—**Donna**.

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This is a first for me. . . . Given that I had very little input for this article, I will be holding everything for the Sep *ASSEMBLY*. I would really appreciate hearing from more of you, esp those of you who participated in Desert Storm. We are all proud of your success and the renewed pride it has generated for our country and the mil. Please write—we would love to hear your story.—**Keesy**.

'78

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This col is written with much less tension than the last few. We all are thankful for the speedy end of OPER DESERT STORM. I have heard no news from anybody in the Gulf War so I assume we did not lose any classmates. Please give **Bill Harner** or myself a call if you have any interesting stories.

I spoke with **Jeff Manley** the other day. He isn't getting much golf in, but is enjoying Houston. He works with MW Kellogg, a chem engring firm there.

Jim Yuengert dropped a line from scenic Ft Leonard Wood. Jim is a sr team ldr at EOAC. He picked up an MS in const mgt and has done two tours with the Corps of Engrs. **Greg King** is there too after a branch transfer from Inf. **Paul Rusinko** is a civ in the Eng Safety Off. Jim also married in May 90, like I did. He & **Teresa** like the slower pace of Leonard Wood. **Roy & Lori Koepsell** stopped by with their two daughters. Roy works at the Army Space Inst. **Dick & Cindy Thompson** are at Leavenworth with a follow-on to Ft Ord. Jim promised to write in another 13 yrs.

Pat & Debbie McGaugh are doing well in Dallas. Pat is still with TX Instruments. He made MAJ in the Res, too. Debbie is working part-time in a pediatrician's off as well as supervising two young boys.

Mark Wroth wrote from Ft Sill. Mark works with **Monty Warner** in DCD developing future Arty concepts. **Herb Bloomquist** works down the hall from them in force structures. Mark said **Marion Seaton** left Sill for Desert Storm, as did **Tom Conneran** from Riley. **Hank Gillen** runs the Intl Student Div at Sill. Mark saw **Ed Koucheravy** at USMA dur-



1978: Founders Day 91, WP Soc of North Texas



1978: Pat, Debbie, Patrick and Frank McGaugh



1978: Nalepa, Sumner, Tedesco, Olds and Taylor in Chicago

ing a recent TDY. Ed is with the Math Dept and an OIC for the Judo Team.

Bill Wrinkle called to inform me of **Joe Tramposh's** death. I only wish I could have heard better news. Wrinkle is still an EE with Grumman on LI. He said **Andy Grimalda** was out and living in Tampa.

I recently went to Chicago on business and ran into a bunch of people. **DC Adams** had just left after doing some Res time in Chicago. I stayed at the **Nalepa** mansion in Barrington—**Jim & Susan** were great. We went to dinner with **Bob Olds, Bill Sumner** and **Tim Taylor** one night. Sumner had us over, along with **George Tronsrue**, a couple of nights later. In between, I squeezed in dinner with **Bob & Jan Meyers**. Everybody is doing great. Some of us are heavier than others and some have more hair than others. I think the photo tells the story.

Grant & Eileen Trobaugh stopped by the house. They just returned from 5 yrs in Brazil with Goodyear. I had not seen them since Eileen gave me a fat lip demonstrating her karate skills at their Ft Sill farewell party over 10 yrs ago.

They are settling in Raleigh where Grant is going to try something different from manufacturing.

Paul Williamson just called. He will be moving to Annapolis soon. Paul is leaving Waste Mgt for a British co as an ops mgr.

John Holland '80 called and has a '78 yr-book if somebody is missing one and needs a replacement. He would prefer to give it to somebody from G-2. Write him at 3817 Lindhurst Rd, Columbus, OH 43220.

That's it for now. Hope everyone has a great summer.

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Hello from WP! This is your alternate CI historian, **Paul Harwig**, rep in lieu of my brother-in-law **Scott Forster**. I am left holding the bag for Scott once again due to his recent deployment to the Persian Gulf. Scott is staying busy working for the TRANSCOM folks and insuring that ev-

eryone gets an airplane or boat back. He currently resides in King Kahlid Military City, a wonderful garden spot in the middle of the Saudi Desert. I spent a few mos in Saudi myself—attached to the 30th Engr Bn at Ft Bragg and deployed from Dec to Mar. I spent most of my time working on satellite imagery with the 175th Engr Co in the XVIII Abn Corps. I



1979: Paul Harwig and Dave Lavery '83 show their appreciation for the Patriot missile system in Dragon City, Saudi Arabia, Jan 91

am now back at WP getting ready to go to Leavenworth this Jul for the best yr of my life. I attended a transportation mtg today and saw several of our classmates who will be going to KS this summer as well. While I know this is not an all-inclusive list, it will give you some idea of who will be having a good time next yr. **Greg Dardis, Jim Harris, Lloyd Darlington, George Singleton, Gary Yerks, Phil Macklin, Dave Swindell, Mike Kallman, Charlie Smithers, Ken Cox** and **Tom Hayden** all made it to a very enlightening transportation briefing. **Gregg Martin** decided to be different and is headed from WP to the Naval Staff Col instead of Leavenworth. We have had several classmates named as WP permanent profs: **Kevin Berner** (Soc), **Greg Dardis** (BS&L) and **PJ Driscoll** (Math) ea received word that they would be the future reunion-runners.

Congratulations to all active duty mbrs of the CI—by the time this article gets to you, we should all be wearing the esteemed rank of MAJ. About time, huh? I guess the "P" after CPT didn't stand for "permanent."

In response to the last *ASSEMBLY* article, we received several phone calls and ltrs about mbrs of the CI deployed to the Gulf. My sister, **Sue Forster**, received phone calls from several wives with reports of their husbands' whereabouts: **Douglas Boone** (Joan) is working as a CENTCOM analyst; **Vic McGlaughlin** (Pam) is in family practice from Ft Bragg and was deployed in Aug with the 82nd Abn; and **Doug Slater** (Bridgett) deployed on 27 Nov from Ft Riley with the 24th ID.

Dave Freshwater: Dave is working for Sci Applications Intl Corp in Germantown, MD after getting out of the Army in Jul 90. He's helping to revise the Emergency Mgt Sys and working on his

master's thesis in his spare time. Dave rep that he has visited with **Bill & Donna Montgomery** near Baltimore and keeps in touch with **Tom & Kelly Lutman** in Lansing, KS. **Alan Westfield** has been over in Saudi since Sep, assigned in the G-3 shop of ARCENT. He sent a postcard to Dave on a cherry nut cake MRE box. While deployed, **Jutta** had their second son, **Nikolas**, in Oct and claims that the Autovon connection with **Al** worked very well that day. **Harvey Humphrey** was called up from the Res for a yr and works at Ft Sill. While he missed the beach vacation, he occupies his time emding a btry and training the IRR arty folks. Harvey's family remains in Wales, WI where he & **Diane** settled after getting out of the svc in Apr 90.

Dave Blakemore: Dave & **Deirdre Blakemore** are living in Ft Lee, VA where Dave is a sr inst with the Petroleum and Water Dept. Dave just completed his master's at UT Austin last Jun. Deirdre rep that the kids, **Brendan**, **Brigid** and **Fiona**, are doing well and that another is expected in Aug. The Blakemores keep in touch with new parents **Sam & Char Gemar**, as well as **Jeff & Erin Misner** at WP.

Kathleen Rooney: Brother **John Enright** deployed with the 403rd Civ Affairs unit 6 Jan after being called to active duty from his job with GE in Syracuse, NY.

Susan Gibson: Husband **Tim Gibson** deployed to work with the G6 of ARCENT. I can personally verify his employment and confirm the sighting of **Zone** in the Baskin-Robbins shop in Riyadh. Zone is running computer networks in the theater. Yes, that's **Tim Gibson** and the word "computer" used in the same breath. Tim works in the Dept of EE&CS here at WP when he's not goofing around in the Gulf. Susan teaches in the Law Dept.

Roberta Hill: Husband **Curt Hill** deployed in Feb and is working with the 2nd Spt Ctr (MMC). Roberta says he's fine and staying busy.

I called over to the Soc Dept to confirm that **Kevin Berner** volunteered and was deployed in the XVIII Abn Corps somewhere. I guess it beats grading sosh papers. He's due back "anytime now," according to my source.

I was in Vicksburg this wk and tried to locate **Bo Underwood** so we could devour a catfish dinner, only to discover that he deployed a few wks ago and is working in Kuwait. Bo normally works at Waterways in Vicksburg. Rumor has it that he's coming back soon, too.

Chris Prinslow was sent over to Saudi (activated) to work in the ARCENT Engr off. **Bobbi Fiedler-Prinslow** dropped me E-mail as to his whereabouts when I was over there, but I was not able to make a link-up. He is back at WP now, working for the Area Engrs again.

I heard that **Kevin Weddle** was the S-1 of the 7th Engr Bde, working in Saudi under VII Corps.

Don & Jennifer Welch are headed back east once this yr's cl is graduated from CGSC. Don will become the 53 asgmts off at PERSCOM and Jennifer continues to work for IBM.

Mike Streff and **Mark Rocke** both work in the Pentagon. I bump into them once in awhile. **Streff-Dog** works in DCS-PER and **Mark** in DSCOPS.

Well, I guess I had better close for now. Hope everyone gets back safely from the Gulf: call my bro-in-law if you need a ride. They recognized the bean-heads before spring leave this yr, so I'm getting outta here. . . . **Paul**.

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Hard to believe it is already time for another update on our Cl. Welcome home to all who served in Desert Shield/Storm, and best wishes to those still deployed in SWA for a speedy return.

By now everyone is probably getting geared up for the 10-yr Reunion in Oct. **Rick Pridgen** is still reminding us that he is putting together a slide show and wants it to be extra special. So he needs our help—if you have slides, prints or negatives depicting our Cl from 77 until now, please send them to him at 3213 Malinda Ct, Florissant, MO 63031, phone (314) 921-8491. He also needs help from anyone interested in helping him set up on Fri night, 11 Oct, which is when we will have our Cl banquet and when the slides will be shown. Thanks from Rick in advance.

Scott Marx wrote from CO. He and **Al Azzarita** had a house together in the mtns west of Pikes Peak in 87 when they were stationed at Ft Carson after Korea. Al still lives there and is the S-1 for 1/12 Inf. Scott lives in Broomfield, CO and will be attending CO State Univ Col of Vet Med in the fall, concentrating in equine med. He is still riding rodeos, too. Scott married **Anne Chiarella** '85 in Jun 89, and both resigned in 90. Anne is a contract agent for US West in Denver.

Special thanks go from me to **Malcolm Visser**, the "guest columnist" for this issue. He was influenced to write to the ASSEMBLY after seeing **Meg (Knox) Kulungowski** at Ft Belvoir at the beginning of the yr. Malcolm had only good things to say about his short visit with Meg, which I gather took place mainly in

the gym. Malcolm was an engr for 5 yrs, working mostly with bridges; he resigned in 86. He now works for the govt on Army bridges at the Belvoir RD&E Ctr. He works on the materiel developers side of the procurement sys, basically doing indus engring work. He is currently doing a lot of work on reliability studies of bridge sys.



1981: Sharon & Malcolm Visser celebrating New Yr's. Nice tarbucket.

Malcolm married **Sharon** in Oct 90. She was a close col friend and roommate of the girl who married **Arlon Jahnke** (B-3). **Arlon & Joyce** were married in 85 and have 3 children, **Kimberly** and the yr-old twins, **Natalie** and **Kristine**. **Arlon** is a ch resident orthopedic surgeon at Letterman Army Hosp in San Fran. He graduated from George Wash U as an MD in 85, and as of Malcolm's ltr was in Saudi Arabia.



1981: CPT (Dr) Arlon Jahnke, Mr Malcolm Visser, CPT Ken Boretti and CPT Carl Reid

Another dr is **Mark Marino** (B-3) who was in Malcolm's wedding party. He is an internist in Augusta, GA, and he & **Meg** have 3 children, **Matthew**, **Colin** and **Kristen**. Last summer Malcolm & **Sharon** flew out to visit **Arlon & Joyce** in San Fran, and they got together with **Carl Reid** and **Ken Boretti**. Ken is in the Special Forces stationed down the coast, and Carl was finishing up his master's in nuclear physics. Carl now teaches in the Physics Dept at WP.

Another B-3'er who was at Malcolm's wedding was **Paul Ferriero**. He & **Margaret**, have a son **Nicholas**. Paul is out of the Army and works as an engr for a consulting firm in NJ. Malcolm saw

Dave & Ann Snyder last summer in MD. They had a newborn daughter at that time. Dave runs his own franchise, selling air and water purification units.

Malcolm also has talked to **Roy Holley**, who is an engr at Aberdeen Proving Ground (working for the Fed Govt), and to the tac off for B-3, LTC O'Toole. LTC O'Toole married Gail Petty '82 and they both work at the Pentagon. When they went out to dinner together last yr, everyone was doing very well.

Fareed Betros wrote to **Mark Hogan** from 65 mi so of the Iraqi border on 6 Feb. He had been at the U of UT studying public admin and Middle East studies on his own. He left active duty in Jul 89. As a mbr of the UT Natl Guard in an MI linguistic unit, and fluent in Arabic, he was activated to Fed svc in Aug 90 upon the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. Fareed was originally assigned to the XVIII Abn Corps but was reassigned to VII Corps in Jan. He worked with a counterintelligence team prior to the ground war, and I imagine that he did (and may still be doing) a lot of work in handling the Iraqi POWs. We will look forward to an update on his situation in the near future.

From my own personal correspondence, **Kaycee Carlson & Rodney Cox** will begin grad sch this summer in Atl, GA. They have been in Ger for quite a while now, both in cmd and now in staff jobs—Kaycee is the bde asst S-4. **Sue (Bottorff) & Mark Neumann** had a baby girl, Christine, on 8 Mar. Mark got off the plane which brought him back from SWA and rushed to the hosp in time to see Christine when she was just 3 hrs old.

To all the faithful writers and readers, thanks! Have a safe and happy summer—NJS.

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Greetings to all of you, wherever you may be. These past few cols have been esp hard to write, as they're written two mos in advance and things have been changing so rapidly in our world. Quite a few of you have either been to Desert Storm or are still there, and our hats off to you.

For this issue 3 classmates wrote 5-7-pg ltrs bringing news on lots of folks. **Celia FlorCruz** writes from the sands of Saudi. Celia deployed with the 57 Med Det from Bragg and flew UH60's and UH1's during the war. She also flew with the 498 Med Co (Air Amb) out of Benning, and learned that **Nadja (Grammar) West** is married to their ops off, **Don West**. Nadja is an FP dr at Martin A Hosp. Her internship was interrupted by Opn DS. **Mark Robinson's** wife **Judy** is

in the desert as the HHD cmdr for the 44 Med Bde from Bragg. Mark is back at Bragg in an ORSA job as he cares for their 4-yr-old son Mark. Celia's husband **Ken Dahl** is also back home in NC as he finishes up a psych prog at UNC Chapel Hill in prep for a USMA job as a Leadership prof. Like Mark, Ken has been a sole parent as he cares for two-yr-old daughter Alexandra. **Pat Sweeney** is in the same prog as Ken and will grad next yr. Pat & Cynthia recently celebrated the birth of daughter Kate, who joins first-born girl Taylor in the Sweeney household. **Ken & Lori (Sakaue) Rousseau** have written Celia from N VA where Ken works for DIA. Lori left the Army last Jan to be a full-time mother. **Mark Condry** is now in Caracas, Venezuela as an FAO. He got married on 1 Jan of this yr. **Joe & Pat Doty** are loyal correspondents with our folks in Opn DS from IN, where Joe is preparing to be a DPE inst. They have two sons, Reece (5) and Darryl (4). **Chuck Yomant** has been a good writer from Ft Campbell. He is with 1/160 Spec Ops Avn Gp. **Rey Antonio** is with J-3, Eighth Army in Korea, having cmded an ADA unit here ("here" is Korea to your historian) in 87-88 before attending CAS3 with a round-trip ticket. He recently married a girl from the Philippines. **Mark Needham** is finishing grad sch at Penn St and will return to WP to teach Chem. **Rodney Hollifield** is an optometrist at Walter Reed in DC. **Gale Pratt** is at Ft Lewis as a CESO. She finished her cmd of a signal co last yr. **Terry (Scaglione) Hilliard** is a civ now pursuing her master's in her hometown of Willseyville, NY. She & her husband have a young boy, John. Celia saw a few old USMA profs from our cadet days who

are now bn and bde cmdrs, including COL Tom Garrett, 101 Avn Bde; COL Rococz, 82nd Abn; and LTC Ric Olsen, 197 Inf Bde. Thanks for the ltr, Celia. Hope you get back for Alexandra's second birthday.

Ellen Groschelle continues to be a faithful contributor and sends along this photo from the WP Soc of NE Founders Day. Those in attendance included **Chris Acosta, Scott & Ellen Fedorchek, Pat O'Neill** and guest, and **Ed Olivares & his wife** (sorry about first names).

One of the CW4's in my bn kept referring to a classmate of ours as "Spongy" and told stories about how this guy didn't wear any socks—ever. This man is none other than **Sanjai Kumar**, who recently called from HI. He & **Debi** were married in Oct 89 at the Cadet Chapel. **Dave McBride** was the best man and the attendees included the **Goetzes, Humphreys, Irams, Kolevs, Novaks, Reagans, Smiths, Worths and Kunkel**. (More details below). Sanjai cmded an avn co in the 25th ID and is currently the div avn off. The Kumars have done their share of traveling while in HI, making their way around the Pacific Basin in the past few yrs.

Sanjai sends an H-4 Hog newsltr. Here's the result of his newsgathering (thanks for the ltr, Sanjai): **Pete & Danette Adams** were married in summer 89 and recently had a baby. I believe Pete is still working for TX Instruments in Dallas. **Rick & Marianne Burtnett** were also married in 89, in Europe. Rick's second co cmd was HHC, Berlin Bde. Marianne is an atty with the Army JAG Corps. The Burtnetts moved to Ft Benning where Rick is an inst for the Inf Off Advanced Course.



1982: Founders Day, WP Soc of New England



1982: The Kumar wedding

Tim Carlin now works as a dist mgr for Kentucky Fried Chicken in KS City. He recently visited HI and plans on a return trip this Sep. **Tom & Linda Davitt** are in the San Fran area where Tom has been working for Michelin for almost two yrs. The Davitts enjoy being back in CA, although I'm sure the grandparents in NY wish they were closer so they could enjoy the two Davitt children. I met Tom at the SF airport on my way back from TDY. He's enjoying the corporate life, complete with co car and his new coat and tie "uniform." **Rocky Gay** is still stationed at Ft Hood as a tank co cmdr. Presently Rocky is in Saudi Arabia with the rest of Ft Hood.

Bill & Sharon Goetz were married this past Mar in NY. I don't have any details—but I do know that the Goetzes are at Northwestern Univ where Bill is getting his master's in statistics—then on to WP. **Jeff & Janet Humphrey** are still stationed at Ft Bragg. Jeff is with his UH-60 co in Saudia Arabia. **Ray & Dawn Iram** are doing well in the Phila area. Ray is enjoying his job with Merck Pharmaceutical. **Ken & Gabby Juergens** are living in Boston where Ken is getting his MBA. The Juergenses will move on to Detroit where Ken will be assigned to the Tank Automotive Cmd. **John & Grace Keely** are in VA where John is working for the State Dept as a foreign svc off. John says Sudan is the garden spot of the world and encourages everyone to visit. The Keelys plan to move to Egypt shortly. **Nencho & Karen Kolev** also were 89 newlyweds. Nencho is still in the wine bus in MD. Hog Believe It or Not: Sharon Goetz and Karen Kolev are twin sisters.

George Kunkel is with TF 160 at Ft

Campbell. George was involved with Oper Just Cause in Panama. He has quite a war story to tell—and received a Distinguished Flying Cross as a result of his involvement. **Dave McBride** is still enjoying the single life. He finished his second cmd and left HI in late 89 bound for Little Rock, AR. He works as an observer/controller at the JRTC, Ft Chaffee, AR.

Dave Novak is out of the Army and living close to our rockbound highland home. Dave works for Dreyfus Mutual Funds and is a cmdr of a Res inf co. **Derek & Kathy Paquette** were last known to be at Ft Rucker with two children. **Phil & Connie Person** moved here to HI from Ft Lewis. Phil works for the Def Communication Agency—no field gear, Class B's, 9-5 job. The Persons just had their 4th, which makes it two boys and two girls. **Bill & Babbie Reagan** took the big step into the civ world this past Aug. Bill was also involved with Oper Just Cause. His inf co fought in the area just adjacent to the Comadancia. **Don & Diane Reich** moved from Keesler AFB, MS (where Don was a ground liaison off to the AF) to AZ. Danielle was born in Sep 89. Don is attending ASU where he is getting his master's in computers—then on to WP to teach.

By the looks of the address, the **Reinhardt**s are going to sch at the U of TX. I can assume **Karl** will also be teaching at WP soon. **Karl & Sally** have a new addition to the family: a baby boy named Shawn. The **Robertsons** are stationed at Ft Bragg where **Russ** is cmding an engr co. **Russ** is also deployed somewhere in Saudi Arabia. **Wayne & Kathy Seidler** are still in Ger. This is Seidlers' second

tour in Deutschland. Wayne is presently in Saudi Arabia with the 1st AD. **Scott & Emma Lee Smith** moved from GA to CT. Scott finished his grad degree in aerospace engring at GA Tech and secured a job as a helicopter test pilot with Sikorsky Aircraft. Scott also is active as a pilot in the Res component.

Scott & Holly Torgerson returned from Ger and now live in the Atl area where Scott is getting his master's in math at GA Tech. The Torgersons enjoy Atl and watching their girl grow up. They also will move on to WP in a couple of yrs. **Curtis & Anne Williams** moved from Ger to Ft Sill where Curt is working in his functional area (sys automation). **Dan & Robin Worth** left the DC area and were the first Hogs back to WP. Dan obtained his master's degree while in DC and now teaches in the Geography Dept.

Phil Hallenbeck says hello from Ft Hood. He & **Karen** have two children, Mike (7) and Elizabeth (5). This is their second trip to Hood, as Phil was assigned there with 1st Cav from 83-86. After AR OAC, he went to Ft Polk where he cmded a tank co. Then it was on to Purdue for a deg in mech engring. Phil is now with Test and Exp Cmd (TEXCOM) and says he's in the mkt for a pocket protector, calculator and thick red glasses so he can look the part. While attending the Mtrl Acq Mgt course at Ft Lee in Jan and Feb, he saw **Skip Setliff** and **Jim Wartski**. Skip is now at the Constr Equipment Research Lab in Campaign, IL, and Jim is working on the tng devices with PM-TRADE in Orlando.

I encourage anyone who wants to put together a co newsltr to drop a line. One of the few times a specific address will appear in the CI notes is when someone wants to form a ltr. Your part of the bargain is that you send a copy so we can all read about what's up. **Brian Bogard** is putting an A-1 ltr together and can be reached c/o NWTC, PO Box 402, APO Seattle, WA 98733. Brian is now at Ft Greely, AK as the ch of Mtn Div, N Warfare Tng Ctr. He recently arrived from Ft Hood after cmding D Co, 2/41 Inf, 2 AD. While he was in cmd, the unit was notified of its deactivation. Brian sent his co to the 4 winds and was left behind to help push units out when the deployments began. He sends news about those '82'ers who were not sent overseas and attended Founders Day, including some of the wives whose husbands were in Saudi. Brian and **John Copp** were the only mbrs of the Select Few who were with the deactivating 2 AD HQ and did not deploy. John cmded both B and E Co's of 4/41 Inf, 2 AD and is currently the SGS. He & **Jane** are heading to Ft Meade where John will work for Def Courier Svc. **Tim & Cathy Drake** attended the celebration. Tim is cmdr of C Trp, 4/6 Cav, an AH-64 unit.

Mark Swanson, a former cmdr in 4/6, is currently asst S-3. Brian and Mark went waterskiing the last wk of Feb on a nearby TX lake. Brrr.

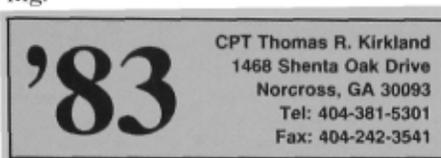
Rocco & Annie Foderaro are also at Hood as he works as the TEXCOM Cmdr's aide. They have 3 children, Amanda (7), Nicole (3) and Joseph (4 mos). Before becoming an aide, Rocco was in charge of the SINCGARS radio testing for the Army—a busy job. **Walt & Karen Tollefson** came over from Salado, TX. He works for Tellabs (TX) as a process engr and flies for III Corps avn one day a wk and works at his job for 4. **Scott & Deena Stevens** are living in Austin. Scott is the comm mgr for SEMATECH, a firm that manufactures semiconductors. **Paul Wood's** wife **Michelle** also attended Founders Day. Paul was in 2/1 Cav in 2 AD and inactivated C Trp as the cmdr. He was summoned to Saudi to take cmd of C Co, 1/3 Avn, 1st Cav.

A quick rundown on some of the Hood folks who are/were deployed: **Bob Abrams** is HHC cmdr, 1/8 Inf, 1st Cav; **Frans Barends**, cmdr of D Co, 1/67 Arm, 2 AD; **Mike Dixon**, cmdr of the UH-1 co of 1st Cav; **Max Hughey**, cmdr of A Co, 62 Engr Bn; **Ed Hughes**, cmdr of A Btry, 92 FA (MLRS); **Phil Jones** of 1/67 Arm; **Joe McNeill**, of 312 MI Bn; **John Swart** of 1/32 Arm; and **Mike Klingele**, who cmds B Co, 1/227 Avn, an AH-64 co. Brian has run into a few other folks, including **Art Almore**, who works for Abbott Labs. Brian and Art saw ea other on the streets of Dallas after attending a Cowboys game. Small world.

Brian Boutte is climbing the ladder at Mobil, currently working as the assoc prod mgr, Food Prod, in Temple, TX. **Al Peterson** and **Tom Faupel** work at 6 Cav. Brian stopped in to see **Bob Goldberg** in Lexington, KY in May. They went to Atl where they met with **Mike Proulx** and **Tim Hopper**, who work for the same co. A-1 guys stick together. Brian has been able to keep track of most of his co-mates, but requests that **Bergin**, **McPoyle** and **Vollmer** contribute to the newsltr.

Here in Korea the '82'ers came out for Founders Day a few wks ago. **Alex Sung** is up by the DMZ cmding a co with 1/503d Inf. **Gene Coddington** is in Seoul with Eighth Army. **Roger Smith** is currently the S-2 of 17th Avn Bde and recently took cmd of HHC 1/501 Avn; his wife **Beth** is coming over soon. I spoke with **Rick Sullivan** at TAPC in Mar. When I called Rick's house **Manny Aponte** was in the living room. Manny & his wife and 3 children were in the process of house-hunting in the DC area. He finished grad sch at GA Tech and was going to be a nuc physics prof at USMA, but his slot was cut and now he's at Def Nuke Agency. Rick works at Joint Mgt at DA and is personally responsible for the delaying of our MAJ's bd. Meanwhile,

here at Camp Stanley, Korea, I took cmd in Apr of A Co, 2/2 Avn, a UH-60 Black Hawk co. I have 26 offs; 17 of them are either W01's or 2LT's—leadership challenge. Keep those ltrs and photos coming.



I've only heard from a few of our classmates in Saudi Arabia, and as it stands now, they'll all be coming home Safe and Victorious. We are all proud of our classmates and we should also be truly thankful to the people of America for their supportive attitude for all the troops—regardless of their feelings about the war.

I've only heard from one person during Desert Watch and that was **Leslie & Mike Bryson**. They are both co cmdrs in Saudi Arabia. Leslie has the UH-60 AVUM Co and Mike has the Corps OH-58D Co. Mike said it was "just a quick note to wish us a Merry Christmas from Saudi!" He's run across a few others: **John Buss**, **Greg Lund**, **Kent Sanderson** and a couple more. Their little girl, Jessica, is obviously back here with relatives.

Don Frazer '70 found an article about **Lawrence Kinde**, who's in cmd of 34th Engr, 2nd Arm Cav Regt, as they were preparing to be the first units employed at the Kuwaiti border. Larry said, "We sweated a lot in peace—that's the recipe for bleeding less in war."

John Rossi completed his Hawk cmd at Hood in Jul 90 and was 2 days away from starting Ranger Sch when he was diverted to asst S-3, 3/43 ADA (PATRIOT) at Bliss. **Dave Kolvek** and **Pete Loebs** were btry cmdrs there as they headed to the desert. **Liz**, his wife of 7 years, had a baby girl, Maria Elisa, in Jan. So she had her hands full when you add in their son, Dominic Anthony (3). John has "enjoyed the fireworks of our Patriots knocking down SCUDs. We have been the bn protecting Riyadh." The only other classmate he ran into there was **John Driscoll** with a Bragg Psyops unit. They are both headed back to WP as Tacs in 92. "All I'm looking forward to now is getting home to my family as soon as possible. Hopefully before the 110-degree heat starts up again over here. I know myself and the other guys have had enough SCUDs for a while and want to see the US again."

John's heard from a few classmates. **Amanda & Joe Hoellerer** and little **Joey** are at DLI en route to grad sch. **Esther & Tony Ruizcalderon** and son **Tony** are at Benning as cmdr of Ranger Tng Bde HHC. **Sue & Ed Collazzo**, along with **Katie** and **Beth**, are in RI where Ed works for GTE. **Karen & John Lennon**

are living in NJ and working for Natl Westminster Bank in NYC. **Sabrina & John Tarpey** are also in NY working for Shearson Lehman, along with **Charlie Dedekind** and **Frank Giordano**. **Jeanette & Don Shaver** are in Boynton Bch, FL. **Ron Costella** is heading back to WP as an instructor.

Cathy & Dan Gilewitch had a second baby boy, Thomas Michael, 20 Mar. Big brother Nicholas is almost 5.

Jeanette (Regan) & Mike McMahon and **Michael J. Jr.** said, "We finished a relaxing tour at Rucker and packed our bags for Ger. We became professional freeloaders between Rucker and Ger, spending two mos without a home and not a single night in a hotel!" Jeanette is the S-2 of 70th Trans. "It's amazing how our perspective on life changed as the family grew from two to three. We can't work to eight or nine at night any more, and must think three times before going anywhere. We now have a checklist like the one's we use to fly with—bottles: Roger! diapers: Roger! pacifier: AARGH, where's the pacifier!!!!" I'm sure that all of us who are parents can relate. For those of you who are single or just haven't had any kids—don't worry, it will wait for you!

Deirdre & Matt Seng left the Army in 88, settling into Allentown, PA with **Jesse** (21 mo) and **Emily** (3 mo). He went to work as a civil engr/envir consultant for American Resource Consultants. "After being in aviation for 5 years, I was a little rusty in the engring field, but being thrown into some big projects has a tendency to make you get back up to speed quickly. We are both happy to be raising children where we grew up, and the fact that we can go to the Army football games isn't too bad, either." **Kathy & Bryan Bear** have two girls, **Brittany** and **Shannon**, living in Allentown. Bryan is wearing many hats for a large textile corp. **Rochelle & Joe Homa** have a little boy and girl and live in Langhorne, PA. Joe's in sales for an indus supplier, McMaster. **Mike Dolan** is in Arizona at Thunderbird for his master's in intl bus. **Nancy & Eric Mayer** have a boy and girl and they also live in Allentown. Eric's a civ engr with Air Products and Chemicals. **Scott Sager** recently received his MBA from Columbia. **Carolynne & Dennis Harrington** "have three boys who make Dennis look tame. The whole crowd lives in the 'northern' city of Charlotte, NC. Dennis is doing exceptionally well in sales for a med equip co, Walter Lorenz. He was named 'salesman of the year' and he & Carolynne won a trip to St Thomas to celebrate (and get away from the kids)."

Deb & Steve Low, along with **Greg & Dani**, are contract civilians in Kroneburg, Ger. Steve is a quality assurance engr for GTE. "Deb, the leadfoot, has

adjusted well to the Autobahns. She will have a hard time going back to 55 mph. I'm sure the troopers will help her re-acclimate, much to my wallet's chagrin." But for now Deb is teaching the BSEP/ASEP prog to the troops. They have gotten together with **Colleen & Charlie Forshee, Melissa & Gerry Shaw** and **Tammy & Tom Cowan**.

Bill Raymond is attending U of MI at Ann Arbor for his master's in poli sci to head back to WP in 92. He spends his off hours educating his "LIBERAL" classmates on the virtues of a strong defense. They had a big-time A-N party with over 40 grads last year. His daughters, Kati (6) and Kellye (4), also helped root for the Army team. **Gerry Schmitz** is in Berlin with his second cmd. **Mike Bowman** and **George Kunzweiler** are still in Nurnberg.

Mary & Dave Sutter are also at U of MI heading for the Hist Dept at WP. **Dion King** is in the "solids" prog. Dave says, "Between us we try to keep the col 'kids' aware of what the Army is really all about." His brother Doug '89 is in HI with the 25th ID bumping into all the '83 co cmdrs.

Lori (Sussman) & Nate Colodney are in Alexandria, VA where she finished her master's and was assigned to the White House Communications Agency. She's run into **John Alumbaugh** in the area in FLEP, going to the American Univ Law Sch. Both John and her husband finish their law sch this yr and take the bar. Lori's job sends her all over the country and she's run into a no of classmates. **Frank Colette** in Huntsville, AL is doing well in the civ world. In Honolulu, **Bob Farrell's** co supported their mission. She spent Nov in Paris and Dec in Santiago, Chile. "It is a very exciting and rewarding tour, but it sure is nice to be home when we get a chance." Lori looks forward in 93 to a new tour in the "real Army," as she's being spoiled now being able to wear civ clothes to work all the time!

I have changed jobs and I'm now designing and developing banking software for PCs for MicroBilt, Inc. here in Atl. My son Stuart keeps **Debbie** and me on the run; seems like he's never going to slow down, and he's barely over a year old and what a daredevil. See ya next issue, if he doesn't give me a heart attack anytime soon.

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WOW!! What a performance by the troops in the Persian Gulf!! And we thought the Navy game was a big win! Congratulations to all those who served so well in the Gulf! Let's not forget that the "mop up" oper may still be going on

when this goes to press—so don't forget our folks who may still be over in the Middle East!

Speaking of the Middle East and Desert Storm, I received a no of ltrs from classmates who were participating in this successful campaign. **Barb (Henneike) Melendez** wrote from the 507th Corps Spt Gp where she was serving as the CO of the HHC. Barb had been extended in cmd for the duration of Desert Storm. Now that it's over, she should be off to her next asgmt, which is GA Tech for a master's and then on to WP to teach math. Hopefully she will be linked back up with her husband, **Rangel**, who was finishing up his tour in Panama at the time of this writing. GA was definitely on Barb's mind during Desert Storm because that is where her baby boy, Robert Sean, was staying with grandma while mom was serving. We all hope you are back together, Barb! Barb had run across **Deidre (Painter) & Randy Cozzens '85** who, you'll remember from last col, are over in Saudi. There is a pic of Dee & Randy in the '85 col of two issues ago as well. Thanks for all the info, Barb, and good luck with your studies!!

Larry Thoms also wrote from Saudi where he has been serving as the bde signal off for 3rd Bde, 1st AD—a nice job since it is a MAJ's position! Congrats Larry! Larry had been serving in Ger, but left for Saudi at the beginning of Dec on the bde adv party, along with **Steve Shuster**, who was representing the div cav sqdn, and **Mark Ray '85**, who was the S-3 (air). During his time in Saudi, Larry has seen a no of classmates. **Dave Nichting** was over there cmdng a signal co in VII Corps. **Bob Keating** and his family had a rough departure for Desert Shield. His wife, **Andrea**, gave birth to their first child, Kevin Michael, the morning Bob left for Saudi as the TACFIRE off for 18th FA Bde, XVIII Abn Corps. Bob went from the delivery room in the morn to the plane in the afternoon! Bob had a problem during the train-up with the left side of his face becoming paralyzed, which caused him to be medevac'd to the states. This allowed him time to see his new son (he started him training to play football without much success since Kevin was only a few mos old) and Bob was nearly recovered by Christmas. He was expected back in Saudi before the action started. Larry also heard from **Cathy Walsh**, who is not in Saudi but had just finished a successful HHC cmd at Ft Myer. Congratulations go out to Cathy & **Mark Brown!** They were married back in Nov after meeting at CAS3. Larry also mentioned the tremendous support they all felt from the states. This spt came from a variety of sources ranging from family mbrs to mags he subscribed to! All of it felt great! Thanks for the info, Larry, and we hope you're reading this at home!

You'll remember from recent cols that **Leslie (Lochry) & Mike Bryson '83** were in Saudi. I heard from Les back in Feb, and she was doing well. With all the sand, they were doing maintenance on the helicopters "all day long, every day!" But she said the unit and the supply sys seemed to be handling it well! From the results achieved over there, she was definitely right!

Last col, I also told you about **Fred Meyer** being deployed over to Saudi as well. I also heard from Fred, who said he never expected to be cmdng his co in a war, which was a real leadership challenge. You'll recall that Fred was with the Engrs in the 24th Inf Div and, from the success of the ground campaign, everyone rose to the challenge!

That's all the news I have from people in Saudi. I'm writing this in mid-Apr, so there will probably be much more for the next col! To all who served in Desert Shield/Storm, WELCOME HOME and Good Job, Pop-it-up, and, of course, take BIG BITES! Drop me a line when you can and SEND PICTURES if you have them!

I'm still not done with the col, though, because I have a bunch of news from those in '84 not in the Middle East. **Katherine Spaulding**, a fellow FLEPer, wrote from William & Mary where she is finishing up law sch. Kathy was not sure where she was heading after sch at the time she wrote, but should know soon. In any event, I'll see her at the JAG Sch in the fall and will rep more then. Of course, this summer, the challenge for Kathy and all of us FLEPs is "the inevitable bar exam!" Best of luck to all who are taking it! Kathy did get up to the A-N



1984: Carolyn '86 and Kathy Spaulding with Katie Lunsford '85 at A-N game

game with her sister Carolyn '86 and Katie Lunsford '85. They were among the many people I missed at the game in my rush to get back for my exam. Kathy also sent more info on **Dee (Painter) Cozzens**. Dee is the CO of the 24th Ordnance Co and, last Kathy heard, things weren't too bad for her in the desert. Thanks for the info, Kathy, and we'll see you this fall at the JAG Sch!

Meg Gordon wrote from Ft Eustis to tell me about the past yr or so for **Bobby**

Shea & her. First on the good news side, Meg & Bobby were blessed with a beautiful little girl (or Irish lassie, as Bobby says), Maighdlin Quinn. As the photo



1984: Meg Gordon and daughter, Maighdlin

shows, both mom and baby were doing fine the day after the birth. For those of you that can't believe Meg is a mom, believe it! She says that "once this baby comes out of you. . . all of these mom hormones just erupt and nature takes over." It sounds like she is having a great time! Congrats! Still on the good news side, Meg & Bobby won the lottery—no kidding! Bobby bought a \$1 rub-off ticket and won \$25,000! See, people really do win! But to temper this good fortune during the year, Bobby was involved in a helicopter crash caused by a design defect. Five people were killed, but he was lucky enough to get out with minor cuts and bruises. Bobby & Meg were assigned to different posts at the time, so she learned about the crash on CNN! Not only that, Meg was heading off to CAS3 that week, so Bob ended up going with her to convalesce. Now, it appears that Bob is slated for a tour in ROK, and Meg & he still haven't lived together at the same post! Well, DA is working on the problem—we hope they solve it for you guys. So you see, you've got to take the bad with the good, I guess. As Meg says, overall they've "been extremely lucky this yr."

Meg saw a no of classmates in the course of this turbulent yr. At CAS3, she saw **Janice Higuera** and **Ann Drislane** (a former mbr of '84). She also saw **Tom Hagstrom**, who was the best man at a friend's wedding. Also at the wedding were **Keith Darrow** and **Dan Hogan**. Well, thanks for all the info, Meg! I hope the next year is calmer for you!!

My good friend **Luis Parada** wrote from Wash where, you may recall, he is working in the El Salvadoran Embassy. Luis' wife **Brenda** (Amster) '85 is with him there after leaving the Army this past Jul. The Paradas are enjoying DC with their two kids, Luis Jr. and Jennifer. Luis will be working at the Embassy until the end of this yr. **Randy "Smitty" Smith** came out to visit last summer and had a great time. Luis claims they were doing PT every morn and sent a photo to



1984: The Paradas with Smitty

prove it, but they don't look hot enough to have been running in DC in the summer! Just kidding, Luis! I believe you! Luis also had heard from **Jackie Foglia**, who should be in DC working in the Honduran Embassy when this is published. For any classmates in the DC area, Luis hopes you'll look him up before he heads back to El Salvador. Thanks for the info, Luis!

Earl Newsome wrote from WI where he is out of the Army and working for Case Corporation, the nation's second-largest farm and constr equipment maker. Earl is the mgr of Admin Services & Facilities. With him are **Lashonne** and their son, **Earl Forrest**. The Newsomes are expecting a new addition to their family in Aug. How about a family photo then, Earl?! During the course of his Army career, Earl was constantly running into **Rod Monsees**, who is currently attending grad sch in VA. Earl said he was looking for info on any of the H-4 Hogs, a no of his friends from 4th Regt, or the "Electro Knights," whom he credits for setting "on fire the rallies of the past." If you have info, get it here and we'll put it in the col. Finally, Ed sent news of his brother **Mike '85** for all you folks who might be reading back one yr in the cols. Mike & Cynthia and daughter **Misha** are in TX where Mike works for Mobil. Thanks for the "poop," Earl, and best of luck with Case!

I got word from TX and **Alex Beuhler** that the tough times in the def industry were hitting home. He was preparing to leave TX Instruments, where he worked with **Joel Oguete**, and head back to Ger to work with a German firm in rebuilding East Ger. Alex will be continuing as a USMA liaison off there. Of course, Alex's wife **Irene** is excited to be close to her home for a while! Others who have left TI and are heading for other opportunities include **Matt Hull**, **Joe Lindhardt** and **Ricky Richardson**. At this past Founders Day, Alex saw **Ron & Sharon (Roberts) Aizer**. Ron is out of the Army and working for American Airlines. Sharon, you'll recall, went through FLEP and is serving in the JAG Corps at Ft Sam Houston. Thanks for the info, Alex, and best of luck in Ger!

Speaking of present and former

FLEPers, I spoke to a couple on the phone this past wk. Congratulations go out to **Tom Ayres**, who was recently married to his lovely bride **Mary**! I was fortunate enough to see them the past two summers at Ft Dix—they make a great couple! Tom had just heard telephonically that he was heading to Ft Stewart after the JAG Basic Course. I also spoke to **John Adams**, who was kind enough to advise me on some of the finer points of the bar exam experience! **John & Ladonna (Leeth) '86** are enjoying things at Ft Dix where John is a trial counsel. Ladonna is out of the Army and attending nursing sch at Penn. The Adamses are blessed with a little girl, **Brittany**, who is now 3 years old. John had seen **Joe Deantona** on the news. Apparently, he was cmdng a Patriot missile btry outside of Riyadh during Desert Storm! Good shootin', Joe!! John had an interesting experience with Desert Storm. The SJA off at Ft Dix had to send someone to be a trial counsel in VII Corps. John volunteered. The day before he was scheduled to leave the ceasefire was declared so his orders were cancelled! Who says it doesn't pay to volunteer! Thanks for all the help, John—I'm sure I'll talk to you soon!

As for **Dianne & me**, we're looking at some time apart. I will be heading to the JAG Sch in Aug to snowbird until my cl starts. Following the course, it looks like I will be heading to ROK. My address should stay the same during this process, since Dianne will still be here in CT and will get my mail to me.

Once again, GREAT JOB to all those who served (and continue to serve) in the Gulf! I hope everyone enjoys this summer and makes this 4th of July an extra special one as we remember how fortunate we are to have the freedom and benefits that come with living in this great country.

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I know we all are glad the war lasted only 100 hrs—no doubt due to the brilliant leadership of '86 CPTs.

According to **John McHugh**, the 20 ACR became an '86 reunion during Desert Shield and Storm. John is in the Regt S-3 shop and hopes to end his illustrious Cav days in Aug and head to the Adv Course at Ft Rucker. Others in the desert were/are **Gary Percy** as the 4th Sqdn motor off, **John Thompson** as the asst

Regt S-4 and **Jerry Schwartz** and **Matt Fortunato** who served as sqdn FSOs. John sent a pic of **Connie** and their 2 1/2-yr-old son **Michael**. John thought we might have forgotten what he looks like, but he still looks the same with that fiery red Irish face. Had a chance lately to tend goal?



1986: John, Connie and Michael (2 1/2) McHugh

Pat Antoniotti is at CAS3 but will soon be off to Ft Ord as a bn S-1. He's living with **Lee Rudacille**, 200 meters from the beach, and manages a golf game almost every wkend.

Mickey Haydak returned to the good ole USA in late Aug after spending 3 yrs in the Berlin Bde. He served as a rifle plt ldr, scout plt ldr and co XO. Yes, Mickey observed the Wall crumble before coming home. Since returning, Mickey has run into quite a few of you. **Scott Chapel** married a beautiful girl named **Sandy**, and they have a one-yr-old boy. They're at Ft Bragg where Scott is in the Q course. **Greg Fenton**, **John Landgraf** and **George "Thatch" Sheppard** graduated from the Q course in Dec and are in HI. At the Army/Vandy game in Nashville last Nov, Mickey can remember **PJ Groce**, **Tom Donovan**, **Greg Fenton**, **Scott Pierce**, **Joe Gleason** and **Chris Zupa**. In Feb Chris married a girl named **Karen** from Houston. **Tom Gravis** and **Pat Daly** attended the wedding. Chris & Karen are now in HI. Also at Chris & Karen's wedding were **Pat & Monica (Wyras) O'Connor**. They came down from Ft Drum to attend. Mickey also provided me with the names of classmates who participated in the Kuwait affair. **Rob Roggeman** was called out of class at Ft Knox in Jan. Rob phoned Mickey shortly after arriving to say everything was okay. Others from H-2 in the desert included **Jim Morris**, **Rich McAdams**, **Bill Kearney** and **John Recke**. Mickey's last bit of info is that **Doug Pavek** is doing great and is happy with his branch transfer to Aviation. By the way, Mickey is now with the 2nd ID in Korea.

Dan Schafer has news, news, news. Who would have thought Dan would have married? **Greg Fenton** and **Neil Costello** could see it coming long before Dan did when Sara joined Dan at Ord.



1986: The Schafers' wedding

After a two-yr engagement they were married on 24 Nov 90. The wedding was beachfront and the honeymoon blew Jamaica like a hurricane. Now, Dan & Sara are back where they met—Lawton, where Dan is teaching fire spt, along with **Rick Lange**. **Dan Guzman** is an inst in the Gunnery Dept. Guzman is living the wild life of a homeowner, running what some people call a gasthaus. **Tom Anderson** and **Nick Bellucci** are turning heads and breaking hearts with their huge arms, hot 911s and wedding rings. **Dave Werntz** is a cmdr of a training btry. **John Collison** is stuck in the Combat Dev Dept and considering career alternatives. **Mark Michaelson** feels like Collison. **Mike Cabrey** passed through Sill with his new wife **Kathy** not too long ago, as did **Scott & Nadine Gerig** with their child and dog. **Carolyn Elliot** also is in Lawton but she's connected to a mgt prog with Goodyear. Others mentioned include **Eric & Monica Judkins**, **Cliff Manor**, **Mike Gwynn**, **Bobby Klienhample**, who's acting as a ranger tac for OBC, **Bobby Lockett** and "Slim-Jim" **Mike Dishman**.

Paul Worsfold sent an update on the D-1 Ducks. **Dave Volkman** married his HS sweetheart **Melody** and has a 20-month old son named **Nicholas**. Dave served one mo in Saudi before Christmas with the M1A1 NET Tm. **Mark Lee** is currently the BMO for 3AD in Saudi. **Tom Kelly** was an aide to BG Noles before going to AOAC. Others at IOAC are **John Kelly** and **Mark Green**. **Sean & Mary Kenna** have a two-yr-old son named **Alan**. Paul, I know the last ASSEMBLY had some stuff from you. Again, thanks for the update.

Stephanie Stephens heard from **Liz**



1986: Dan & Sara Schafer



1986: Paul, Christina and Matthew Worsfold

Lind over Christmas. **Liz** is doing ordnance work at Ft Lewis and is looking forward to her adv course. **Ron Anglin** got out over the summer and is teaching poly sci and hist at a HS in Pine Mtn, GA. **Ron & Faye** recently had a boy named

Joel. Seems like Ron is living a very rich and full life. Stephanie, thanks again for your spt.

I've been busy with sch this past semester. If anyone gets down to FL anytime, give me a holler.

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I regret to inform you of the death of our classmate **Donaldson P Tillar III**. Donald and several other soldiers were killed when the UH-60 Blackhawk that Donald was piloting was shot down over Iraq on 27 Feb. The source of my info is the DA Casualty Report and an article in the 3 Mar issue of the *Washington Post*. I apologize to you and Donald's parents for anything that I may have said here that is misinformation. Donald is survived by his parents, COL USA (Ret) & Mrs Donaldson P Tillar Jr.

We will miss him.

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Well, congratulations are in order all over. Congratulations to all those who STRENGTHENED THE LINE in Desert Storm. I guess the Supe gave his one rocket cheer at the correct time. Also, all of us have pinned on the silver bar: remember when we were plebes and had to learn "Benny Havens" ("In the Army there's sobriety/promotion's very slow. . .")?

I have a lot to tell. **Scotty Rauer** dropped me a line from an empty Ft Bragg. He just got assigned there after Apache sch at Ft Rucker, where he and **Ike Wilson** became the first fly-boys from our Cl. Remember guys: little bullets, big sky!

Dave Ice's mom sent me a ltr from Toledo, OH. Dave has been hanging out with fellow B-1 boys **Doug Datka**, **Jon Wildermuth** and **Darryl Scherb** (and his dog Pipes) in Herzog, Ger. Jon departed for the desert in Aug 90. **John Kelly's** mom also wrote to say John and **Juan Dominguez** left for the desert in Dec.

Rob Bozic sends his best from the Sinai as part of the Multinational Forces there (the "other" Gulf). He writes of the exciting action there, such as camel races and cactus watching. Drive on, Boz.

From Israel, **Melinda Nelson** and **Steve Choi** sent ltrs relating their Scud-



1989: Firebirds Scott Rauer and Ike Wilson

hunting experiences. With A/1/7 ADA, **Steve**, **Eric Handy** and **Bill Braswell** are protecting the city of Haifa. B/1/7 ADA is near Tel Aviv with **Melinda** and **Mark Mooney**. The rest of the bn went to Saudi with **Lori (Hess) Tompos**, **Omar Gutierrez** and **Gerald Lilly**. Steve writes also that on 11 Aug 90 **John Reynolds** married his longtime sweetheart **Andrea** in Karlstein, Ger. Good luck to them!



1989: Fire control station for Patriots in Israel

Marc Lee and **John Viggiano** sent an interesting note from Saudi. They are with the 24th ID along with **Stu Kinder**, **Eric "Cheesestick" Miller**, **Mark Jennings**, **Bill Welsh**, **Jeff Castille**, **Rob Forte**, **Dave Trybula**, **Rob Holmes**, **Al Linden**, **Mike Rumagen**, **Bruce Estok**, **Matt Curtis**, **Mike Minogue**, **Tony Fletcher**, **Hal Hatchett**, **Frank Brunner** and **Mike Garvin**. John arrived at 2/7 Inf, went to NTC, then to Desert Shield/Storm. A busy time for all! John had an interesting description of life in the sandbox: "Our abodes are M2's with camou nets and sleeping bags. . . meticulous maggots are everywhere. Nights are spent training until the wee hrs of the morn (or just plain being lost)." I still owe Marc a steak dinner for coming to my rescue at the Chickasaw Pub at Benning. . .

Mark Jennings also sent a ltr from "the world's largest beach." He has been working with **John Ford**, **Mike Fran-**

comb, **John Ulsaker**, **Neil Creighton**, **Jim Kim**, **Joe Hawes**, **Al Vernon**, **Bob McCann**, **Greg Conti**, **Lou Lartigue**, **Mike Brumagin**, **Dave Gravel**, **Matt Curtis**, **Don Brewster** and **Tony Castagno**. He describes the desert as "liveable."



1989: Mark's new staff, "strengthening the line in the sand," Saudi Arabia, Aug 90: Castille, Creighton, Jennings, Trybula, Kim and Ford

Dave Gravel praised the soldiers' willingness to endure the hardship and separation. **Phil Cuccia** echoes the same ideas.

Frank Oprandy sent news of his 28 Jul 90 wedding to **Tracy Banes**. Frank stood tall with **Mike Young**, **Tom Champion**, **Jim Callerami** and **Mark O'Brien**. All these guys were roommates at flight sch. Frank recently ran into **Jim Kardos'** big brother in a Saudi parking lot. Jim is in Korea enjoying saki wine. Frank asks that **Rich McCauley** get in touch with him at 3d ACR. Congratulations to Frank & Tracy!!

Dennis Fehlinger sends his best from Ft Carson where his Cobra plt is doing great and wondrous things. Dennis married longtime sweetheart **Leslie** at Rucker in Apr 90. Attending the wedding



1989: Leslie & Dennis Fehlinger

were **Kevin Petit**, **Doug Sutter**, **John & Tracy Barth**, **Steve & Wendee Workman**, **Rob Mitchell** and **Conan Ward**. Dennis & Leslie are happy at Carson with their

children, Megan and Trevor.

Rob "Banana Man" Orlando sent a rather sarcastic ltr asking why I was in Ger and why I was missing an occasional col. [By the way, I'm writing this from my MIA at Hohenfels on a lovely snow-ridden day.] Rob is with the 307th Engrs attached to the 82nd. They have been blowing up captured Iraqi ordnance and trying to avoid the domestic strife. Rob has seen Mark Fisher, Scotty Morrison, Jim Lynch, Dave Brunnett, Rich Pannel, Burton Shields, Tim Watson, Bill & Jill (LaPlante) Gould, Rob "RJ" Jorgensen, Ike Zettler, Trish Anslow, Janet Diss, Donna Johanson, Kevin Volk and Johnny Oliver. Rob is esp anxious to return to Ft Bragg to have a few beers and continue work on his triceps. Delta Heat!

Well, back here in Ger, it has not been all work. I met some interesting folks here, and one guy even insisted that his sister knows me. Small world, I guess.



1989: The scribe with some comrades

Thanks for all the ltrs. I'll try to answer them all. Please send some more gripes and rumors. See you at the club or in the brush. *WE STRENGTHEN THE LINE!*

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First things first: congrats are in order to all of our classmates who served in the Persian Gulf and also to all those who had to put in some long hrs in other locations of the world in spt of the war. I have heard from two of our combat veteran classmates since the last article, **Jim Booth** (E-1) and **John Knighten** (A-3). Jim wrote to me back in Feb asking for the names of our classmates over there with him. He was serving with the 212th FA Bde TOC as an Air Def Artyman and said that **Greg Walters** (E-1) was there with him as an engr with the 101st. John called **Mark Clouse** early in the morn of 28 Mar while I was down visiting him at Ft Rucker. He said things got pretty hairy a couple of nights, and even though they cannot get a hot shower, their combat patches have already been sewn on.

Speaking of Ft Rucker, our Cl aviators

are doing fine. **Tom Jones** gave me a tour of the newly-constructed Aviation Museum, which takes you through the hist of Army aviation and has a hangar full of static displays. We had a Fighting Cocks reunion at the local all-you-can-eat barbecue pit with **Rich Clark**, **Rob Barrie**, **Scott & Jeanine O'Hearen**, **Chris Lingle**, **Tom**, and myself in attendance. H-1 had their own little get-together at the home of Army aviation. **Joel & Marie Meyer** made the trip south to visit **Pat O'Dea**, **Rick Kern** and **Jeff Jack**. I visited the cowboy ranch where **Michael Wertz** (C-4) and **Steve Raymond** (C-4) hang up their spurs and flight suits. I also ran into two former ranch hands, **Dan McCarthy** (C-4) and **Rich Gieseler** (C-4). For those of you who, like me, thought that all pilots do is fly from drink special to drink special, call a classmate who is in flight sch and ask them about what they do. I saw firsthand all the flight plans, emergency procedures and simulator time that these guys have to prepare for—it was reminiscent of med sch. Besides, being stuck at Ft Rucker, home of the all-night bowling league, is hard enough. Some other classmates of ours that I saw working hard in AL include **Eric Wang** (A-2), **John Baskerville** (A-3) and **Bob Kokorda** (A-3). On a side note, I received a ltr from the Founders Day Comm at Rucker expressing their gratitude for the excellent speech that **Josh King** and **Pat Huston** gave at the celebration. If you ever make it down to Rucker, be sure to see Enterprise's biggest tourist attraction, the boll weevil statue. If you cannot find it, **Chris Lingle** and **Rob Barrie** will be happy to show you.

Here are two pics of Cl of '90 weddings. The first is of **David & Jeanine** (Scanlon) **Smith** (H-2). They were married on 2 Jun 90 at WP. In attendance were **Paul Schmitt** as the best man, **Scott Simpson**, **Mike Panciera**, **Greg Sarafian** and **Jim Seckel**, all of H-2. The Smiths send their regards from Schweinfurt, Ger.

Mr & Mrs Frank Edwards sent me this photo of their daughter, **Kristin Edwards** (A-1), who married **Mark Gagnon** (A-1) on 22 Dec 90 at the WP Catholic Chapel. **Tom Field** (A-1) and **Ed Wallace** (A-1) were ushers and **Mike O'Toole** (I-3), **Tim White** (A-1) and **Scott Mapstone** (A-1) were sabre bearers. More of the Proud and the Mighty in attendance were **Margaret** (A-1) & **Dale** (B-1) **Mannery**, **Christina Juhasz** (A-1), **Tim Singley** (A-1), **Joe DeJulius** (F-1), **Jim Weber** (A-1) and **Cathy Byrnes** (C-1). After a honeymoon in St Lucia, Kristin moved to Kaiserlautern, Ger, while Mark went on to Ranger Sch.

Vickie Mitalas wrote in from Mainz, Ger. She is a med plt ldr and acting XO. She said she has spoken with **Marge Campbell**, who is in Bremerhaven with the 64th MP Co; **Marc Darnell**, who just



1990: Jeanine (Scanlon) & David Smith



1990: Kristin Edwards & Mark Gagnon, 22 Dec 90

arrived in-country; and **Jen Flores**, who is in Mannheim.

Did anyone know we have a zoomie in our ranks? Here is a pic of **David Cox** (G-4) on his first solo flight in the AF's T-37. Dave is in undergraduate pilot training at Columbus AFB, MS. He has the distinction of being the first grad in 14 yrs to cross-commission. I guess the AF needed a little squaring away; keep them straight, Dave!



1990: 2LT David Cox, USAF, at Undergraduate Pilot Training, Columbus AFB, MS

James Dell'Olio sends regards from the "Steel Tigers" of the 5/77th Armor in Mannheim, Ger. Fellow Tigers include **Sam Cochrane**, **Al Smith**, **Yale Peebles**,

Brian Poe, Scott Hodsdon and Tim Dukeman. In JD's neighbor units there are more of our classmates: the 3/77th has Jeff Kieft, Mike Hubbard and Jim Schulz. Scott Eader is with the 3/7 Cav, and Joe Kane and Cathy Orpen are in



1990: Steve, James and Joe

the spt unit. James sent me this pic of himself and fellow Animal House mbrs Joe Owczarek and Steve Olejasz, drinking a few of those fine German beers.

Here is yet another pic from the



1990: At the Vanderbilt game

Vanderbilt game. Sam Cochrane sent me this pic of himself, Ed Repetski, Dodd Starbird and Ben Bigelow. Keep those Vandy pics coming!

My roommate here at med sch, John Devine, told me that Steve Hallas is the proud father of a new baby girl. He recently graduated from Ranger Sch, and he and his family are now stationed in Ger. In other H-3 news, Tom Jones is heading for Ger, breaking hearts around the country. Ft Sill finally got sick of him and he is heading for his unit.

By the time you read this article the CI of '91 will have already graduated, making us genuine old grads. Our CI had quite a first yr in the Army, and we should all be counting our blessings that our rank in the Long Gray Line is still complete.—The Proud and the Mighty!

Letters to the Editor (Continued from page 2)

Evolution of West Pointers' Contributions to Medicine

The purpose of this letter is not to comment negatively on *Contributions in Medicine by USMA Graduates* by Linda G. Berman which appears on page 12 of the May issue, or to belittle the outstanding contributions of the physicians who are Academy graduates mentioned in her article. The comments are inspiring and the doctors' accomplishments are impressive. My purpose is to make the observation, "how quickly we forget," and to offer a correction. The third paragraph reads:

"Until Regulation 610-112, which enables military personnel to remain on active duty while attending medical school, went into effect in the early

1970's, USMA graduates were forced to resign their Regular Army commissions in order to begin medical careers."

In the late 1950's, two brilliant and enlightened men, Army Chief of Staff Maxwell D. Taylor and Army Surgeon General Leonard D. Heaton, envisioned the advantage of West Point graduates serving in the Army Medical Corps. These officers and their staffs investigated this possibility and then acted by authorizing approval of requests from USMA graduates to seek a leave of absence without pay to attend medical school. Numerous USMA graduates did exactly that and retained their Regular Army commission. These officers included John A. Feagin, Jr., Paul T. Lenio, and myself from the class of 1955; George W. Ward, Jr. and Michael

C. Ziegler, from the class of 1956 to name only a few—there were others that followed. During a portion of Eagin's service he was Chief of Orthopedics at Keller Army Hospital, and most of us served in the Army's major teaching hospitals such as Walter Reed and in field, surgical and evacuation hospitals in Vietnam during that forgotten war. I know from personal communications that it was largely because of the success of these doctors that 601-112 became a reality.

Berman's article missed a crucial period in the evolution, history and development of West Pointer's contributions to medicine and the Army Medical Corps.

Preston B. Mayson, Jr., M.D., J.D.
Class of 1955

Bulletin Board (Continued from page 45)

"You are a very important institution to New York State. I'm sure people understand West Point is the leading tourist attraction in this state and there's a significance to that. You are our most famous and best-known property, known all over the country and the world.

"As I said to some of you just a few minutes ago, you are—particularly today—the embodiment of excellence in our society and as such you are as badly needed just now as you have ever been. We've fallen in many areas of competitiveness in our global environment, and you are the one institution in the country that is unquestionably committed to excellence. You have been successful at nourishing it, perpetuating it, and then disseminating it throughout the whole society.

"I'm simply awed by your extraordinary competence, capacity and confidence to develop military skills and principles, but your excellence goes far beyond that. The skills you're being



Superintendent Dave R. Palmer and delegation of cadets with New York Governor Mario M. Cuomo. (Photo by Spec. Don O'Brien)

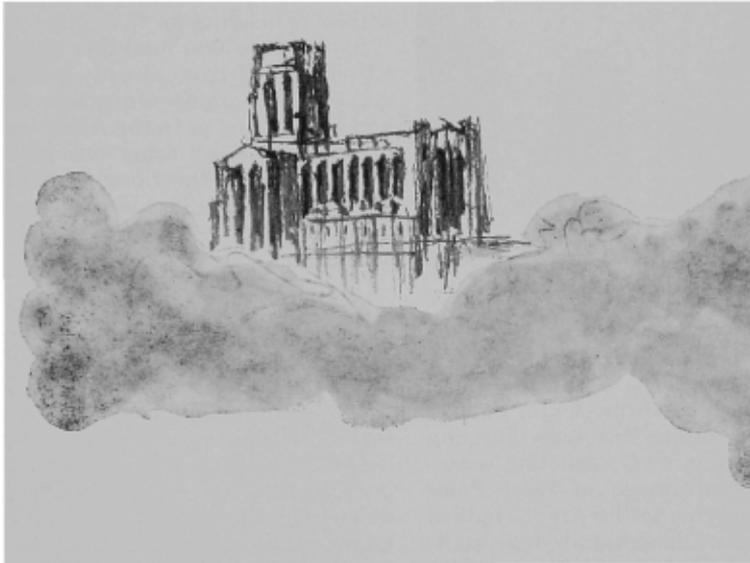
trained in, engineering and the sciences, are the skills we need badly.

"I can't think of another institution in

this country that makes such a contribution to the whole nation. So good luck to you and we're lucky to have you."

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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When the Armistice was declared 11 days later they were ordered back to West Point as student officers. The academic demands during this period became legendary. It was said they were given two years of academics in six months. The class graduated for the second time in June 1919 after having been allowed to order class rings bearing the original Class of '21 crest.

By the second graduation, David's class standing had risen 167 files, according to his best memory. Although he modestly made light of this, he knew that his superiors were impressed by his achievements. David had acquired the nickname "Mac" and a reputation for having a way with the ladies. The *Howitzer* named him "most handsome" man in the class, which always embarrassed him. It could have added that he had impeccable manners instilled from having been a well-bred young Southern gentleman. He admittedly enjoyed those hops. What he might not have admitted was that his heart secretly belonged to a dark-haired beauty in Mississippi.

Following graduation Mac and his classmates toured the European battlefields under the command of Colonel R. John West. This trip was one of the highlights in the careers of this class.

In September 1919 Mac was assigned to the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia and was promoted to first lieutenant. There followed a number of duty stations in the central and western states. After his return to the South, Mac renewed his romance with his old sweetheart, Hortense Stoner of Greenwood, Mississippi, and they were married in June 1921. It was while stationed at Camp Knox, Kentucky, that their only child, a son, was born, only to live a few days. Their grief was partly assuaged by assignment to the Philippines where Mac and Betty (Hortense) were warmed by close friendships with several classmates.

Mac's intellectual curiosity and love of study led him to apply for service school details, and so it was that he attended the Army Signal School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, 1930-31, followed almost immediately by detail to the Judge Advocate General's Office for Georgetown University Law School. His modesty prevented his revealing many details, but it is known that he graduated from both of these schools at or near the top and received several honors. He transferred to the JAGD and taught law at West Point from 1934-38. He received his captaincy during this period after having served 17 years as first lieutenant with the rest of his class—something they never forgot.

In the fall of 1938 Mac was back in the JAGD, Washington, as chief of the Bond Section and later of Contracts. During this period he particularly enjoyed a

classmate golf foursome with Don Shingler, Wes Jervey and Jimmy Harbaugh. In 1942 he became legal officer for the fiscal director, Army Service Forces and was promoted to full colonel. In April 1944, after having served as his legal adviser and executive officer for over two years, he persuaded Major General A. H. Carter, Budget and Fiscal Director, to release him for foreign duty. He became judge advocate for the Fifth Army under General Mark Clark, followed by the same position for the Sixth Army Group under General Jacob Devers. Immediately after Germany's surrender, Mac was ordered to European Theater Headquarters to prepare a manual for the conduct of war crimes trials. In October 1945 he returned to duty with General Clark, this time as judge advocate for the Austrian Theater. In April 1947 he returned to the US and was assigned temporarily to the Clemency Review Board. After a few months he decided to retire, contrary to the pleas of some of his associates.

But recent years had taken a terrible toll. He was tired. His beloved wife Betty had died suddenly in the fall of 1944 while he was somewhere in Italy and could not be located for days. During the demobilization period he and other judge advocates had great difficulty keeping enough qualified officers to assure fair courts martial. Mac literally burned the midnight oil, conscientiously reviewing cases to make sure justice had been done. Later, when he saw political considerations interfere with what he believed to have been justice, he decided to retire, which he did on 31 October 1947. However, he always looked back on his military career as the most important and rewarding part of his life. He was known for the clarity and expertise of his legal briefs. A file revealed numerous letters of glowing recommendations and commendations and a Legion of Merit. Later, General Albert (Al) Wedemeyer, friend, classmate and class hero, wrote that Mac "exemplified the highest tradition" of West Point.

On 11 December 1947, Mac was married to Marjorie Lamb of Brookings, South Dakota. He had a yearning to move to the peace and tranquility of the country and this they did, settling in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains west of Charlottesville, Virginia. Mac had always been an excellent marksman, and here he again enjoyed some hunting and target practice. A daughter named Kathryn Ellen, who was his pride and joy, was born while there. This child was probably the youngest child born to a classmate. Kathryn (Kay) gave birth to her first child in March 1989, at age 40, most certainly giving Mac the distinction of having had the youngest grandchild in the class. This little girl is viewed as a special gift from a loving

heavenly Father to help ease the pain of losing him.

In retirement Mac renewed his interest in physics, mathematics and inventions. It was said of him that while at West Point in the '30's he spent as much time with the Physics Department as with the Law Department. At any rate, he had a keen imagination and a creative mind, and when an idea was born he devoted himself to the task of creating mechanical drawings and detailed descriptions. Unfortunately, while his inventions brought great personal satisfaction and pleasure, there were no monetary gains.

Renewed by his R&R in the mountains and a happy marriage, David and Margie moved to Florida and eventually settled in Belleair (Clearwater) in 1956. He became interested in the stock market, and for a number of years was associated with major brokerage firms as a registered representative. He was forced to retire again in 1968 because of illness. He enjoyed fishing, but most of all he enjoyed his workshop, cabinetwork, repairing or improving something about the house and frequently sharing his talents with neighbors and friends. For the next ten years or more this and reading were his main pastimes. He endured cancer surgery and a number of light strokes. In October 1987 he fell and fractured his hip, an ordeal from which he never fully recovered. Except for short hospitalizations and several months in a nursing home, he was at home with Margie, who was seldom out of his sight. He had developed an Alzheimer-related disorder but died of pneumonia at Bay Pines Veterans Hospital, St. Petersburg, Florida, on 16 July 1989. He was laid to rest in Sylvan Abbey Memorial Park, Clearwater, in a graveside service with military honors.

It is difficult for me as his devoted wife and constant companion for nearly 42 years of marriage to be completely objective. I've told the facts as I believe them to be. I knew him to have been an unusually devoted, loving husband—my best friend. He was respected by all who knew him. He was a modest, sensitive, dignified gentleman who shunned the limelight but enjoyed the companionship of family and friends. He stood up for his beliefs and supported worthy causes. He loved West Point and was loyal to the Corps and Army. Not long before he died, a nurse asked him what values had most shaped his life. Though his memory was greatly impaired, he replied, "Duty, Honor, Country." He believed that God had chosen this country for special mission and meaning, and he knew that God was also his own heavenly Father. I take comfort in believing that this gentle man is resting in peace now awaiting the resurrection. I am grateful for having had the privilege

of sharing so much of his life.

And so, goodnight, my sweet prince.
May we be together again in the morning.

Marjorie (Margie) McLean, his wife

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Laurence Wood Bartlett

NO. 6645 CLASS OF 1920

Died 21 January 1990 in El Paso, Texas,
aged 91 years.

Interment: Fort Bliss National Cemetery, El Paso, Texas.



Laurence Wood Bartlett

LAURENCE WOOD BARTLETT (Larry) was born on 9 September 1898 in Painesville, Ohio. He was the only son of the Reverend Samuel Henderson Bartlett and Libbie Ellen Wood. He attended grammar and high school in Hiram, Ohio. In 1916-17 he attended Hiram College, freshman year only, and enlisted in the United States Army at Columbus, Ohio. He often joked about how he took the Presidential examination for appointment because a three-day pass was offered as an inducement, only to get the pass and then receive orders to report to West Point. He was admitted on 14 June 1918, without the benefit of any preparatory schooling.

His class was accelerated to graduate on 15 June 1920, the 118th anniversary of the founding of the United States Military Academy. His years at the Academy were filled with achievement and the formation of lifelong knowledge, acquaintances and friendships. Extracurricular activities included Cullum Hall football, 1919. Cadet Bartlett was commissioned a second lieutenant, Coast Artillery Corps on 2 July 1920.

On 19 August 1920 he married his childhood sweetheart, Helen Bugher Davids, and reported to Fort Monroe, Virginia as student, Basic Course, Coast Artillery School. His daughter Mary

Elizabeth was born on 10 July 1921. He served in the Philippine Islands, including assignments to Fort Mills and Fort Hughes; also as commanding officer Army mine planters *Knox* and *Hunt*, and 279th Company Coast Artillery Corps (Philippine Scouts).

Larry, Helen and Mary Elizabeth returned to CONUS, and Larry was assigned to Fort Eustis, Virginia and then to West Point, where he served as instructor in the Department of Mathematics. Laurence Jr., their first son, was born in what was then known as the NEW Hospital on 4 February 1928.

Larry was reassigned to Fort Ruger, Territory of Hawaii on 28 September 1928, to command Headquarters Battery 16th Coast Artillery. Their third child, Donald Henderson, was born at (the old) Tripler General Hospital on 23 December 1929.

In August 1932 he was assigned to Fort Monroe, Virginia as a student, Battery Officers Course, the Coast Artillery School. From May to August 1933, he was assigned to Fort Niagara, New York for duty with the 299th Company, Civilian Conservation Corps and thence to Glacier National Park. During this time his wife Helen and the three small children remained at Fort Monroe and suffered the terrible flood of 1933. He returned to Fort Monroe as a student, Advanced Technical Course and upon graduation remained as an instructor, Department of Engineering, Coast Artillery School. During this assignment he significantly assisted with the development of the field telephone switchboard.

In August 1935 he was reassigned to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas as a student, Command and General Staff School. Upon graduation, he was assigned as an umpire, First Army Maneuvers, and then went to Fort Amador, Canal Zone, to command Battery C, 4th Coast Artillery and then as communications officer, Panama Separate Coast Artillery Brigade.

He was reassigned to CONUS in July 1940 as a member of the Plans Section OCCA and then went to Richmond, Virginia as chief of Schools Training Doctrine Section, Anti Aircraft Artillery Command. In July 1943 he attended Anti Aircraft School, Camp Davis, North Carolina and then the Army Air Force School of Applied Tactics at Orlando, Florida. He activated and took command of the 43rd Anti Aircraft Group at Camp Davis, and with the group was deployed first to Hawaii and then to Okinawa, where he took command of the 53rd Anti Aircraft Brigade. His family remained in Richmond, Virginia until his assignment after World War II to the Army War College in Washington, DC.

Upon graduation from the War College, he was assigned to the Anti Aircraft and Missile Branch, The Artillery School, Fort Bliss, Texas as director of

the Gunnery Department. He retired from active service at Fort Bliss on 31 July 1949 with more than 33 years' service.

After a short period of travel and visiting friends and relatives, he entered the real estate field in El Paso, and rapidly advanced to general manager, DeWitt & Rearick, a large local real estate company. He was instrumental in designing and establishing "closing" procedures to assist customers and brokers in the sale of real estate and the initiation of loans. These procedures are in effect at this writing. He served as president, El Paso Mortgage Company, and DRACO Mortgage Company.

He finally retired to his home in El Paso in 1965, and enjoyed a good life until his death from natural causes. In his final years, the friendships, associations and memories of the "Point" and Army life sustained him. He often spoke of Cullum Hall football; duty at Glacier Park and CCC duty; Fort Mills and Hughes and his Philippines Scout platoon; of Fort Ruger, the Casemate Club at Fort Monroe; the "Point" and Flirtation Walk. How pleased he was that the Association had remembered an old graduate on his 90th birthday. He was a West Pointer and all Army from beginning to the end. He is survived by three children, 12 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

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Peter Paul Liwski

NO. 7744 CLASS OF 1925

Died 2 December 1989 in Washington, DC,
aged 87 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.



Peter Paul Liwski

PETER PAUL LIWSKI was born 31 January 1902 in a Polish environment of Polish emigrants in Naugatuck, Con-

necticut. He was the oldest boy of five children. The family moved often; Peter was often surprised because they had just painted and papered the rented house, and then it was sold. After school the boys worked in the rubber factories where their father earned a living.

Peter entered the Military Academy in 1921, after serving a year in the Army. "I am so grateful to this country, to allow me, a first-generation Pole, to go to a free school and to graduate from the United States Military Academy." Peter spoke these words at the 1987 Founders Day dinner at Fort Monroe, one of the three years he was the oldest graduate there. A week later, Peter was very surprised and pleased when he received a thank-you note from General Vuono, who was the guest of honor.

On graduation day in 1925, Peter experienced his greatest disappointment: he did not receive his commission from the Army. He had taken a physical to enter the Air Force and a trace of albumin showed up which could lead to Bright's disease. He was told that he had two years to live. Peter was sent to Walter Reed where he got pink eye. Six other cadets received the same news. Eighteen years later one died. In 1925 there wouldn't be another war.

Peter went to the University of Virginia and earned a bachelor of arts degree in education. Years later he received his bachelor of science from the Academy.

After teaching at Emerson Institute in Washington, DC, he went to Tome School, a well-known prep school for boys. The following year he was asked to teach at their Jacob Tome Institute where he met a pupil, Henrietta, who would become his wife.

Two years later they were married on her graduation day in 1929. On 13 June 1989, Peter and Henrietta celebrated their 60th anniversary at their son Peter's home in Stonington, Connecticut, where two of the children, Stuart Arkadysz from Massachusetts and their daughter, Caroline Stanislaw Klien from New Jersey, with their families, enjoyed the reunion. The celebration continued in McLean, Virginia the following week at their oldest daughter's home, Eugenia Dunn, and the youngest son, Jan Augustine Liwski, and their families enjoyed the celebration.

The year 1929 was the beginning of a ten-year depression and, with five children, it was difficult. Teaching was no lucrative profession. There was no paycheck for the summer months. During Peter's first summer in Alexandria, he was operated on for appendicitis. It would be 40 years before any disease attacked Peter. Through the years Peter would remark, "I ain't seen old man Bright yet."

Peter taught for nine years in the Old Alexandria High School. He started the

cadet corps which was named for him and lasted about 50 years.

One of his cadets wrote in honor of him that he was known for his perpetual smile. He now received \$125.00 per month because of the corps. In 1933 Peter was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Officer Reserve Corps and served on active duty for an intermittent period with the Civilian Conservation Corps prior to World War II. His tour of active duty started in November 1940. Peter was in the British West Indies until 26 April 1943. He then participated in the Northern France, Central Europe and the Rhineland Campaigns.

Back from Europe, Peter moved his family to Arlington, Virginia, their first house. They made it new: new furnace, new siding, storm windows and safe wiring. In 1950 Peter became post quartermaster of Fort Belvoir. His second tour in Europe was with the family in Germany from 1952-55. His last tour was as post quartermaster at the Army Chemical Center, Maryland, until his retirement in July 1958.

Peter was awarded the Army Commendation Ribbon with medal pendant, American Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Army Occupation Medal (Germany), National Defense Service Medal and an Armed Forces Reserve Medal with one ten-year device.

Back in Arlington, Peter soon found himself teaching, which he enjoyed. In 1959 Peter's desire to fish led him to an unfinished house on two and a half acres of Chesapeake Bay shoreline in Northumberland County, Virginia. In 1983 Peter and Henrietta traveled to New Zealand to visit their daughter via Hawaii and Australia. Several years later a trip to Cairo and up the Nile, and a camel ride was most enjoyed.

Their five children produced 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren—three in the Army, one a West Pointer and a granddaughter graduate of the Naval Academy, a lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

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William Nelson Gillmore

NO. 7787 CLASS OF 1925

Died 19 September 1990 in Carmel, California, aged 87 years.

Inurnment in Fort Rosecrans, San Diego, California.

IT IS A PRIVILEGE to reflect upon the life of a distinguished soldier, statesman, diplomat, and loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

Major General William Nelson Gillmore was born in Monterey, California, 25 March 1903. Young Bill spent his



William Nelson Gillmore

early life on Army posts throughout the world, under the inspiring and broadening influence only an Army child can know.

In 1921 Bill fulfilled a boyhood dream by becoming a West Point cadet. I wonder what thoughts rushed through Bill's mind—would he measure up to his father's expectations? His father, an Army general, had already set the mark for his son by his distinguished service.

This question was clearly answered during Cadet Gillmore's next four years at the Military Academy. Yes, indeed, the "warrior spirit" of his father was evident throughout his cadetship.

Although he was a letterman in lacrosse, and a member of the Lacrosse Hall of Fame, and the middleweight boxing champion, Army football was his greatest love. Bill was selected an All-American football player, a West Point assistant coach, and a player in the Shiner's East-West All-Star game.

His biography in the cadet yearbook reads: "Tackled by Gillmore. This was the answer to 11 consecutive plays in the never-to-be-forgotten football game against Yale in 1923. And can he carry the ball? Just ask any cadet and he will tell you in glowing words how that 170 pounds of muscle looks as Bill goes slashing through the line, always for a gain."

In November 1923, the Corps of Cadets sent a telegram, affectionately addressed to "Galloping Gillmore," just prior to the Army-Navy game: "through line, around end, twelve hundred hearts are with you."

Cadet Gillmore's respect among the Corps transcended his athletic triumphs. A classmate wrote of him: "Bill's fighting ability will make him an ideal soldier. May his stars be at no great distance."

Upon graduation, Bill was commissioned a second lieutenant in Field Artillery. The tenacity he displayed as a

in New York and later for the Air Defense Command in Colorado Springs.

He served on boards that helped create the Air Force as a service separate from the Army.

General Mussett went on to serve as intelligence director for US services in Europe and, in July 1954, became deputy chief of staff of the US European Command.

The recipient of numerous decorations and medals, including the Legion of Merit and Bronze Star, General Mussett was a member of many service organizations and Denver civic groups.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Kathryn Mussett of Denver; three sons, Eugene P. Mussett, Jr. of Dallas, Gerald T. Mussett and Michael Mussett of Denver; a brother, Jack Mussett, of Houston; and seven grandchildren.

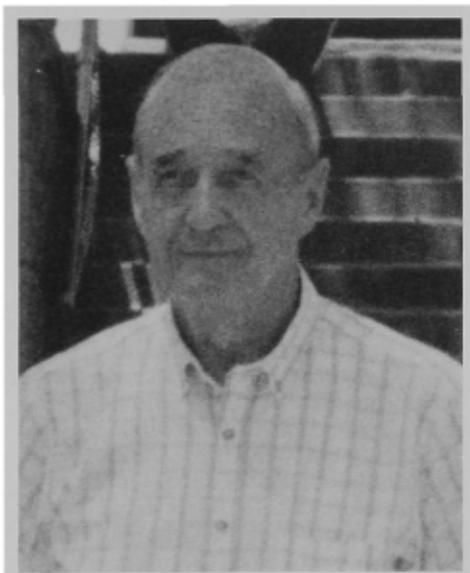
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Dabney Ray Corum

NO. 9630 CLASS OF 1933

Died 14 January 1988 in Santa Ana, California, aged 75 years.

Interment: Pine Hills Cemetery, Corbin, Kentucky.



Dabney Ray Corum

DABNEY RAY CORUM, known to his friends and classmates as "Ray," the son of Doctor George Tye Corum and Cora Lee (Campbell) Corum, was born 14 February 1912 in Corbin, Kentucky. There he spent his boyhood, graduating from Corbin High in 1929 and entering West Point with the Class of 1933.

"Some four or five days after the rest of us first tasted the bitterness of Beast Barracks," wrote his *Howitzer* biographer, "this sturdy Kentuckian cast his lot with us. He had no prior military training (and soon became a target) for the Beast Detail. . . . (Partly) because of this poor start (and his relative youth) he ranked so low in academics plebe year that he

almost had to reach up to touch the bottom. By the end of yearling year, however, he was an engineer of the first water, and second class year he missed stars by very little." (He graduated in the top 15% of his class.) "There never was a man more sincere, truthful, frank—and energetic," concluded his biographer.

This early, intense seriousness of purpose was to characterize him throughout his life.

Upon graduation Ray was commissioned in the Coast Artillery, serving with the 62nd CA Regiment at Fort Totten, New York until 1935. He then joined the 15th Coast Artillery at Fort Kamehameha, Hawaii. While in Hawaii he served also in the 47th Ordnance Company. In 1937 he attended flight school, but without success.

In October 1937 Ray married Marjorie Jane Evans in Essex Fells, New Jersey, then took his new bride with him to join the 63rd Coast Artillery at Fort MacArthur, California. Their son, Christopher Tye, was born in September 1938. Duty at Fort MacArthur was followed by a tour with the 4th Coast Artillery in Panama (1939–41). Upon returning to CONUS Ray served in the I Corps Area, first at Camp Edwards and then with the 10th Coast Artillery at Fort Adams (Harbor Defense of Narragansett Bay). Wides-ranging pre-war service!

During World War II Ray was assigned to the Anti Aircraft Section of VII Corps (1943–44), then to the G-3 Section of a Provisional Engineer Special Brigade Group (with which he landed on Normandy Beach on D-Day), and finally as commanding officer of the 195th AAA Battalion, 2nd Armored Division (1944–45), duty for which he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

On returning from Europe, Ray had a brief stint as commandant of the West Point Prep School at Amherst, Massachusetts; then for two years (July 1946–July 1948) he attended the Illinois Institute of Technology, graduating with a master of science degree in electrical engineering. From there he went to the Seacoast Branch of the Artillery School at Fort Winfield Scott, California, with the Department of Submarine Mining.

Ray's next assignment was to the Army Signal School at Fort Monmouth, and concurrently he transferred to the Signal Corps. "Then came the Korean War," he writes. "Margie and Chris stayed in Caldwell while I toured Okinawa, Japan and Korea, only to return to the Electronic Warfare Center at Fort Monmouth. Then followed a short tour at the Pentagon and the Operations Research Office of Johns Hopkins University."

In 1955 Ray retired from that post after 22 years' active duty, going first to Bendix, in Teterboro, New Jersey, and then to RCA in Moorestown, New Jersey,

where their son Chris attended LaSalle College in Philadelphia.

In our Forty-Year Book Ray reported, "From riches to rags" via RCA, NYSE, insurance, real estate, stock brokerage and mutual funds until I've landed in my own firm, Laguna Hill Financial, dedicated to serving our fellow man by peddling our no-risk 11% return SPROUTS (financial machinations to obtain the highest return with lowest risk; outpace inflation while maintaining liquidity with all the tax shelter possible)." A tall order! Or perhaps a tall story? It seems clear that in those first decades of retirement, Ray was still a restless soul, trying many niches (as indeed he had on active duty), still searching for an elusive goal. "It's a good life," he wrote, "but not easy, as I suppose most of us have found out."

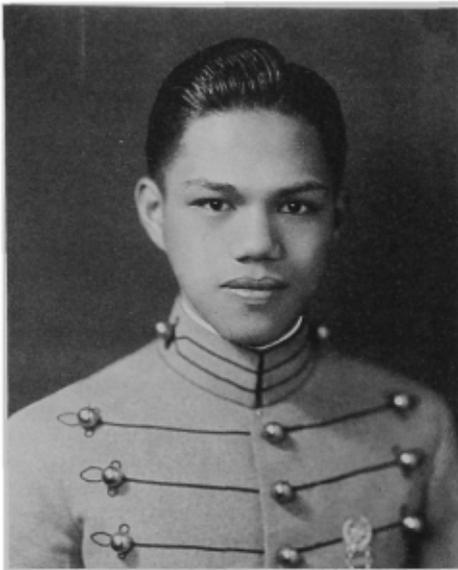
In dramatic contrast to his earlier reports, Ray's entry in the Class of '33's Fifty-Year Book, *Golden Years*, reflects the serenity of a man who has at last found a philosophy of life which is satisfying to him. This account of his illness and its sequel is a classic expression, well suited to conclude the story of this most thoughtful and dedicated officer, husband and father. We shall quote it here in full: "Marjorie and I still live in southern California. We're happy here, enjoying our son and six grandchildren (three boys and three girls). Then last November, along came our first great-grandson, Jeremy. He is the greatest!

"At 65 I decided not to pursue further ambitions, but to devote my time to helping Marjorie do her things. Yet, I seemed busier than ever. . . .

"Then suddenly, it happened. I experienced a 'root canal' and a suspected coronary. It required a second, much more serious heart failure to make me realize what was happening. I insisted that the doctor place me on the recuperation and exercise program reserved for the younger and more hearty, whom they gave a higher priority of survival. Now, five years later, I'm on the maximum effort program four times a week. I have no more pain, no more attacks, no more angina, no more spells of dyspnea. Instead I'm up every morning, hustling around the house, helping with the chores, reading, writing, exercising, or shopping.

"I have time now. All there is of it. I do not know how much time there is for me to live, but I'm in no hurry. There are no bells ringing, no formations to make. Right now I live for the moment, but I want to live every moment to the fullest, righting wrongs, tidying up where I can, and leaving no stone unturned in order to leave this earth a better place in which to live.

"I used to think that old age in itself was an achievement. Now I know better; to get seriously ill, to survive and live on, striving for the best, that is *the* achievement."



Tirso Gimenez Fajardo

When he landed in Samar with General MacArthur, he was a battalion commander under the US Eighth Army; he distinguished himself in leadership and combat as executive officer of the regiment.

In 1947 he became the youngest superintendent of the again newly-organized Philippine Military Academy. He was a strict disciplinarian and a professional in military tactics.

For his past performances and achievements he was made the commanding general of the Philippine Army on 12 June 1958, exactly 24 years to the day he graduated from West Point.

Upon completing 30 years of military service General Fajardo retired on 1 August 1959. The latest honor bestowed upon him was his election into the Allied Officer Hall of Fame by the US Army Command and General Staff College of Fort Leavenworth, Kansas on 14 May 1975. Membership is limited to those who have risen to the topmost position in their Armed Forces or in any major service of their country.



Frank Alexander Osmanski

NO. 10218 CLASS OF 1935

Died 13 December 1987 in Beaufort, South Carolina, aged 74 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

FRANK ALEXANDER OSMANSKI, Major General, US Army, was born in Nanticoke, Pennsylvania on 22 October 1913, the elder son of Dr. Edward and Anna C. Osmanski. He attended Wyoming Seminary where he graduated cum laude valedictorian in 1931. By winning a competitive validating examination, he received an appointment and entered the United States Military Academy, 1 July 1931.



Frank Alexander Osmanski

During plebe year Frank wore stars on his collar for excellence in academics. During plebe year, and thereafter, his well-shined brass and shoes were famous throughout the Corps. He was a master at shining his brass with "Putz Pomade" and gained the nickname "Putz," which he carried through all four years. After plebe year Frank decided that letter writing and reading philosophy were far more interesting than the mundane academic subjects, and as a consequence he lost his stars but gained knowledge, which proved invaluable to him in later years. He probably spent less time on academics than any other man in his class. During his first class year he chaired the lecture committee, bringing distinguished speakers to West Point to address the Corps. He graduated number 35 in his class of 277 on 12 June 1935, and chose his branch, Field Artillery. He attended the University of Heidelberg in Germany on a scholarship that summer.

His first assignment was with the 11th Field Artillery Regiment, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. He attended the Officers Advanced Equitation Class, and it was there that he met Edith Kendrick, visiting from Atlanta, whom he later married in June 1940. Subsequent assignments were with Field Artillery units at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky. At Fort Bragg, he was S-4 of a pack artillery battalion, whereupon he began lifelong interests in mules and logistics, both requiring careful calculation and astute management.

In 1943 Frank was selected to attend General Marshall's Special Task Force Training Group and then went overseas to attend the British Combined Operations School and the Joint US-British Planning School in London.

In England, he became logistics planner in Headquarters European Theater

of Operations US Army, and then joined Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force (SHAEF), where as a principal logistics planner under General Eisenhower, he was instrumental in planning and implementing Operation Overlord for the invasion of Europe, and remained in that position on the continent until the German surrender. For his outstanding performance of duty, Frank was awarded the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster. The first cited in part, "... Lieutenant Colonel Osmanski conducted the detailed logistical studies required to estimate the maximum build-up and rate of advance of the US and British forces on the continent. His work demonstrated a highly commendable spirit of urgency, loyalty to established policies, insight into logistical necessities and sense of fairness on Allied problems." The second award stated, "... Osmanski was given the stupendous task of preparing the US portion of the Outline Administrative Plan to Army Group Commanders for the invasion of France, which task he executed in a brilliant manner and later was directly responsible for Logistical Planning for the operation until the surrender."

In addition to these US awards, Frank was awarded the Croix de Guerre with Palm from the French, the Order Red Banner from the Russians and the Belgium Croix de Guerre.

After World War II, Frank attended the Command and Staff College at Leavenworth; he continued logistics planning and was executive officer in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Plans and Combat Operations at the Pentagon. In 1950 he returned to Europe as commanding officer, 7th Field Artillery Battalion (1st Division) in Schwabach, Germany and then became logistics planner for USAREUR in Heidelberg. The last part of this tour in Europe was with Headquarters EUCOM in Frankfurt.

Upon returning from Europe, Frank earned a master's degree in business administration at Harvard University in 1955, after which he served again in the Pentagon in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics. Following this he returned to Cambridge as a Fellow at the Harvard Center for International Affairs. Professor W. Barton Leach, in a letter to the Assistant Secretary of the Army, said: "I wish to testify that I consider him (Frank) one of the half-dozen most effective officers of any service I have ever met."

Frank next returned to his first love, the Field Artillery, and served in Korea as the deputy division artillery commander of 7th Infantry Division. There he assisted materially in ensuring the readiness and efficiency of the artillery units of that command. He was then assigned as chief of the G-4 Plans and



Vincent Morgan Miles

As a cadet, Vince looked forward to being a pilot in the Army Air Corps. To make sure that he would not "wash out" of flight training, Vince spent nearly every day of his second class furlough taking flying lessons at a small Fort Smith airport. There, he lucked out in two ways: first, he had a fine instructor who taught him how to fly right, which later made Air Corps flight training easy. Second, he met his instructor's sister, Marcy Phillips, who became Vince's "one and only" and then his wife upon graduation from West Point.

No wonder then, armed with good flying techniques and the love of his life, Vince Miles was able to breeze through primary and basic flight training at Randolph Field, Texas. In fact, he was such a good pilot that, after graduation from advanced flight training at Kelly Field, Texas on 25 August 1939, he was sent back to Randolph as a flying instructor. Soon he was a flight commander. Then, as a captain in September 1941, Vince was transferred to Enid Army Air Field, Oklahoma with duty as a training squadron commander. As such, he was responsible for the basic flight training of 50 students in the morning and 50 in the afternoon, as well as their night flight training. While at Enid, Vince was promoted to major in March 1942 and then to lieutenant colonel in July 1942.

Vince Miles always wanted to join a combat unit and he nearly made it in May 1943. For introductory training in the P-38 Lightning, he was to ferry one from Memphis, Tennessee, to North Africa via the South American route. He had checked himself out in his P-38 and was ready to go when he was told that the war was over in North Africa and no more P-38's were needed. Rather than return to the training command, resourceful Vince persuaded the operations officer of the 4th Ferry Wing (a classmate) to let him deliver a B-25

Mitchell bomber to the Russians across the canal at Cairo, Egypt. I flew with him.

It was on that long flight across the South Atlantic and the heart of Africa that I came to know Vince Miles deep down. He was a fine pilot. He always talked with a continuous grin and seemed to find humor in everything, except when things looked bad. Then he was all serious business. I felt good being with Vince. I am glad that I was one of those who came to know him closely in those early action filled years.

After his short tour in the ferry command, Vince returned to the training command. Like those in weather and other specialties, Vince had unintentionally found his niche; that is to say, "aircrew training." In our 25th Anniversary book, Vince wrote, "I am a colonel commanding the 3550th Pilot Training Wing at Moody Air Force Base, Georgia. During World War II, I was in air crew training in the States. During Korea, I was in Europe. Marcy and I have no children. The flight checks get tougher and it takes more ground crew to strap me into the T-33 (jet trainer)."

Vince flew military aircraft for nearly 30 years. He retired 1 November 1967 and returned to his hometown, Fort Smith. He was going to write on many subjects but, like many of us, he "never got around to it." Instead, he fished and hunted with a few close friends. His beloved wife Marcy passed away on 26 August 1980. That ended the fishing and hunting. Without Marcy, life for Vince in the latter years was sad. Other than daily visits to his brother and sister-in-law, Buell and Natalie Phillips, Vince was, for the most part, alone.

In sharp contrast to his many years of flying without an accident, Vince Miles died from injuries received in a fall while alone in his home. He and Marcy are buried together in the National Cemetery at Fort Smith.

John B. Coleman, classmate



Robert Belden Kuhn

NO. 11289 CLASS OF 1938

Died 30 September 1986 in Marco Island, Florida, aged 71 years.

Interment: St. John's Cemetery, Canton, Ohio.

ROBERT BELDEN KUHN was born in Canton, Ohio on 26 February 1915. As a young teen-ager, inspired by Charles Lindbergh's spirit of "WE," the allegiance of man to his airplane, he designed and built model airplanes. It was the start of his lifelong dedication to, and love of, flying. Working at the local airport as a "grease monkey," he flew an OX5 Travaire, a Waco and a Swallow. He soloed in an early Taylor Cub.

A cousin who graduated from West Point encouraged him to follow the same



Robert Belden Kuhn

career. As a cadet in the Class of 1938 he continued his interests in model airplanes, photography and sports. Because of the then strict vision requirements, he was not accepted to attend flying school upon graduation. So he started his career in the ground Army.

He married his third cousin, Pauline "Polly" Belden, in Santa Monica, California in October 1938, just before departing on an assignment to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii with the 19th Infantry. In 1942 he completed parachute training at Fort Benning, Georgia and was a staff officer with the 503rd Parachute Infantry. In 1943 he completed glider pilot training and was an experimental unit chief at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. He was finally accepted for flying school, so in 1945 his lifelong ambition of earning his wings was realized. He had just completed his training for combat at the time of the Japanese surrender.

His subsequent assignment was to the newly established base at Florida Blanca, Philippine Islands, near Clark Field. While there, he purchased an Army L-4 through the Foreign Exchange Commission at Tacloban, Leyte, and when it was prepared for flight he flew it 425 miles on a four-leg route to Florida Blanca via Masbate Island, Catanduanes Island, and Manila. In 1947 he was with the Occupational Air Force at Tachikawa, Japan. He returned to the States in 1948 to enter the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright-Patterson AFB. After receiving his diploma, he spent the next eight years, except for one year at the Air Materiel Command in Baltimore, at Wright-Patterson. He was a project officer on the B-47, the F-100, the F-107 and the F-108.

Retiring in 1958 as a lieutenant colonel after 20 years of service, he became an automobile dealer for Volkswagen and sports cars, selling, among others, Porsches, Siatas, and Ace Bristols. The latter he raced with the Sports Car Club

of America, winning the Class "E" championship and a write-up in *Sports Illustrated* one of those years. His wife Polly, and sometimes one of their five children, were often in his pit crew, "Kuhn's Clutch Clan." He had taught Polly to fly while in the Philippine Islands, so they also made many trips in their own planes. Moving to Florida in 1973, Bob, always an entrepreneur, became involved in several ventures: aerial photography, real estate sales, and a used car lot. His last venture was an ultra-light flying school at Immokalee, Florida. He was a member of the OX5 Aviation Pioneers, the Shriners, the Rotary Club and the Civil Air Patrol, serving as group commander for several years. In the spring of 1986 he noticed a loss of strength and abnormal fatigue, diagnosed as a rare type of anemia and which would, in all probability, have led to leukemia. Having an adverse reaction to a blood transfusion, he was hospitalized in mid-September and died from a stroke on 30 September 1986. His three sons and two daughters, from different sections of the U.S. and as far away as New Guinea, were with him that last week in the hospital.

Bob had a great love of life and approached all his undertakings with unbounded energy and enthusiasm. Because of his love of flying, I like to think of him with these lines from "High Flight," his favorite poem:

"And, while with silent lifting mind
I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of
space,
Put out my hand and touched the
face of God."

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Joseph Claude Reddoch, Jr.

NO. 11297 CLASS OF 1938

Died 3 August 1967 at Maxwell AFB,
Alabama, aged 51 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.

JOE REDDOCH was born in Luverne, Alabama on 5 June 1916. His military career started at the early age of 14 when he entered the Gulf Coast Military Academy in Gulfport, Mississippi. Here he became a cadet captain and, as an honor graduate, was admitted to West Point as a member of the Class of 1938.

At the Academy his quiet and unassuming exterior masked a natural ability on athletic fields. In the classroom, after winning a big battle with mathematics at Plebe Christmas, Joe had smooth sailing. On social occasions his slight Southern accent and even temperament earned him many friends. He seldom became disconcerted and he could not be hurried. Upon graduation, like many



Joseph Claude Reddoch, Jr.

others of his class, he took a detail to the Army Air Corps.

He completed his flight training at Randolph and Kelly Fields and transferred to the Air Corps in 1939. He then served as a flight instructor in advanced flying training at Kelly Field in 1939, at Brook Field in 1940 and at Stockton, Sacramento, California. A classmate noted that although he was somewhat easygoing he nonetheless proved to be a person of strong character and efficiency as a flight instructor. He completed four-engine training at Hobbs, North Carolina in 1943.

While at flying school Joe concentrated his social activities on Stancie Randolph Whitner. They were married in San Antonio, Texas on 16 August 1940. During his subsequent overseas service Stancie pursued a modeling career.

In June 1943 he finally got combat duty with the Thirteenth Air Force in the South Pacific. He was assigned as the commander of a B-24 bomber squadron at Guadalcanal. On 9 August 1943 on his first combat strike, against Vila airdrome on Kolombangara Island in the Northern Solomons, his plane was holed several times by anti aircraft fire. Following 15 months of blitzing Japanese installations on Rabaul, New Georgia, New Ireland, Biak and Truk, a release from Headquarters Thirteenth AF noted that Joe had led many successful missions against the Japanese; his plane had several Zeros to its credit and was hit by flak eleven times. On seven occasions he made landings with three engines and twice with the hydraulic system inoperative. He island-hopped for 56 missions up those "glamorous" South Pacific islands, with Spam, mosquitoes and atabrine, to the Philippines. En route he was promoted to full colonel at age 28 and made a group commander; and he picked up a few decorations, dengue fever, and a sincere appreciation for stateside luxuries.

Assigned to Washington in 1945, he worked in personnel and public relations in USAF Headquarters and as AF liaison officer in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. His first marriage ended in divorce as a result of his long absence overseas. In Washington he met Frances Peace Needham of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, who was an executive assistant to the United States Office of Education. They were married in Lacedale, Mississippi on 31 December 1948; they had two daughters, Martha Frances, born in 1949, and Linda Ruth, born in 1951.

Joe attended the Air War College with the Class of 1948-49, and then was assigned to the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations in New York. In 1952-53 he attended the National War College, and then went on to Kansas, to Japan and to the Planning Staff in SAC Headquarters in Omaha, Nebraska. In 1956 he entered his last assignment prior to retirement, at Mitchell Air Force Base on Long Island, New York. There he served as deputy commander, First Air Force, and in operational positions in the Continental Air Command.

Joe retired on 31 July 1961, returning to his native state of Alabama. The Reddoch family made their home in Montgomery for six years. Joe was an instructor at Starke University in Montgomery, which he enjoyed very much. Unfortunately he lost his beloved Frances in 1967, and he succumbed three months later on 3 August 1967 at the age of 51. Memorial services were held for him at the First Methodist Church in Montgomery, after which he was interred in the Arlington National Cemetery. He was survived by his two daughters, Martha and Linda, both then in Montgomery, and his mother, who was a patient in a nursing home in Montgomery.

Joe was a worthy graduate of the United States Military Academy. He was one of the pioneers in heavy bombers as a pilot, a squadron commander and a group commander. His combat record in the Pacific proved him to be a hero in every sense of the word.

a classmate

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James Donald Richardson

NO. 11358 CLASS OF 1939

Died 29 June 1989 in Live Oak, Texas, aged
74 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.

JAMES DONALD RICHARDSON entered final rest after a long battle with cancer. "Rich," as he was known by his friends and family, was an appropriate nickname for an individual full of warmth, and rich with integrity and honesty. He was born in Waterloo, Iowa on 9 January



James Donald Richardson

1915, the son of James and Blanche (Bowman) Richardson. His family moved from Iowa to Colorado before finally settling in Alhambra, California. Rich graduated from San Pedro High School in 1931 at the age of 15 and earned the Harvard Alumni Book Award for being the top male graduate of his class. Afterwards, he attended UCLA for three years before enlisting in the Army. He attended the West Point Preparatory School at Fort Winfield Scott, California, where he was designated "most distinguished candidate" for standing first in his class in 1935; and subsequently earned an Army appointment and entered the Academy in July 1935.

Rich's years at the Academy were made somewhat easier from previous schooling at UCLA, and enabled him to help others get through. His profile in the 1939 *Howitzer* reflects upon his many and varied interests: "science, books, tennis, swimming, riding." The *Howitzer* also accurately characterized Rich as "a quiet Californian; an avowed progressive, interesting and interested in living; a sound critic; possessing a keen sense of values. Bound 'to arrive' but not at the expense of others." These virtues stayed with Rich throughout his life. Helping others would later be seen in his second career, teaching. His interest in living undoubtedly helped him survive as a prisoner of war in World War II, and was also witnessed during his final illness.

Following graduation, Rich was stationed briefly at Fort DuPont in Delaware, and in early 1940 married Althea Elizabeth Lotz, a cousin of Walter Lotz, Jr., USMA 1938, who had introduced the two at West Point. Later in 1940, he was assigned with the 803rd Engineering Battalion at Westover Field. In the fall of 1941, the 803rd mobilized to Clark Field in the Philippines, arriving shortly before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor

and the Philippines. During the ensuing siege of Corregidor, Rich was wounded and hospitalized when the island fell to the Japanese on 5 May 1942.

Rich and about 10,000 other Americans and Filipinos, in addition to those that had already been captured on Bataan, became Japanese prisoners of war. Sadly, only a small number would survive the next 39 months under virtually unspeakable conditions and treatment that some call the "Pacific Holocaust." He spent the majority of his captivity at the infamous Cabanatuan Prison Camp, where at one point during his captivity his weight dropped to 85 pounds due to illness and malnourishment. By the fall of 1944 the Japanese anticipated the Allies liberating the Philippines and decided to move as many American prisoners of war to mainland Japan as possible. Their apparent motive was to preserve the prisoners as potential "bargaining chips" in the event they were forced to negotiate a peace.

On 13 December 1944, the move from Manila began on what later was termed "the Hell Ships." Over 1600 American prisoners, including Rich, embarked on what would become one of the most hideous events of the war. Rich's own words recorded on a VA survey masked the horrid details but provided the following: "I was one of 1,619 prisoners shipped for Japan. The first two ships were sunk, and the third struck a mine which disabled the rudder. The trip lasted about six weeks. About 400 prisoners survived; the rest died of injuries, starvation, dehydration, or exposure to cold."

All told, only five members of the Class of 1939 survived captivity and about 70 West Pointers died on the journey to Japan—perhaps the greatest single loss of graduates in any one event.

Following his liberation by the Soviet army in Mukden, Manchuria, Rich returned home and started a family that produced four children. He was briefly stationed at Eglin Field, and in 1947 began postgraduate work at Cornell University and earned a master of science degree in nuclear physics. In 1950 he arrived at Sandia Base, New Mexico for the first of two tours, where during his first post he was involved with programming and as a technical staff supply officer in the Armed Forces Special Weapons Project. In 1953 he left Sandia Base for Fort Leavenworth; and in 1954 completed Army Command and General Staff College. His next assignment was in Germany as commanding officer of the Seventh Army Engineer Battalion; and later, he served as a war plans officer in Stuttgart. In 1957 he returned to Sandia Base and served as director of research in the Research and Development Directorate at Headquarters, Field Com-

mand, Defense Atomic Support Agency.

In 1959, Rich retired from the Army to pursue a lifelong dream of teaching and was hired by The Citadel to teach physics. By 1961, he felt a pressing need for additional schooling to aid in his professional development and left The Citadel on an academic fellowship. He returned to Cornell University to pursue a doctorate, having every intention of returning to The Citadel after completing his degree. His doctorate, however, took longer than expected; and realizing his children would soon start college, he accepted a teaching position at the Rochester Institute of Technology and continued working on his doctorate during the summers, which he completed in 1968.

In 1974 Althea succumbed to cancer. He later married Gertrude (Trudy) Griffin, whose first husband, Jim Oppenheimer (A&M 1935), had been captured at Corregidor with Rich but died during captivity. Rich's marriage to Trudy marked a new chapter in his life. He retired from teaching and joined her in operating a rental car business in the Washington, DC area. On weekends, he engaged in one of his favorite pastimes, vegetable gardening—a hobby that originated out of necessity during the war. The Washington, DC area also allowed him to renew old acquaintances with the many classmates who also lived in the area. In 1982, Rich and Trudy moved to Burgess, Virginia for several years before settling in San Antonio in 1986 at the Army Residence Community, where again, he enjoyed the fellowship and camaraderie of classmates in the area. It was not long after their arrival in San Antonio that Rich was diagnosed with lymphatic cancer—possibly caused by radiation exposure from some of the nuclear tests he observed during the 1950's. He fought a gallant battle but ultimately returned "home."

Rich was buried at West Point—a place he loved and cherished. He is missed by his family and friends, who were all most fortunate in knowing such a warm and honest individual.

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Norman James McGowan

NO. 11375 CLASS OF 1939

Died 20 January 1988 in Calabasas, California, aged 72 years.

Interment: Holy Cross Cemetery, Culver City, California.

NORMAN JAMES "BIG RED" MCGOWAN played his round of golf at Calabasas Golf and Country Club, walked into the clubhouse and collapsed with a massive heart attack, and took his position in the Long Gray Line. That was on 20 January 1988. To those of us fortunate enough to have known Big Red, he epitomized optimism and confidence. When he



Thomas Jonathan Jackson Christian, Jr.

(West Point Class of 1846)."

"Let's have it, Mr. Christian," the Beast Detail would order, and Jack—with the grace and equanimity that were his hallmark—would begin, "Handsome, serious-minded Cadet-select . . ."

Quickly, as the weeks and months went on, he showed himself to be an outstanding cadet in every phase of cadet life, being selected in Yearling Summer Camp to serve as acting regimental supply officer. No less human than his classmates, he spent a part of that period of prestigious appointment in "con" to work off several excess demerits that he (like they) had brought to Summer Camp. Designation to the regimental staff as regimental supply sergeant second class year and finally regimental supply officer first class year simply confirmed the leadership potential evident in him from the outset.

Academics held no terrors for him, graduating 65th in a class of 456. He had attended the University of Chicago before entering West Point. Athletically, polo was his enduring love, and his varsity participation was a constant source of well-earned pride and personal enjoyment. But there were other things, too—character that rubbed off on all who knew him, a quick sense of humor, an easy grace with the ladies, even a "touch of elegance" that earned the regard in which his classmates held him—a warm regard that could still be deeply felt five decades later, at the 50th reunion of the Class in 1989.

On graduation he chose the Field Artillery, his father's branch, but soon sought and obtained detail in the Air Corps. Following primary training at Love Field, advanced training at Kelly Field and service as an instructor at Randolph Field in 1940 and 1941, he was assigned to the Philippines in April 1941 and was at Clark Field as a B-17

pilot when the Japanese attacked in December. According to news accounts, he moved with other surviving personnel to Bataan on Christmas Eve and a week later went with the 19th Bomb Group to Mindanao where he and other airmen served as infantry until flown out to Australia. There he transferred to pursuit flying and fought for seven months. He arrived with the 1st Air Group at Guadalcanal on 15 August 1942 and for many weeks bombed and strafed the Japanese, flying more than 60 hours in combat in the area. During this period he was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action.

He returned to the United States in November 1942 and on 2 January 1943 married Marjorie Lou Ashcroft, a lovely young lady he had met during his service at Love Field more than two years before. Several classmates participated in the wedding—Perry Hoisington as the best man, and Jack Samuel and Jimmy Knapp as ushers.

He formed and trained the 361st Fighter Group in the States, and took it to England in November 1943. During the months that followed he flew more than 70 combat missions, receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Purple Heart. He was promoted to colonel in March 1944.

He named each of his fighter planes for Lou, the daughter he never knew, who was born in January 1944, and was flying Lou IV, a P-51, on 12 August 1944 when he was killed in action at Arras, France. He was last seen diving on a target, and was then lost to sight shortly before a heavy explosion occurred in the target area.

Jack's name is listed on the Tablets of the Missing at the U.S. Military Cemetery at Ardennes in Belgium. He is remembered in Bottisham, a Cambridgeshire village in England where his fighter group was stationed, by a street named in his honor. His daughter Lou attended the ceremony in 1988 at Bottisham that paid tribute to this gifted leader, devoted husband and father, and dear friend.

A.J.G.—classmate and roommate

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John Alexander Chechila

NO. 11381 CLASS OF 1939

Died 17 July 1948 in Detroit, Michigan, aged 30 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York

JOHN ALEXANDER CHECHILA was born in Newark, New Jersey on 6 April 1918. His four high school years were spent at New York City's Stuyvesant High School from whence he graduated in



John Alexander Chechila

June 1935 at the age of 17 years, with many honors. Immediately afterward, on the 1st of July, he entered the Academy as a member of its Class of 1939. He had succeeded in getting a Congressional appointment from New Jersey, where his parents had their legal residence and country home in Skillman, outside of Princeton, New Jersey.

As a cadet, he was always cheerful, smiling, modest, quiet and unassuming—never the file-boner, nor critical of others. Possessing many fine capabilities, he graduated in the top ten percent of his class.

His adeptness and expertise in athletics made him the well-rounded student that he was. One of his loves was flying. A year later, John completed his primary training in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the Spartan School of Aeronautics and basic training at Randolph Field, Texas. Assignments to operating units then followed: March Field, California, 38th Recon Squadron from June 1940 to May 1941; New Orleans, Louisiana, 2nd Recon Squadron to December 1941; then an assignment to heavy bombers at March Field again in January 1942.

He qualified for the usual progression of Army promotions (first lieutenant on 9 September 1940; captain on 1 February 1942) and his Regular Army promotion to first lieutenant on 12 June 1942.

On 30 November 1942, his promising military flying career came to an end, when he was retired for physical disability. In 1943 he went to work for the General Motors Corporation for five years. Two of those years he tested Navy fighter planes, and during the following years as a pilot he flew G.M. executives around the country.

He died on 17 July 1948 in Detroit. His body was returned to West Point for interment on 21 July 1948 where full military honors were rendered and six classmates acted as honorary pallbear-

ers. His two marriages produced no children.

Nina Norris, his sister

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Arthur Whitney Bollard

NO. 11451 CLASS OF 1939

Died 12 January 1945 in Binday, Luzon, Philippine Islands, aged 27 years.

Interment: United States National Cemetery, Manila, Philippine Islands.



Arthur Whitney Bollard

ARTHUR WHITNEY "BUD" BOLLARD was a stalwart son of Ohio who tried to do his very best in every undertaking. His early achievements were so outstanding that he won an honor school appointment to West Point. He was one of the youngest selectees. His friends and classmates in "H" Company well remember his attention to duty plus his thoroughness and determination to excel. His success at West Point in academics and military requirements are well documented. His development into an outstanding varsity athlete was another example of his ability to master any challenge.

One week after graduation Bud married Ruth Edna "Ouchi" Basley—whom he had dated steadily since the middle of yearling year. They had met on a date arranged by Ken Griffiths, one of Bud's roommates. Ouchi and Bud were so young and so full of *joie de vivre* that most of us older H-Co files sort of chaperoned their courtship. She was from Stony Point and a 1938 high school graduate of Haverstraw, New York.

Notwithstanding his many achievements, Bud had to overcome more than his share of adversities. A month after their wedding, they totalled their car in an unusual accident. Although Bud escaped serious injury, Ouchi had cheekbone and nose fractures, plus many bruises and two black eyes.

Their summer leave and honeymoon was cut short when Bud was suddenly ordered to the Canal Zone. He had chosen the Infantry and was assigned to Panama for duty, but had not expected to travel before his graduation leave was completed. Adding to their bad luck was the fact that because his duty was temporary and not programmed, there were no Army quarters available and the new-lyweds were separated.

Although Bud had to leave for Panama without her, Ouchi and other classmates' wives let the War Department hear about that unfairness, and permission was soon granted for wives to live with their husbands in the Canal Zone. However, they had to live "on-the-economy." Undaunted, the Bollards and the Muirs found apartments in Colon.

But again their happiness was saddened by unfortunate circumstances. Eighteen days after the arrival of Ouchi in Panama, a gas water heater blew up as Bud was lighting it. He was so horribly burned that he was not expected to live. Somehow his excellent physical condition and determination carried him through that critical period and he finally got back on full duty.

Bud and Ouchi had to separate on returning from Panama in late 1941. Bud went first to Fort Leonard Wood and then on to a classified assignment without dependents, so Ouchi went back to Haverstraw to have their first child. Their daughter, Georgiana, was born there on 12 January 1942. Bud had very limited brief periods with his family as he attended the Infantry School, the Anti-tank School, and C&GSS. He did have a 1942 Christmas leave. Then, after a short tour in Alaska, Bud was back in Washington, DC.

Bud shipped to the South Pacific in 1943 and never returned. He was placed on the General Staff Corps and assigned as Infantry liaison on Admiral R. K. Turner's staff. Bud was on the admiral's flagship the *Macauley* when it was attacked and sunk by aerial bombardment and torpedoes. After surviving and recovering from that ordeal, he was assigned back to the Infantry at his request. The only unofficial information that he ever gave family and friends about the *Macauley* sinking was that he lost his toilet articles and favorite pipe.

During his time in the Pacific a son, John Kenneth, was born on 7 April 1943. He was named after the two classmates who were H Company roommates of Bud: John (Jack) Schrader and Kenneth Griffiths. Bud never saw his son.

After many months of diverse action, Bud (lieutenant colonel) was commanding officer of the 3rd Battalion, 169th Infantry of the 37th Division. He was "out front" scouting with his battalion when enemy fire snuffed out his young life. He was just 27 years of age; it was 12

January 1945 and the third birthday of his daughter Georgiana. He is buried in the United States National Cemetery in Manila.

In reflecting on Bud's brief but heroic life in the face of so much bad luck, it may seem that his short life almost epitomized Murphy's Law that "if something can go wrong, it will." But, as Ouchi recently wrote, "believe me, our brief happy times far outweighed the bad luck. I thank my lucky stars for the privilege of having had Bud as a husband for even so short a time. And I am happy with my present wonderful family." Ouchi currently lives near their son and their daughter in Greenfield, Massachusetts.

In addition to his widow, Bud is survived by his daughter, Georgiana Schmid, and his son, John Kenneth Bollard, plus six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Classmate Speedy Hull, with much help from Ouchi and other 1939 classmates.

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Raymond Anthony Janowski

NO. 11466 CLASS OF 1939

Died 17 November 1989 in Denver, Colorado, aged 75 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.



Raymond Anthony Janowski

BORN IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN on 24 June 1914 of naturalized Polish American parentage, Raymond Anthony Janowski devoted his life to repaying his family's newly adopted homeland for its beneficence. This sense of indebtedness was at the root of Ray's quest for excellence, his extraordinary achievements and his virtual embodiment of the West Point Code: Duty, Honor, Country.

Distinguished from the outset, he graduated in 1932 from Detroit's North-

He resigned his commission in April 1949, and was granted an honorable discharge, having earned three battle stars for service in Europe. He returned to Chesapeake City, his wife took a nursing job in a nearby hospital, and there they dwelt until 1978 when he was admitted to the Perry Point Veterans Hospital, where he lived for over five years.

According to his widow, during those years they became in some ways closer than ever before, although of course it was a painful period for Sarah (or "Peaches," as she is known to old friends).

The end finally came in July 1983. He was buried in Bethel Cemetery, Chesapeake City, Maryland. Sarah still lives there, and keeps herself busy with the DAR, Colonial Dames, church activities, etc.

The accompanying photograph shows Steve as a captain during World War II—much the way most of us recollect him. Good soldier; good friend.

George P. Winton, Jr., classmate

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John Holmes Camp

NO. 12313 CLASS OF 1941

Died 9 January 1989 in Mitchelville, Maryland, aged 71 years.

Interment: St. Barnabus Episcopal Church Cemetery, Camp Hills, Maryland.



John Holmes Camp

JOHN HOLMES CAMP, the second child of John Holmes Camp and Alice I. Slocum; was born in Apalachin, New York on 18 February 1917. Jack's older brother, Robert Hyde Camp, is a graduate of USMA, Class of 1939. After graduating from The Dalles (Oregon) High School in 1934, Jack attended Oregon State College from 1934-36. He was appointed to the United States Military Academy

my by Walter Pierce of the Oregon Second Congressional District.

From the *Howitzer*: "Battery one round 2900. . . Jack is at play, for he loves his Field Artillery," plus the annotation that he was a cadet lieutenant. Through his "Terry and the Pirates" adventures with the OSS in both France and China, Jack had compiled an exciting and distinguished record by V-J Day. His Chinese interpreter, then a boy, later a leading cancer physician, recited tales of Jack's heroism behind the lines that were hard to believe.

After the war he pressed on to such vital jobs as S-3, 82nd Airborne Division Artillery and executive officer, 41st Artillery Group, back with the cannons—his first love. However, he had to accept a physical disability retirement prematurely and turn his abundant energy and leadership to academe and his church.

Since the days at Jump School at Benning in 1943, Jack and Marion had pursued goals of happiness in Duty to God and Country by raising their three children to be honest, upright, caring people, providing for their education. At the same time they planned for a retirement home. By the grace of God, all of these goals were realized.

Jack was a high school English teacher for awhile but found St. Barnabus Episcopal Church the focal point for Marion and his retirement lives. A vestryman, junior warden, choir member and lay reader, Jack continued his devoted service. Marion paralleled his work in the pioneering of the Episcopal Church Women, Ordination of Women and Female Delegates to the House of Bishops. Her work reached national levels as an elected delegate to Episcopal conventions.

But devastating tragedy intervened in their lives when their oldest son, John Jr., a 24-year-old captain, USA, was killed in action in Southeast Asia.

Daughter Cindy married a USNA graduate, Ensign Bagagio, and has two beautiful daughters, Christina (16) and Catherine (12), plus Jack's namesake, John (3). Son Charles and wife Claudia caused Jack and Marion's cup to run over in 1987 by announcing the arrival of Tristan Camp, their firstborn and the family name carrier.

Their service and dedication helped Marion and Jack to better accept subsequent adversity, particularly Jack's stroke and later diagnosis resulting in his hospitalization in the VA Hospital, Washington, DC in August 1987. Their strengthened love, by virtue of this second tragedy, gave them greater insight into life, deeper convictions, and reinforced their enduring faith.

In 1984 Jack and Marion had signed up for a retirement cottage at Collington Episcopal Life Center in Largo, Maryland. June 1988 saw Marion moving into

Collington and hoping that Jack could some day be transferred to Collington's Health Care Center. Their dream was fulfilled in November 1988, for Jack's stubborn nature would not yield, and he rallied once more. However, on 9 January 1989 Jack died due to complications of his illness, but he left with the peace and joy of knowing that he had fulfilled his and Marion's dreams.

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Thomas Edward Fitzpatrick, Jr.

NO. 14845 CLASS OF 1945

Died 12 October 1987 in El Paso, Texas, aged 66 years.

Interment: Fort Bliss National Cemetery, El Paso, Texas.



Thomas Edward Fitzpatrick, Jr.

THOMAS EDWARD FITZPATRICK, JR., the son of Irish immigrants Helena Barry and Thomas Fitzpatrick, was born in Boston, Massachusetts on 19 November 1920. He graduated from Boston English High School and attended Millard's Preparatory School in Washington, D.C. In high school his main interests were in sports and history, but the fact that two of his older cousins, Tom and John Lane, had graduated from West Point and had both become major generals caused him to aspire to attend the Academy himself. He was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Representative G. H. Tinkham of the state of Massachusetts.

He started his life as a cadet on 1 July 1942. His Irish nature and relaxed outlook helped him take the academic and military aspects of academy life in stride. He was an active participant in soccer, squash and choir, and his love for merriment and good fellowship were the attributes that his classmates remember most about him. Upon graduation, he chose the Field Artillery as his branch of service.

His first assignment as a second lieutenant was with the 8th Field Artillery Battalion during the military occupation of Japan. Shortly after becoming a first lieutenant in 1946, he was transferred to the 24th Infantry Division as the aide-de-camp to Brigadier General A.C. Smith. In 1948, he married Gabrielle Herman in Kokura, Japan, and returned to the States with his new bride shortly thereafter. Following a brief tour of duty with the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington, he was next assigned as a student in the Guided Missile Staff Officers Course at Fort Bliss, Texas. Upon completing that course, he remained at Fort Bliss in research and analysis. After attending the Artillery Officers Advanced Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he joined IX Corps Artillery in 1952 as an assistant S-2 during the Korean War, and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and the Army Commendation Medal.

At the end of the Korean War, he entered the University of Southern California as a graduate student and earned a master of science degree in engineering. His next tour of duty was with the Combat Developments Department of the Air Defense School at Fort Bliss. In 1959 he attended the regular course of the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. He then began one of his most enjoyable tours—command of the 21st Field Artillery Battalion of the 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii, for which he was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to the Army Commendation Medal. After a short tour in research and development in the Pentagon, he was assigned as a student at the Army War College. He then returned to the Pentagon as chief of the Anti-Ballistic Missile Division in the Office of the Chief of Research and Development, for which he was awarded the Legion of Merit. His next assignment was command of the 52nd Artillery Group in Vietnam during the Tet Offensive of 1968, for which he was awarded the Air Medal and the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit. He then became the director of the Safeguard Training Facility at Fort Bliss and earned the second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit. Promoted to brigadier general in 1970, he was assigned to the Army Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Colorado as deputy chief of staff, Plans and Combat Development, for which he received the third Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit. Promoted to major general in 1973, he commanded the 32nd Army Air Defense Command in West Germany. His last tour of active duty was as the J-3 of the North American Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

He retired from active duty in 1978,

and moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico. Two years later he moved to El Paso, where he resided until his death. His favorite pastime was playing golf, which he mastered at an early age and which helped him keep the cheerful and pleasant disposition for which he was famous. His ties to West Point were strong and enduring, and it was with great pride that he saw his son, Kevin John (USMA 1972) join the Long Gray Line. After a short illness, Thomas Fitzpatrick died at home on 12 October 1987. Thus, in the city where he spent several enjoyable tours of duty, ended the life and career of a dedicated and brilliant soldier who served his country with honor and distinction.

Over the years he and Gabrielle formed a large and loving family. Tom stated many times that the older he became the more he realized that his goals for the future rested with his children and their hopes and aspirations. Throughout his busy and exciting career, he devoted special time and effort to instill the values of love, honesty, integrity and compassion in his wonderful family. His earnest desire was to guide his children in learning to live their lives by helping others. His greatest joy was in watching them achieve the goals and happiness he so earnestly wished for them. His family is secure in the knowledge and belief that much of the good there is in them came from him.

He is survived by his widow, Gabrielle; daughters Anne, Joan and Kathleen; sons Kevin, John and Brian; and nine grandchildren.

his classmate, WHH, Jr.

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James Carlisle Egan

NO. 15302 CLASS OF 1946

Died 29 September 1975 in Denver, Colorado, aged 52 years.

Ashes were scattered at Castle Rock, Colorado.

JAMES (JIM) C. EGAN was born 2 September 1923 in Johnstown, Ohio. Jim was the only son in a family of five children. His father was the local banker. Jim became quite a celebrity during his high school years as class president for four years, captain of the football and basketball teams, and valedictorian of his class at Johnstown-Monroe High School. He attended Miami University, Oxford, Ohio for four semesters before gaining an appointment to West Point. He joined the Class of 1946 on 1 July 1943.

One of Jim's roommates recalls him as a handsome, alert, reserved, extremely smart and capable individual. He wore stars all three years without exertion. Always ready for fun and games, he participated in cadet activities with good



James Carlisle Egan

humor and ready laughter. He accepted the system and generally operated within its rules so he and the Tactical Department were never in serious opposition. While an excellent athlete, his size kept him off varsity squads, but he was a crunching fullback on the C-2 intramural squad. Jim loved music and was always proud to have been in the Cadet Glee Club. Bob Shoemaker recalls that Jim's sterling character and flair for leadership were apparent from early days in Beast Barracks. There was a genuine satisfaction among his C-2 classmates when Jim was appointed company commander of C-2. Jim's standing in Military Leadership and Proficiency was third in the class and he graduated 16th in academic standing. Jim chose the Infantry upon graduation.

After the Basic Infantry and Airborne Courses at Fort Benning, Georgia, Jim was assigned to K Company, 3rd Battalion, 18th Infantry in Friedburg, Germany in 1947. His company commander in 1948, now retired Colonel John Taylor, reported that Jim was the finest platoon leader and executive officer he had known in his service, which included the command of five companies. In 1949, the 18th Infantry organized a heavy mortar company. This new unit was staffed with the pick of the lieutenants of the regiments. Jim was selected as its executive officer and performed superlatively, as expected. In 1950, Jim was assigned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina with the 82nd Airborne Division. In 1951, Jim decided to try his hand in the civilian world and resigned from the Army.

Jim started his civilian career as a sales representative with the Pure Oil Company in Columbus, Ohio. On 22 January 1955 Jim married Phyllis Ann Moench in Columbus. Jim rapidly progressed to branch manager, district manager, division sales manager to general manager of marketing services for the Pure Oil Division of Union Oil in Palatine, Illinois.

with an excellent sense of humor, having a love of animals, a quick wit and being very loyal to his family. He graduated from Ulysses S. Grant High School in Portland.

George's father was a Reserve officer who served in both World Wars. His counsel, together with his oldest brother's joining the Army Air Corps, shaped George's decision to enter West Point. He spent a year at Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon, before he received an appointment to enter West Point on 1 July 1943.

George's cadet life almost ended right after it started. In August 1943, his brother Ted's plane disappeared. This tragic event almost precipitated George's leaving the Corps. However, he was prevailed upon to continue and had a relatively uneventful cadet life. Save for a brush with chemistry, he had no great problems with academics. However, his tremendous leadership potential was sublimated until he entered active duty. When the Air Cadet option was presented to the class, George took it and received his wings together with his second lieutenant's bars at graduation.

George took multi-engine transition training at Enid, Oklahoma. Upon completion of his training at Enid, George was married to Mary B. (Petie) Procurat in Orange, New Jersey on 2 November 1946.

His first operational assignment was to the 63rd Bombardment Squadron, 43rd Bombardment Wing at Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Arizona where he flew B-29's. George's superb flying skills and leadership qualities were soon recognized, and in 1948 he was selected to be the aircraft commander of the KB-29 tanker flying out of the Azores that refueled the B-50 *Lucky Lady* in her historic non-stop flight around the world. In February 1955 George was assigned to Goose Bay, Labrador. In August of that year, he moved to the RCAF Station, Frobisher Bay, Canada, where he remained until April 1956. His next assignment was to Eighth Air Force Headquarters at Westover Field, Massachusetts where he served as executive officer to the chief of staff. July 1959 saw George and Petie move to Pease AFB, New Hampshire as a B-47 squadron commander with the 100th Bombardment Wing. Later he became organizational maintenance squadron commander with the wing.

In August 1961, he was transferred to Headquarters USAF with duty in the Strategic Division of Operations. George had received "below the zone" promotions ever since his duty in Arizona, and the evidence of his growing reputation in the Air Force was very clear when he was made aide-de-camp to the Air Force Chief of Staff General Curtis E. LeMay in 1962. He served in this position until

1965 when he was selected to attend the National War College. From there he assumed command of the 7272nd Support Group at Wheelus Air Base, Tripoli, Libya. Prior to leaving for Tripoli, George and a classmate attended an annual instrument school refresher course. The classmate recalls that George told him then that he was looking for the toughest jobs he could find.

That George was marked for bigger and better things became more evident in July 1967, when he assumed duties as vice wing commander, 81st Tactical Fighter Wing, RAF Bentwaters, Woolridge, England. This, after nothing but bomber experience! Shortly after George joined the 81st, a classmate, Phil Safford, joined as assistant deputy chief of Operations. Phil recalls that George had an exceptionally keen mind and could get to the heart of a problem before anyone else. His communication skills were superb and he never lost his poise or objectivity, despite many opportunities to do so. George's goal was to command a wing in combat. To that end, he volunteered for an assignment in the Seventh Air Force in Vietnam, not so much for a staff job, but as he told Phil, "I am going to be in line on the spot when the next wing commander job is available."

George received his assignment to the Seventh AF Headquarters in Vietnam. His immediate superior was then-Major General David C. Jones. George's orders from England to Vietnam were to report immediately, so Petie and their three boys were left to return to the States alone. In a tape to his mother on 8 June 1969, George told her how worried he was about Petie and the boys having to make the move back from England on their own. He mentioned that in his latest communication from Petie, she had told him of a visit she had from the mayor of Ipswich, England and his wife. He told his mother that this man had been anti-US, but thanks to George and Petie he had become a great admirer and friend of Americans. George was very articulate and in that tape expounded on his concern with the media comments on the conduct of war. He mentioned that he was happy in his job and how proud he was to be serving his country.

On another tape (30 June), George told his mother how pleased he was to have heard from Petie that she had made the move successfully and was safely ensconced in a house in Charleston, South Carolina. His big news in this tape was that General George Brown, commanding general of the Seventh Air Force, had selected George to be the next commander of the 366th Tac Fighter Wing in Da Nang. Colonel John Roberts (now a retired general) was the commander and had been selected to be

promoted to brigadier general. George was slated to go to Da Nang by 10 July 1969 to be vice to Colonel Roberts for about 30 days before he departed. George felt that he had reached the culmination of his career—a fighter wing command in combat—and was extremely happy with this opportunity.

George became vice of the 366th in July 1969. General John Roberts recalls that on 4 August George was flying a low-altitude mission near Chu Lai. Upon return to Da Nang, George's wingman reported that when George came off the target, there was an explosion and fire in his F-4. This had been an early morning mission; and about 1300 hours General Robert's exec, Bob Kelly (retired as lieutenant general), told him that there was a CIA agent to see him. It seems the CIA man had been in a helicopter near Chu Lai and had witnessed the action in which George had been shot down. He had seen the plane pull off the target, level off for about a mile—one chute out—then the plane crashed. He gave General Roberts the coordinates of the crash. General Roberts called the Army for site security and was told he could have it for only one hour. A call was put out for volunteers from the 366th and six were selected, from the many who volunteered, to investigate the crash. This team located the aircraft and was able to recover George's body. They discovered that George had been killed in the plane and that one engine had been knocked out. The man in the back seat had tried to get the plane under control but waited too long to eject. George was survived by his wife Petie, three sons, George, Jr., Robert and William, his mother and brother.

There is no doubt that George Dorman was destined to rise to the highest levels in the Air Force. One of the brightest stars in the Air Force firmament was dimmed on that fateful day in August 1969 near Chu Lai, South Vietnam. General Roberts said, "George was very sharp—he would have been a hell of a wing commander." His Air Force classmates appreciated his outstanding qualities as an officer and valued him as a friend. He was a professional to the nth degree.

George, in addition to being an outstanding professional airman, was a loving and caring husband and father. All three of his sons are serving their country in one of the Armed Forces. Petie recalls that after 20 years George is still a viable presence in their sons' lives.

George Stanton Dorman always lived by "Duty, Honor, Country." He believed that a man's word was his bond. He was dedicated to the service of his country. At George's funeral at West Point, one of the pallbearers was then-Lieutenant General David C. Jones, lat-



Raymond Charles Simmons

ther was a city fireman. Ray attended the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, where the strong discipline and all-male environment prepared him very well for the rigors of his plebe year at West Point.

Ray entered the Academy as one of the youngest members of his class on 1 July 1948. He joined Company C-2 and, as he would remain throughout life, was a quiet, systematic, dedicated team worker. He graduated in the Class of 1952.

During each summer leave while at West Point Ray always worked to earn extra money. In the summer before his first class year, he took a temporary job with the city of Baltimore. On the job, he met a pretty young city employee, Doris Hogan, who would be the love of his life. Doris came to West Point for dances and dates that year, and shortly after graduation, they were married in their home city of Baltimore. A group of his classmates came to the wedding to provide the traditional military highlights for the ceremony.

After commissioning, Second Lieutenant Simmons entered active duty with the United States Air Force.

The couple traveled to Malden, Missouri, where Ray began pilot training, which he completed successfully, graduating at Vance AFB in Oklahoma. His first assignment was to KC-97 tankers at Lake Charles AFB in Louisiana. Later, he transitioned to B-47 bombers at the same base.

The family grew as sons Michael and Robert were born. Ray became an aircraft commander. Later he was assigned to Sidi Slimane Air Base in Morocco as an operations officer in the command post.

Returning to a stateside assignment in 1963, he worked in the Air Force command post in the Pentagon. He trained in the new field of computer programming, helping in the earliest phases of redesigning and automating the Air Force

command and control system. A new son, Matthew, was born.

The Vietnam conflict loomed, and Major Simmons went over to the 310th Air Commando Wing as a C-123 pilot. He earned a Bronze Star and the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters hauling troops and cargo in and out of fields all over Southeast Asia.

After his combat tour, Ray returned to the Pentagon. Promoted to lieutenant colonel, he continued in the computer system development and programming career field. An assignment to Strategic Air Command Headquarters was a continuation of this career path. He retired from the Air Force in 1972.

Philco Ford hired Ray to begin his second career as a civilian programmer-analyst in Colorado Springs. After several years, he moved over to the Diners Club central computer system. His skills carried him to the First Union Bank of Florida in Jacksonville, where he was a system programmer analyst. With the children grown and gone, the Simmonses were able to travel and to relax at their pool when not working at their busy careers. Ray's long-time hobby was tinkering with electronic devices, at one time building his own color TV receiver. He enjoyed occasionally repairing equipment for family and friends. Doris liked riding, and during the years they owned their quarter-horse gelding, "Dano," both Ray and Doris rode regularly.

Raymond Simmons contracted cancer in 1988, and fought it to the end. Doris kept her promise that he would not have to languish in a hospital as the cancer grew. She cared for him at home, where she was aided by the Northeast Florida Hospice service and by their sons. Death came on 4 March 1990. His family gathered with friends for his final remembrance. Honoring his request, Ray was cremated.

A long-time friend and fellow officer commented that Ray's steadfastness, his constant good humor, and his quiet ways made him an efficient worker, an effective officer, and a good friend and companion.

He was a member of the Air Force Association and the Association of Graduates.

Lieutenant Colonel Raymond C. Simmons is survived by his wife of 38 years, Doris; his sister, Carol Trent of Richmond, Virginia; three sons, Michael of St. Petersburg, Florida, Robert in Jacksonville and Matthew in Kansas City, Missouri; and grandchildren, Tiffany and Michael.

*Tom H. Nichols, LTC USAF (Ret)
"We flew together."*

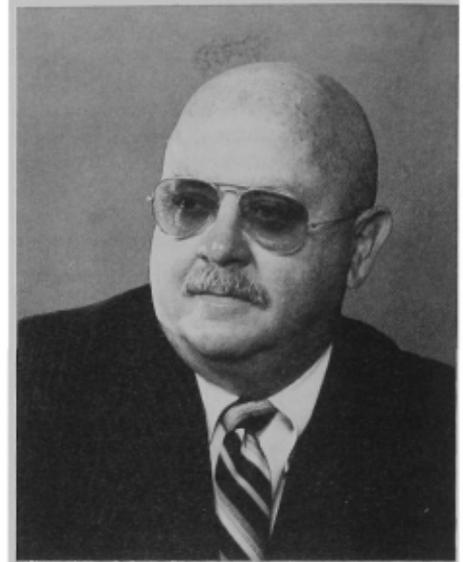


Lee Bond Gray

NO. 19469 CLASS OF 1953

Died 24 February 1990 in West Point, New York, aged 59 years.

Interment: West Point Cemetery, West Point, New York.



Lee Bond Gray

LEE BOND GRAY was born on 7 May 1930 in St. Johnsbury, Vermont, the son of Leland F. and Lillian B. Gray. He attended St. Johnsbury Academy and Longwood School in Washington, D.C. Lee entered the Academy in 1949 and graduated with the Class of 1953. Perhaps the best tribute to an exceptional individual is the following, which was written by Lee and used by the master of ceremonies for Lee's introduction as the primary speaker at an Oregon Founders Day function. What better source of information than the individual, and what better means to pay our respects.

"Lee arrived at West Point through the back door. He had been sent to prep school by the Naval Academy. They had been attracted to him by his great mind and the fact that he had made the first string all-state in high school football. Lee decided on West Point over Navy, as he had never seen the Military Academy and had visited Annapolis several times to compete against Navy plebe teams. USMA couldn't be worse than this! Could it?"

"While at the Academy Lee fought both the Academic and Tactical Departments. He was a goat. The Tactical Department kept him in good shape by walking tours for such minor acts as "defacing a government monument." He captained the ski team his first class year and achieved recognition as a ski jumper in both intercollegiate and national open competition. Lee composed much of the music for the Class of '53's 100th Night Show. He was in the Glee

Club all four years and the Glee Club quartet the last two. He finally graduated and married his O.A.O., Nancy Jackson of Lyndonville, Vermont.

"Lee chose the Air Force because the color of their suits matched his eyes, and they paid \$100 a month more for flying. He wound up as the world's worst jet fighter pilot, flying F-86 Sabrejets. North American Aviation (now Rockwell) hired him to get him out of the Air Force before he ruined their product's reputation.

"Lee had a varied 22-year career at Rockwell, and some highlights follow. He was assistant director of Apollo System Engineering at the time of the tragic Apollo (AS204) fire that killed three astronauts. He assisted in the investigation that followed. Lee was then made director of Apollo Quality and Reliability Assurance. This was not the most sought-after job at Rockwell at that time. After the successful lunar landings, Lee joined a small group of engineers to begin the preliminary design and studies for what was to become the Space Shuttle Program. He was promoted to division director and stayed with the division through the Shuttle Orbiter Approach and Landing Test Program.

"Lee left Rockwell to join SDC (now a subsidiary of the Burroughs Corporation). He was a project director for a multi-billion dollar program for the Department of Energy. During this time he and Nancy lived in Knoxville, Tennessee and Washington, D.C.

"In the spring of 1979 Lee was picked to head an investigative team for the President's Commission on the Accident at Three Mile Island. This task lasted several months.

"Lee and Nancy returned to southern California in July 1984 and Lee joined the Leach Corporation as vice-president, Corporate Quality and Development.

"West Point activities have always been a key part of Lee's life. He is a past president and board member of the West Point Society of Los Angeles. He has served as a trustee of the Association of Graduates for over 10 years and has been a member of the Admissions and Nominating Committees. He has worked as a field representative for the USMA Office of Admissions since the early 1960's. He has lectured several times at the Academy for the Departments of Engineering and Earth, Space, and Graphic Sciences.

"Lee picked up an MBA from Pepperdine. He is a registered professional engineer (CA), a senior member of the American Society for Quality Control, and a member of the Air Force Association, AUSA, American Management Association, National Management Association, and the National Society of Professional Engineers.

"Lee recently provided expert testimony to the House of Representatives

Sub-Committee on Space, Science and Applications of the Science and Technology Committee. He was questioned relevant to the adequacy of the NASA Quality Assurance Program as it related to the Space Shuttle disaster in January 1986.

"Lee and Nancy enjoy the times when they can be together with their three children and three grandchildren."

Lee retired from Leach Corporation in January 1990, and he and Nancy sold their home in Yorba Linda, California. They were looking forward to retirement in Loudon, Tennessee. Lee and Nancy had hardly arrived in Tennessee when Lee was scheduled to attend one of his final meetings with the Board of Trustees at the Military Academy. Lee suffered a fatal heart attack on 24 February 1990 at West Point. He was buried at West Point on Ash Wednesday, 28 February. The chaplain stated that the intangibles of Lee Bond Gray will always continue to touch his family, his friends and West Point. . . .

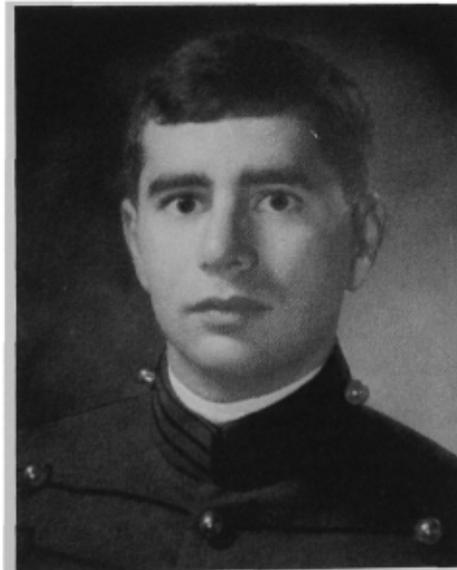
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Frank Anthony LaPenta

NO. 28572 CLASS OF 1969

Died 18 December 1989 in Los Angeles, California, aged 42 years.

Interment: Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield, Connecticut.



Frank Anthony LaPenta

FRANK ANTHONY LAPENTA was born on 19 May 1947 in Hartford, Connecticut. He was the second of two sons born to Anthony Vincent and Natalie Dolores Carpentieri LaPenta, Sr.

Frank and his brother, Anthony V. LaPenta, Jr., visited West Point when Frank was eight and Anthony was twelve. They were impressed and came back proudly with two pennants and an autograph from one of the cadets. In

June 1969, Frank graduated from the Point with his classmates and friends, many with whom he kept in touch and could still call his friends until the day he died. He loved his friends and treated them like family.

He kept all his life to "Duty, Honor, Country." He lived with these ideals as best he could.

Frank's uncle, Louis Carpentieri, was named "poet laureate of the 43rd Division," and was killed in the Battle of Munda in the South Pacific during World War II. Another uncle, Commander Joseph Carpentieri, was a physician in the Navy in World War II. Frank's father was a bandsman of the 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division during World War II.

As a youngster Frank traveled with his family all over the United States and Canada, and from this came a love for traveling.

Frank graduated from William H. Hall High School in 1965. He belonged to the National Honor Society and to Quill and Scroll; was a National Merit Scholarship commendeo, sports editor of the school newspaper *Highlights*, student council representative; and belonged to the choir, drama club, track and football teams. He also tutored minority students.

While waiting to hear from several colleges, Frank was also waiting to hear from the three military schools he had been nominated for. The acceptances arrived and he chose West Point.

At the Point, Frank was president of Cadet Activities, manager and lead singer of the rock band "The Fogg," editor of the company newspaper, and belonged to the Glee Club and church choir. He received a bachelor of science degree and commission upon graduation.

His service included Airborne School; then at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he took the Field Artillery Officers Basic Course and the Field Artillery Officers Advanced Course. He also took graduate courses in Russian history and economics at the University of Oklahoma, and undergraduate work in German at the University of Maryland.

He was a captain in the U.S. Army, serving during the Vietnam era with the 101st Airborne Division and as a liaison officer between the United States and the Republic of South Vietnam. He was also an inspector of the artillery bases.

He received the Bronze Star Medal. He also received plaques and awards from the various units and officers he served with: from Lieutenant Colonel Tran Van Phong, commanding officer of the 11th Artillery Battalion (ARVN); from his battery of the 2nd battalion, 36th Artillery (January to June 1971); and from the officers and men of the 5th Battalion, 42nd Artillery (December 1971 to September 1972).

From June 1972 through May 1973 he attended an Ordnance course, and in June 1973 he was sent to Ansbach, Germany where he became the deputy assistant chief of staff, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Team, 1st Armored Division Headquarters.

After being separated from the Army he attended and graduated from the Harvard Business School, earning an MBA in 1977. He was employed as a product manager for the Nestle Company in White Plains, New York, and in 1981 joined the consulting firm of Booz, Allen and Hamilton of

New York City. In 1986 he moved to California and became director of marketing for Blue Cross of California and the company's new HMO unit. In 1988 he was promoted and became the head of the Drug and Vision Unit.

Frank was a kind and gentle person. He tried to understand his situation and the people around him. He was generous and honest and truly tried to live up to the Point motto. He was a brave man and even up to the end, when he was paralyzed from the waist down, people would call and ask how he was, and he

would reply, "I'm doing well, I'm okay. How are you?" This was the person he was. When he missed the class reunion and his buddies called from West Point, our parents, who were with him, said he was very happy to hear from them, and to know they cared for him through all he had to endure. He said to them he would be at the next reunion, and even though he won't be there in body, as sure as there is a spirit of West Point he will be there.

written in loving memory by his brother, Tony.





Last Roll Call

Reports of death of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the May 1991 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Benjamin G. Weir	1914	11 April	1991 San Antonio, Texas
Robert A. Schow	Nov-1918	18 April	1991 Boca Raton, Florida
Harrison H. D. Heiberg	1919	20 April	1991 Greenville, South Carolina
Claude M. McQuarrie	1920	16 May	1991 Lecanto, Florida
Ralph M. Osborne	1926	10 April	1991 San Antonio, Texas
Raphael B. Ezekiel	1928	11 April	1991 Cleveland, Ohio
George F. Smith	1928	24 April	1991 Reddington Beach, Florida
George E. Shepard	X-1929	8 May	1983 Chapel Hill, North Carolina
William H. Harris	1930	20 April	1991 Riverdale, Maryland
Robert L. Lancefield	1930	7 April	1991 Palo Alto, California
Buford R. Nyquist	1930	2 May	1991 Tucson, Arizona
Morton E. Townes	1930	13 April	1990 Gosford, New South Wales, Australia
Francis F. Uhrhane	1930	27 April	1991 Tucson, Arizona
Warren H. Hoover	1931	17 May	1991 Washington, DC
David H. Kennedy	1932	16 October	1990 Williston, South Carolina
Edwin G. Simenson	1932	11 April	1991 Long Grove, Illinois
Richard C. Moore	1933	28 March	1991 Mount Kisko, New York
Robert M. Stillman	1935	22 May	1991 San Antonio, Texas
Walter A. Faiks	1936	28 March	1991 Fort Lauderdale, Florida
William C. George	1939	23 October	1990 Sequim, Washington
Alton P. Donnell	1940	25 February	1991 Amarillo, Texas
Carrroll F. Danforth	1941	3 April	1991 Norfolk, Virginia
Dick S. von Schrlitz	1941	5 May	1991 Manhattan, New York
Charles L. Heltzel	Jan-1943	24 May	1991 Falls Church, Virginia
Joseph E. Nett	Jan-1943	28 April	1991 San Rafael, California
Raymond C. Blatt, Jr.	Jun-1943	29 April	1991 Healdsburg, California
John H. Cochran, Jr.	Jun-1943	30 April	1991 Lexington, Virginia
Alva J. Forsythe	1944	3 May	1991 San Antonio, Texas
Cyril J. Brown	1945	23 March	1991 Lexington, Massachusetts
Steven E. Hill	1946	14 March	1989 Sacramento, California
Frank G. Lester	1946	27 April	1991 Alexandria, Virginia
Reuben L. Anderson, Jr.	1948	22 April	1991 Los Angeles, California
Frederick A. Johnson	1949	17 October	1979 Lansdale, Pennsylvania
Edward V. Freeman, Jr.	1954	1 April	1991 Mansfield, Ohio
Gary C. Williams	1956	24 December	1990 Marietta, Oklahoma
Bernard R. Card	1958	1 June	1989 Boise, Idaho
James L. Giacomini	1969	6 November	1990 Barrington, Illinois



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