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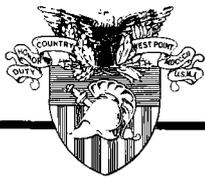
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Dear Graduates and Friends of USMA,

After a beautiful fall season in the Hudson Highlands, winter has arrived at West Point. The phrase "gloom period" is still heard occasionally, but there is much in our lives these days to offset the shortness of the daylight and to divert our attention from the cold outside.

One attraction is our training interlude—between the academic terms—known as the "Intersession," a period of two weeks after Christmas Leave which is devoted to intensive military and physical training. In its third year, the content of the Intersession is still evolving. In military science, plebes learn map reading and troop-leading procedures; the yearlings, employment of light infantry in combined arms operations; the cows, unit readiness; and the firsties, military law plus a refresher on fundamental military skills. All of the instruction is heavy on practical applications, and most of the instruction is done by the academic faculty. Also scheduled are classes in physical education, honor, professional development and personal finance. The Intersession further gives the second-semester cadet chain-of-command time to get on board before the onset of academics.

And, of course, life during the winter at West Point is not all work. Winter sports abound, and the Second and Third Classes each enjoy a winter weekend devoted specially to them—though none are quite as special as the Hundredth Night weekend for the First Class.

I want to report to you on a few events which occurred this past Fall. Our Board of Visitors met and elected to consider the following matters this year: the quality of USMA graduates, our faculty model and the experience and performance of women at USMA. The Board is taking seriously its role of independent overseer of the Academy, and we appreciate the help that gives us.

An additional important review of USMA occurred in September and October. The Chief of Staff directed the DCS/Personnel to validate West Point's baseline resource requirements and to plan to meet them over all the program years. The DCSPER, Lieutenant General Bill Reno, and his staff spent several days with us, reviewing our programs and costs. We believe that the efforts will be a big help in stabilizing our future flow of funds for our baseline operations and in removing our backlog in facility maintenance. We shall then have to look to other sources for the "margin of excellence" that we want to offer our cadets.

In the course of the review with General Reno, I was impressed by the balance we have at the Academy between the core programs, which provide the commonality of experience that builds unity and esprit in the Corps, and the variety in elective programs and extracurricular activities, which provides the opportunity for cadets to pursue individual excellence. I am convinced that this balance enables us to fulfill our purpose and mission better than ever. We are now able to take into account differences in the background, education and interests that cadets bring with them into the Academy, while at the same time providing the Army better qualified leaders. The core academic curriculum of 31 courses, 78% of the required number of courses, is still much larger than that of traditional colleges. But now, in addition, cadets must prove their ability to combine several courses into an integrated disciplinary framework in one of 19 optional majors or 30 fields of study. That "study-in-depth" individual experience complements the breadth of the common core. Our experience shows that when cadets study what they have chosen, their motivation to learn shoots upward—and their grades prove it.

What continues to set West Point apart from traditional colleges is that the entire four years is still a tough, demanding, total-immersion experience in learning to lead. Plebe year, I am discovering, is much the same as it's always been: a tough, character-building regimen that rapidly socializes young men and women into military discipline and the ideals of the Military Academy. It begins on the first day and never lets up. Here is a typical comment from a plebe about Beast Barracks last summer: "It is definitely the hardest thing I've ever had to go through in my life, but, at the same time, it is the most rewarding." Another plebe: "What I learned about myself is that my mental and physical endurance is much stronger than I ever believed it to be."

The changes that we are seeing in the plebe system have to do more with upperclass behavior than with plebes. Under the system that most of us experienced, once cadets negotiated the rigors of plebe year, many coasted until First Class year. Personal standards often declined because upperclass cadets rarely dared to make corrections on each other. Yet it was during these three years as upperclass cadets that we should have been gaining genuine leadership experience. The recently codified four-year framework, known as the Cadet

Leader Development System (CLDS), delineates leader responsibilities and developmental goals for each of the four classes, not just the plebes. Much of this written delineation merely codifies the policies of certain elements of the Corps in the past. It is designed to standardize the proper leader development model throughout the Corps and to permit it to continue over time.

What is new is that CLDS challenges the upperclasses to truly lead by example. The rule for upperclass cadets' relationship to underclasses is simple: They must treat subordinate cadets just as officers are expected to treat soldiers in the field Army. Our model for behavior is the one articulated in 1879 by the Superintendent, Major General John M. Schofield. Cadets have been memorizing Schofield's Definition of Discipline ever since. CLDS simply requires all upperclasses to live by it.

Two benefits of the new system are clear. First, it enables our graduates to internalize the most professional leadership style we can teach them prior to graduation and commissioning. Second, it properly relocates the source of stress in the West Point experience. No longer is stress artificially created through abusive practices by leaders who should be investing in the success of their subordinates; instead, stress is created by an insistent pressure to perform challenging tasks and to meet high standards. As we continue to implement the new model, we shall obviously need to make adjustments. But I am finding that its principles are sound, and the results are already noticeable.

I believe I can honestly assure you that West Point is now far from "gloomy," despite the dreariness of the winter season, because of what our cadets are achieving. I tell audiences to whom I speak that West Point is developing young leaders firmly grounded in character and competence—and doing it better than any other institution in the world today. Such a conviction certainly brightens my days, and I trust it will do the same for you.

From Gracie and me, best wishes and God's blessings.

Howard D. Graves
Lieutenant General, US Army
Superintendent

Letters to the Editor



FIFTY YEARS OF ASSEMBLY

My first encounter with *ASSEMBLY* was when it was a gleam in the eye of Harry Storke '26.

It was the summer of 1939, and we had each just arrived back at West Point for duty: I as an instructor in the Chemistry and Electricity Department and Harry in English.

My secondary MOS was officer-in-charge of the hockey team and Harry's was secretary of the Association of Grads.

Memory grows dim, but, as I recall, the Association of Grads put out reports, and I saw some of them. Plain cover, no pictures, and if there was Class news I don't know who wrote it for my class (1932).

Harry told me about this good idea he had to reconstruct/replace the quarterly report completely. It would have a bright cover, features in the front, followed by Class news with plenty of pix.

I did not have any part in developing the new magazine, but I followed its progress with interest and gave Harry some good advice on getting approval for his radical ideas. The president of the Board was the head of my department, and I had plenty of experience in selling my own ideas, e.g., special curricula for a cadet who had a B.S. in chemical engineering from a major university before entering West Point as a plebe. Instead of starting him over again in elementary chemistry, I suggested a personalized plan that would advance his knowledge of chemistry. (It went over like a lead balloon.)

ASSEMBLY was still not finalized when Pearl Harbor was struck, and I immediately was sent off to a new infantry division. In early 1943 I went to North Africa, and, when our troops landed at Salerno and got to Naples, I was assigned to II Corps as the Signal Officer. I was delighted to see Harry Storke again. He had just arrived and was the new Corps Artillery officer.

He told me that *ASSEMBLY* had been launched, but I did not see a copy of it until after V-J Day when I was back in the US again.

It was 1946 and the war was over; I was again in the (new) Electrical Engineering Department as Associate Professor. In

June my classmate Jake Hassmann came into my office and said, "the next deadline is in about a month; it's all yours, pal."

The late Jake had resigned shortly after graduation but returned to active duty immediately after Pearl Harbor and served at West Point for the duration. With WW II over he went back to being president of the Franklin Pioneer Co. in Louisville, Ky.

I looked at the first copy of *ASSEMBLY*, spring of 1942, Harry Storke, Editor, with a total of 48 pages. 24 were of general info including the class columns, which were followed by 24 pages "In Memory of."

The recent copy of *ASSEMBLY* that I'm looking at as I write this has a total of 170 pages. It includes news of West Point and an individual entry from each Class plus 32 pages devoted to Grads who have answered the last Roll Call. It comes out six times a year instead of the original four.

From 1946 until I retired from active duty in 1959 I was the 1932 class scribe, working in other classmates to write part of it along the way. Upon retirement I went to a new job in Paris and turned over the scribeship (you can invent new words when you're a scribe) to a classmate who was stationed in Washington, where a large portion of our class was located.

I sent in contributions from Paris, and, when I returned to the U.S. with a new company in 1967, I resumed a more active role. Although I was not the designated scribe, I wrote about half of the column for each issue over my own byline. When our scribe died in 1979, I resumed the full load.

So what would I do if I were in charge of *ASSEMBLY* today, instead of only the temporary custodian of two pages (including pix) for 1932?

Somewhere on the Table of Contents page at the beginning, where it lists the editorial staff, AOG officers and trustees I would add, "Harry P. Storke '26, Founding Editor."

BG Kenneth F. Zitzman
Class of 1932

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March and May 1992 editions will commemorate the efforts of Harry P. Storke '26, countless class scribes, authors, editors, staff and members of the Association over the past fifty years.

THE FORGOTTEN WAR

Of the nine wars that the United States has fought, the war in Korea, 1950-53, ranks among the most important, yet it is the least remembered. The first year of the Korean War was a ghastly ordeal for the United States Army which was not prepared mentally or physically for war. In the words of Clay Blair, "Its leadership at army, corps, division, regiment and battalion levels was overaged, inexperienced, often incompetent and not physically capable of coping with the rigorous climate of Korea" [See GEN Sullivan's speech to the AOG pledging "No More Task Force Smiths," page 11]. This year was the year of dramatic and far-reaching maneuver by the Army. Into this Army went the classes of 1945-50 as platoon leaders and company commanders. Their sacrifice and suffering during the months of 1950-51 of this "Forgotten War" should not go unnoticed.

Many in the West Point Classes of 1947 and 1948 were serving their overseas tours when the war started. The Classes of 1949 and 1950 were rushed to the Pacific; however, the Class of 1948 suffered proportionally the most casualties. Of the 96 members of the Class of 1948 who were in Korea during the early months, over 44 percent were casualties. The Classes of 1949 and 1950 suffered far more casualties, but they were much larger classes of almost 600 or more graduates. The classes of 1947 and 1948 were war classes that had split in 1946 and thus graduated 315 and 301, respectively.

The Class of 1947 had 92 men in Korea during 1950-51. This was actually a small proportion when one considers that 310 graduated. One has to remember, however, that this war lasted only three years and most graduates were either in Europe or undergoing flight training. If the war had lasted longer, as did Vietnam, most of the class would have seen action. The most

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Dear Fellow Graduates:

Homecoming 1991 was a huge success, if the comments of the reunion classes of '71, '76, '81 and '86 are any criteria. The cool fall weather was perfect, and the leaves were just beginning to turn. The close loss to The Citadel in football was a disappointment, but the Alumni dinner dance Saturday evening was well and enthusiastically attended.

As I stood with the reunion classes and watched the Corps pass in review Saturday morning, I was struck by how well they marched. And, from my conversations with everyone from the Commandant and Dean to faculty members and Company Tacs, cadets are performing as well as they parade. Much of the credit, I believe, belongs to the new Cadet Leader Development System (CLDS).

Now in its second year, the CLDS is the product of intensive study by the Military Academy, with input from three committees consisting of staff and faculty, graduates and cadets. The Commandant has more than adequately covered the CLDS in his reports to you in previous issues of ASSEMBLY, but I'd like to share with you a few points that have impressed me in recent visits to West Point.

When the Cadet Leader Development System—including changes to the Plebe System—was implemented, the upper classes resisted. (Of course, we all resist change.) Those changes made to the Plebe System were designed to eliminate requirements and customs that just didn't make sense, many of which were never authorized. For instance, no more screaming and yelling at plebes. You can't do it when you're an officer; better to learn the proper leadership techniques as a cadet.

The decreased attrition during New Cadet Barracks (Beast Barracks) for the Class of 1995 can be attributed to better leadership by the "Detail" and perhaps, in part, to a new video produced by the Director of Admissions which does an excellent job in explaining Beast Barracks. It was seen by many candidates during the year prior to reporting to West Point. We think it put them in a better frame of mind and generated greater interest in reporting to USMA in good physical condition.

Another aspect of the new leader development system that is a positive step in the right direction is insistence on using the chain of command. Do you recall, as a plebe, being "chewed out" by some upperclassman in the company? The report of how gross you were seldom was reported to your platoon leader or squad leader. Correction of plebes was, often as not, a random event that began and ended with one upperclassman and one plebe.

Under the present system, if a plebe is observed to be performing at less than acceptable standards, he or she is corrected, and the correcting upperclassman then reports the failure through the chain of command. So, if your performance is not up to the mark, your platoon leader and your squad leader—and your yearling—know about it!

Yearling? The CLDS also includes a new element: duties and responsibilities for yearlings. I don't know about you, but when I was a yearling I had few responsibilities or duties. It was a very pleasant year, but not much was accomplished! Now, each yearling is assigned at least one plebe. The yearling is responsible for his or her plebes, from appearance to performance to academics to attitude. It isn't an easy leadership assignment for the yearlings. They must know their plebes very well, and they must advise, encourage, and counsel their plebes while, at the same time, maintaining the proper upperclassman - plebe relationship. Standards and expectations of development for Cows and Firsties are now codified, rather than being passed by word of mouth or being considered optional by individual cadets.

Finally, and most impressive, is that Fourth Class year is still *tough*. The discipline is strict, and it is uniformly enforced. Plebe knowledge, limits, restrictions and duties are no less demanding than in the past. Add the heavy academic load, and you have a fourth class year that is certainly more rigorous than I experienced many years ago. I assure you that we "old grads" need not worry that West Point has "watered down" plebe year. In my view "the Corps has" . . . gotten a lot better.

Speaking of reaction to change at West Point, my niece, Cadet Karen Roe, enjoys running and was once a member of the Marathon Club. Recently she was jogging and passed the Commandant's quarters, where Judi Bramlett was just about to take their dog Maui for a walk. Karen volunteered to have Maui accompany her on her workout. A few minutes later, Karen was running down Washington Road, leash and dog in tow, when she passed two old grads. "My gosh," one of them exclaimed, "Would you look at that! Now they let 'em have dogs!"

Sincerely,

Denis F. Mullane
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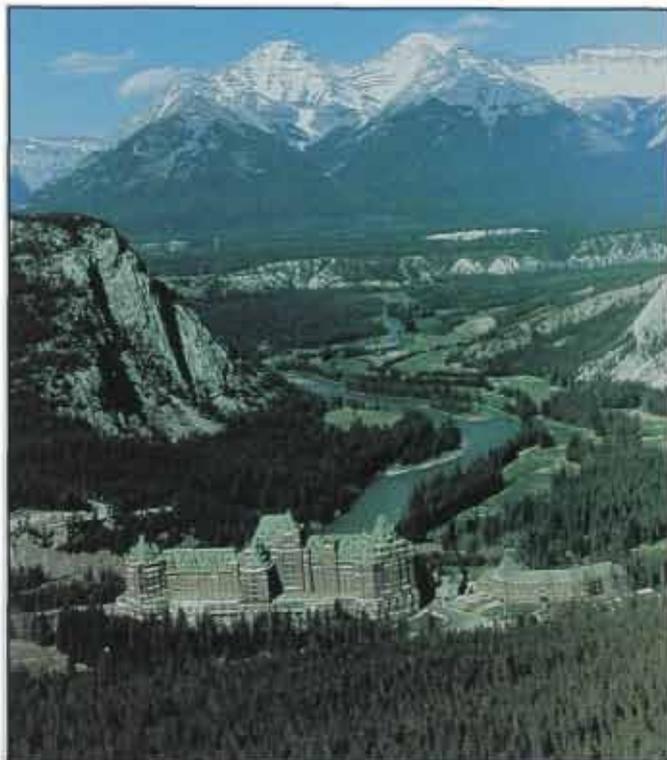
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Ambassador Paul H. Nitze Recipient of the 1991 Sylvanus Thayer Award

Thursday 3 October 1991 was a day of honor, ceremony and celebration for West Point. The Association of graduates, the United States Military Academy and the Corps of Cadets paid homage to one of America's truly distinguished citizens, the Honorable Paul H. Nitze, Ambassador-at-Large, bestowing upon him the Academy's most prestigious honor, the Sylvanus Thayer Award.

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

The award is named in honor of Sylvanus Thayer, Class of 1808 and the 33d graduate of the Academy, who nine years later became its fifth superintendent. Serving in this capacity until 1833, Thayer instituted at

West Point those principles of academic and military education, based upon the integration of character and knowledge which have remained essential elements of the Military Academy.

Ambassador Nitze arrived at West Point in the early afternoon and was greeted by the Superintendent, Lieutenant General Howard D. Graves, and Mrs. Graves at Quarters 100. Later that afternoon, the Ambassador and his guests were welcomed at a reception in Cullum Hall, attended by distinguished guests of the Association and the Academy and by prominent members of the greater West Point community.

Following the reception, the Ambassador was honored at a Brigade review, where he was presented an engraved Cadet sword by the Cadet First Captain.

The Thayer Award was presented to Ambassador Nitze at a dinner banquet in Wash-



ington Hall, attended by the Corps of Cadets and distinguished guests of the Association and the Academy.

After the meal, Cadet First Captain Omar Jones welcomed Ambassador Nitze and the distinguished guests and introduced Lieutenant General Howard Graves, 54th Superintendent of the Military Academy. General Graves recognized the distinguished guests which included Mr. Denis F. Mullane, President of the Association of Graduates, Lieutenant General William H. Reno, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Department of the Army, and Lieutenant General John J. Davis (Ret), representing the Class of 1931, the class whose vision and efforts were responsible for the creation of the Thayer Award.

In his remarks General Graves noted Thayer's extraordinary contribution to West Point and the nation. The Superintendent commented that while much at West Point has changed since Thayer's day, the standards of character and the intellectual values which were Thayer's vision remain an essential element of the West Point experience and the quality of its graduates. General Graves then introduced Mr. Denis F. Mullane, President of the Association of Graduates for the presentation of the Award.

In his remarks Mr. Mullane paid tribute to the remarkable achievements of the Ambassador with these words:

"We are living in amazing times. Forty-five years ago the United States and its emerging European allies faced a militant,



1991 SYLVANUS THAYER AWARD
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PAUL H. NITZE

As a distinguished educator, public servant and diplomat, The Honorable Paul H. Nitze has rendered a life-time of outstanding service to the United States and its citizens. In government service, in multiple fields of endeavor outside of government and in selfless service to his fellow countrymen, Paul Nitze has exemplified the ideals of West Point, as expressed in its motto, "Duty, Honor, Country."

As a public servant, Paul Nitze has served our nation in positions of the highest responsibility. In the years immediately following World War II, he was appointed to successive leadership positions in the Department of State. As Deputy Director in the Office of International Trade Policy and as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, Paul Nitze was a major contributor to the development of the Marshall Plan and our nation's programs to bring order to the postwar economies of other nations. Later, as Director of the State Department Policy Planning Staff, he supervised the preparation of National Security Council Memorandum 68, the seminal guidance document of United States Cold War policy.

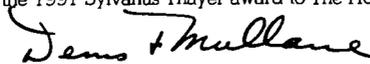
In 1961 Paul Nitze joined the Department of Defense and in 1963 became the 57th Secretary of the Navy. In 1967 he was appointed Deputy Secretary of Defense. During the trying years of the Vietnam War he performed conspicuously as a leader in the national defense establishment.

As a diplomat, he provided key leadership as a member of the United States delegation to the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks with the Soviet Union. He later played a central role in the negotiations leading to the Intermediate Nuclear Force Treaty. In 1985, President Reagan appointed Paul Nitze Special Advisor to the President and Secretary of State for Arms Control Matters. In 1986, the President appointed him Ambassador-at-Large, the position in which he served until his retirement in 1989.

As an educator, Paul Nitze has been at the forefront in the study of international relations. He served as Chairman of the Advisory Council of the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. His service in this capacity was of such duration and character that in 1989, the trustees of Johns Hopkins University renamed the school as the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies and designated him as its diplomat-in-residence.

Paul Nitze has served and advised six presidents. Throughout his career as a public servant and diplomat he has forged an unsurpassed national reputation for integrity, candor and love of country. Whether in or out of government, he consistently supported a United States foreign policy based upon a realistic assessment of the military capabilities and the political will of our most probable adversary, the Soviet Union. He unwaveringly supported our nation's leaders when he believed that support to be in the national interest. When in opposition, he demonstrated the moral courage to face controversial issues squarely, openly and with the highest standards.

Through his long and selfless service to his country, Paul Nitze has made a significant and lasting contribution to the security and well being of the United States. His matchless record of achievement exemplifies uncommon dedication, honesty and devotion to country and is in keeping with the finest tradition of American public service. His willing and continuous response to his country's calls of duty clearly reflects the values expressed in the motto of West Point. Accordingly, the Association of Graduates of the United States Military Academy hereby presents the 1991 Sylvanus Thayer award to The Honorable Paul H. Nitze.


DENIS F. MULLANE
President
Association of Graduates

named for the Father of the Military Academy and associated with the high ideals represented by West Point. The Ambassador then described the world in which graduates will serve—a world far different from that served by graduates for the past 45 years—as one of great uncertainty. He indicated that three dramas—revolution in the Soviet Union, transformation in Eastern Europe and continuing conflict in the Middle East—will dominate world affairs.

Mr. Nitze observed that in spite of this uncertainty, a few characteristics are clear. Cultural ties, ethnic identities and social practices, long suppressed in Eastern Europe and in the Soviet Union, are reemerging. Diversity will characterize these nations.

US-European relations will face real challenges as increased European integration, combined with the absence of an ominous Warsaw Pact threat, become new realities.

Mr. Nitze indicated that the international response to the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait may be the first defining event of the new world—perhaps serving as the model for future responses to aggression. This model will require strong leadership.

The Ambassador then outlined his view of the role of the United States. He observed that the United States is the sole remaining superpower. Yet, whoever controls the Soviet nuclear arsenal will pose a threat to the U.S. and its allies everywhere. In Europe, nationalist forces may foster open conflict, requiring the United States to remain in a position to assist. In Asia, the Middle East and elsewhere, only the US has the capability to influence stability. The there are real constraints. Economic and political forces will contribute to limit unilateral responses.

Mr. Nitze continued, defining the future objectives the United States should seek. The United States should increasingly look to supranational institutions - the UN, NATO - to play an increasing role. And all of this will require the US to maintain military forces, based largely in the United States, with the capacity to react quickly to requirements to participate in peacekeeping activities around the world.

There will be tremendous challenges and in the vanguard of the United State's efforts to meet these challenges, will be the men and women of West Point.

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

Colonel John C. Snodgrass '56
Secretary, Thayer Award Committee

hostile, expanding Soviet empire, soon to be armed with nuclear weapons. The Cold War was ushered in, destined to last for the next four decades. Yet throughout those decades we have persevered . . . We have stayed the course . . . when future historians chronicle these times, their rosters of critical players will include the name Paul Nitze. For while many of our leaders contributed to various campaigns of the Cold War, few were there

for the duration. Paul Nitze was one of those few."

Mr. Mullane then read the citation conferring the Sylvanus Thayer Award on Ambassador Nitze.

The Ambassador then addressed the Corps. (The full text of the Ambassador's address is presented on pages 8-10.)

The Ambassador began by saying that he was "deeply honored" to receive the Award,

Remarks by Paul H. Nitze upon Accepting the Sylvanus Thayer Award, West Point, N.Y., 3 October 1991

International Security in A New World

General Graves, General Reno, General Bramlett, General Galloway, distinguished guests, and members of the Corps of Cadets: I am deeply honored to receive this award named for the father of the Military Academy and to be associated thereby with the high ideals represented by this great institution. In my five decades of public service, I have had the privilege of working with many giants of the Long Gray Line, men like General Omar Bradley and Colonel George "Abe" Lincoln, longtime West Point faculty member. In these men and in many other West Pointers I have known, as soldiers, statesmen, scholars and above all, leaders, the words "Duty, Honor, Country" have been more than a motto; they've been a way of life. Their contribution to our nation's welfare and security has been immeasurable, and the debt our citizenry owes them is immense.

A New World

Today, as you men and women of the Corps prepare to take your place in this august company, **the world in which you will serve is far different from that which your predecessors of the past forty-five years have known.** The primary post-World War II security risk to our nation—the threat of communist expansionism—has been decisively defeated. The East European Revolution of 1989 and the Russian Revolution of 1991 have produced a range of benefits—from freely elected governments to reforming economies and peacefully settled regional conflicts—that make this an era of great hope.

But there are nevertheless myriad problems—political, military, economic, environmental—still existing and new problems arising. The United States faces many risks, uncertainties, and challenges to its national interests and its global responsibilities. This new world, therefore, is one in which our nation will rely yet again on your dedication and service to secure peace and to protect our way of life.

In the near term, at least, the new world will be one of great uncertainty. **Three dramas—revolution in the former Soviet Union, the transformation of countries throughout Eastern Europe, and continuing conflict in the Middle East—currently dominate world affairs and in**

each case the likely eventual outcome is unclear.

UUObserving from the West the stunningly rapid and sweeping changes in the aftermath of the failed coup in the Soviet Union, it is difficult to estimate how the situation there will evolve before it becomes more stable. Although a second attempt by hardliners to reassert strong central control cannot be ruled out, it seems likely that the replacement of the union by a federation linking many, but not all, of the former republics as voluntary, sovereign members will be sustained. The nature of this federation, however, will likely remain fluid for an extended period as tension continues between the desire of the republics for maximum independence and their need to cooperate closely to deal effectively with economic problems and other concerns. Moreover, whatever political entity results is almost sure to be buffeted by the centrifugal forces unleashed by economic deprivation and ethnic hatreds.

Also uncertain are the prospects for success of the Eastern European countries in their efforts to shift to free market economies. The residue of decades of communist leadership and command economies poses a number of difficult problems involving questions of property rights and how one goes about restructuring and privatizing state enterprises. Efforts to convert previously subsidized and monopolistic industries into firms that can compete in an open market will inevitably create disruption as weaker enterprises fail and their workers are laid off.

Finally, the future of the Middle East remains clouded. With a peace conference involving Israel, its Arab neighbors, and the Palestinians on the horizon, the problems of this region seem slightly less intractable than in the past, but one can still not predict a successful resolution with any confidence. Added to this is the uncertain future of Iraq as well as grass-roots political ferment throughout the Muslim world, which extends beyond the Middle East to large parts of North Africa, Russia, Azer-baijan, Pakistan, India, and east to Indonesia.

Despite all this uncertainty, a few characteristics of the new world are clear. Above all, it will be a world of diversity. **One of the most important lessons of the past few years is the near-impossibility of erasing cultural ties, ethnic identities and**

social practices, especially in a world where communications, and thus ideas, cannot be suppressed. In country after country in Eastern Europe, and within the Soviet Union itself, beliefs and practices that had been long dormant under the yoke of oppression rose quickly to the surface once constraints were loosened. The decades-long efforts of communist leaders to impose a common culture and society on their subjects and to eliminate ethnic heritages ended in failure.

The reemergence of the Europe of the past, with its rich mix of nationalities and cultures, promises to enrich us all. But unfortunately, we are also seeing a resurgence of some of the tensions between nationalities that diversity in Europe generated in the past. Such tensions can be a threat to peace over the years ahead.

A similar process of renewal is occurring on other continents as well, most notably in Africa. And, as in Europe, the realization of national aspirations is accompanied by tensions between ethnic groups.

Thus, the new diversity presents us with a mixed bag of effects. As a democratic nation that honors freedom and the protection of the right to be different, we have supported this development. As peoples who can learn from the ways of others, we have welcomed it. As students of history, we understand that diversity cannot be long suppressed in any event. But as realists, we should recognize and try to deal with the dangers that accompany it and can threaten to destroy it.

The new world will be full of other challenges as well. Many problems of the past remain unresolved, and some are gaining increasing urgency. In the international security realm, we must be concerned about revival of hostility toward the West from Russian or other former Soviet republics, about conflicts that continue or threaten to erupt in various regions, and about strains in relations with many of our friends and allies.

The communist ideology is now thoroughly discredited, and former Soviet republics are unlikely to be able to restore the international political influence the Soviet Union once wielded. On the other hand, **the still-awesome military power retained by some of these republics, particularly Russia, provides them considerable potential for intimidation, and**

they retain significant capacity to make mischief in trouble spots worldwide.

There are today almost 30,000 nuclear warheads in storage among the former Soviet republics. The cuts in that arsenal mandated by the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty would still leave a large number of modern, long-range missiles, submarines, and aircraft, capable of delivering thermo-nuclear warheads on targets worldwide. Complicating the problem is the current instability in the former Soviet Union; no one can be sure into whose hands these weapons will eventually fall. Statements from civilian and military leaders in Moscow that the nuclear arsenal will remain under tight central control, and agreement to this condition by leaders of the republics, have been reassuring. But the security of this arsenal will continue to be a particular concern as long as the political situation is unsettled.

Regional conflicts have diminished in number, partly as a result of the removal of Cold War competition as an element of those conflicts. Nevertheless, several conflicts continue and tensions simmer between neighbors in many regions. And, though these conflicts may be less frequent and numerous in the future, they may prove to be more dangerous as the intensity and destructiveness of war is heightened by proliferation in all its dimensions—nuclear weapons, chemical arms, ballistic missiles, and other advanced conventional weapons.

Among our friends and allies, strains will inevitably arise as nations adjust to the new realities of the new world. In Europe, the Warsaw Pact threat no longer exists to serve as a glue holding together the Atlantic Alliance. Differences that were put aside in favor of the greater good of Allied unity may no longer be suppressed, and new differences will develop as new roles are assumed. Increased European economic and political unity in 1992, as well as the possible further integration of European security efforts, will pose a particular challenge to U.S.-European relations. Similar strains will be felt elsewhere, as the perception of a reduced military threat to the free world shifts the focus of relationships from security concerns to problems that the Western powers may not be as prepared to address. One recent example was the increased controversy over U.S. basing rights in the Philippines, where maintenance of U.S. bases was seen much more as an issue of economics and sovereignty than as a source of security.

In sum, the list of international security challenges facing the new world remains long and daunting. Also apparent is that these problems will increasingly take on global importance, reflecting our growing

worldwide interdependence. Our neighbors' problems and even the problems of those far away, are becoming more and more our own.

The international response to one such problem—the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait—represents perhaps the first defining event of the new world. For this response is the first indication for leaders worldwide of the emerging more of international behavior. Had Saddam Hussein's forces not been expelled from Kuwait, the lesson would have been that brutality and aggression pay, and potential tyrants would have been encouraged to imitate his approach in future international disputes. With Saddam's military defeat, a different message was sent. At least in this case, the message was that aggression against a sovereign neighbor would not be tolerated, intimidation and force were not acceptable means of resolving disputes among nations, and attempts to employ such means would be met by the concerted opposition of the world community.

If key members of the international community can resolve that the coalition effort to reverse Iraq's aggression will be a model for future responses to similar encroachments, and if they can make a demonstrable commitment to this view, future would-be aggressors should be discouraged and the prospects for a more civilized era should be greatly enhanced.

Such cooperation is unlikely to be fostered, however, without strong leadership. In the Persian Gulf crisis, the United States exercised such a role in assembling the coalition opposing Saddam Hussein and in facilitating that coalition's efforts. In dealing with future global problems, that role will likely fall again to our country.

The Role of the United States

The Persian Gulf war confirmed what had become increasingly evident over the preceding two years: **The United States is the sole remaining superpower in the world.** No other nation could have organized and successfully led the anti-Iraq coalition. Similarly, no other nation or group of nations has a comparable capacity to contribute to solutions of other global problems.

A few examples illustrate the point. Whoever controls the nuclear arsenal of the former Soviet Union will, for the foreseeable future, continue to present a potential threat to us and to our friends and allies everywhere. To deal with this problem, we currently maintain forces both to deter use of the Soviet weapons and to provide the necessary leverage to negotiate their reduction in a stabilizing manner. No other coun-

try is capable of relieving us of this burden now and none is likely to be able to do so in the future, nor would we want any other country to deploy the nuclear arsenal needed to assume that role alone. Therefore, in the future as much as in the past, this should remain an American task.

On the European continent, the nationalist tensions cited earlier could erupt into civil or cross-border warfare, threatening peace throughout Europe and beyond. To forestall such problems, efforts should be made to encourage and facilitate the peaceful resolution of these tensions. Should warfare erupt, efforts would be needed to contain and terminate the conflicts quickly. In the absence of the United States, Germany would seem to have the greatest military, political and economic clout in NATO Europe. But leadership in maintaining a European peace is not a role for which Germany is well suited, due to lingering suspicions of German intentions, whether justified or not, among the nations of Europe. France and, especially, Britain are hampered by economic difficulties. In addition, their political influence suffers from the traditional French inclination to act independently and from British differences with many of its European Community partners over the extent of European integration. Therefore, the United States should remain in a position to contribute to the peacekeeping task should the European nations, including Germany, wish it to do so. This does not necessarily mean the continued presence of large numbers of American troops in Europe; we should keep only such forces there as are wanted and for only as long as they are wanted. A constructive U.S. role in European affairs can derive from much more than just the number of forces deployed.

Similar examples of problems meriting a U.S. role exist in other regions of the world. In the Far East, the leading role could, perhaps, in time be assumed by Japan. But this would raise considerable concern among other Asian nations, especially those who have fallen under Japanese domination in the past. Further, it is doubtful whether the Japanese would find it feasible to consider the interests of others as being comparable to their own.

And the unique qualifications of the United States to play a central role in the Middle East were never more evident than during the events after the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

All of this argues for a strong American role in the global arena. But there are constraints, both internal and external, on our ability to fulfill this function. Internally, **our economic problems, particularly our huge budget and balance of payments**

deficits, and the traditional skepticism of the American public toward extensive involvement in international affairs, limit the burden the United States can carry. Externally, we are constrained by the fact that many problems are insoluble absent continuing cooperation from other nations. In addition, while U.S. prestige and influence reached a peak with the military victory in the Persian Gulf, it is unlikely to remain at such a high level. Over time, other nations can be expected to coalesce to cut us down to size, a traditional reaction that occurs when one nation appears to be in a potentially dominant position.

In sum, the importance of the problems on the global agenda, their direct effect on significant U.S. interests, and our unique qualifications to address them make a compelling case for a strong U.S. role in world affairs. On the other hand, there are definite constraints on what and how much we can do. We certainly cannot act alone.

Instead, the U.S. role in this new era should be to exercise leadership of international cooperative approaches to solving world problems. In this sense, U.S. leadership of the coalition effort in the Gulf War provides a model. Similar efforts could be undertaken under the auspices of the United Nations or other supranational institutions, or through ad hoc global or regional arrangements. The key would be to bring America's unmatched set of attributes—its first-class military potential, its political, economic and cultural strengths, and its demonstrated lack of territorial ambitions—to bear on cooperative efforts to deal with common concerns.

The Objectives of U.S. Leadership

In exercising this leadership, what sort of world should the United States seek to facilitate? In other words, what strategic objective should guide our approach to world affairs? The lessons of the past era and the needs of the future argue for the fundamental goal of accommodating and protecting diversity within a general framework of world order.

We should seek to create a global climate in which a large array of political groupings can exist, each with its own, and perhaps eccentric, ways. We should seek to eliminate force and intimidation as acceptable means of resolving disputes between these groupings. And we should seek to foster cooperative efforts among these groupings to resolving common problems.

This emphasis on diversity provides certain guidelines for handling problems that are truly internal to individual nations. The overriding principle in such cases should be respect for sovereignty. There should be no

effort to impose political, economic, or social preferences on others. Rather, we should encourage legitimate governments that do not threaten others. Certainly, **there is no excuse for continuing the Cold War practice of occasionally supporting an illegitimate government, or opposing a legitimate one, due to its role in the global competition with the Soviets.**

This increased tolerance does not, however, preclude supporting national efforts to emulate Western successes. Where a legitimate national leadership is inclined to shift toward a more democratic form of government or a more market-based economy, it should be encouraged. And this encouragement should extend to the provision of technical and other assistance to accomplish the transition.

It should also be emphasized that certain matters that tyrants have claimed to be internal affairs are not. **The new world should continue to recognize basic human rights as matters transcending national sovereignty,** and the international community should not shy away from efforts to protect those rights.

The assertion by a number of nationality groups, such as Kurds, Croats, and Slovenes, of the right of self-determination has created a particularly difficult dilemma. Each of these situations is unique, and none of the territories in question is ethnically pure, so one cannot merely insist on the right to self-determination in all cases. Any solution will inevitably leave minority groups that are governed by others, and any change is likely to be highly disruptive. But, consistent with the emphasis on diversity, the presumption of U.S. policy should be in favor of the realization through peaceful means of aspiration for self-determination where legitimate groups have clearly established the political and economic basis for autonomy.

For problems, that transcend national boundaries, as more and more will, supranational institutions such as the United Nations, NATO, and the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, should play an increasing role. These institutions can deal with international problems more efficiently and effectively than individual nations acting without central coordination.

Many commentators are now projecting a greatly enhanced role for the United Nations, particularly the Security Council, in addressing problems of global security. But it remains to be seen whether the cooperation between the U.S., the Soviet Union, and China that allowed forceful UN action against Iraq will continue on other matters. If not, the United Nations could face once again an era in which Security Council vetoes block significant action by the organization.

In that case, **the task of international peacekeeping would likely fall to one or more supranational organizations involving the United States and regional participants.** In Europe, and perhaps elsewhere, NATO would seem to be the best candidate for such a role, and its recent decision to create a rapid reaction force to respond to European crises is a step in that direction. In the future, it may be desirable to expand this force's mission to include, as well, contingencies outside Europe, such as in the Persian Gulf.

The U.S. role in responding to transnational problems should be to seek to place them on the agendas of the appropriate supranational institutions, and then to take the lead within these organizations in the effort to get them resolved. This will require leadership by example, including restraining our worldwide arms sales and transfers of potentially dangerous technologies. And just as much of our leadership role in the Persian Gulf conflict resulted from our willingness to put our own troops on the front line in Saudi Arabia, our ability to exercise leadership on other problems will depend on our willingness to put our own economic house in order and then devote our available resources to solutions.

For our men and women under arms, all of this means a changing yet still crucial role in preserving American interests and achieving our new aims. Our forces will likely be based largely in the U.S., but we will need them to be capable of reacting quickly to conflicts or heightened tensions in any region in order to exercise U.S. leadership of international peacekeeping efforts. A premium, therefore, will be placed on rapid deployability, sustainability in a variety of settings without extensive local base support, and ability to operate effectively in tandem with forces of many other nations. U.S. armed forces demonstrated in the Persian Gulf their ability to step up to such a challenge; this capability will be increasingly important in the future.

As we enter a new world and leave behind the fear and hostility engendered by the Cold War, there is reason to hope that a happier and more rewarding existence is within our grasp. Tremendous challenges face us still, but we also possess tremendous resources with which to respond. Our wealth, knowledge, and human compassion provide us the means, in concert with our allies, to create the sort of world that, for our forefathers, was but a dream. And I am certain that, in the vanguard of this effort, leading in the protection of peace and freedom wherever they may be threatened, will be, as always, the products of "the Corps, and the Corps, and the Corps."

“No More Task Force Smiths. . . .”

*Address by General Gordon R. Sullivan, Chief of Staff, US Army,
to the Board of Trustees, Association of Graduates, USMA on 12 October 1991*

Ladies and Gentlemen, it's an honor for me to be here. As Denis Mullane pointed out, I am a graduate of Norwich University. My wife, Gay, and I are also graduates of Thayer Academy in Braintree, Massachusetts, so we have a link with the family. I want you to know that I am proud of that link. . . proud and honored to be the Chief of Staff of your Army, and honored to come here today to talk with you about America's Army.

Today's Army is in the midst of tremendous change. That formed the basis of the President's remarks in August of 1990 at the Aspen Institute, when he pointed out that the nation was in the midst of change and that the military establishment must change in order to accommodate new circumstances.

I want to focus today on the principles and vision guiding change, rather than the process of change. Change, first, must be based on proven principles.

Today's Army is in the midst of tremendous change.

As our Army seal indicates, we've been here since 1775; an Army of regulars and citizens willing, since Concord, to come forward and say "Hey! Look at me. An American soldier, willing to stand up to protect a way of life." In fact, to make a free country. Your Army has been here since then, . . . for 216 years . . . and it has seen enormous change in that time. It has, led the way in some of that change. Three-hundred, five-hundred years from now, we'll still be here because of our tradition, resiliency and capability to accommodate change.

Over the last two years, the Army has contributed to three great victories. The most recent victories have been, of course, Operation Just Cause in Panama, and Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm in Southwest Asia, adding three new streamers to the Army Flag. Many of you participated in those operations, or had sons, daughters, other relatives or friends who participated in those activities. However, the seminal event, in my view, for the 20th century has to be in November 1989



General Gordon R. Sullivan

when the Berlin Wall came down. That, to me, transcends all others in its importance to the world.

We followed combat operations with Promote Liberty in Panama and Provide Comfort in Iraq, combining the combat readiness of the Army with its ability across the spectrum of operations. They won the Army and America new friends in the humanitarian efforts at that end of the spectrum. This is an Army that can respond to the nation's call because it is trained and ready.

There can be no more Task Force Smiths. . . no more Kasserine Passes.

We must maintain that effectiveness of the United States Army. The Berlin Wall, Just Cause, and Desert Storm are a reflection of an Army that was put together after we bled ourselves dry in Vietnam. Twenty years it took us to put this Army together. Many of you in this room did it. Twenty years to put this together—a long time, and we brought you decisive victory.

If you plot Army effectiveness over time, the Army has historically experienced fluctuations that would look like a sine curve. After every war that the United States has ever fought, the effectiveness of the Army has diminished, and we have paid the price in blood for that diminished

effectiveness the next time our country called us.

My message to the Army and my message to you is very simple. Break the mold. Such a decrease in effectiveness will happen again. The Army must flatten that sine curve, by maintaining our present high state of effectiveness. There can be no more Task Force Smiths. . . no more Kasserine Passes.

Task Force Smith, June 1950. The 21st Infantry, 24th Infantry Division. Occupation troops from Japan sent to Korea. Occupation troops equipped with weapons that were known to be obsolete at the end of World War II. More than that, their force structure was gutted, and the soldiers hadn't been trained. How do you fight two up and one back, when you only have two, instead of three, battalions in a brigade, companies in a battalion?

I will do everything in my power to maintain the effectiveness of the United States Army.

These soldiers were told, "Go on up the road, set up and wait for the North Koreans. When they see you, see US Army on your uniform, they'll turn around and go home." Well, those soldiers were told wrong, and a lot of them died.

If you take nothing else away from what I'm saying today, remember this: I have internalized this history. We will work, and I will do everything in my power to maintain the effectiveness of the United States Army.

The reasons for our effectiveness are found in dogged pursuit of our six imperatives. These are:

- Recruit and retain people
- Develop them as leaders
- Train them with tough, realistic training
- Equip them with lethal, survivable, modern equipment
- Organize them into the proper force structure and mix; Active, Guard and Reserve, Armored, Light, and Special Operations Forces
- Employ them using battle-winning decisions

General Shy Myer made a decision to go after high-quality men and women. He sent General Max Thurman out to do that. We have, in fact, attracted the highest quality young people we can. We train them hard, we develop them as leaders. That's what you do here. West Point. . . young men and women of character. . . developed into soldiers and leaders. . . competent, tough, and caring. Those young officers of character permeate the Army; you saw their faces on television all last year as they did their duty in Southwest Asia.

“General, the thing that strikes me about your Army is the willingness of your soldiers to stand up and give an answer. To look us in the eye.”

What do people from other countries tell me when they see our soldiers? “General, the thing that strikes me about your Army is the willingness of your soldiers to stand up and give an answer. To look us in the eye.” That's the kind of great soldiers you get when you take the finest people you can get, train them hard, develop them into leaders. And you don't have a born leader. We can make you a leader. Work them hard, give them a doctrine they can internalize, that they understand. Put that doctrine in their souls, make them believers in their leadership, their equipment and, above all, themselves.

Put them on the battlefield with the right kind of units, trained and ready, and you'll get what you got in Panama and the Persian Gulf. That was decisive victory; overwhelming combat power employed at the critical point on the battlefield, with us controlling the tempo. That give the nation victory with minimum expenditure of national resources and wealth, and minimum casualties.

But this is still retrospective. I've only alluded to the future, and to change.

The world environment is unstable. The loosening of the bi-polar world is a monumental change in itself and will also prompt other changes. About all we know is that it will change. We don't presume to know exactly how, when, where, or the nature of those changes. What we do know is that we have to be ready to respond to the nation as it faces unforeseen contingencies. In response to this instability the

nation has a new national military strategy which we, of course, support.

This national military strategy is based on four principles:

- Nuclear Deterrence
- Forward Presence
- Crisis Response
- Reconstitution of the Force

This external change is coupled with a change in our domestic environment. And remember, this is America's Army. This is not somebody else's Army, and we will do things the American way. There is little sense in comparing us and our operating principles to armies that are the products of other cultures, histories, and political environments.

But let me outline these domestic changes for you.

In terms of dollars, the United States Army this year spent more than it's ever spent in its existence. With the war we spent close to \$100 billion. That is a lot of money. We were actually given, by the Congress, \$73 billion. In real dollars, by 1997, we'll be down to somewhere around \$56 billion. Now I would expect that number to go lower because of the “peace dividend” and all the other things of which that you are well aware.

The Regular Army will drop to approximately 520,000 or 530,000.

Just remember that the trend line is down, and over in the investment account, that is the equipment we buy—tanks, helicopters, and all of that, we can foresee it tailing down to zero. The reason is that we will consume ourselves in military pay and operations costs and that will preclude any modernization effort. In order to pay and train the force, we will continue to expend resources at a rate that must account for inflation. Those accounts are within a programmed budget that will be in absolute decline. Eventually, those two trends will meet, and squeeze out remaining funds we can use for procuring modern equipment.

Now we're also losing people. That follows from the fundamental decision that was made long ago. We will not sacrifice readiness for force structure. We have traded force structure to continue training and keeping those six imperatives in balance. We will not have a hollow Army.

The Army for years has been 780,000 strong in the active component, about 1.5 million overall. That's Active Guard, Guard and Army Reserve. The figure will

drop to about a million in 1995. The regular Army will drop to approximately 520,000 or 530,000. That is a real challenge for us. That will be the smallest Army your country has had since before World War II, or just before Korea, depending on how you count. We will drop down to 20 divisions in the Total Army; 12 divisions will remain in the active component.

Now, this is not a plan, this is not the future, this is today. We've cut divisions from the force already. We've stood down the 9th Division at Ft. Lewis, the 2nd Armored at Ft. Hood, and we're taking two divisions and one Corps headquarters out of Europe. So by 1995 we'll be down to 4 corps and 12 divisions—520,000 people. That is a very small Army and I can tell you it will be a challenge to keep it pulled together. Its a monumental task.

By 1995 we'll be down to 4 corps and 12 divisions We'll be smaller, and we will be based in the States.

We're moving 1,000 soldiers a week out of Europe. That's soldiers with their families, their pets, their cars, furniture, you name it. And that's a tall order. Its placing a burden on our stateside posts to absorb them while the force draws down. This is not an amateur sport. I can tell you from my travels out to the field and seeing the troops, they're doing well. Their morale is high, they're training hard. I've got them back out there doing what they love to do, and we'll keep it pulled together. We're keeping an eye on the ball at the same time we change. If anybody wants to challenge us . . . give us a check . . . just have them call. We'll be ready. We are ready, because we're trained, confident, and we'll continue with that.

We'll be smaller, and we will be based in the States. That means we're going to work on improving our deployability. We'll have less than half of what we did in Europe, (under 100,000), the 2nd Division in Korea, the 25th in Hawaii and some troops in Alaska. We'll have the two divisions and a Corps headquarters in Europe.

Frankly, having spent 17 of my own 32 years overseas, I find that a little distressing, and I think lots of people do. Most of us will be in the United States. It will be a different kind of Army, because it will be a power projection Army.

We hope to get some fast sealift ships in

the program, so we can lift the armored and mechanized divisions, and some C-17s for the airborne. But, at any rate, we will maintain our capability to fight across the spectrum, respond to any contingency, from peacetime engagement to high intensity war.

The danger in all of this frankly, is that if you're a smaller force, and you don't have the modern equipment, you stand at a disadvantage on the modern battlefield. That really is the message I'm carrying to Capitol Hill. We simply must continue to modernize the force in a prudent fashion.

Here's how I approach the change and continuity. I've got to keep the size imperatives in balance while all around the Army, and within it, things are changing. That situation, which I've described to you, can be summed up in meeting four challenges. They are:

- Maintain the edge (keep those six imperatives in balance)
- Reshape the force (get smaller, but more; shape to support the new national military strategy and Chairman's base force)
- Provide resources to the force
- Strengthen the Total Force

We simply must continue to modernize the force in a prudent fashion.

Now, "No More Task Force Smith" is in my heart. I will do what I can to ensure that the Army stays trained and ready. We cannot afford to send young men and women off to fight if they are not trained, ready, well led, and well equipped. We cannot tolerate it. And, by the way, I am getting lots of help. There are plenty of people out there who either have, or would like to have, their hands on the levers. These are all well-meaning people who see a particular problem and advocate a solution. However, they cannot see the Army from my perspective. Their recommendations, although perhaps sound on individual merit, can cumulate with unintended results. We know how to keep our Army trained and ready. We will keep our Army trained and ready.

Last week I was thinking about all this and I thought about the essence of the Army. I can tell you all the management stuff—I understand all that. I can draw the charts, the business trend line. What I can't draw for you is what we're trying to keep. What do I think of? I think of the statue at the Normandy beachhead—that soaring statue, that majestic figure. Many of you in

this room went across that beach. I think of the Vietnam Wall. I think of the chapel at Leavenworth. Inside that dark little chapel—next to the wagon ruts coming up out of the Missouri River, still there by the way—cannons holding up the ceiling, the names of the officers and soldiers who died in our own West, . . . sacrifice for country.

"You guys sort this out, I'm going up to West Point to revitalize my soul."

Go to Antietam. Look at the statue of the American soldier at Antietam. The inscription on that statue, "Not for myself, but for country." That spirit. That is America's Army. Volunteers, Guards, Reserves, Regulars. Saying, "Hey! Look at me! I'm willing to protect a way of life." That's what we're trying to retain.

When I left Washington yesterday, I was in a meeting about some armored vehicles we need for the next century. It's hard to generate a lot of interest over on Capitol Hill talking about a new tank, frankly. Anyway, I went through this meeting until about a quarter to four, and then I told all these great guys who are sitting there with me, "O.K. you guys sort this out, I'm going up to West Point to revitalize my soul." And I tell you . . . I have revitalized my soul.

Last night at your dinner, I may have been the only non-graduate in the room. But I heard you sing your Alma Mater. That's what we're retaining. That's what we're trying to keep as the essence of our great Army.

We'll handle all the management challenges. We'll give you the kind of Army the country deserves. You see it in the faces of these young cadets today. I will do everything in my power to maintain that spirit, and to maintain the edge that the United States Army has today. The republic will be well-served by this Army.

Let me tell you a little about what I hope to do here at West Point. You represent the continuity we need. Adapting to change, retaining the principles, continuity, tradition. Of all the things you need to talk to a guy like me about, it's not tradition. I've got it. I understand what you represent.

I am going to fight hard to preserve the enrollment. Last year we got pressure from the Hill on that. We'll work [on] that issue.

I'll fight hard to retain the faculty mix up here. I think it's about right. I don't think we need to launch off into other methodologies. I think we've got it right, and we're

going to hold the course.

I do need your help on another issue. There are some members of Congress who are trying to eliminate Regular commissions for newly-commissioned officers. I think that's a mistake. I believe that graduates of the service academies—United States Military Academy, the Naval Academy, Air Force Academy—and distinguished military graduates should be given Regular Army commissions. I believe they deserve Regular Army commissions. There are members of Congress who believe they should compete after coming on active duty. I don't believe that is necessary. Those of you inclined to work that issue—we need your support because we may lose it, and I think it would have a long-term serious impact. I was a Reserve officer and did compete, but I don't believe it's necessary to do that.

My vision of the Army is. . . a strategic force capable of decisive victory.

To sum up, what I tell the rest of the Army out there is this:

My vision of the Army is that of a *total force, trained and ready* to fight . . . *servicing the nation* at home and abroad; a *strategic force* capable of *decisive victory*. Decisive victory means I'm coming after you, and I'm going to win quickly. This is not . . . attrition warfare. This is a small Army, trained, tough, ready, equipped with great equipment, and I'm coming after you, and I'm not going to let up.

I also tell the Army, in order to help break the mold and keep the Army's effectiveness at its current high level, work your lane. I will worry about my responsibilities; what I need you to do is train your soldiers, take care of their families, study hard, get the spirit. I'll worry about the trend lines, you get the spirit in your heart.

You know, as I visit units, some people who travel with me ask why soldiers are sounding off with "Hooo-Ah," "Manchus," "Rakkasans," "Hit the Leather and Ride," and all that stuff. You and I know why that is. They love it, and I love it, and you love it, too. You represent the finest traditions in the United States Army and this country. You ought to feel good about your Army, and I intend to keep you feeling that way.

Thanks a lot. Thanks for your time. Have a great homecoming, and let's have a great year.

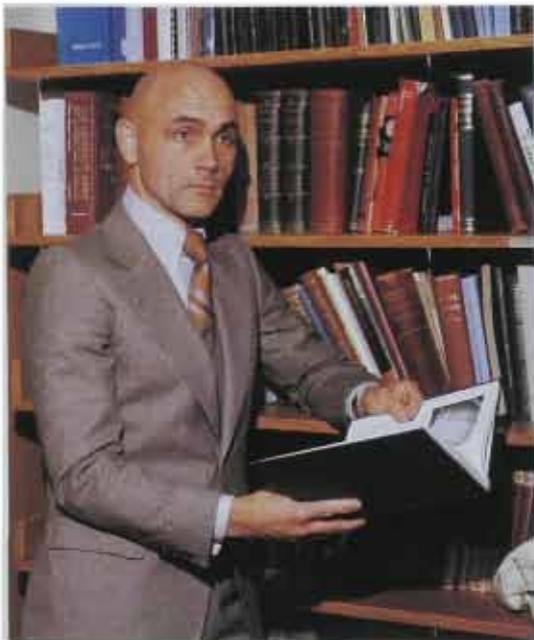
“No Higher Honor. . .”

by Colonel Harry V. Dutchyshyn, (Ret.) USMA '52 and
Lieutenant Colonel Julian M. Olejniczak, (Ret.) USMA '61

When Thoralf Mauritz Sundt, Jr. '52 had completed his medical training at the University of Tennessee-Memphis and a visiting residency in Neurosurgery-Neurology at the Mayo Clinic, he looked back on his military experience and stated in 1964, “No higher honor is available in this country than that of being a USMA graduate.”

from the Society of Neurological Surgery in 1991. Dr. Sundt also has published over 260 journal articles in the field of neurosurgery, alone and as co-author with dozens of prominent surgeons and researchers. His 1978 article, with Dr. Whisnant, in the *New England Journal of Medicine* is considered a classic in the field of open intracranial surgery on aneurysms. Ac-

built forts for the U.S. Army in the Southwest. But the large family did have some medical tradition: Dr. Sundt's maternal grandfather and another uncle were both physicians. Nonetheless, young Thor, Jr. worked with his brothers on construction during his youth and sought an appointment to West Point. After graduating from Tucson High School in Arizona, he at-



Thoralf Mauritz Sundt, Jr., M.D.



Dr. Sundt, Mrs. Reagan and President Reagan.

Dr. Sundt had come a long way from graduation on 3 June 1952. He had served in the Korean War with the 32nd Regimental Combat Team of the 7th Infantry Division as an engineer platoon leader and a company commander. During the battle for Pork Chop Hill, Dr. Sundt's platoon was the last unit to leave the battlefield. He received the Bronze Star for valor and another for meritorious service. But peacetime service became uneventful, and, refused a leave of absence to attend medical school, First Lieutenant Sundt resigned in 1955 to pursue medical studies.

These studies would lead to the chairmanship of the Department of Neurosurgery at the Mayo Clinic in 1980, the vice-chairmanship of the American Board of Neurological Surgery from 1989-90; editorship of the *Journal of Neurosurgery* in 1989; membership in the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences in 1991; and the Grass Prize and Medal

according to Patrick J. Kelly, M.D., Dr. Sundt's results involving 310 patients and a mortality rate of 5% (1.6% in a group with normal neurologic function) set the standard for aneurysm surgery.

Early influences on Dr. Sundt favored a career in the military or in construction. His father, Thoralf Sr., enlisted and fought in France during World War I. Two of his uncles, Daniel M. Sundt '29 and Harold S. Sundt '32, graduated from West Point and eventually retired after successful careers in the Artillery. Dr. Sundt's father was an architect and another uncle started a construction company in Arizona. Shortly after Dr. Sundt's birth his family moved, during the depths of the Great Depression, to join the construction company, M.M. Sundt, Inc. In the best construction traditions of the family, the company helped build Los Alamos during World War II. During the Indian Wars, grandfather Sundt, earlier a ship's carpenter, had

tended the Marion Military Institute in 1948 and received an appointment from Arizona Senator Ernest W. McFarland. [On 25-26 October 1991, Marion Military Institute honored Dr. Sundt as 1992 Alumnus of the Year.] Dr. Sundt referred to the West Point entrance examination as “the hardest examination I ever had to pass.” But pass it he did, and he went on to excel in academics, graduating 84th in a class of 527. He also lettered in wrestling and participated in a number of other activities. Prophetically, his 1952 *Howitzer* write-up stated, “The men on the wrestling team knew him as a great fighter, the Academic Department knew him as a great tenth getter, and the Engineer Corps will know him as a fine officer.”

As anyone who watched Dr. Sundt on the “60 Minutes” episode in September 1991 knows, he is truly a fighter: on behalf of his patients and more recently against the painful ravages of multiple myeloma



'52 classmates and Oldest Graduate at Homecoming 1991: (L-R) Harrison, Sundt, Youree, Dutchshyn, MG Saltzman '25 and Mullane.

attacking him personally. In spite of the constant risk of bone fractures from simple movement, Dr. Sundt performs delicate and demanding surgery three days each week, maintains supervision over his department and travels extensively to speak about his activities. In October 1991 he returned to West Point for Homecoming and sat in the stands with his classmates. He remarked as he was about to depart, "While I was at West Point, I felt no pain."

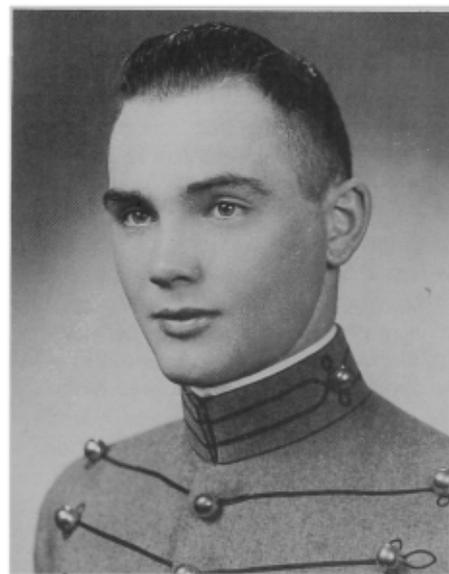
According to Dr. Kelly, "his loyalty to his colleagues and friends is admirable and his personal courage in his battle against multiple myeloma has been an inspiration to all of his colleagues."

Recognized for his contributions to cerebrovascular surgery, his creativity and his leadership by being named to receive the Distinguished Mayo Clinician Award in 1990, Dr. Sundt was also lauded for his keen devotion to patient care. As one of the pioneers in the use of surgical microscopes in neurosurgery and an inventor of numerous surgical devices to reduce the danger of handling fragile blood vessels and removing aneurysms, Dr. Sundt downplays the mystique of the neurosurgeon. His description of his surgery is deceptively simple: "I repair and clean blood vessels. The vessels that can't be cleaned are bypassed." One of the recipients of Dr. Sundt's cleaning and repairing services was ex-President Ronald Reagan. In Sep-

tember 1989 Dr. Sundt performed surgery to relieve the pressure from a buildup of blood above his famous patient's brain after the ex-president was thrown from a horse.

Dr. Sundt, a pre-eminent neurosurgeon, has performed over 3,000 complex neurosurgical procedures. He was named the 1988 Outstanding Alumnus of the University of Tennessee-Memphis College of Medicine and selected as the 1989 Donaghy Lecturer for the Cerebrovascular Section Symposium at the American Association of Neuro Surgeons' Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. He was recognized as a Teacher of the Year by the Mayo Fellow's Association in 1986 and as the Honorary President of the International Workshop on Intracranial Aneurysms in Atami, Japan in 1989. But to the man fondly referred to as "Dad" by his residents, his greatest accomplishment is the nurturing and developing of the young neurosurgeons committed to his care. It is not uncommon to see Dr. Sundt serving as first assistant to a young resident repairing his or her first aneurysm.

Dr. Sundt met Lois Baker while he was a cadet, and they were married after graduation in 1952. They have three children: Thor Sundt III, who is completing training as a cardiac surgeon; John Howard, an attorney; and Laura, vice-president and comptroller of American Southwest Mortgage Company.



His *Howitzer* write-up continues, "What he did gain here was the lasting friendship of everyone he met." Almost forty years later a medical colleague, Dr. Philip W. Tally, was to echo these same sentiments: "Among his colleagues he is highly respected and admired as a skilled neurosurgeon and gentleman. Among those he has trained, he enjoys the deepest loyalty and esteem."

During his television interview, Dr. Sundt credited his years at West Point as having the most significant influence on his later life and his exemplary career.

Colonel Trevor N. Dupuy '38 Author, Military Analyst and Historian

By Colonel James E. Mrazek (Ret.), USMA 1938

Besides being a student of military battles and campaigns, a military historian and analyst is required to observe and evaluate fast-moving events worldwide. Increased population, scientific developments, improved communications and transportation all contribute to an ever-changing environment. Only a few individuals are truly qualified to interpret international crises as they develop. Colonel Trevor N. Dupuy, West Point Class of 1938, is one of them.

With war breaking out in the Persian Gulf, the media, members of the Departments of State and Defense, diplomats and other foreign officials sought his viewpoint and advice. He appeared on more than 30 television and radio stations, including Cable News Network, the "Today Show" and C-Span and was interviewed on Mutual Network's "Larry King Show."

The media sought him because he is considered one of the leading military historians in the world today. He is the author or co-author of over 100 books of military analysis and history (including multi-volume sets) and numerous articles in leading military journals in many countries. The Pentagon contains 60 volumes of his works.

Colonel Dupuy had just published *How to Defeat Saddam Hussein* when events in the Persian Gulf started heating up. The book was prescient with respect to some military issues. For example, it outlined as an option a sweeping envelopment of Iraqi forces similar to that used later by General H. Norman Schwarzkopf. The *Washington Times* commented in tribute, "Colonel Trevor Dupuy reinforces his position as the dean of American military analysts."

At a seminar at the Pentagon on 23 July this year, General Russell E. Dougherty, the former commander of the Strategic Air Command, said while referring to the book, "Trevor was the only one who foresaw how the war would go and laid it all out for everyone to see."

Many will recall that in several of these interviews he said that the Iraqi war would be as brief as 30 days and not longer than

42 days long. Remarkably, it lasted 42 days, plus a few hours. On several other occasions he predicted it would end by 1 March 1991. It ended one day earlier.

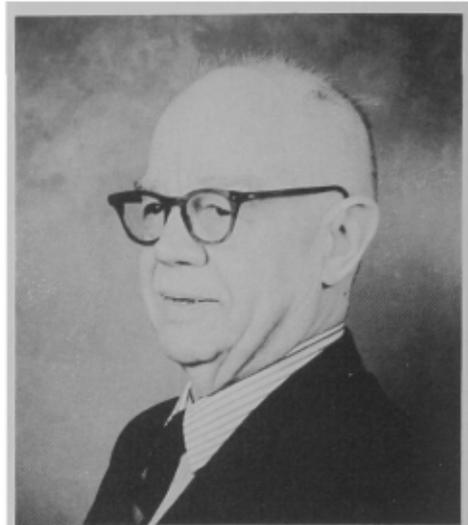
In December 1990 and January 1991, when some military analysts were saying our casualties would be as many as 30,000 dead, Colonel Dupuy estimated maximum casualties at 2,000 dead and 8,000 wounded, but he also said the total would more likely be less than 5,000. Later, making some further calculations, he concluded there could be 1,800 casualties, of which about 400 would be killed. These estimates were far below those of any other analyst, to the best of knowledge of this writer and of Colonel Dupuy.

Actual casualties totaled 606, of which 148 were killed and 458 wounded. Surprise by one side can reduce its casualties, while the other side's likely would soar. As Colonel Dupuy says, "It would have been irresponsible for me to have predicted surprise. And when we realize surprise can reduce casualties by a factor of three, and apply it to 1,800, the result is about 600 casualties, which is very close to the number that actually occurred."

For what will the war against Iraq be remembered? Colonel Dupuy says, "The war will be remembered for its brilliant operations and as a classic in the annals of war." And about General Schwarzkopf, "He was obviously a competent commander. One victory does not a genius make. He may be a genius, but we may never know." As for President Bush, "He did a splendid job, except he ended the war two days too soon."

Asked what were the greatest lessons learned from that war, Colonel Dupuy says, "The victory was due to the following components in order of priority:

1. First and foremost—air-power superiority
2. Relative combat effectiveness—high quality against low quality
3. Leadership and planning—in summary, professionalism
4. Logistical virtuosity—it was incredible
5. Technological superiority, particularly firepower and electronics
6. Intelligence competence—obviously, ours was superb, as was our denial of intelligence to the enemy. Iraq's only source of intelligence was America's TV station CNN."



Colonel Trevor N. Dupuy

His accomplishments beyond his activities during the Gulf War are perhaps even more impressive. First are his many lectures. He has lectured prolifically over the years on many subjects. He has, for example, lectured at the National War College and at many other colleges and universities, as well as at top military institutions abroad. He manages his own publishing firm, coordinating an experienced staff plus facilities to observe, research, and evaluate important world events. His frequent travels throughout the world provide valuable contacts with historians, politicians, military leaders and others, as well as first-hand observations of the ever-changing locale.

His most impressive and enduring achievements are, of course, his many books on military subjects. He considers his *Attrition, Forecasting Battle Casualties and Equipment Losses in Modern War*, a practical work that summarizes historical experiences as a basis for developing methodology for forecasting attrition. Former Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, General Andrew J. Goodpaster, cited the book as "... a contribution of outstanding value."

His *A Genius for War* attributes the remarkable performance of the German Army in World War II to the development and implementation of a unique, creative General Staff system which, by its very design and professionalism, institutionalized excellence. The *Washington Post* observed that the book is "an invaluable ap-

About the author: Colonel James E. Mrazek (Ret.) is a 1938 graduate of USMA. He has written only seven books, including *The Art of Winning Wars*, *The Glider War* and *The Fall of Eben Emael*.

proach to comprehending German military power.”

Dr. John A. Lynn, professor of history at the University of Illinois and chairman of the Midwest Consortium of Military History, considers the prestigious 1,524-page *Encyclopedia of Military History* the standard reference work in military history. Colonel Dupuy co-authored the encyclopedia with his father, Colonel R. Ernest Dupuy.

The son comes by his interest in history and particularly in military history through his father, who was also a career Army officer and eminent military historian and was assigned to the public relations office at the Academy in 1938. Graduates may remember his father's lectures during their cadet years.

During World War II, Colonel Trevor Dupuy commanded an American artillery battalion in Burma, a Chinese artillery group, and the division artillery of the British 36th Division. He retired in August 1958 after tours on the General Staff in Washington and SHAPE, in Paris among other assignments. A long-time friend considers him reflective, reserved, single-minded, an independent thinker who is especially appreciative of the political aspects of military power.

Reviewing his accomplishments, it is obvious he possesses unique energy, concentration and persistence over his writing lifetime.

His books and lectures pull together operations, theories, organizations and related aspects of military affairs. He is the creator and leading advocate of quantitative military historical analysis, in which the relevant lessons of previous combat are brought to bear on current military problems. His *Numbers, Prediction, and War*, which he considers theoretical, is a detailed examination of quantitative factors that bear heavily on the direction and resolution of a conflict.

When asked, “Who is the foremost military leader this nation has produced,” Colonel Dupuy responded, “General Washington. He was a brilliant strategist and a competent tactician.”

“And, who is second?” Without hesitation, he responded, “General Grant.”

As to what kind of forces we should field to secure our future, he says, “This will always change as technology changes. The fundamental principles will endure. Doctrine will have to be changed to fit new technology. I cover this in *The Evolution of Weapons and Warfare*.

“My personal feeling is that if I have done anything worthwhile, it is in military theory and the relationship of the ele-

ments of historical experience to theory, as exemplified in my book, *Understanding War*.”

Colonel Paul Davis, a classmate, says, “Colonel Dupuy is an excellent example of the military scholar, author and lecturer. Combat in the Far East gave him practical experience, to temper his essentially theo-

retical orientation, and so insure that his many writings are of great value to both the military leader and the civilian reader who specializes in military history. He has kept in close contact with senior officers of many countries, and this has also helped infuse his writing with practical perspective.”

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Seeing Double: Twins at West Point

by Linda G. Berman, Editor, ASSEMBLY

According to *Twins* magazine, twins are born approximately once in every 80 births in the United States; at present, there are about 2.4 million pairs. Approximately one-third of these twins are identical (occurring at a rate of once in 250 births), one-third are boy-girl pairs, and one-third are same-sex fraternal. It's no wonder, then, that the United States Military Academy has seen its share of twins. Following are highlights of identical and fraternal twins who graduated from West Point, and their experiences with fellow cadets, instructors and the media while at the Academy.

Edward Elliot Rager and his twin brother Elmer Earl joined the USMA Class of 1939, Elmer having received an Army competitive appointment and Edward a Congressional appointment. They entered West Point on 1 July 1935, Elmer being assigned to F-Company and Edward to G-Company, both located on the same quadrangle. They graduated only seven files apart on 12 June 1939.

Hometown newspapers reported that a set of twins were attending the Military Academy, but, due to inaccurate reporting, the Ragers' heights were given as each being 6' 6" tall. The twins—who only stood 5' 6"—were very surprised at the resulting headline on the feature article: "West Point Gets Tall Timber!"



Elmer E. Rager and Edward E. Rager '39.

Elmer died on 28 February 1940 and is survived by his brother Edward, who retired from the Army as a colonel in 1961 and now lives with his wife Lorene Adine (Bunnie) in Santa Cruz, CA.

Richard Mansur Cowherd and his fraternal twin brother Robert Mitchell had set their sights on attending USMA ever since their youth—their father had been a

World War I Army veteran. After both attended Sullivan's Preparatory School in Washington, DC, Richard received a Presidential appointment and Robert a Congressional appointment. Both entered the USMA Class of 1944. Because they were fraternal twins, they looked no more alike



Richard Mansur Cowherd (above left) and Robert Mitchell Cowherd '44.

than any set of brothers and were assigned to different companies based on their differing heights. Richard was assigned to G-Company (located in Central Area) and Robert to I-Company (Old North Area). Both brothers joined the Plebe Polo Team but soon gave up the sport to concentrate on academics. Richard agreed to be an academic coach for fellow classmate Jim O'Connor, but when he applied for "late light" privileges, the tactical officer confused the Cowherds and thought that Robert, who was not as proficient in the subject, was asking for coaching privileges. His comment: "Now the blind are leading the blind!"

Another instance of mixed identities came with cadet accounts. Both Cowherds shared the same initials—R.M.C.—and Richard always had plenty of money while Robert was always scrambling to pay his mess and laundry bills from a mysteriously-

depleted account. . . .

Richard died in 1945 during World War II and is survived by his twin brother Robert—who, coincidentally, has twin grandchildren—!

The Moll twins, Kenneth and Kendall, were both members of the Class of 1950—but at different academies. They had grown up in Oakdale, CA, and wrote that ". . . only a chipped tooth distinguished us apart—it was hopeless by voice or reaction. We preferred independence yet it didn't work too well. High school teachers threw up their hands; Kendall refused to deliver Kenneth a textbook because 'I won't be seeing him.' When one went unannounced somewhere, he'd often find the other there!"

"Kenneth applied to the Naval Academy Prep School; typically, the Navy summoned Kendall by mistake. Meanwhile Kenneth won a Congressional appointment to West Point. "CAMID" amphibious training brought the two academies together at Virginia Beach. While in civies, mistaken identities were legion. At a beachside bistro one cadet saw us approach together in khakis; experiencing a



During an exchange visit to Annapolis in 1948, Cadet Kenneth Moll (USMA '50, left) switches uniforms with his twin, Midshipman Kendall Moll (USNA '50).

sudden double-vision attack, he fell backward off his barstool! When people waggishly suggested switching dates, we'd answer, 'Forget it, I've got enough trouble with her already!'

"Kenneth, a USAF fighter pilot, now runs a small Virginia think tank. Kendall pursued operations research and is now a professor of business management at San Francisco State. We visit frequently but, unlike some twins, feel no compulsion to phone daily—we have a good idea what the other is going to say already!"

William A. Roosma and Garret G. Roosma followed in the footsteps of their father, John S. Roosma '26, when they entered the USMA Class of 1958. Garret writes: "Will and I entered the Academy in July 1954 and were in different companies



Garret Roosma (L) and William Roosma on Graduation Day 1958.



Garret Roosma (L) and William Roosma, July 1990.

during Beast Barracks; however, when we moved to our regular companies we were both assigned to Company H-2 in the 'lost fifties.' One day during plebe year, as we walked to plebe gym class, Will asked me if I had a clean gym shirt. Since I thought I had a clean one in my locker, I gave him the one in my hand. Needless to say, when I opened my locker I did not have a clean shirt there. Yes, I received three demerits.

This was not so bad, but the quill put me over the limit, and I walked the area for the first and only time as a cadet.

"As plebes we were all required to audition for the Cadet Chapel Choir. Mr. Fredrick Mayer was then the Choir Master, as he had been when my father was a cadet and sang in the choir. I made the choir list, but my twin brother did not. When my father asked Mr. Mayer why Will did not make the choir, he remarked, 'Oh, there were two of them?' Will was put on the list immediately."

"Will and I were the second set of twins to graduate in the same class. We were, however, the first to be in the same company. Previously, other twins were in different regiments—of course, it helped that we were the same height. In those days one was placed in a company according to height.

"After graduation Will went into the Infantry and served 33 years, retiring on 31 August 1991 as a major general. I went into the Artillery and Aviation (before it was a separate branch). I resigned after six and a half years but served in the Army Reserves, retiring as a colonel two years ago.

Garret Roosma sums up: "Being a twin has been a lot of fun and, yes, many of our classmates still mix us up even though Will and I are fraternal twins."

The Wantucks were another set of twins whose appearance created confusion wherever they went. Donald and Thomas had both received football scholarships to several schools in Florida but decided to attend a service academy. The Naval Academy turned them down because of their 20/200 vision, but luckily they received a Congressional and Senatorial appointment to join the West Point Class of 1968. They were assigned to different companies—one located in Central Area and the other in East Area—but saw each other at Catholic Choir, Glee Club and while playing football (plebe year and then three years on the B-Squad).

As new cadets, they were constantly being accused by upperclassmen of being "out of area" and being threatened with honor violations for the offense. To even the score, they played tricks on incoming plebes as upperclassmen themselves: Cadet (Donald) Wantuck would say, "If you beat me to the other room, I'll let you go." The unassuming plebe would rush to the next room where, lo and behold, Cadet (Thomas) Wantuck was waiting for him with a flippant "What took you so long? This time I'll give you a headstart!"



Thomas A. Wantuck (above left) and Donald F. Wantuck '68.

The Wantuck twins caught the attention of the media and appeared with the Glee Club on television six times, including the opening of Madison Square Garden, the Hollywood Bowl, and twice on the Ed Sullivan Show (at the debut of the Fifth Dimension and with Nancy Sinatra).

Thomas left the Army in 1975 and now works in computer sales, while twin Donald is a lieutenant colonel and deputy commander of Readiness Group, Atlanta.

Stephen Bracey, having received a Congressional appointment to USMA, and twin brother Hugh, qualifying as an alternate, both entered West Point in the Class

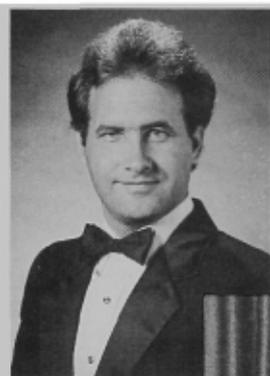
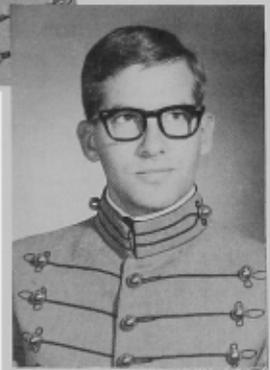
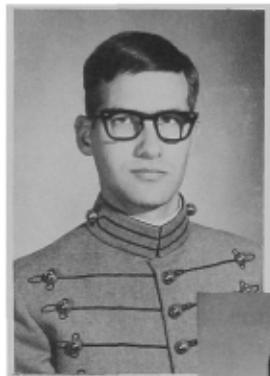


Stephen Bracey (above left) and Hugh Bracey '71.

of 1971. They were assigned to different companies: Stephen to A-4 and Hugh to B-3. Both were competitive swimmers as plebes but needed to focus on academics the next three years.

Plebe year, both Stephen and Hugh were taking Geography in Washington Hall but were assigned different sections (Stephen with the 4th Regiment and Hugh with the 3rd Regiment) on alternating days. An instructor, seeing what appeared to be the same "Cadet Bracey" on both days, thought that Stephen was looking at a quiz one day and then taking it for credit the next. When accused of cheating, Stephen explained, "Oh, you must mean my twin brother." The instructor never quite believed there were two of them and kept double-checking to make sure.

After graduation, the Bracey brothers entered different branches—Stephen Field Artillery and Hugh Infantry—and both retired from the Army after 20 years of service in 1991.



Daniel Jacobovitz (above left) and Donald Jacobovitz '77—then...and now.

The Class of 1977 had perhaps the most sets of twins—four, including the Myers, Jacobovitzes, Fullers and Prices. On R-Day the Jacobovitz brothers, Daniel D. and Donald D., checked in separately and were assigned to the same cadet company. Donald reports, "We inprocessed separately and had our checklists initialed off as we went from station to station. During the inprocessing, I missed some of the required stops because I was told when I arrived at them that I had already completed them but had forgotten to get my card initialed. So someone marked me off again, and I was sent to the next stop. I

never did learn all the close order drill the new cadets received. Eventually I ended up in my room, and I met my first two roommates. While I was unpacking, my brother came into the room. This was the first time we had seen each other all day. We thought it was great that we would be roommates. Then we realized there were now four of us in a room with only three beds. There was something wrong here. So we called an upperclassman to solve our problem. It was then discovered that we should have been assigned to different companies. I was quickly whisked away to my correct company after having memorized my brother's company chain of command and motto ('Ready Rough, Double Tough'—although I don't remember *my* company's motto). I was then at an immediate disadvantage as I was already conditioned to respond with the wrong company motto and chain of command, and I had not completed all the required in-processing. On this first day, I was repeat-

edly hazed for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. And I was only following orders! Somehow, though, I successfully made it through R-Day and the rest of Beast Barracks."

As upperclassmen, the Jacobovitz twins confused incoming plebes during Beast Barracks. Donald was the First Sergeant of a new cadet company while Daniel was on battalion staff. According to Donald, "I assigned a new cadet to call minutes in the battalion staff area, and it happened that the the post was outside my brother's door. I went over to meet my brother and to see how one of my new cadets was performing

the minute-calling duties. As I was walking down the hall to my brother's room, I noticed the new cadet facing away from me and answering the questions my brother was asking, testing this new cadet's plebe knowledge. Just as I approached them, I heard my brother ask, 'Do you know who I am?' The new cadet, ever eager to please, quickly popped off, 'Sir, you are Cadet Jacobovitz, the First Sergeant for 7th New Cadet Company!' At that, I asked the new cadet to turn around, then asked, 'Then who am I?' Her mouth fell agape, she didn't know what to say, and needless to say, she was unable to call any more minutes that day."

Donald continues: "My brother and I both studied Russian when we were cadets. During my first semester of plebe year it just so happened that we followed each other in one Russian class after another. In fact, we were assigned to the same seat in class. On our first day of class, my brother was in the first period and I followed right after him in the next period. I sat down in the seat Daniel had just vacated. When the instructor came in to start the next class, he asked me why I was still there. I told him I liked his class so much that I wanted to sit through it again.

"One advantage of having a twin at West Point is that you make twice as many friends and acquaintances. Often I would come across people who knew me, or at least thought they did—they actually knew my brother. I quickly learned to pretend to know them, or they would wonder why I was so cold to them that day. This could also be useful if you *didn't* want to talk to someone. You could just pretend you were your brother!"

The Jacobovitzes shared more than just their twinship at the Academy—they also had the same roommate. Donald roomed with Jim Morris on and off for over three years, and Daniel roomed with him during Beast Barracks detail as a First Classman.

Another set of twins in the Class of 1977 were Allen and David ("Van") Brunt Price. Their grandfather, Major General Van Brunt, had graduated in the Class of 1925, and their father, Colonel Price, in the Class of 1950, so it was only natural they entered the Academy in July 1973. Allen was assigned to G-1 and G-2 and Van to F-1 and A-1. Upon graduation, Allen chose Field Artillery, and Van selected Infantry.

Van writes: "As plebes, we memorized each other's chain of command so we could visit. If upperclassmen questioned us, we knew the answers. Many times we would purposely go into a room with one uniform on and our twin would walk out in a different uniform when we knew an up-



Van Price(L) and Allen Price '77 at Thanksgiving 1989.

perclassman was watching. As seniors, if one of us saw a plebe out of uniform, he would send the poor plebe to the brother's room for counseling. The brother would ask the plebe why it took so long for him to get there and would send him to another room. Of course this other room belonged to the original brother who had made the correction. The original brother would have his feet up on the desk and would ask why the plebe was so slow. The plebe couldn't figure out how he was last to arrive."

At present both brothers are still in the Army. Allen just completed three years teaching at West Point and is now stationed at Fort Sill. Van has just returned from Saudi Arabia after serving as an Army lawyer during Desert Storm. Van reports, "I was the Chief of Justice for XVIII Airborne Corps after spending over two years with the 82d Airborne Division. Allen spent his first four years with these airborne units, and I met many people he served with who thought I was Allen. I am at Charlottesville, Virginia now, attending the JAG school for Army lawyers, and, after 14 years of service, we have yet to be stationed together."

Tara and Tracy Miller, who both received Congressional appointments to join the USMA Class of 1987, were the first identical twin sisters to attend West Point. They were the focus of much media attention, including appearances on "Good Morning, America" and many news articles. According to the *Stamford Advocate*, unlike students at conventional colleges who could express their individuality by wearing unusual clothes, the Millers, besides having the same faces, had to wear the same clothes, and, in their military uniforms, they were virtually indistinguishable.

Tracy reports that one day she was

stopped by an upperclassman, who thought she was using the wrong door to exit the Mess Hall (specific companies were supposed to leave out of certain exits) and yelled at her, "New Cadet Miller, stop spazzing around in my Mess Hall!" Since the only responses new cadets were allowed to make were "Yes, Sir," "No, Sir," "No excuse, Sir" and "Sir, I do not understand," she asked to make a statement: "Sir, I'm a twin." From then on, as she passed by this upperclassman, she was directed to respond, "Sir, I'm a twin—Miller #2—Sir!"



Tara (Miller) Feir (L) and Tracy (Miller) Richardson '87.

According to a 15 May 1987 article in *The New York Times*, professors could never tell the two apart. "I've known them since they were plebes, but I still can't tell the difference," said Brigadier General Roy R. Flint, who taught the twins in his course "The History of the Korean War and Vietnam." "Their name tags don't help, since they both read 'Miller.'"

While at the Academy, Tracy and Tara's academic records were remarkably similar—after seven semesters they were within one one-hundredth of a point of each other in their class standings. Tracy said, "When you put twins into such a highly competitive environment—particularly female twins in what is basically a male environment—the competition is definitely enhanced. I think we've both thrived on it."

After graduation, they went their separate ways for the first time in their lives: after a six-month Army intelligence program at Fort Huachuca, AK, Tara went to go to Fort Campbell, KY and Tracy to Fort Monmouth. Tracy said, "It's strange being apart, not only because we're identical twins but also because we're best friends. We've always been able to turn to each other...We both always knew that if one of us could do something, so could the other."

Tara married Philip Feir '85 on 7 October 1989 in the Catholic Chapel at West Point and is now stationed in Ludwigsburg, Germany as executive officer on B Company, 527th MI Battalion. Twin sister Tracy married Chris Richardson '84—co-



Gretchen Meier(L) and Michelle Meier, Class of 1995.

incidentally on 7 October 1990 in the Catholic Chapel!—and is the executive officer of HHSC, 513th MI Battalion at Ft. Monmouth, NJ.

The trend continues, with several sets of twins in the present Corps of Cadets: Christy (E-4) and Jennifer (G-1) Summers and Cheri (A-2) and Rachel (A-3) Johnson in the Class of 1994, and Gretchen (I-2) and Michelle (H-1) Meier and Darin (H-1) and Derek (H-3) Thomson in the Class of 1995. So if you think you are seeing double at West Point, it may not be your vision!

About the Author: Linda Berman and her identical twin sister, Ellen Acosta, are frequently mistaken for each other!

Admissions Service Award presented to “Hayden of Army”

by Major Bob Nelson, USMA Admissions Office

In El Paso he's known as “Mr. West Point.” To friends throughout the country he's “Buster.” To all who meet him just once, he is known forever as “Hayden of Army,” after his robust and singular greeting. Since 1976 he has been a key player in the Directorate of Admissions field force of candidate counselors. On 13 September 1991 Colonel (Retired) James

In his travels across the country, COL Rushton has been regularly struck by the unceasing effort of manifold selfless supporters of the Army and West Point. These dedicated people—graduates and friends, military and civilian—ensure that top young leaders from across the nation have the opportunity to take the oath at the close of R-Day and join the Long Gray

eighty years as admissions professionals.”

Having consulted the key players outside Admissions and established the criteria for the award, the really difficult work began. Each of the seven geographic admissions officers was tasked to do the painful—single out one of the many hardworking and effective members of their respective field forces as a nominee.



COL (R) Hayden in 1988 with two “constituents” (now graduates) in the Class of '91, Nadia L. King and Mark A. Gahman.

L. “Buster” Hayden '45 was named the initial recipient of the USMA Admissions' Distinguished Service Award for selfless contributions to West Point Admissions.

Service to West Point

Selflessness. It is a word LTG Graves, our new Superintendent, has used extensively since he arrived last July. Fittingly, it captures the spirit of the new award and the character of its initial recipient, COL Hayden. According to COL Pierce A. Rushton, Jr., Director of Admissions, the genesis of the award is found in the “dedicated service of many graduates, friends and supporters of the USMA admissions effort...a host of people who pitch in to work tirelessly with little personal reward for enrolling every new class at West Point.”

Line. He emphasized that “observation of dedicated service is where the idea dawned...we ought to single out someone each year for truly distinguished service, service beyond that of the casual, which truly exemplifies selflessness.”

Establishing the Admissions' Distinguished Service Award

The USMA Admissions' Distinguished Service Award was established after consultation with both LTG Graves and the Executive Vice-President of the Association of Graduates, COL (Retired) Seth Hudgins. The next step was to develop the criteria (see box) for the new honor. For that COL Rushton turned to “our most seasoned, experienced admissions officers who, as a group, have spent more than

Award Criteria

- Service and example which best exemplify “Duty, Honor, Country.”
- Ten years of sustained effort and leadership in Admissions work.
- Leadership in organizing geographic region.
- Team building: recruiting and training of Admissions participants.
- Success in attracting and nurturing quality candidates through the Admissions process.
- Success in supporting cadets through graduation (and beyond).

The scope of this job was enormous. There are approximately 1700 members of the Admissions Field Force, many of whom were eligible for consideration. This included 400 active Reserve officers, 900 Admissions participants—volunteers—and 400 other liaison officers. Next, the selection committee was tasked to do the impossible—in COL Rushton's words, “to assess the credentials of the nominees and declare our Admission's Distinguished Service Award winner for 1991.”

Although COL Rushton would not single out one criteria in the selection process as having assumed a greater degree of importance relative to the others, he did note that “we looked for sustained effort and excellence in all accomplishments. Not only did you have to meet the criteria, but you had to have exhibited excellence in accomplishing the duties over a significant period of time.” In light of the talented, dedicated people nominated for the award, I asked COL Rushton if this had helped to bring one nominee to the fore. He laughed, “several!” What then put

COL Hayden over the top?

"Hayden of Army" Selected

According to COL Rushton, "intensity." "The intensity of his work is known widely, not only among those with a lot of Admissions experience who were making the selection, but among USMA superintendents, commandants and deans." COL Hayden's reputation was established by sustaining this intensity for over a decade of admissions work. COL Rushton notes that "he was probably not Mr. West Point in the early years. He built his territory. He nurtured the high schools in his area. He became familiar with the members of Congress and the nomination process. He encouraged parents to get organized." COL Hayden's success, what singled him out from so many deserving nominees, was based on hard work and caring.

COL Hayden was shocked to learn he had been selected for the USMA Admission's Distinguished Service Award at the presentation before a gathering of his colleagues in Grant Hall. In fact, he was speechless. Of course this was not the only evidence of his genuine surprise. More importantly, more tellingly about the character of the man, COL Hayden just does not think in terms of individual performance. The word "me" does not seem to be in his vocabulary. It has been replaced—long ago I suspect—with "we." In preparing this article I experienced some difficulty in finding a picture of a Southwest admissions event with him in the picture. I also had trouble enticing COL Hayden to speak about himself. However, it was not hard to get others to speak of COL Hayden.

Former Southwest Admissions Officer LTC Wayne Pembroke, '70, who went on to command two battalions and is currently a student at the Naval War College in Newport, RI, stated that he "had never met anyone who was more sincerely concerned for his constituency." Asked what he meant by "constituency," LTC Pembroke explained that COL Hayden regards as a constituent each young person he meets who is interested in the opportunities afforded by military service. As with

the entire USMA Admissions Field Force, COL Hayden is a representative of military service as a whole, in addition to primary focus on West Point.

The Long Gray Line is but one option open to COL Hayden's constituents. He understands that although not all young people have the "right stuff" to compete for a place in a West Point class, there is a place in the military where many will find they are able to contribute. LTC Pembroke emphasized that his former field force leader "is concerned with the possibilities of military service as a whole" and that COL Hayden "is a realist." He clearly recalls that, for every candidate guided directly from high school graduation to USMA, there were many others who were steered to an alternate route such as USMAPS, the Civil Prep Program, ROTC or the Army. Each of these aspiring leaders was affected by COL Hayden's commitment, intensity and enthusiasm, whether or not they came to West Point.

This type of caring, enthusiastic leadership is critical when dealing with youth. Just ask CPT (P) Heidi Brown, a 1981 graduate who is now the XO of 1st Regiment after having commanded a Hawk air defense battery in Germany and serving two years as a Tac. CPT Brown had been accepted at another service academy when COL Hayden stepped into her life. She soon switched to USMA, saying of her feelings at the time about COL Hayden "that if he represents what I am about to get into [USMA], then that's for me!" CPT Brown remembers that he was "straight forward, honest, tough. He told me West Point was not going to be a bed of roses, but that if I wanted it badly enough I could do it." She did.

CPT Brown is also an illustration of the long-term nature of COL Hayden's devotion to his constituents. She spoke of the support network among cadets from the El Paso area which he was instrumental in setting up and which exists to this day. "He kept in contact with me and my parents through four years of West Point." Nor did the interest and support end when hats were thrown in the air at Michie Stadium

and newly-commissioned second lieutenants roared off into the Army. CPT Brown is proud that "the individual who helped me get to West Point still tracks my career ten years later."

"Talk to Kids About This Option"

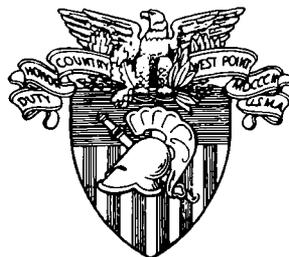
COL Hayden consistently emphasized one topic in our conversations: the need to get the message out to the top young leaders around the country about the unique opportunity that is West Point. His admonition to graduates and friends alike: "talk to youngsters about West Point — it is too important not to be involved."

Love of West Point

As COL Hayden speaks, the enthusiasm and commitment which have affected so many young lives are evident. COL Rushton feels that the well spring for this intensity may be found in COL Hayden's "exceptional love of West Point. Many of us express great admiration and love for our institution, but COL Hayden has been able to translate that into service for others. He has left an extraordinary legacy of young leaders committed to the ideals of Duty, Honor, Country."

Although COL Hayden was selected as the initial recipient of the USMA Admission's Distinguished Service Award, COL Rushton made a point of noting that "I think of COL Hayden as one example of our field force, who selflessly do so much more than is required." The reward for this service is apparent in the attitude of COL Hayden and hundreds of other field force members. COL Rushton concluded by hoping that "our field force will be encouraged by the success of a person like Buster Hayden, who has found enjoyment and satisfaction and has truly made a contribution to the future of West Point and the nation."

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A PART OF THE USMA ADMISSIONS EFFORT, PLEASE CALL THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE AT 1-800-822-USMA AND ASK FOR THE BRIEFING OFFICER OF THE DAY.



The Pipes and Drums of the United States Corps of Cadets

by Captain Kevin Donohue, Department of BS&L

In sharp contrast to the centuries-old traditions that they perpetuate, the Pipes and Drums of the United States Corps of Cadets is a relatively young organization. The current lineage of the band can be traced back to 1974, when a small group of cadet bagpipers and drummers joined together to play in the Mess Hall. Under the piping tutelage of John Gilbert '75 and leadership of Douglas MacGregor '76, this small group of cadets gained recognition as an official cadet club. In 1977 the cadets hosted their first "Tattoo," inviting a local pipe band to join them in a presentation of bagpipe music at Eisenhower Hall.

One of the most noteworthy accomplishments of this newly recognized group of cadets was simply obtaining the



civilian audiences, such as parades, dining-ins, class reunions, festivals and balls.

The band has had the opportunity to travel extensively. In 1985, 1987 and 1991, the band visited Scotland to train with pipe and drum units of the British Army, including the Army School of Piping at Edinburgh Castle. In 1988, the band accompanied the football team to Ireland, where it performed at the game and at the residence of the United States Ambassador to the Republic of Ireland. Every year, the band also participates in a performance with the Pipes and Drums of Canada's Royal Military College (RMC). As guests of the 69th Infantry Regiment, the band led the procession up Fifth Avenue in the 1989 Saint Patrick's Day Parade in New York City.



various uniforms and instruments needed to perform! These first uniforms were modified India White tunics and kilts made from the scarlet, black, and yellow "MacQueen" tartan (pattern). The various other accoutrements were borrowed from a combination of stock Highland patterns and Cadet uniforms. The drummers wore a feather bonnet with a red hackle plume, while the pipers wore a dark blue "Glengarry" wool cap; all their headgear bore the USMA crest from their cadet uniform caps.

Since those early years, the Pipes and Drums, USCC has continued to be a part of the sights, sounds and spirit of West Point. The Pipes and Drums are now a regular feature at the tailgates before and after Army football games. They also perform at a variety of community functions before both military and

In April of each year, the Pipes and Drums of the United States Corps of Cadets plan, organize and host the annual USMA Tattoo. Although the USMA Tattoo began as a relatively small and informal gathering, these events have grown larger and more ambitious every year. The year 1991 marked the 12th Annual USMA Tattoo, held at Trophy Point Amphitheatre and attended by 15 pipes and drums bands from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts. The Tattoo was opened with a performance by the Hellcats of the USMA Band and brought to a climactic conclusion by "massed bands," during which all participating bands took the field together for a final set. The 1992 Tattoo is scheduled to be held on 26 April.

There are a few key roles, unique to Pipes and Drums bands,



that are filled by our cadets. Since the majority of cadets who join the Pipes and Drums have no piping experience, they must develop their skills at regular practice sessions supervised by the band's most accomplished piper, or "pipe major." Cadets joining the drum section, while more likely to have had some prior drumming experience, will also have their talents developed by the "drum sergeant." Finally, the formation is trained and commanded by the "drum major," whose responsibilities could roughly be described as a cross between a band conductor and a drill sergeant.

The band has also recently added a small section of Highland Dancers. These male and female cadets, accompanied by the music of the pipe major, have added a new dimension to our performances with traditional dances such as the Highland Fling,



The group has also performed the difficult "Sword Dance;" on the eve of battle, Scottish Warriors performed this same dance to predict their fate on the battlefield. If their feet accidentally touched either sword during the dance, this was believed to be an omen of death in combat.

One of the most distinctive features of the Cadet Pipes and Drums has always been their traditional Highland attire. As the band thrived, it sought to identify itself as a distinct organization among the world's pipe bands. In 1983, the Superintendent of the United States Military Academy, Lieutenant General Willard Scott, commissioned a West Point Tartan, containing the Academy's black, grey and gold colors. This tartan design (a close variation of the Ancient Douglas clan tartan, in honor of GEN Douglas MacArthur) has been officially registered by the Lord Lyons as the official tartan of the U.S. Corps of Cadets. Members of the band first wore the distinctive kilts during the summer of 1985.

The Tartan is worn with a modified cadet Dress Grey or India White Tunic. These tunics, still instantly recognizable as distinct USMA uniforms, have been cut away to accommodate the kilt and

sporrans (a leather purse worn in the front). Class stripes and cadet rank have been removed from the dress grey tunic, as only band rank is worn on the right sleeve. Epaulets have been added to the dress grey uniform, so class crests and cadet rank are worn on the shoulders of both the dress grey and the India White tunics.

The uniform and equipment of the drum major is a story in itself. The drum major is the only member of the band who currently wears the tall feathered bonnet; the rest of the drummers have adapted a black Glengarry with the USMA crest. The drum major is also the only member to wear the cadet saber. One of the most noticeable components of his full dress is a "baldric," or ornamental leather crossbelt, which is black and trimmed with gold braid. The large USMA crest from the cadet "tarbucket" is



centered on the baldric, surrounded by emblazoned battle honors which commemorate the wars in which Academy graduates have served. The mace carried by the drum major is a staff with a uniquely engraved silver head depicting the USMA crest. The mace itself, an item worth several thousand dollars, was donated to the band at the 1990 Tattoo by the West Point Parents' Club of Port Chester, NY.

The band has maintained a strength of about 15-25 cadets over the past several years. Like other cadet organizations at USMA, turnover poses a significant challenge. Relatively few cadets joining the Pipes and Drums, USCC have had previous piping experience, and it takes many months of dedicated practice and instruction before a cadet plays his or her first tune with the band. Fortunately, several outstanding local pipe and drum instructors from local civilian bands have volunteered countless hours tutoring cadets in weekly practice sessions. Without this invaluable assistance, it is doubtful that the Pipes and Drums, USCC would be able to maintain the proficiency that it currently enjoys.

The band currently has two Commandant's representatives: Major Mark Murton of DMI and Captain Kevin Donohue of BS&L. Sean Morgan '92 is the band's drum major and CIC, while Scotty Graham '93 serves as its pipe major.



Profiles: Inside the AOG

The Association of Graduates' Directorate of Finance and Services provides administrative and financial support services for the programs and activities of the Association, classes, societies, USMA activities and alumni. It manages the Association's assets and maintains the addresses of more than 55,000 alumni, cadet parents and friends of West Point. The directorate processes all membership applications, inquiries from alumni and the public, and address changes. The Cul-lum files, containing biographical, genealogical and career assignment data of each graduate, are maintained as well as class files for each graduated class.

to-day operations which include all of the Association of Graduates' income and expenditures, including revenues from contributions and subscriptions to AOG publications, sales from the Gift Shop and all disbursements. She began her employment at the AOG in the Gift Shop in 1970, and in 1971 began working in the Finance Office. The department merged with Alumni Records and Services to become Finance and Services when Colonel Harrison took over the directorate in December 1987. Mrs. Kirwin oversees the assets of the AOG and keeps track of all security sales and purchases in the investment portfolio. These assets have grown from

Hall has worked in the Finance Department since October 1985 and handles all of these activities for the AOG's 41 employees, 35 of whom work full-time. She maintains files and handles all paperwork on such matters as raises and reviews, and generates payroll reports on disability and workmen's compensation. In addition to her payroll responsibilities, Mrs. Hall assists with the various day-to-day operations of the Department.

Carol Dulaney, employed in Finance since August 1987, handles accounts payable and receivable for the AOG, issuing an estimated 160 checks each month. She also issues purchase orders to Gift Shop



AOG's Finance & Services Directorate:
(L-R) Carol Dulaney,
Christine Yuengert,
Mickey Davis,
Ray McGhee,
Marge Kirwin,
COL Luddy Harrison,
Carol Hall,
Jean Melick,
Norma Doyle,
Tammy Flint
and Regina Allen.

The Directorate is divided into the Finance Department and the Services Department. Colonel Williams "Luddy" Harrison, Class of '52, heads the directorate and is assisted by two able and long-term employees of the Association. Marge Kirwin is the assistant director and heads the Finance Department. She has served the Association and its graduates since 1970 and resides in Highland Falls, NY. He daughter Peggy is employed in the Association's Development Directorate. Ray McGhee heads the Services Directorate and has been with the Association since 1964.

As assistant director of the Finance Department, Marge Kirwin oversees the day-

\$1.5 million in 1970 to approximately \$30 million currently. She also manages and administers the Association's Pension and Deferred Compensation Plans.

Jean Melick, who has worked in Finance since July 1979, manages the computer and fund accounting system for the Finance Department, keeping track of approximately 550 separate AOG gift funds and various investment vehicles. She allocates income to these funds quarterly and generates all financial reports. Until 1987, the posting, balancing and generation of financial statements was done manually.

The Finance Department also handles all personnel matters and records. Carol

vendors, disburses funds and handles bank deposits. She posts the daily receipts which consist of donations acquired through Development, revenues generated by subscriptions to *ASSEMBLY* and *REGISTER OF GRADUATES* and sales of gift shop memorabilia.

Ray McGhee heads up the Services Department. Since he began in September 1964, Mr. McGhee has seen "Mailing and Reproduction" evolve into "Services" and, in the process, has single-handedly moved these operations from the mechanical age into the computer age within the last several years. As database manager, Mr. McGhee generates labels and print-outs for

special class mailings; for Development's fund-raising campaigns; for the bi-monthly mailing of *ASSEMBLY* magazine and annual mailing of the *REGISTER OF GRADUATES*; for West Point Societies communications; and more. In addition, he handles outside requests for computer support from USMA activities, classes, societies, parents clubs and others. Mr. McGhee, who served in the Army from 1961-64, was recruited by the AOG in 1964 by Colonel Tom "Pop" Metz '37. His background in machine design, toolwork and printing all come in handy, as he also runs the in-house printing press for such projects as inserts, letterheads and special class mailings. Future plans include conversion to PC-based LAN.

The Services Department was formerly called the Directorate of Alumni Records and Services. Regina Allen, the department's supervisor, joined the AOG on a part-time basis in October 1990 and began her present full-time position in May 1991. She is in charge of all mass mailings performed for classes and other activities and the new desk-top publishing system acquired in October 1991, which will eventually have the in-house capability to produce layouts for newsletters and slides and graphics for presentations. She is also re-

sponsible for informing the Association and class officers after receiving death notifications through the Army and Air Force Mutual Aid Association, Memorial Affairs or reports from graduates. Further, she prepares letters to next-of-kin and arranges AOG representation at all funerals held at West Point. Mrs. Allen also keeps abreast of changes to the database relating to deceased graduates, new members and cadet parents.

Mary ("Mickey") Davis has worked in Services for the last 14 years. In that time, she, like Mr. McGhee, has seen this department's operations evolve from a manual process to a computerized database system. When she began in 1977, an addressograph was used to maintain the address list, and Cullum files (which include Vital Statistics sheets, news clippings, information on honors and awards and more) were all stored on paper. This outdated filing system, which originated in 1905, was time-consuming and required excessive storage space to handle the ever-increasing number of USMA graduates. In the last five years, Mrs. Davis has converted all files to microfiche, and she continually films and files information received from graduates and other sources. Photographs are also stored (slide-size to

save space) in the Cullum files.

Mrs. Davis is accompanied by Tammy Flint, who began in the AOG Gift Shop in January 1989 and joined Services in August 1990. She also updates address and subscription records and responds to all requests for information. The busiest time for Services is in the summer, due to the requirement to initiate records for the graduating class in June (approximately 900 new grads) and the arrival of new plebes in July (approximately 1200 new cadets). Both Mrs. Davis and Ms. Flint handle phone inquiries and written requests for information and provide a locator service for graduates.

Norma Doyle, who has worked part-time for the AOG since 1987, prepares *The 90-Year Book*, a special album presented to all graduates on their 90th birthday. This album contains a record of their career and pictures of West Point during their cadet days. Ms. Doyle also assists with the Thayer Award and with advertising for the *REGISTER OF GRADUATES*.

The Finance and Services Directorate of the AOG stands ready to serve the needs of its graduates and can be reached at (914) 938-4600. Call upon us to assist you. We enjoy hearing from you.

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Homecoming 1991 Alumni Exercises



Although Army lost to The Citadel in football by a score of 20-14, the USMA Classes of 1971, 1976, 1981 and 1986 all had a winner of a reunion, with over 1200 graduates returning for Homecoming Weekend, 10-13 October 1991. The oldest graduate present was Major General Charles E. Saltzman '25, who led the march across the Plain to Thayer Monument and participated in the wreath-laying ceremony. The warm sunny weather and autumnal colors were enjoyed by all.

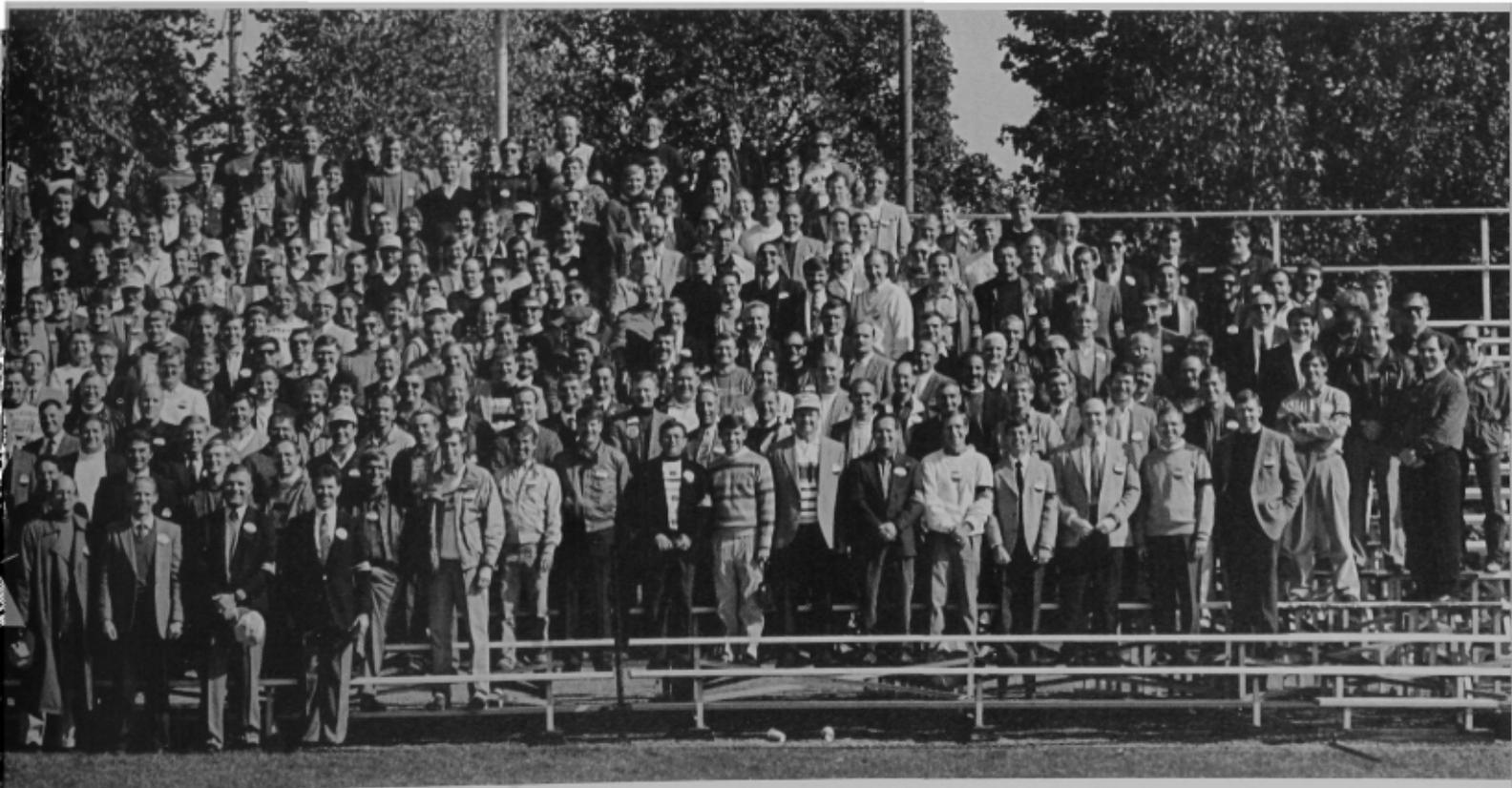


ASSEMBLY

1971 Homecoming

We came 815 strong, 380 of whom were beaming Professionally Done classmates descending on their spawning grounds to re-meet and reflect on those strong ties that have bound a special group of people for 20 years. The result of those incredibly short 96 hours in October was a rebirth for many, a re-kindling for others. Be the event golf, dinner, parade, dance or memorial, the consensus was the same: thanks for the memories, let's do it again soon - we are all special in this world, but the Class of 1971 stands out like a beacon in the night; stay close to it.





1976 Homecoming

A few quotes from the weekend say it all. "If you have more hair than the man in front of you, move up!" (McClure trying to form up the class for the Thayer ceremony). "Hey, how come '81 has their wives in formation?" (Irons at the Thayer ceremony). "Our class has always been irreverent, not a tear in the place." (Gamsby when "Benny Havens" was played). "I do not recall ever doing a double-hog back" (Dyson at the reunion dinner). "Go Hogs!" (H-4 at the parade). "I had to come to a reunion to find out who my neighbors were!" (Several of us throughout the weekend). "Grip hands, tho' it be from the shadows" (from Saturday's class Memorial Services).

And so it went, from Thursday night's cocktail party, to Friday's Class dinner of musical chairs to Saturday's tailgate that featured dull knives after an uphill death march, to the alumni dinner, to Sunday's spectacular boatripe and brunch. The camaraderie and spirit that is so special to '76 was evident everywhere on the faces of those who attended. Over 200 responded that they would be there at various times throughout the weekend. (But, where was Liepold?)

The Class thanks organizers Cuthbertson, Dalton, Jones, Mitchell, Mossbarger, Scott, Luken and McClure and looks forward to 1996, when we meet again not only to celebrate but to honor our Alma Mater with a Class gift. Hint: think about helping your Class fund between now and then so our 20th can be a truly special event.



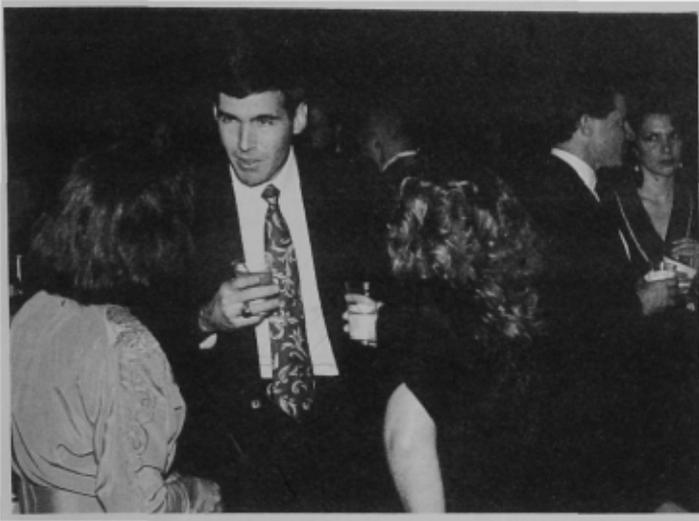


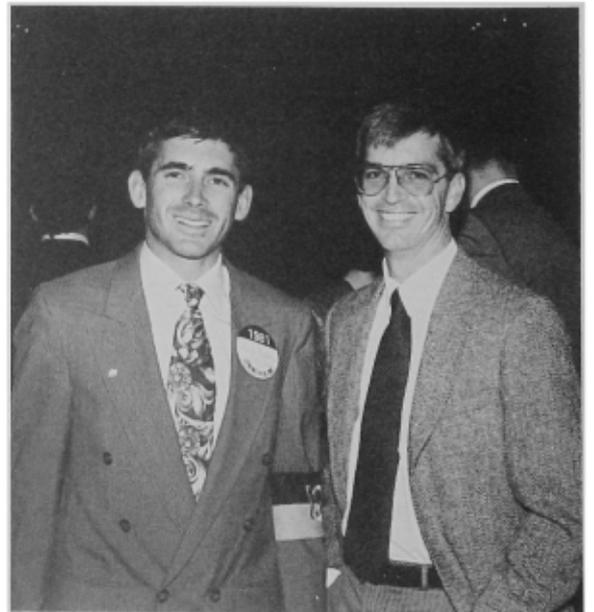
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1981 Homecoming

The Class of 1981 lived up to its motto of "Strength as One" when we came together to celebrate our tenth reunion. Fifty-four percent of the Class attended, and everyone attending enjoyed the activities that our tireless reunion committee, headed by Chris (Boyle) Yuengert, planned for us. Having General and Mrs. Andrew J. Goodpaster there with us made it all even more special. The Thursday night Ski Lodge party led to all-night laughter as we began to catch up on the past ten years and to remember our four years as cadets. The excitement grew as more and more classmates arrived at West Point on Friday. We took some very important time out to remember our classmates no longer with us at the Memorial Service at the Old Cadet Chapel. Then we had a fabulous time at the class dinner at the Holiday Inn in Suffern. Saturday's activities were all perfect—from the sold-out Prayer Breakfast at the O'Club to the march to Thayer monument and the beautifully moving ceremony there to honor all graduates, to the review on the Plain, to the tailgate party, to the football game (well, it would have been more perfect if Army had won. . .), to the alumni dinner in the mess hall and the company parties that lasted into the night. The memories of our four years are now rejuvenated, and the memories of our reunion will live forever, thanks to all who planned it and to all who participated in it.







1986

Homecoming

The '86 fifth reunion kicked off on Friday, 11 Oct with a beer and pizza party at the Train Station from 1830-2300 hrs. Saturday morning '86'ers found themselves once again standing on the Plain, practicing for yet another parade. Except this time, the first time since graduation, the parade was in our honor. Afterwards, we tailgated 150 strong at the Class of '42 Terrace by Ike Hall before witnessing our disappointing defeat by those Charleston cadets. Our last event was the alumni cocktail/dinner dance at Washington Hall. A large percentage of our Class stayed at the Ramada Inn in Nanuet, south of West Point. Sunday was left open for people to brunch at Hotel

Thayer, walk around the post, pack-up. . . until our next reunion in 1996.

Special thanks need to be given to Dave Lowe and Brian Samela, our reunion's co-chairmen. Brian reflected, "It's amazing how fast the weekend went by! Aside from the Army team losing, it was a fantastic event. I'm not sure of the final tally, but well over 100 of our classmates attended. I was surprised how many of them made the long haul (some from as far as Texas). I was also surprised, maybe even shocked, to see how many of us are no longer in the Army.

"What many of our classmates didn't know was how much work it took for everything to go as perfectly as it did.

Although I would like to take the credit for this, I have to admit that Dave Lowe was the man that brought this whole thing together. Dave worked hand-in-hand with the AOG and made all the coordination required to make our reunion the success that it was. Not only were all of the food and beer requirements and deliveries set-up by Dave, but he had to pay for all of it out of his own pocket until the Class funds could be accessed to reimburse him."

For the entire Class, those attending and not, we want to say thank you, Brian, and thank you especially, Dave, for the time and effort you put forth.

Do we have any volunteers for 1996?



ALMA MATER

Hail, Alma Mater dear,
To us be ever near,
Help us thy motto bear
Through all the years.
Let *Duty* be well performed,
Honor be e'er untarned.
Country be ever armed,
West Point, by thee.

Guide us, thy sons, aright,
Teach us by day, by night,
To keep thine honor bright,
For thee to fight.
When we depart from thee,
Serving on land or sea,
May we still loyal be,
West Point, to thee.

And when our work is done,
Our course on earth is run,
May it be said, "Well done;
Be thou at peace."
E'er may that line of gray
Increase from day to day,
Live, serve and die, we pray,
West Point, for thee.

Paul S. Reinecke, II





Fall Reunions

1946

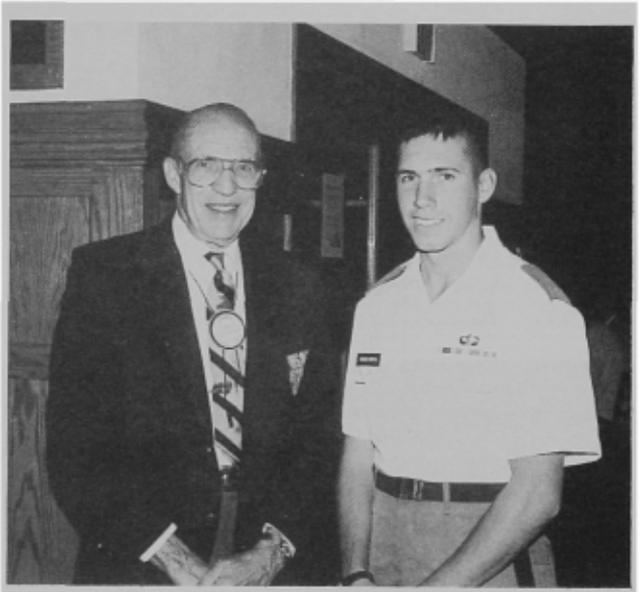
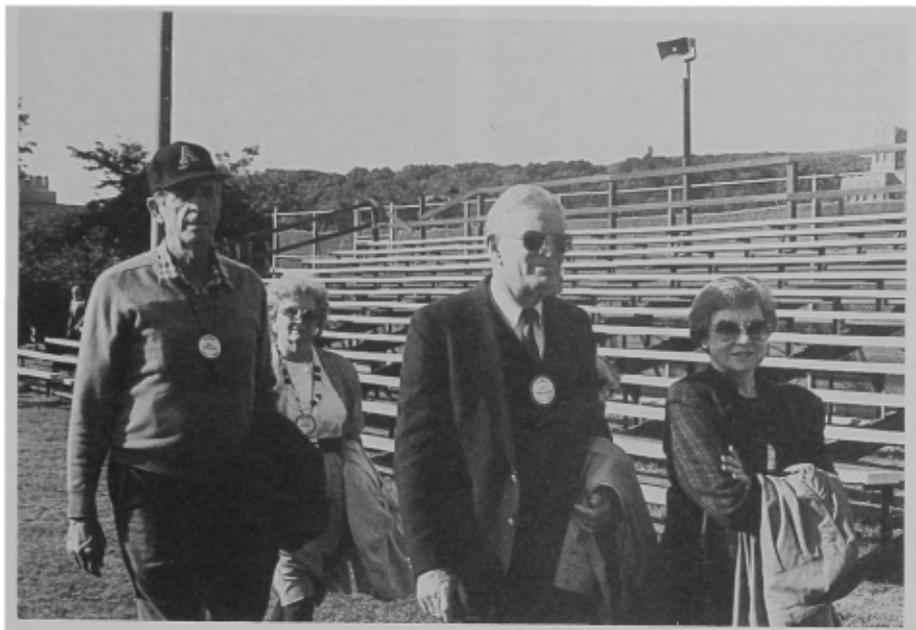
26-29 September

The 45th reunion came and passed too quickly! On Thursday, in great numbers, exceeding all previous gatherings, we arrived at The Seasons in lovely Sussex County, NJ. From that moment, we all tried to see and talk to so many at a pace meant for younger folks, but, true to form, we did it throughout the long weekend. One did sense, however, that we all turned in a little earlier than in past years.

Friday saw us start early for breakfast, followed by the Class meeting and then buses to West Point. No doubt, to many, what had been the scene of our 30th, Ladycliff College, came as a surprise, since it is now part of the Military Academy. So short the time there, with many trying to buy gifts, that I'm sure no one saw the Museum. But, at your leisure, it is worth a trip to see. Those who had lunch at the O'Club were treated to a very interesting talk by the new Supe, LTG Howard Graves '61. That evening we all gathered for dinner, more reminiscences and story telling.

Saturday we were up even earlier for breakfast and the buses to WP for a Class picture and a short Memorial Service. Remember how the photographer had to keep marching to the rear to get us all in the photo; could you find yourself later? As in the past, during the Alumni P-rade our lovely wives greeted us with a rousing cheer. Lunch in the very much changed Washington Hall was a real treat. It was a joy to be bused from the Plain to Michie, and we did see an Army win over Harvard. Again, that evening we all enjoyed a dinner with friends and classmates trying to get in a last-minute conversation. But Sunday came all too fast, with farewells and "See You in 1996!"







1956

19-22 September

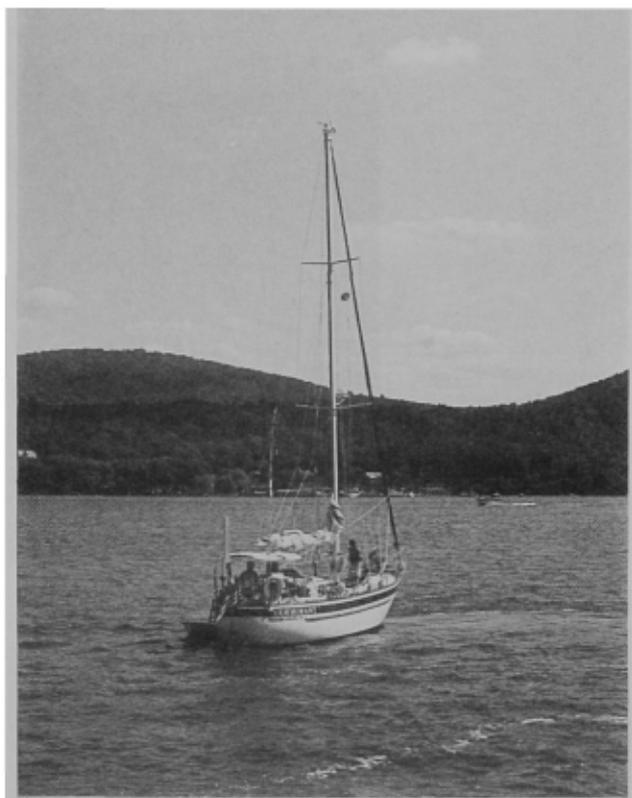
The Class of 1956 celebrated its 35th Reunion on a beautiful September weekend with 208 classmates attending, supported by 242 OAO's, mothers, children, grandchildren and best friends.

If there was a theme or mood during these special 4 days, it could best be characterized as a "victory celebration" . . . victory in Opn DESERT STORM & JUST CAUSE (Panama), victory in the demolition of the Berlin Wall, and a sense of "mission accomplished" as the Class of '56 successfully closed out their military careers. All of us were proud, of course, of Norm, who was the personification of the Class of '56 and our "point man" in highlighting the ideals of West Point, not only to the nation, but to the entire world.

From the moment we walked into the Marriott Hotel in Park Ridge, N.J., our every need was already anticipated by Farrell & Nancy Patrick and Gerry & Barbara Richardson, very ably assisted by Class Aides, Major Joe Gonzales, Captain Jim Sharman, Captain Brian Richardson (Gerry & Barb's son) & Captain Bill Harmon (Arv & Barb West's son-in-law). The Class of '56 was doubly honored when Don Holleder and Norm Schwarzkopf were highlighted in successive Saturday issues of the Army Football Program. Our Reunion schedule, although relaxed, was full of joys and sorrows. There was more than enough time for "war stories," but also a time to remember our friends and company-mates who had already crossed the River Styx. The memorial service, conducted in the Cadet Chapel by Chaplain Camp, Roger Root and Stan Wilker, was a fitting tribute to our departed classmates. It was equally gratifying to have Alice Celeste Marson & husband Harry, Julie Williams, Jerri Sutherland, Rita Wynn, Louis Holmquist and Helen Mayson join us again for our reunion. They will always be members of '56!

Our 35th is over, but memories of the NYC trip, a stop-over at the Class of '56 Room, Anderson's reception, class luncheon and briefing by Dave Palmer and Mike Conrad, the Corps review on the Plain, lunch in Washington Hall, sitting again in Michie Stadium watching the Black Knights of the Hudson, dancing in Barth Hall, Dale Clark's Heart Research update, and Ward & Judy LeHardy's sailing from South Dock will live in our memories forever!!

GJS '56







1961

24-27 October

Brightly-colored orange, brown and yellow leaves carpeted Anthony's nose and provided the backdrop for what many of us are describing as the "mother of all reunions." We were more than 170, with spouses, loyal widows, children and special guests wending our way back to our rockbound highland home, continuing that aged tradition of gathering and

remembering. We experienced: a memorial service that strengthened all; our own Supe & Gracie welcoming us; that evening cruise on the Hudson—a night to savor; the Weapons Room boogie, dancing and videos that started in 1861 and then swept us from the 1950s and into the '90s without missing a beat; our reunion photo—not just of us, but also of

the lovely ladies who stood by our sides; up at Michie, a steamroller rally by the Army team, albeit . . . too late; and Hruby's evocative one-man art show. . . eloquently blending the strength of sculpture with the essence of warriorhood. Consensus is, our Reunion Committee made this the best yet. . . 'til #35.







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1966

Twenty-five years of fame returned to West Point in early fall with the return of over 275 members of the Class of 1966 for their 25th Reunion. The class motto "Fame Will Mix with '66," was reflected in the presence of war heroes, captains of business, industry, medicine, law, religion, education and public service among the returning classmates. We gathered to renew our bonds, rekindle our spirits and re-tell tales that led to this collective fame - particularly those not recounted in Rick Atkinson's book, *The Long Gray Line: An American Journey of West Point's Class of 1966*.

The reunion was actually the culmination of a year-long series of mini-reunions held at locations all over the country. These gatherings of classmates occurred at such far-flung places as Huntington Beach, CA, Snowbird, UT, Dallas, TX, Ft. Bragg, NC, and West Point, NY. These events included such youthful (or wishful) activities as beach volleyball, skiing, tennis, airborne refresher, golf, fishing and the ever-popular Indoor Obstacle Course. After all that, classmates were brimming with great stories for the Big Reunion.

From registration on Thursday, through the last farewells on Sunday, the reunion was a series of handshakes, hugs, laughter and tears. The major events of the weekend included a reception buffet (during which George Cox's magnum opus, the reunion video, was screened), briefings by the Superintendent, Commandant and Dean, a moving memorial service for fallen classmates, a spectacular dinner cruise down the Hudson, a stirring parade by the Corps of Cadets, a win by the Army Football Team and a superb buffet on the sprawling lawn of Bob Cresci's "weekend hide-away" in Garrison, NY.

There are many reasons to attend a reunion: to renew old ties, show pictures of the kids, meet the new members, catch up on "all the dirt," honor and visit the fallen and revel in the "good old days." Whatever its reasons, the Class of '66 fulfilled them with enthusiasm and style - and with fruit and milk - as is our custom.







Herbert Alumni Center Reaches Planning Stage

As any graduate who has returned to West Point in the last few years knows, there is no facility to serve as the focal point for welcoming visiting alumni. Access to the area of the Plain, and specifically to Cullum Hall, is difficult at best. And Cullum Hall, a gift to the Academy in an earlier day, is primarily intended for cadet use. It has long been recognized that alumni need a place to call their own.

A bequest from BG James K. Herbert, Class of 1930, has made possible such an alumni center. He left \$3 million in his will to the Association of Graduates with the stipulation that a building be named after him. According to an agreement between AOG and his heirs, the new alumni center will bear his name.

Just as Cullum Hall has proven inadequate to support alumni, it also has become insufficient as office space for the Association of Graduates. New offices also will be housed in the proposed Herbert Alumni Center and will permit the AOG to better fulfill its purpose of "furthering the ideals and promoting the welfare of the United States Military Academy."

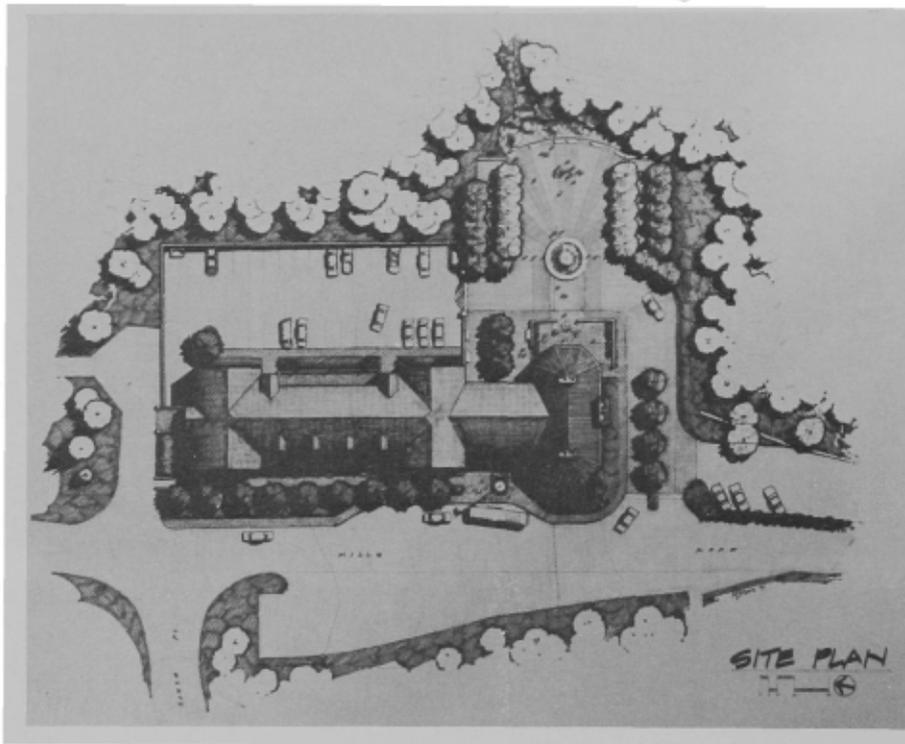
The new building, pictured on the back cover, will be built on the former site of Smith Rink, just south of Lusk Reservoir. The location will be easily accessible and provide ample parking. There will be more than 40 parking spaces immediately adjoining the building and numerous spaces in adjacent areas. Two spaces are planned to facilitate bus loading and unloading, and handicap parking will also be available.

The design process is currently underway and construction is expected to begin late in the summer of 1992. Current scheduling could see the Herbert Alumni Center open as early as the summer of 1994.

About fifty percent of the new building will be devoted directly to alumni use. There will be a great hall at the south end for receptions and parties; a catering kitchen; an alumni lounge nearby; an elegant mezzanine area with fireplaces and informal seating; and a reception area which will contain meeting areas and a conference room. In addition, the building



BG James Keller Herbert (Retired) '30



an attractive setting. A campaign is now underway to raise the additional money needed to build a truly distinctive and useful alumni center. In addition to the building cost, money will be needed to furnish, operate and maintain the alumni center; hence, \$6 million is the goal of the campaign.

The focus of the campaign will be primarily on class gifts and large individual gifts. There will be many recognition opportunities throughout the building and its surrounding grounds. In the spring of 1992, all graduates will be given an opportunity to contribute to the building fund through a special solicitation.

This much needed building will provide alumni with a place to call their own—a place where old memories can be swapped and new memories created. General Herbert's generosity will

will contain an expanded gift shop and all of the AOG offices. Outside, the surrounding grounds will have a landscaped fountain area and space for outdoor events in

add much to the West Point scene. With the additional generosity of other alumni donors, we hope to make this building a reality soon.

Academic Limits

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



Over the past few football Saturdays I've had the chance to talk with a number of old grads (from '31 to '91) who asked good questions about today's academic program. Here are my answers to some of their questions.

Old Grad (OG): Do you still have classes on Saturday mornings?

OD (Old Dean): Sometimes, but Saturdays are mostly for exams. Saturdays are designated as "A" or "B" Saturdays — approximately half each term are "A", half "B". On "A" Saturdays cadets may not normally depart West Point for trips or go on pass until after noon. Two morning periods belong to the Dean, two to the Commandant. We use the Dean's hours primarily to administer course-wide exams in the large core courses. Some courses, not involved in exams, use the period for lectures by distinguished visitors who might be at West Point for the weekend. The Commandant uses his hours for inspections and military training. If cadets don't have exams or lectures, they must remain in a call-to-quarters status and we hope that they use the time for study, labs, research or other required duties. On "B" Saturdays academic and military events may be offered, but cadet attendance is voluntary. Cadets on trip sections and pass may depart as permitted by their privileges or class authorizations. Those who stay remain in "call to quarters" until 1130 on Saturday morning.

OG: Now that you have instituted majors, do all cadets still get the same degree?

OD: Yes. All graduates still receive the bachelor of science degree. Since the core program includes ten courses in math, chemistry, physics, computer science, and terrain analysis, and five courses in an engineering science and design sequence, the degree merits the science designation. We annotate the transcript, however, to show the major or field of study completed by the cadet.

OG: Is there a linkage between majors and branch selection?

OD: Nothing official. Of course, a cadet may see a connection and choose a branch that tracks with the major. However, branch selection still depends on class standing. As might be expected, the majority of the cadets selecting technically-oriented branches have majored (or concentrated) in science or engineering. The technically-oriented branches, nonetheless, are more than willing to have any graduate on their rolls.

OG: How much does performance in academics affect the class standing of cadets?

OD: In computing the Cadet Performance Score (the basis of the class standing) academic performance is weighted 55%, military development is weighted 30% and physical development 15%. The academic component is the cumulative grade-point average. A cadet must have an academic grade-point average above 2.00 (on a 4.0 scale) to graduate. This is a C grade and would equate to about a 2.15 in the old system.

OG: Do you need to get a 2.0 every year to stay? I might not have made it plebe year!

OD: No. There are peg points for each class. Plebes must exceed a 1.70 at the end of the year. (For reference, a D grade is a 1.0 and an A, 4.0). If cadets fall below this, they can either be separated or placed on academic probation — the danger zone.

OG: What happens when cadets fail courses?

OD: The files of cadets who fail courses are sent to the Academic Board for review. Based on the cadets' demonstrated academic potential, military and physical performances to date, and the recommendations of their TACs and Ps, the Academic Board may separate cadets or direct them to repeat courses failed. Depending on the cadets' academic standing, they may either repeat the courses during the academic year (as extra courses) or take them during the Summer Term Academic Program (STAP). Cadets who are having grade-point problems may volunteer to attend STAP to repeat courses in which they received D grades and thus, hopefully, improve their overall average.

OG: What is a Thayer Week?

OD: In the days of old, because everyone was taking the same courses, it was relatively easy to stagger the examinations and major project requirements. Now, with over 500 courses on our books, it becomes very difficult to resolve all conflicts. We are able to do it for most of the core courses but can't begin to do it for the electives. On top of this, because of the natural progression of courses, many WPRs and design problems and term papers fall in the middle and end of the terms. When cadets find this combination of many exams and turn-in requirements upon them at one point in time, they are experiencing a "Thayer Week."

The above questions are but few of the many I have heard. I would be happy to answer any that you might send and will continue in subsequent columns to discuss others. Thanks for your interest and enthusiasm.

The COM Reports

By BG (P) DAVID A. BRAMLETT, *Commandant of Cadets*



Looking back on what has been covered in the past in these pages, I note that we have tended to focus on the military development of cadets. Though not a big surprise, it made me realize that I have not informed you of another aspect of cadet development that often is overlooked—the extracurricular clubs and activities that are available to the Corps, all supervised by the Directorate of Cadet Activities (DCA).

Simply put, extracurricular clubs and activities are meant to enhance and enrich the cadet experience by adding an additional dimension of intellectual, cultural, moral and social pursuits. These are currently 117 active clubs and activities, organized into six categories. Under the cat-

egory of Academic Clubs we find thirty activities, including the Astronomy Club, the Behavioral Science Club, the Mathematics Forum and seven language clubs. For those cadets interested in gaining experience in public speaking, as well as the opportunity for in-depth study of national and international foreign policy, we have the Debate Team, the Speech Team and the Domestic Affairs Forum, to name a few. Add to this the Computer Users Group, the Finance Forum and the Philosophy Seminar, and you get an appreciation of the broad spectrum from which a cadet may select an intellectual pursuit.

Cadets also have the opportunity to use their skills and talents to serve West Point and their fellow cadets. There are twenty-

Drums, which perform highly disciplined maneuvers while playing traditional highland music. For those cadets who love music but do not sing or play an instrument, the Dialectic Society offers an opportunity to select and organize musical concerts for the Corps. WKDT, our full-service radio station, provides the DJ's and the support group to enhance the airways for its cadet audience (and faculty as well). For cadets who prefer the performing arts, the Theater Arts Guild provides an outlet for their talents. In addition to producing the 100th Night show and two major productions each year, they also provide technical assistance for all visiting performers and attractions. The *Howitzer* staff works tirelessly throughout the year to produce the nation's largest, single-volume college yearbook. Whether it's supporting an Army team with spirit support activities, writing for the yearbook or working with the scouting program, there are ample opportunities for cadets to lend their service to activities that support West Point and

Cadet Extracurricular Activities

Academic (36)

American Chemical Society
American Culture Seminar
American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics
Arabic Language Club
Art Seminar
Astronomy Club
Behavioral Science
and Leadership Seminar
Chinese Language Club
Civil and Military Engineering Club
Comp. Science and Engineering
Computer Users Group
Contemporary Affairs Seminar
Debate Team
Domestic Affairs Forum
Drama & Music Seminar
Electronics Experimenters Group
Finance Forum
French Language Club
German Language Club
Health Professions Seminar
Institute of Electrical Engineering
Institute of Management Sciences
Mathematics Forum
Mechanical Engineering Club
Media Club
Philosophy Seminar
Poetry/Writing Seminar
Portuguese Language Club
Russian Language Club
SCUSA (Student Conf. on US Affairs)
Society of Automotive Engineering
Society of Physics Students
Society of Women Engineers
Spanish Language Club
Speech Team
West Point Forum

Cadet Extracurricular Activities

Service (22)

Band
Big Brothers and Big Sisters
Cadet Alcohol and Drug Intervention Club
Dialectic Society
Drill Team
Glee Club
Gospel Choir
Hop Bands
Howitzer
Margaret Corbin Seminar
Mule Riders
Pipes and Drums
Pointer
Rabble Rousers
Rally Committee
Scoutmasters' Council
Scuba Instructor Group
Ski Instructor Group
Ski Patrol Group
Staff and Ushers
Theatre Arts Guild
WKDT Radio Station

two Service Clubs that fulfill this charter. Cadets with musical talent may sing with the Cadet Glee Club before varied audiences around the country. Cadets who play a musical instrument will find three separate bands in which to participate: the Cadet Band, which performs at rallies, athletic competitions and concerts; the Hop Bands, which concentrate on contemporary music; and the Pipes and

Cadet Extracurricular Activities

Hobby (22)

Amateur Radio Seminar
Archery, Fishing and Hunting
Chess Club
Collectors Committee
Film Forum
Flying Club
Korean-American Relations Seminar
Medieval Studies Group
Military Film Forum
Model Railroad Club
Modelers Group
Mountaineering Club
Off-Road Bike Club
Photography Seminar
Scuba Diver's Club
Sigma Delta Psi
Ski Club
Survival Games
Tactics Club (Armor)
Tactics Club (Infantry)
Wargames Committee
White Water Canoe Club

the local community.

For those cadets who prefer to pursue more personal interests, there are twenty-two Hobby Clubs from which to choose. Besides the Ski Club, there is a full range of outdoor activities available, such as hunting, fishing, archery, mountaineering and white-water canoeing. In other areas, we offer the Chess Club, the Amateur

Cadet Extracurricular Activities
Religious (12)
Baptist Student Union
Catholic Cadet Catechists
Catholic Chapel Choir
Catholic Folk Group
Church of Christ
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
Latter-day Saints Student Association
Navigators
Officers' Christian Fellowship
Protestant Chapel Choir
Protestant Sunday School Teachers
Jewish Chapel Choir

Radio Seminar and the Model Railroad Club, to name a few. By now, you should be getting an idea of the diversity of extracurricular activities available to cadets when they want something interesting to do with their free time.

Moral and religious development is the primary purpose of the religious activities sponsored by the Chaplain, and these provide yet another category of extracurricular activities for cadets. Cadets belonging to one of the cadet choirs participate in weekly religious services at West Point and, upon occasion, join congregations in nearby communities for worship. Many other cadets volunteer to teach Sunday school or religious education classes or serve as acolytes during chapel service. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes and

Cadet Extracurricular Activities
Individual Sports (19)
Bowling
Cycling
Equestrian
Fencing
Handball
Judo
Karate
Marathon
Orienteering
Powerlifting
Racquetball
Sailing
Skeet and Trap
Ski - Alpine
Ski - Nordic
Sport Parachute
Squash
Triathlon
Wrestling (Freestyle)(Men)
Competitive Teams (6)
Crew
Lacrosse (Women)
Rugby (Men)
Team Handball (Men)
Team Handball (Women)
Volleyball (Men)

Baptist Student Union are but two of twelve Religious clubs available to cadets.

The last two categories are for those cadets desiring to challenge their athletic talents. There are six competitive teams and nineteen individual competitive sports from which to choose. Besides competing on a team in crew, rugby or women's lacrosse, cadets may compete in individual sports such as parachuting, equitation or judo, to name a few. Due to the very nature of sports competition, we are able to compare how these activities do in relationship to other collegiate and civilian teams. As you would hope and expect, we do very well. Let me highlight some of these results. Team handball has won three consecutive Collegiate and Division II national titles. The fencing team placed sec-

ond in the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Fencing Association. Crew is the defending champion of the Patriot League. The orienteering team, besides being the inter-collegiate champion this past year, has also been the champion 14 of the last 17 years (including the last 7 years in a row). Rugby was the league and Eastern Regional Champion, and went on to be the runner-up in the National Collegiate Tournament. Both our men and women's powerlifting teams are the national collegiate champions for the second year in a row. Our judo team is the eastern champion, and is now a national power that challenges the traditionally strong California teams.

Competition between the service academies remains spirited and tough in the extracurricular arena. During the past academic year Army defeated Navy in cycling, bowling, women's lacrosse, rugby, marathon, powerlifting, skeet & trap, karate and judo. Against Air Force, we won in team handball, rugby, marathon, men's volleyball, sport parachuting and skeet & trap. You can be proud of these teams and activities.

The above activities also reflect the complete commitment of our staff and faculty. All 117 opportunities are there because one or more of our officers, NCOs or civilians volunteers his or her time to be the officer-in-charge of the program. We are indebted to these volunteers and their families, who give so much to expand and enrich the cadet experience and the West Point community.

The accompanying tables provide you with a short summary of activities by category for quick reference. Many of you are alumni of these programs, and I'd be delighted to give you an update on any of them, should you write.

On to the now not-so-gloomy "gloom period."



The DIA Reports

By AL VANDERBUSH, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics



Our winter athletics season has begun. One of our teams might be competing in your area these next few months. If so, we hope you will be able to come out and support them.

Happy Holidays! Beat Navy!

HOCKEY

Dec 27	at Syracuse Invitational vs. Clarkson	8:00 pm
Dec 28	at Syracuse Invitational	TBA
Jan 3	at Maine Dexter Classic vs Maine	7:00 pm
Jan 4	at Maine Dexter Classic	TBA
Jan 10	MASSACHUSETTS - BOSTON	7:00 pm
Jan 11	SALEM STATE	7:00 pm
Jan 17	at Notre Dame	7:30 pm
Jan 18	at Notre Dame	7:30 pm
Jan 25	at RMC	7:00 pm
Jan 31	ALABAMA - HUNTSVILLE	7:00 pm
Feb 1	ALABAMA - HUNTSVILLE	7:00 pm
Feb 7	AIR FORCE	7:00 pm
Feb 8	AIR FORCE	7:00 pm
Feb 21	CONNECTICUT	7:00 pm
Feb 22	NEW ENGLAND	7:00 pm
Feb 28	KENT STATE	7:00 pm
Feb 29	KENT STATE	7:00 pm

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Dec 21	MANHATTAN	1:00 pm
Dec 30	ST. PETERS	7:30 pm
Jan 2	at Boston University	7:30 pm
Jan 4	at Marist	7:30 pm
Jan 7	WILLIAM & MARY	7:30 pm
Jan 11	LEHIGH	1:00 pm
Jan 14	LAFAYETTE	7:30 pm
Jan 18	at Bucknell	7:30 pm
Jan 21	HOLY CROSS	7:30 pm
Jan 25	NAVY	1:00 pm
Jan 29	at Fordham	7:30 pm
Feb 1	COLGATE	1:00 pm
Feb 5	at Lehigh	7:30 pm
Feb 8	at Lafayette	3:00 pm
Feb 11	BUCKNELL	7:30 pm
Feb 15	at Holy Cross	2:00 pm
Feb 19	at Navy	7:30 pm
Feb 22	FORDHAM	1:00 pm
Feb 24	at Hofstra	7:30 pm
Feb 29	at Colgate	2:00 pm
Mar 7, 8, 10	Patriot League Championship at Lehigh	TBA

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Jan 2-4	at Florida International Tournament	TBA
Jan 7	YALE	5:15 pm
Jan 9	BROWN	7:30 pm
Jan 11	LEHIGH	3:15 pm
Jan 14	LAFAYETTE	5:15 pm
Jan 16	at Hofstra	7:00 pm
Jan 18	at Bucknell	5:15 pm
Jan 21	HOLY CROSS	5:15 pm
Jan 25	NAVY	3:15 pm
Jan 29	at Fordham	5:15 pm
Feb 1	COLGATE	3:15 pm
Feb 5	at Lehigh	5:15 pm
Feb 8	at Lafayette	12:45 pm
Feb 11	BUCKNELL	5:15 pm
Feb 15	at Holy Cross	4:00 pm
Feb 19	at Navy	5:00 pm
Feb 22	FORDHAM	3:15 pm
Feb 29	at Colgate	5:15 pm
Mar 6-8	Patriot League Tournament at Lehigh	TBA

MEN'S SWIMMING

Jan 7	PRINCETON	4:00 pm
Jan 11	YALE	12:00 pm
Jan 18	LEHIGH	1:00 pm
Jan 22	at Rutgers	4:00 pm
Jan 25	at Columbia	12:00 pm
Feb 1	DARTMOUTH	12:00 pm
Feb 8	at Pennsylvania	3:00 pm
Feb 15	BROWN	1:00 pm
Feb 27-29	Patriot League Championships at Army	11:00 am
Mar 1-6	Olympic Trials/USS SR Nationals at Indianapolis, Ind.	TBA
Mar 8-10	EISL's at Princeton	11:00 am
Mar 24-28	USS Junior Nationals at Nashville, TN	TBA
Mar 26-28	NCAA's at Indianapolis, IN.	12:00 pm

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Jan 11	YALE	3:00 pm
Jan 17	BLOOMSBURG	4:00 pm
Jan 18	LEHIGH	1:00 pm
Jan 22	at Rutgers	4:00 pm
Jan 25	at Columbia	3:00 pm
Feb 1	DARTMOUTH	3:00 pm
Feb 8	at Pennsylvania	12:00 pm
Feb 20-22	EASTERNS at Harvard	11:00 am
Feb 27-29	Patriot League Championships at Army	11:00 am
Mar 1-6	Olympic Trials/USS SR. Nationals at Indianapolis, Ind.	TBA
Mar 19-21	NCAA's at Indianapolis, IN	12:00 pm
Mar 24-28	USS Junior National at Nashville, TN	TBA

GYMNASTICS

Jan 10-12	WEST POINT OPEN	7:00 pm
Jan 25	at Springfield	7:00 pm
Feb 1	SYRACUSE	7:00 pm
Feb 8	at Cortland w/Southern Conn.	1:00 pm
Feb 15	at Navy	7:00 pm
Feb 21	MASSACHUSETTS	7:00 pm
Feb 29	at Temple	TBA
Mar 7	at Illinois-Chicago w/Illinois	7:00 pm
Mar 19	at C.S. - Fullerton	7:00 pm
Mar 21	at U.C. - Santa Barbara w/Air Force	7:00 pm
Mar 27-28	EIGL's at Massachusetts	TBA
Apr 11	at NCAA's Regionals	TBA
Apr 23-25	at NCAA's	TBA

PISTOL

Jan 25	at RMC	9:00 am
Feb 14-15	NRA SECTIONALS at West Point	3:30 pm
Feb 22	NAVY NRA Championships at Colorado Springs	8:00 am

RIFLE

Jan 25	at RMC	9:00 am
Jan 31 - Feb 1	WEST POINT INVITATIONAL	3:00 pm/8:00 am
Feb 8	NRA SECTIONAL at West Point	8:00 am
Feb 15	at North Carolina State	TBA
Feb 22	at Navy	8:30 am
Feb 19	MAC CHAMPIONSHIP at West Point	9:00 am
Mar 5-7	NCAA Championships at Murray State	TBA

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Jan 11	MANHATTAN, SUNY-ALBANY	1:00 pm
Jan 18	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON, ST. JOHN'S	1:00 pm
Jan 25	VIRGINIA	1:00 pm
Feb 1	WEST POINT INVITE	11:00 am
Feb 8	at Navy	1:00 pm
Feb 29 - Mar 1	HEPS at Dartmouth	TBA
Mar 7-8	at IC4A's	TBA
Mar 13-14	at NCAA's	TBA

WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Jan 11	MANHATTAN, PENNSYLVANIA	1:00 pm
Jan 18	FARLEIGH DICKINSON, ST. JOHN'S	1:00 pm
Jan 25	VIRGINIA	1:00 pm
Feb 1	WEST POINT INVITE	11:00 am
Feb 29 - Mar 1	HEPS at Dartmouth	TBA
Mar 7-8	at ECAC's	TBA
Mar 13-14	at NCAA's	TBA

WRESTLING

Dec 29-30	at Sunshine Open Tampa, FL	9:00 am
Jan 3	Northeast Missouri at Tampa, FL	1:00 pm
Jan 11	PRINCETON, WAGNER, and MANHATTAN	12:00 pm
Jan 17-18	NY State Collegiates at Cornell	9:00 am
Jan 25	LEHIGH	2:00 pm
Feb 1	at Wilkes w/Rutgers, William & Mary	12:00 pm
Feb 8	CLARION	2:00 pm
Feb 14	at Syracuse	7:00 pm
Feb 22	at Navy	1:00 pm
Feb 29	EAST STROUDSBURG	1:00 pm
Mar 6-7	EIWA's at Philadelphia	9:00 pm
Mar 19-21	NCAA's at Oklahoma City	TBA

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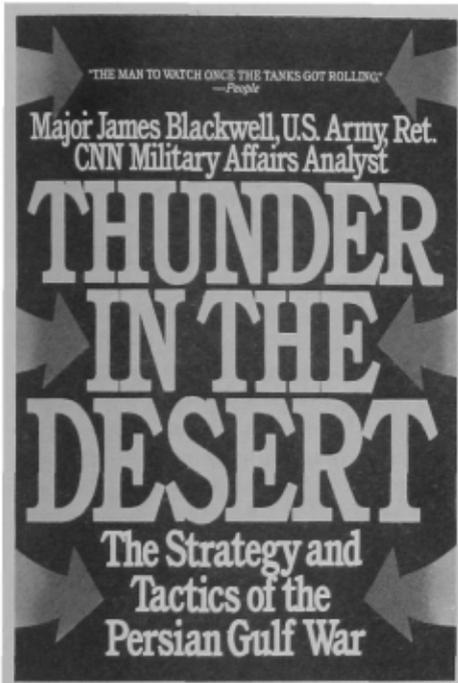
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Book Reviews



Thunder in the Desert: The Strategy and Tactics of the Persian Gulf War

By Major James Blackwell, USA (Ret.),
Bantam Books, New York, NY, 1991. 252
pages.



Many readers of Bob Woodward's book, *The Commanders*, were left disappointed. After a few hundred pages of insider accounts of how Desert Storm passed through our decision-making processes, the war itself was summarized on one page, leaving a high demand for an analytical chronicle of the ensuing campaign.

James Blackwell has met that demand with an excellent "first draft of history" (p. xi) of the Storm. His book, *Thunder in the Desert* is a highly professional, readable account of the strategy, tactics and weapons systems of the war. Indeed, the author's education, professional background and wartime vantage point made him uniquely qualified to write this book.

Doctor Blackwell was graduated from West Point in 1974 and served on active duty for 13 years. His assignments included tours as a division plans officer and as an Assistant Professor in USMA's Department of Social Sciences. After his

medical retirement, the author went to work as an analyst at the influential Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington. During the Persian Gulf war Doctor Blackwell became well-known for his expert commentary on war for CNN. After the conflict he accompanied then-Army Chief of Staff Carl E. Vuono to the region and subsequently had access to a vast quantity of unclassified DoD material on the war.

Thus qualified, the author takes the reader through the Iran-Iraq War and the events leading to Saddam's invasion of Kuwait. He then marches, chapter-by-chapter, through our force buildup, the "sitzkrieg" of Desert Shield, the wrenching decision to take the offensive, "Hurricane Horner"—the air war—and "Schwarzkrieg" the 100-hour land battle. *Thunder in the Desert* concludes with a hard-hitting chapter on "How This War Was Won," a question the author answers by highlighting our superior troops, the Reagan-era modernization program, streamlined command and control arrangements, better doctrine and strategy, as well as our much-heralded, technologically superior weapons systems.

This book has many excellent qualities. First, the author is highly skilled in both the narrative and the technical forms of writing. He is particularly skillful in describing the intricacies of modern tactics and technologies. Second, Doctor Blackwell has a unique talent for seeing the battlefield from the enemy's perspective, a technique he's been practicing since he wrote his dissertation on comparative military doctrines at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. Third, complex military operations are made crystal clear by the art work of Carol Blackwell and Jeff Shaffer, who turned overly detailed military maps and graphics into easily understood illustrations, accessible even to the lay reader. Similarly, the book reprints a number of government tables which before haven't seen the light of day. Finally, we must salute the author's honesty and keen military judgment. While drawing on many government documents, Doctor Blackwell also offers some pointed analy-

sis. For example, his criticisms of the roundout brigade system, the shortfall in sealift supply and performance and our continued inability to develop a counter-mine capability at sea are clear and thought provoking.

Knowing the criticality of sealift for our new regional conflict strategy, Doctor Blackwell's commentary on our fast sealift performance (p. 98) is worthy of special attention:

The Navy had only eight fast sealift ships that were capable of rapidly loading tanks and armored personnel carriers. . . . These were designated to go to Savannah, Georgia to load out the 24th Infantry Division and could steam to the Persian Gulf in about ten days. But some of the ships were slow to get to port, and once loaded, two of them broke down en route. . . . One of the fast sealift ships, in fact, took so long to repair that it arrived after the slow boats.

The Ready Reserve Fleet of smaller, slower ships fared even worse:

. . . Only 21 percent of the ninety-eight ships in the reserve fleet were ready on time, and 60 percent showed up as much as ten days late during the first month of the deployment. Only seventy-three ships were able to be readied for service during Desert Shield, forcing the Transportation Command to rely on chartering commercial ships to make up the shortfall in shipping requirements.

Even as we shrink our Armed Forces, some programs will require more attention and resources. Sealift, as Doctor Blackwell has shown us, is one such area.

No book completed only eight months after a million-soldier conflict can hope to cover all of the critical issues. *Thunder in the Desert* leaves the reader hungry for more on the naval blockade and the efficacy of the Desert Shield embargo. The theater logistical effort and the last-minute movement of VII Corps from Germany deserve more detail. The SCUD war against Saudi Arabia and Israel, as well as the ceasefire-war termination fiasco, also await complete analyses.

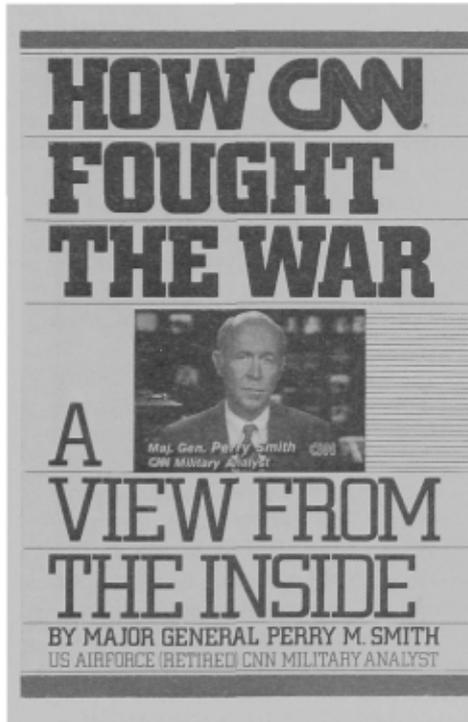
No one, however, can fault Doctor Blackwell. He set out to create an effective "first draft of history" that focuses on strategy and tactics. He accomplished this task in a superbly effective manner. *Thunder in the Desert* is a narrative tour de force and a major coup for James Blackwell. He has set a high standard for those who follow.

Note: During Desert Storm, the reviewer served as military assistant to the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy and witnessed much of the planning effort for the conflict.

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How CNN Fought The War: A View From the Inside

By Major General Perry M. Smith, USAF (Ret.). *Birch Lane Press, New York, NY, 1991. 223 Pages.*



On 23 January 1991, the Gulf War began in earnest with a massive air campaign conducted by Coalition forces against military targets in Iraq. Millions of people around the world who had followed the events leading up to this confrontation, became glued to television and radio in an attempt to keep up with the fast-paced action. For many, this "need" for news from the Gulf turned into an obsession. Unlike past wars where news trickled out of the hostile zone, technology and post-Vietnam agreements between the military and the media made it possible for the

coverage to be nearly instantaneous. Of all the news organizations trying to capture an audience with timely and accurate reporting of the war, Cable News Network (CNN) managed to garner a majority of these viewers.

In his book, *How CNN Fought the War*, Major General Perry Smith, United States Air Force (Retired), analyzes how CNN was able to capture the lion's share of the "news junkies", a term the author aptly uses to describe the millions of Americans who impatiently waited for the next round of news from the Gulf. Major General Smith's stated aim is to "explain how CNN dealt with the war" from the first-hand perspective of a network military analyst. He does this very nicely, but the book does much more. He compares the policies of the US government, military and the media during the Gulf War to the Vietnam Era policies of those same organizations. The author also discusses such diverse topics as the Desert Storm air campaign, General Schwarzkopf's personality and women in war.

Major General Smith is imminently qualified to write about large organizations such as CNN and to compare aspects of the Gulf War to the Vietnam Conflict. The author served as one of CNN's regular military analysts throughout the six weeks of war. His vast military experience includes flying high-performance aircraft in combat during Vietnam, and, more recently, the F-15 Eagle. He has taught and commanded at the National War College, and served as the top Air Force planner during the early years of the Reagan Administration. He has demonstrated his expertise in the operations of large organizations in his previous books, *Assignment Pentagon*, *Taking Command*, and *The Air Force Plans For Peace (1943-1945)*. This experience is aptly brought out in Major General Smith's recent analysis of CNN operations during the Gulf War. He is quite familiar with, and has personal contacts in, the Pentagon and other government agencies.

How CNN Fought The War is well-written. It is organized into twenty-eight chapters, many of which can stand alone (see November ASSEMBLY, page 6 for three stand-alone chapters). The book holds the reader's interest as much through the insights that the author has to offer as through the subject matter of the book. For example, the author delves into the "Schwarzkopf Phenomenon" and writes about his days at West Point in the same company with New Cadet Norman Schwarzkopf in 1952 during Beast Barracks and, again, as First-Class Cadet

Schwarzkopf's executive officer while training third-class cadets at Camp Buckner in 1955. He stresses that the integrity and sincerity with which General Schwarzkopf impressed the media and the viewing audience is *not an act*; it is H. Norman Schwarzkopf. Another excellent topic is the Peter Arnett controversy. Was this a case of treasonous reporting, Iraqi-influenced journalism, an accommodation to censorship or something else? Major General Smith gives his analysis and outlines his own conscious attempts at trying to balance Arnett's reports coming out of Baghdad. The author shares his contemplation of quitting CNN in protest over what he felt was biased reporting. He resurfaces an age-old dilemma: resign to officially declare one's disgust and frustration with an organization's policies, or stay and battle the perceived problem as best one can. Major General Smith received much advice in support of both options. Luckily, he stayed, and it appears that he made a difference.

The author often compares CNN operations to military operations. He emphasizes the need for both to maintain unity of command and yet focus on empowerment to the lowest possible levels in order to make the systems work more efficiently. He finds this empowerment policy, in conjunction with computer and satellite technology, is what allowed CNN to keep pace with events. His analysis includes lessons learned by both the military and the media, and some understanding of the military versus the media controversy (see July ASSEMBLY, page 3). The book is filled with examples of how CNN conducted business efficiently, but the author focuses on the high and mid-level policy issues that are important in running a large, twenty-four-hour-per-day, geographically far-flung enterprise.

Much of this book is also a study into personalities behind the scenes at CNN. This is useful from an organizational effectiveness standpoint, but much emphasis is placed on how attractive the individuals are. This may be an important quality to network employers, but it distracts the reader from the main point of the book. The reader may also disagree with the author's characterization of the CNN staff. Throughout the war, many viewers witnessed some "less than brilliant" questions posed by media personalities. This includes some of the anchors and reporters at CNN whom Major General Smith regards highly.

Considering what the author sets out to do, I really find very little negative about the text. Major General Smith's perspec-

tive is that of an insider, but it is definitely influenced by his experience as an Air Force officer. He mentions that Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney fired General Dugan "... for revealing to the press the outline of the upcoming air campaign and for predicting the predominance of air power and seeming to denigrate the role of ground forces." He discusses air power in light of General Dugan's dismissal, but never really balances this air supremacy theory espoused in the 1920s by the Italian Giulio Douhet. Douhet wrote that naval and ground forces would one day be made obsolete by air power. This approach ignores the ability of the various services to complement each other in war. In difficult terrain or at some particular point in a campaign, one armed service might be better suited than the others to employ, but modern warfare normally requires joint operations to wage war efficiently. Major General Smith emphasizes the importance of air power and its enhanced abilities in desert areas of operations. To him, the Desert Storm air campaign revealed a new paradigm that differs from combined arms as currently espoused in US military doctrine. In my opinion this overlooks the impact and service of the soldiers and marines facing the Iraqi Army, anchoring the enemy in place and posing a real threat while the air arm took its toll. These operations appear to support current doctrine. The author discerns the paradigm shift in that the primary offensive effort of Desert Storm did not involve ground forces (during the air campaign phase). Whether Coalition air power "prepped" or "destroyed" the battlefield is a subtle nuance, but it finally took ground forces to move Saddam's army.

He also takes the time to thank the crews of C-5A Galaxy aircraft for their extraordinary effort. It is well-deserved, but the kind of statement that only one with Air Force experience would think to include in a book about CNN. As a warning to non-military readers, although Major General Smith's stated audience is military and non-military alike, he sometimes refers to terms like AirLand Battle Doctrine without offering an explanation of what it means. Readers who know the military are likely to understand the book more easily. For those wanting to phone the author with comments, he does provide a telephone number to reach him, but it is incorrect. There is also some repetition in the later chapters.

Regardless of these little distracters, the book is excellent. By far the greatest lesson is just how important the role of the military analyst was during the news coverage

of the Gulf War. The initial public demand for constant news coverage immediately was followed by a demand for military analysis. People wanted interpretations of news items, analyses of events, explanation of terms and equipment, and often, prognostications. All of the major networks hired full-time military analysts to assist in this endeavor. There were many experts, spanning the quality spectrum, paraded over radio and television during the next six weeks of war. Many names were obscure, but the regularly interviewed military analysts, such as Major James Blackwell, Major General Perry Smith, Anthony Cordesman, Colonel Harry Summers, General Michael Dugan and Lieutenant General William Odom, performed a great service by explaining the logic behind certain military actions to the general public. What the viewing audience gained was balanced reporting on the war; something that audiences in more recent wars did not have. This included interviews with anti-war protesters. During one particular interview a protester asked, (paraphrased) "if we are supposed to be liberating Kuwait, then why are we bombing Baghdad?" She went on with her conclusion about the "real effort." This editorial was shortly followed by a military analyst's explanation of how strategic bombing could save American lives. The author makes reference to a similar interview in his own review of the effectiveness of military analysts in balancing reporting during the war. Public support for the Gulf War could easily have been eroded by such unchallenged assertions. Instead, we saw retired military leaders and others working with the media so that statements by people such as Ramsey Clark, or the reporting of a bombed baby formula factory by Peter Arnett, were compared to the facts at hand and refuted or mitigated in front of the viewing public. For example, why, in the center of Iraq, was a new-looking sign with the English words "Baby Formula Factory" placed in front of a bombed-out building with barbed wire and guards around it?

As director for the course "Geography of the Middle East and Africa" at the United States Military Academy during Operation Desert Storm, I took time during every class period to analyze current events or discuss possible problem areas for our troops, equipment and operations in the Gulf. We analyzed the terrain, the cultural differences and the military geography impacting operations, so that the cadets could better understand what our soldiers faced. The cadets asked many questions on the regions, but also on topics

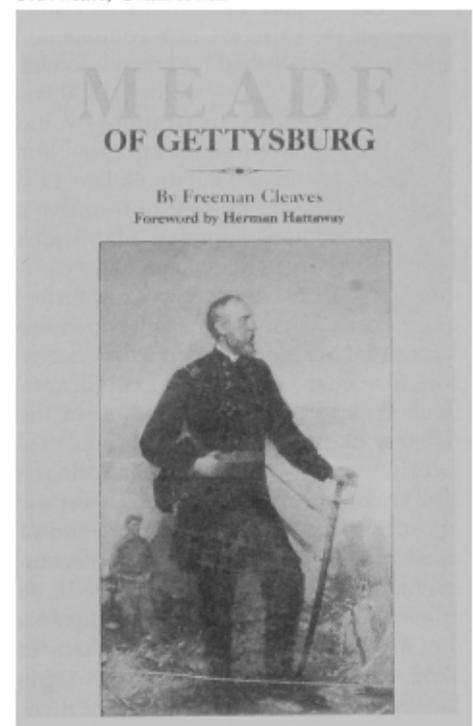
such as national support for the war effort, minority over-representation in Desert Storm and balanced war coverage by the media. The cadets were very "tuned in" to the Gulf news and views of the various military analysts. Discussions were much more dynamic due to the education provided out-of-class by CNN and the other networks. I readily agree with General Smith in regards to the value of the military analyst. In general the regular network military analysts were quite professional, and they tended to teach as well as stimulate their audiences.

This book is *not* an in-depth analysis of operations during the Gulf War. Readers who mistake it for Gulf War analysis will be sadly disappointed. *How CNN Fought The War* is a look behind the scenes at CNN operations, filled with interesting perceptions and insights covering a wide spectrum of issues. Competitors in the media should find it enlightening, but I recommend it to any policy makers or military planners who must deal with the military-versus-media controversy. It is a concise, well-written book that I highly recommend to all the other "news junkies" of the Gulf War. They will find it most meaningful and entertaining.

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Meade of Gettysburg

Freeman Cleaves. 1991 (reprint of 1960 edition), University of Oklahoma Press, Norman, Oklahoma



Meade of Gettysburg by Freeman Cleaves is a sound biography of Union General George Meade, who, despite his dramatic victory at Gettysburg only two days after assuming command of the Army of the Potomac, was criticized for his failure to pursue and trap Lee. Meade continued as commander of the Army of the Potomac but was greatly overshadowed by Grant as general in chief after 1864.

The book traces Meade's life and career in a chronological manner. However, a scarcity of personal documents and papers concerning Meade's early life make it difficult for the author to fully characterize Meade as a person separate from his career as an officer. As a result, Meade merely emerges as a competent yet somber and shadowy figure at the outset of the Civil War. Consequently, most of Cleaves' book is devoted to the Civil War years.

Cleaves maintains that Meade, the victor of Gettysburg, was a worthy general, who, despite much criticism and second-guessing, continued to serve his country in a selfless and competent manner to the war's end. If ever a battle hinged on a seizure of key terrain, Gettysburg was such a battle. Despite being thrust into command, Meade's long experience as a topographical engineer would finally pay off. Before and during the battle, the Union army under Meade's leadership consistently identified and held key terrain. This uncanny ability proved to be a decisive factor in repulsing Lee's furious assaults. Cleaves also presents Meade as a brave and dynamic battlefield leader whose personal example and courage did much to overcome Clausewitz's "friction of war" when Sickles, a Union Corps commander, blundered and pushed his line out too far.

It would be after his victory at Gettysburg that Meade's frustrations would begin. Critics have roundly criticized him for failing to pursue and annihilate Lee. Here Cleaves is at his best in restoring a favorable military appraisal of Meade's post-Gettysburg performance. Cleaves argues that political restrictions and interference from Washington did much to hamstring Meade, as well as his predecessors, in maneuvering against Lee. Cleaves' book serves as a real eye-opener to the deleterious effect that the media, political interference and bitter feuding among rival Union generals had on the Union war effort. Meade, unfortunately a victim of much of the internal squabbling, still commanded the Army of the Potomac in an efficient manner. In fact, as Cleaves points out, Meade correctly outlined, as early as 1862, the strategic concept of defeating Lee by cutting the railways south of Rich-

mond. Ultimately, Grant would implement this strategy after 1864.

Cleaves' book is also useful in that it indirectly illustrates the important role of West Point in our nation's history. The contributions of numerous graduates of the Military Academy, such as Meade, went well beyond the military. As a junior officer, Meade served for years as a topographical engineer, surveying and mapping much of our country and building its infrastructure.

This book, written in 1960, is still a must for Civil War and biographical collections. It is now available in paperback, having recently been reprinted with a forward by noted Civil War historian, Dr. Herman Hattaway. Cleaves writes clearly and directly. His arguments are well-documented and easy to follow. Cleaves presents the reader with a convincing portrait of a man who rose above the bitter political squabbles to perform his duty in a professional manner. Most important, Cleaves leaves us with the image of a man whose life and career epitomized the core values of West Point: Duty, Honor and Country.

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Glasnost'—Deception, Desperation, Dialectics

By Montecue J. Lowery. *Published by Peter Lang, New York, 1991. 263 pp.*

To say that the changes that have taken place in the Soviet Union in the course of the last six years have been truly overwhelming, both in what they have meant for the Soviets themselves as well as the rest of the world, would seem a trite cliché, were it not for the fact that these changes have done more to alter the shape of the world than any other event since the end of the Second World War. For both the casual observer and the specialist, the scope of these changes can be overwhelming. In the case of the former, just trying to keep up with all that has taken place is enough of a task; in the case of the latter it is not simply a matter of keeping up, but of trying to make sense of all that has taken place, of understanding the reasons behind these changes as a way of understanding not only the present course of events, but where this course may lead in the future. *Glasnost'* by Montecue Lowery is one such attempt among many that have appeared recently, and while some may be dismiss it simply as yet another book about Gorbachev and his policies, the immensity of the topic is such that all attempts at

understanding are to be welcomed.

To this task, Professor Lowery brings a unique set of skills. Currently an Associate Professor of Physics at Houston Baptist University, he holds Ph.Ds in both physics and history, and has worked for the CIA on issues relating to the Soviet Union. This background can be seen clearly in the book, for along with the historian's method of inquiry, he brings with him the physical scientist's meticulous manner in organizing and presenting his material. The book itself operates at several levels; in its basic form, it presents a concise and well documented chronology of the events that have taken place in the Soviet Union under Gorbachev. At a second level, the author goes back to lay out for the reader the historical and philosophical antecedents of Glasnost' and New Think, and how these ideas can be seen as the result of forces that go far beyond one man's attempt to change the nature of the Soviet system. Finally, Professor Lowery puts forward his arguments for why glasnost should not be taken at face value and what the consequences may be for those who do.

All of these levels are skillfully woven into a very clear and readable monograph, one that takes the reader from the origins of communism in Marxist-Leninist theory, to the origins of the Soviet Union in the Bolshevik Coup of 1917, through the shaping of that state under Lenin and his successors, and finally to Gorbachev as the inheritor of all that has gone before, bad and good. The author also examines the topics of Soviet military strategy, the Soviet use of deception and the problems that the current Soviet state faces, in terms of the economy, domestic unrest and moral decay. These, in turn, lead to an examination of the attempts to deal with these problems, both in terms of the now-famous "perestroika", the restructuring of the economy, and the less well-known, but as the author argues, equally important return to the ideals underlying Marxist-Leninist beliefs. Professor Lowery also documents a continuation of practices such as deception that have been institutionalized and accepted as ways of securing the goals of communism.

If there is a fault with this work, it is one that is common to almost everything written about the Soviet Union today: that is, by the time that it appears in print, the situation in the Soviet Union has again changed, causing at least some of the material to have become at variance with the current situation. While the book takes the reader through early 1990, events since then, particularly the failed coup attempt

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MORE TO THE POINT

By Colonel George S. Pappas (Ret.) USMA 1944

DUCROT DOOWILLIE.....

Nicknames have been a part of cadet lore since the earliest days of the Military Academy. Few individuals—cadets, Tacs, profs, staff officers and enlisted men—leave West Point without having a sobriquet attached by the Corps. As far as can be determined, Sylvanus Thayer was one of the few who was given no nickname. Although he was greatly respected by his cadets, it is doubtful that he was well-liked. Memoirs, diaries and letters refer to him only as the Superintendent or Colonel Thayer or the Colonel.

Most nicknames reflect comradeship and affection or disdain and dislike. Can you tie the following nicknames to the proper individual [Class follows each name]? The answers are at the end of this column.

Beauty (1854)	Pud (1853)
Old Jube (1837)	Gelpin (1853)
Neighbor (1860)	Sally (1842)
Uncle Sam (1843)	Spooky (1927)
Fearless Francis (1905)	Dusty Joe (1928)
C ² (Nov. 1918)	Swampy Joe (1941)
Porky (1929)	Ma (1922)
Ruthless (1944)	Shy (1951)
Ming the Merciless (1924)	

The logic or lack thereof leading to the coining of a nickname is often understandable. Professors were often known as "P"—P-Carter or P-Echols, for example. Tacs earned their titles for many reasons: physical attributes (Wansboro '38 was called "The Jaw" because of this prominent appendage); uniform preferences (Gillivan '38 was "Boots" because he always appeared in cavalry footwear); age (Silver '44, was "Daddy" because he was one of the oldest men in the Class); and unusual capabilities (Marmaduke '1859, became "Blazeface" because of his ability to drink more moonshine coffee than any other cadet; J.M. Jones '76 was called "Rum" Jones, not because of his liking for Benny Havens' refreshments, but because he had a bulbous red nose; and Judson Kilpatrick was "Kill Cavalry" because he was such a fighter and a hustler).

Although many years may have passed, it is easy to imagine why some nicknames were used. "Brick" was probably a redhead. "Lengthy" was either a tall flanker or a short runt. "Piggie" may have been a bit

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overweight or, on the other hand, may have been a great chowhound, and "Pinky" may have had a florid complexion. "Clam" could well have been a silent loner; "Pomp" a classmate who was ceremonious by nature. "Deacon" and "Parson" both may have been religious or, possibly, the exact opposite.

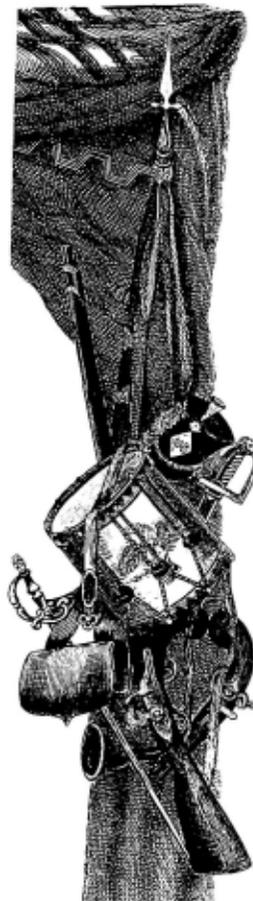
Other nicknames, however, are baffling and even unfathomable. Why was Ambrose Burnside called "Betsy"? What generated "Plum," "Pickles," "Cutlass," "Rabbits," "Beef," "Chateau," "Crummles," "Sicksey" and "Mud"? What was the origin of "Chanute" and "Zbee" and "Wang"? Diaries, letters, memoirs and the *Howitzer* often provide nicknames but seldom give the reason they were adopted.

You can provide documentation for the nicknames used for cadets, Tacs, profs and others. Your note to me giving nicknames from your cadet days—AND the reasons for those names—would be much appreciated. Your information may be used in my forthcoming history of the Academy, *More to the Point*.

Here are the identifications of the individuals whose nicknames appeared at the beginning of this column:

Beauty:	J.E.B. Stuart
Pud:	John M. Schofield
Old Jube:	Jubal Early
Gelpin:	Philip H. Sheridan
Neighbor:	Wesley Merritt
Sally:	George Sykes
Uncle Sam:	U.S. Grant
Spooky:	Nelson H. Fooks
Dusty Joe:	Frank Maerdian
Fearless Francis:	Francis Wilby
Swampy Joe:	Harvey T. Marsh
Porky:	John D. Cone
Ma:	Francis M. Greene
Ruthless:	Robert Royem
Shy:	Edward C. Meyer
Ming:	Richard C. Praether
C ² (For Concentration Camp):	Philip H. Gallagher

Lest we forget, ALL of us were given "nicknames" by our upperclassmen in Beast Barracks. "Mr. Ducrot" and "Mr. Dumbjohn" and plain "Doowillie" were widely used in the past. Cadet legend attributes Ducrot's origin to the French text used for many years. Dumbjohn, of course, was the upperclass opinion of every plebe. And Doowillie, well, it just grew, like Topsy. In earlier days, any plebe was called "Animal" which later evolved into "Beast." And that, in turn, was applied to our first weeks of cadet life in "Beast Barracks."



News from the Societies



NEW ENGLAND

The WPS of New England held its Annual Family Picnic on 22 Jun '91. Once again, **MG & Mrs. George Patton '46** hosted the event at their beautiful Green Meadows Farm. We enjoyed splendid weather and a very large turn-out of over 125 people that included soc members, the WPPC, and many Annapolis grads and their families. Soc Pres **Karl Schwartz '63** presented the Pattons with a donation to the WP Library given in their name. Our thanks go to **Ellen Groschelle '82** who again organized the event and to Mrs. Patton who consistently picks weekends with great weather year after year for a wonderful family event.

We attempted to have our first Family Clambake on 24 Aug. Once again we invited our WPPC and our fellow academy grads from the Navy and Air Force. But thanks to Hurricane Bob, which passed through a few days prior, clam beds were closed for over a week from MD up the coast through ME. Next year we hope to pick a weekend with both good weather and, of course, clams.

We've been invited our fellow academy grads from the other service academies to many of our events. Earlier this year we held our first annual Networking Night at Natick Labs Officer's Club and attended by many Annapolis grads. Another Network Night at the Hanscom Officer's Club on 7 Nov was held. On 14 Nov, the local Annapolis Society invited us to join them to hear LTG Bernard Trainor, USMC Ret, ABC Military Analyst, discuss Desert Storm at the Hanscom AFB Officer's Club.

For further information concerning the society, contact our soc secretary, *Jim Wiegel '76* at (617) 466-3250.

—Jim Wiegel '76

ORANGE COUNTY

Our Pres. *Bill Correia '66*, took office on FD '91. We had our largest turnout ever (144) due to the attendance of one of Schwarzkopfs's classmates: **LTG Palmer**. The Supe gave us a lot of insight into the

Academy's future. As part of the evenings activities, Bill and Jo Ann Johnson of the WPPC were selected to receive this year's Duty, Honor, Country Award. We consider our standards quite high and, on occasion, we have not even presented this particular award for a given year. However, the Johnsons are truly deserving, having been one of the founders of the WPPC in our area and having done a lot of hard work for a lot of years in support of the families of cadets from Orange County.

The Soc hosted a picnic for new cadets on 16 Jun. While this is an annual event, this particular picnic was special because we had a record number of new cadets entering WP. Some new yearlings attended to practice upperclassperson behavior upon the assembled innocents.

On 27 Jul we held our annual Summer Social in the home of Frank and Barbara Gibson. Like many bowl games, this has become an instant classic with the Gibson's having provided food and hospitality two years in a row. For a former football captain, Frank turns out to be a great cook; if you saw the size of his three sons, you would understand why he had to develop that ability.

Our recruiting efforts, led by **Fred Rice '61**, have been very successful in past year. However, Fred is not resting on his laurels and has charged into the new season with renewed enthusiasm and the help of 34 new volunteers.

—Steven Perryman '64

CAPITAL DISTRICT

Our year old Capital Region Society now boasts of almost sixty members and is growing. If you live in the Capital District area and haven't jointed us, please call *Art Hansen '46* at (518) 458-7349.

Reporting on activities; last summer over 100 grads, and members of the USMA PC enjoyed a picnic, swimming, and tour of Watervliet Arsenal arranged by **COL Mike Neuman '67**, Commanding Officer of the Arsenal. Be sure to keep open 13 Mar 92 for our annual FD dinner to be held in the Albany area.

Two of our local members, **Steve Jarrad '82 and Ed Colchado '76**, hope to fill vacancies on the AOG Board in addition to their most active support of our local activities in support of USMA.

For any grads in the Albany area, our monthly meetings are held the second Wed. of each month, noon lunch at the Watervliet Arsenal OC. Please come and join us.

—Art Hansen '46

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The WPSNH celebrated the summer with the First Annual Society Picnic and



WPSNH First Annual Society Picnic and Family Day, Greenfield State Park, NH

Family Day at Greenfield State Park, NH. The weather was perfect for swimming and boating, and everyone brought tons of their favorite foods to share. The attendees were: John '78, Adrienne and John Marshall; John '78 & Megan Griffith; Ron '78, Paige and T. Maxwell Hall; Bruce '76, Sheri and Rebecca Gamsby; Tom '75, Judy and Clarine Douglas; Jeff '69 & Ann Kimball; Gerald "Chik" '55 & Jessie Chickalla; Phil Brady '46; and Dave '40 & Ruth Crocker with their family of Dave, Dotti, Kara, Todd and Greg Penny.

For more information contact John Marshall, 21 Cadogan Way, Nashua, NH 03062, (603) 891-1488. Beat Navy!

—John Marshall '78

THE CAROLINAS

Our annual Summer Picnic was held on 31 Aug. Having local High School candi-

dates attend added to the festivities. We hope to continue to build our society and increase our local network. We have rebounded from our close loss in football to NC. We look forward to the Army Team playing at Duke and NC in '92.

—Jim McGorry '79

ST. LOUIS

The WPS of St. Louis concluded another successful year of activities with the presentation to **Mike Mayweather '91**, of our inaugural "Outstanding First Class Cadet for the Greater St. Louis Area" award on 1 May '91. In addition, a large number of Soc members and members of the local WPPC participated in a golf outing on 17 May at Scott AFB. Our Soc also co-sponsored a presentation by GEN Vuono at the University Club in St. Louis on 20 May.

On 16 Dec, our Soc will host a briefing by the Admissions Office to prospective cadets from the St. Louis area. Head coach Bob Sutton again will be in attendance. Also on 28 Dec, we will attend the annual All Academy Dinner-Dance sponsored this year by our local PC.

8 March '92, will find us celebrating FD with the 54th Supe, **LTC Howard D. Graves, '61**. We also plan for our spring golf outing to take place on 10 Apr '92, at the fine golf course on Scott AFB.

Finally, the spring will bring the presentation of our "Outstanding First Class Cadet for the Greater St. Louis Area" Award and WP Book Award Programs. The WP Book Award Program is a new program for our Soc and is designed not only to make outstanding high school students more aware of our alma mater, but also to encourage intellectual achievement and to recognize extracurricular excellence. The guidelines adopted for this award are:

The recipient of the WP Book Award should be a junior in the top 25% of his or her class who has not only made a positive contribution to the athletic and extracurricular life of the school, but also has demonstrated a desire and ability to lead his/her peers in a manner supportive of our nation.

This award will be presented at the school's award assembly, and we plan on making four awards this year.

If anyone would like to participate in the activities of our Soc, they may contact our Soc Pres, **Frank Janoski '74**, at the following telephone numbers: office (314) 621-8575; home (314) 961-3811.

—Frank Janoski '74

ELPASO

Our annual Society picnic held on 28 Sep was the highlight of our activities for this period. The purpose of the picnic was to fellowship and to welcome the Class of '91 grads to Ft. Bliss and to the El Paso area. Our purpose was accomplished quite successfully. The attendees included grads and spouses, WPPC members, some new candidates and their families and about 50 members of the Class of '91.

The program included welcome and introduction of the events and speakers by Society Pres **John Oblinger '53**. A gracious welcome and invitation to feel at home at the CG's quarters by Don & Bobbie Lionetti '61. The remarks enjoyed the most of all were cadet and early horse cavalry stories by our most senior grad **GEN Jimmie Polk '33**.

After a picnic lunch, we heard from the oldest grad present, **COL Dean Herman, '31**, youngest grad **Dave Reardon '91**, Charlene Ruddick, WPPC coordinator, and **Jerry Cobb '68** El Paso Admissions Officer. Several nice door prizes were offered, including the WP Wedding Print donated by Don Stivers and the Buffalo Soldier print donated by local artist, Bob Snead. Whenever the microphone was not occupied, we all followed the Army-Harvard game via telephone hookup into our sound system. Our thanks go to our picnic committee members; **Art Sobers '79**, **Jimmy Apodaca '85**, **Russ Bittle '86**; **James Hembrey '82**; **Dave Hildreth '81**, **Kim Warren '86**, and of course the Lionettis.

The speaker at our regular August monthly luncheon was **LTC (P) George Woodbury '69**, Engineer Officer for the Ft. Bliss headquartered Joint Task Force 8, the DOD War on Drugs Task Force. George told about and showed us slides of engineer activities all along the Mexican Border, coordinated by JTF-8 in waging the war on drugs.

Our Oct monthly meeting speaker was our perennial favorite, Dr. Anthony Kruzewski, UTEP Professor, and expert on Eastern Europe. His presentation and question and answer period lasted only an hour, but we were again captivated by his knowledge, insights and dynamic delivery.

—John Oblinger '53

GREATERHOUSTON

Houston's **George McDowell '37** and classmates **Howard Smalley '37** and **Bob Gildart '37** are in charge of planning the Class of '37's 55th reunion in '92 at WP. Out of the 133 stout hearted classmates available, 80 are expected at this reunion.

Candler Asbury "Wilkie" Wilkinson '44 finally reported in for rollcall. He has been AWOL from Houston for the last 7 years and now has been discovered living at Star Route Box 247, Palacios, TX. He has a beautiful bay house and claims his occupation is fishing and watching birds. Wilkie has successfully survived a back disc removal and is feeling like a million dollars. His daughter, 2LT Story Ann Andrews is following in army tradition and is currently a trauma nurse at Ft. Leavenworth where her husband is a Major. **John M. Talhelm '73** has recently received the honor of admission to the Society of Industrial and Office Realtors (SIOR).

Jeffrey C. "Jeff" Alt '62, who is currently the Marketing Manager of Mustang Tractor Corporation and wife Sue recently returned from the Veil—Beaver Creek area where he and Sue left untouched the golf course records of those environs despite Sue's 6 handicap and Jeff's 10. Jeff is currently serving as our WPS 1st VP. **Richard S. "Dick" Sundt '59** has formed "ND Associates" (N for wife Nete and D for Dick) and is successfully consulting in the area of environmental cleanups. His daughter Jennifer will graduate from Baylor University this Dec.

Houston's Gentleman Rancher, **Robert E. "Bob" Pine '45** has started out in a new



Richard Garay '69, Ab T. Webber '51, and Roger Balog '69 AKA "The Pres" at the Sep monthly Society luncheon.

venture: planting vineyards on his ranch near Houston. Bob suggests selling Gallo Wine stock short, as he hopes to get very competitive soon.

William K. "Bill" Marshall '59 announces that his newly arrived grandson, Colin Ryan, will undoubtedly be the First Captain at WP in 2012. Bill's big hobby at this time is raising exotic animals.

Robert "Bob LaRaia '67 is currently burning the candle at both ends. At present he is Senior Counsel for British Petroleum Exploration, Inc., and attending U of Houston in order to gain his LLM in Environmental Law, to add to his J.D. from the U of OK. **Ron E. Hudson '58**, who is Houston's Asst Dir of the Public Utilities Dept and also the Sec of the WPS of



Rudy Prince '51, Tom Phillips '48 and Sal E. Manzo '39 at the Sep monthly Society luncheon.

Greater Houston, and his wife Karin have just returned from a mini-reunion of the Class of '58 which was held at South Padre Island, TX.

Harry C. Calvin '60 & Mary have recently returned from Mary's 28th High School reunion at one of America's most unique schools, CO Rocky Mountain School, which is located at Carbondale, CO. Harry's oldest son Phillip, a Rice University BS, TX University ME and U of NC PhD, is planning a bicycle tour to Chile.

Anthony "Tony" A. Cucolo '46 refuses to stay retired. After leaving the Army he has retired from two of Houston's major Engr firms, and now has started his own firm, CCL. Tony's son **Major Anthony Cucolo III '79** has recently completed CGSC and is at Ft. Polk, LA

Dr. Thomas J. "Tom" Parr '67 brought great honor to himself and WP by being named the first recipient of the Houston Memorial Southwest Hospital's "Outstanding Physician of the Year" award. Tom is one of the leading "Sport Surgeons" in the country. During the Desert Storm action Tom went back on active duty for three months. Son Robert is the Head Coach for the U of TX soccer team and son Stephen is a player.

Our soc meets at noon monthly every 2nd Thurs at Brennans in Houston with **Roger Balog '69** commanding.

—Robert E. Lee '45

NORTH TEXAS

The annual WPSNT membership drive was recently brought to a successful conclusion by **Jack Driskill '52** and his Pointer Cmte. Our current membership totals over 350 and it looks like it's going to be another great year. A roster of members recently went out to all members.

Once again, Army claimed victory in the Tri-Service Tennis Tournament held on 18 Aug '91. Army defeated both Navy and Air

Force to hold on to the trophy. The match was a round-robin with highest cumulative score winning. Army-51, Air Force-47, Navy-35. **Bob Tener '57, Zach Smith '77, Paul Divis '81 and Bryan Trueblood '83** comprised the victorious team.

Congratulations to **R. Jan LeCroy '54**. The Dallas County Community College District recently dedicated its Center for Education Telecommunications in Jan's name. He was Vice Chancellor from '71 to '81 and Chancellor from '81 until his retirement in '87.

Dan O'Dell '78, VP of Admissions, has been doing an outstanding job in covering admissions activities over the past two months. Over 40 members of our Society assisted Dan in covering College Nights in the area. We owe a great debt to Dan and his volunteers.

At its regular monthly meeting on 21 Aug '91, the WPSNT elected **Paul Divis '81** to fill the unexpired term of **John H. (Jack) Alban '60** as a Director of the WPSNT. Jack resigned early this summer due to business demands.

On 10 Oct, Jack Driskill '52 coordinated another great WPSNT Happy Hour held at the Royal Oaks Country Club. It was an enjoyable evening of fellowship, "war stories", and catching up on the latest news of our Society.

We look forward to the busy months ahead, and our WPSNT Alumni Flag Football Team will try once again to defeat Roger Staubach and the Navy team in our annual football game. BEAT NAVY!

—Darcy Anderson '78

OMAHA

The WPS of Omaha held its '91 FD at the Offutt AFB Officer's Club on 30 Mar. Fifteen grads were present along with their wives and guests, for a total of thirty-two attendees.

The guest speaker was Dr. Joseph C. Porter, Curator of Western American History and Ethnology in the Center for Western Studies at the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha. Dr. Porter is the author of "Paper Medicine Man", a biography of John Gregory Bourke, a U.S. Army Officer, USMA 1869, turned ethnologist, and a profile writer on the post-Civil War West. Dr. Porter is currently working on a profile writer on the post-Civil War West. Dr. Porter is currently working on a biography of the Oglala Sioux Indian Chief, Crazy Horse, and a biography of MG George Crook, USMA 1852, a famous and controversial Indian Fighter. Materials from Dr. Porter's publications have been used in the curriculum of the U.S. Army Intelligence

Center and School, Ft. Huachuca, AZ.

On 24 Sep, eleven members of the Omaha Soc attended the '91 USMA Fall Admissions dinner at the Offutt AFB Officer's Club. There were 100 attendees at the event, including 33 candidates and parents. This year, representatives of the other Service Academies were invited and attended, as well as ROTC program personnel. The gathering was addressed by **MG Frank B. Horton III '62, Pres of WPS of Omaha, COL Terry D. Hand '67** Permanent Associate Professor, USMA Dept of Civil and Mechanical Engr, and **Cadet John Roper '92**. The emphasis was on the academic programs at the Academy. The USMA Admissions Officer for the U.S. North Central region, **CPT Robert S. Wall, '81**, presented some points on the admissions process. CPT Wall and LT. Charles Williams from the Academy Outreach office held a question and answer session for the candidates and parents after the formal meeting was concluded.

This annual admissions function receives support from the area WPPC; Cadet John Roper's mother of Lincoln, NE, is the current pres. The PC also sponsors an all-academy social each year between Christmas and New Year's for all academy students and candidates for admission. WPS members take an active part in this event.

—E. Gordon Pahre '52

DENVER

The WPS of Denver has had an active summer and fall. We sponsored the WP Cycling Team participation in "Ride The Rockies", a 443 mile, seven day journey from Cortez to Golden over four very challenging mountain passes. The team was made up of **Brian Kleyenstuber '91**,



"Ride the Rockies" Bike Tour-5th Day. Front Row (L to R): Ray Karsian '57, Gail Karsian, Jack Murphy '57. Back Row (L to R): Allan Abbs, USNA '91, Brian Kleyenstuber '91, Mike Helmick '80, Dan Grey '80, Jennifer McNear '94 and Karen Leonard '94.

Mike Helmick OIC '80, Dan Grey Asst. OIC '80, Jennifer McNear '94, Karen Leonard '94, and Allan Abbs USNA '91 and was joined by Jack Murphy and Ray and Gail Karsian from '57.

It looks like the Rocky Mountains are attracting a lot of the long gray line. '51 is having a reunion from 7-9 Nov. '57 is having a reunion from 7-10 Nov, and I-1 from '54 is having a get together 18-20 Oct. Come and visit and enjoy a great time in beautiful CO.

We'll celebrate FD on 22 Mar with the Dean.

—Tom Hicklin '57

INTERMOUNTAIN REGION

The Intermountain Region lost an old friend recently. The Ft. Douglas Officer's Club, site of many Benny Havens hours and FD celebrations over the years, hosted its last event in Aug as the Fort began the painful process of inactivation. While we've lost our traditional rally point, we haven't lost our direction, and the Intermountain Region is maintaining a full schedule. Our most important activity is support for the Admissions Office, and Al Walker has taken over the position of Area Coordinator. He is ably assisted by a host of energetic supporters, including **Bill Kyle '43, John Norton '70, Tim Regan '77** and **Al Arthur '79**. A new activity has been added to our annual calendar of events—supporting the Army basketball team at the Weber State University Holiday Tournament 28-29 Nov. The participants include Army, VMI, Citadel and WSA. It is the first opportunity many of us have had to support the basketball team since cadet days. Ski Day will be on Martin Luther King's Birthday, so if the snow-starved societies in CO and CA want some good skiing, they are invited to join us. Our FAX number is (801) 530-2570, Attn: Al Walker. Let us hear from you.

—Bus Mease '60

PUGET SOUND

Our Fall Quarterly Luncheon was held at the Seattle College Club on 2 Oct. The guest speaker was **Roger Sherrard, '66**, a practicing attorney in Poulsbo, WA. Roger was one of a group of American attorneys invited to visit Bulgaria on a survey of civil rights. The group met with key people of a struggling, new government—people who hunger for freedom. Sherrard indicated that Bulgaria is striving to join the democratic, free world. Twenty-six members of the WPS of Puget Sound were in attendance.

A Joint Service Academy Dinner, conducted annually at the College Club in Seattle, will be hosted by our society on 16 Dec. Its purpose is to bring service academy grads, and their spouses, more closely together. The honored speaker is Dr. Donald W. Treadgold, a member of the Jackson School of International Affairs at the U of WA. We will speak on "Russia Before and After the Coup". Dr. Treadgold was in the Soviet Union during the time of the Coup and experienced firsthand events that occurred. A subsequent report on the Dinner will be in the next issue of Assembly.

We regret to report that our correspondent to the Assembly, **Win Curley, '41**, has been forced to resign because of failing health. He has served the WPS of Puget Sound with distinction as Board Member, Pres and Scribe. He will be sorely missed.

—Charles Howze '31

SILICON VALLEY

The Silicon Valley continues to be active. In Jul we held a working lunch on what the functions of our society should be and what activities the members wanted. Breakout groups addressed the main areas and then presented their recommendations to the entire group. In general the results were for social activities, promote USMA interests, and communicate with USMA. We are also developing programs for career assistance for grads and a scholarship based on "Developing the Leaders of the Twentyfirst Century."

We had a Benny Havens Hour in Aug, viewed the videotape of GEN Schwarzkopf's talk to the Corps. It influenced our choice of what subject on which to base our scholarship. No doubt his theme of "Character and Competence" will be used also.

But we certainly do not have only such serious subjects. We have held two golf tournaments at Moffett NAS and Ft. Ord (both installations which are soon to bite the bullet under the defense cutbacks).

Most recently, in Sep, COL Morris Herbert '50, came out from the AOG to let us hear the true poop on the athletic program and the general state of affairs at the Point. He is a delightful speaker and you are missing a bet not trying to have him speak to your group.

We made one strong point to Morris to carry back and we might as well make it again. Out here on the "Left Coast" any news of WP sports is listed after the amateur Albanian soccer scores in the newspapers. We are cut off. But what is most frustrating is that we never hear about any Cadet activities coming to this area (sports,

glee club, etc.) (Chuck Dwyre and I don't recall bracing Graves or Vanderbush THAT much back in M-2 days.) We humbly beseech the AAA, AOC or whoever to get the word out to the societies on what is planned in our areas. Might even help the CA recruiting.

Coming up in late Oct we have a group spending the day wine tasting in the Napa Valley. We are starting off at Chuck Shaw's ('65) Winery with a gourmet catered lunch and then working our way back to the Peninsula with stops at a champagne cellar and another winery.

On 7 Dec, we will watch Army scuttle the Navy with the Peninsula's parents club. On 28 Dec, a dinner/dance with the SF Society is planned at Ft. Mason in the building which GEN Douglas MacArthur's father once occupied. It is open to all grads and Cadets in the area. (dance music for all tastes!)

—Chuck DePew '60

ANNAPOLIS

The WPS of Annapolis celebrated the beginning of its 6th year of existence with a tail gate party before the first Navy home game on 7 Sep 91. The highlight of the affair: welcoming six exchange cadets who had just arrived for their fall semester at the Naval Academy. West Point sent down a super group of cadets this year. They will have a tough time, though, topping last year's group which was instrumental in "borrowing" the Navy Goat, and one of whom is this year's First Captain, Omar Jones. We're always glad to have them here and to provide them comfort anytime deep in the heart of enemy territory. The Tail Gate was a lot of fun, and Navy even cooperated by losing their game, badly.

The Soc plans to host receptions for visiting Army teams again this year, with the Soccer game in Oct and Basketball game in winter as highlights. We also have our Annual Christmas/Navy Victory Reception scheduled for 15 Dec and our 6th Annual FD scheduled for 7 Mar 92. Any grads in the area at those times should feel free to join us.

—Bill Taylor '70

CENTRAL NEW YORK

The WPSCNY conducted its fall dinner meeting at the Spaghetti Warehouse on 17 Oct. The bustling restaurant and the excellent food provided an interesting backdrop to the exuberant party fortified by many members of the WPPC, including the lovely Co-President, Mrs. Kaye Kelly, whose son Andrew is a member of '94.

Among the guests was Tony Magrogan, son of Phil and Marcella Magrogan, who is a highly qualified candidate for admissions to the Class of '96. Tony is number one in his class and student-body pres at West Hill High School and a leading cross country runner as well. Another distinguished guest was **Dan Derbes '52** former Pres of the Sig Cps, and his wife **Pat** who are living in San Diego and visiting the Hodgkins.

Soc Pres "**Hodge**" **Hodgskin '52** introduced the speaker, **Ted Spencer '73**, a longtime member of the society, who related his experiences (fortunately many were humorous) as a reservist activated for the Gulf War and serving in Kuwait City. We also watched the videotape of GEN Schwarzkopf's spring visit to WP and his address to the Corps of Cadets. This being a more poignant moment for the GEN than addressing the last section of Mechanics of Solids, which included the Society Secy, **Ross Irvin '68**, on a previous tour.

Charles Breeding '78, former Pres of the Soc, made a special presentation to **Paul Curtin, Jun '43**, who has served as original secy and later as VP to the Soc. To see Paul receive his award were his classmate Frank Saul and his wife Betty. Special thanks were given to Mike Stimson '85 and his wife Jennie for their work in organizing the event.

—Ross Irvin '68

FORT BENNING AND COLUMBUS

The WPS of Ft. Benning and Colum-

bus, GA held its fall luncheon at the Ft. Benning Officers Club. Guest speaker was CPT Pete Shefer, Jr., Admissions Officer of WP. Following the remarks the following officers and board members were elected for the coming year.

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—Sam Wetzels '52

TALLAHASSEE

There was one omission in the Nov 91 edition of *ASSEMBLY*. The VP, **Bob Shoemaker '44**, was inadvertently omitted in the discussion of the WPS of

Tallahassee. Bob was founding VP of the WPS of Tallahassee and put in a tremendous amount of effort in its founding. Special recognition goes to him.

—Horace Schow '55

CENTRAL TEXAS

The West Point Society of Central Texas held its monthly (first Wednesday) luncheon on 6 November 1991 at the Westwood Country Club in Austin. There were 22 graduates in attendance. The oldest graduate present was **Hal Halff '28**, who brought his secretary. Attendees for the first time were **Trace Greenwade '77**, **Mike Denton '73**, and **John Vanston, '50**.

Society President **Mert Darling** reported the results of a questionnaire passed out at the annual picnic which indicated that a formal program would be desirable at monthly luncheons. Responding to this consensus, this luncheon had a program. A videotape made by a member of the Class of 1938 for its 50th Reunion was played on a large television monitor during the meal. This was an outstanding video. There was much favorable response from the group.

There will be no monthly luncheon in December. The Army-Navy Game Party on 7 December will be at the home of **Suzanne** and **Bruce Robertson '51**. Beat Navy!

—Sel Graham '51

Book Reviews (Continued from page 60) of August past, again have modified the path along which the Soviet state (or whatever passes as that state at this juncture in history) seems destined to follow. Thus, when the author argues that the communist party will continue to play a dominant role in shaping Soviet politics the reader must allow that, at present at least, the party and the influence that it wields are in eclipse. This is not to say that the author

was wrong in what he wrote, or to discount that at some time in the future the party may not regain some degree of influence; at present, however, the influence of the party and Marxist-Leninist ideology on events have reached a new low, from which any return will be difficult at best. As Professor Lowery himself writes: "The key to the success of this 'new thinking' move is control." At present the situation seems out of control, with the result that

no one can say for sure what the outcome of events will be. With this caveat, however, there is still the need to understand all that has gone into shaping the present as a way of gaining insight into what may still come, and, in this regard, *Glasnost* can be seen as contributing to such an understanding.

Reviewed by LTC Daniel Burghart
Department of Social Sciences
USMA

At a Glance: other recently-published books by or about USMA graduates, now available at the USMA Bookstore and other fine bookstores:

Armor Attacks, The Tank Platoon: An Interactive Exercise in Small-Unit Tactics and Leadership by MAJ John F. Antal '77, US Army. Presidio Press (December 1991); 320 pages.

A Genius For War: The German

Army and General Staff, 1807-1945 by COL Trevor N. Dupuy '38, USA Retired. Hero Books Publishers (1984); 362 pages.

Understanding Defeat: How to Recover From Loss in Battle to Gain Victory in War by COL Trevor N. Dupuy '38. Paragon House (1990); 303 pages.

Duty, Honor, Vietnam: Twelve Men of West Point by Ivan Prashker. William Morrow Publishers (1988); 428 pages.

The Hollow Army: How the US Army Is Oversold and Undermanned by CPT William Darryl Henderson (Dept of Mathematical Sciences at USMA). Greenwood Press, Inc. (1990); 166 pages.

A Time For War: Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Path to Pearl Harbor by Robert Smith Thompson. Prentice Hall Press (1991); 444 pages.

Bulletin Board



Cadet Kazaglis '92 Awarded Soldier's Medal for Heroic Rescue

Cadet Jeff Kazaglis, E-3, Class of 1992, was awarded the Soldier's Medal, the highest medal for bravery given in peace time, during a parade held in his honor on 26 September 91.



Cadet Kazaglis earned the citation for the brave actions he took on 9 May 1991 while a member of the Army crew team in Philadelphia, Pa., attending the Dad Vail Regatta. With no thought for his own safety, he rushed into the burning Rittenhouse Claridge highrise apartment building to help rescue trapped residents.

"I remembered it was Mother's Day the next day, so I ran out for a few minutes to buy some flowers for my mom. When I got to the corner of the building, a man ran up to me and pushed me to the ground and laid on top of me.

"All this glass started falling on us. There was an explosion in the building behind us. The building (which was a bank) had about four stories catch on fire. This man (later identified as "Reggie") and I ran up and down the street, trying to get people and cars off the street so no one would be hit by the falling glass."

The man called the fire department, while Cadet Kazaglis ran into the first floor of the building. He went up to the manager's desk and told him the building was on fire. The manager didn't seem to believe Cadet Kazaglis at first.

"I had my rowing clothes on and I didn't

look like the average bank customer," Cadet Kazaglis said. I jumped on one of the teller's desks and started screaming 'everyone get out of the building right now, it's on fire!' Then I ran over and pulled the fire alarm.

"Everyone started running out of the bank. Reggie came back and said he called the fire department but we couldn't wait for them because there was a 92-year-old woman who was deaf and couldn't walk. So I ran off looking for a stairwell."

When he found the stairwell, Cadet Kazaglis and Reggie had to push past the people trying to get out. The two men made it up to the 18th floor, but thick smoke forced them back.

"When we got back to the 17th floor, there were three elderly people unconscious in the stairwell, a man and two women. Reggie grabbed one woman and dragged her down the stairs while I grabbed the man's shirt collar and put him over my shoulder and hauled the other woman over my other shoulder and started running down the stairs with them both.

"When we got down to the 5th floor, my clothes started to catch on fire."

Once out of the building, the man Cadet Kazaglis was carrying came to, but the woman stopped breathing so he ran her out to an ambulance. Remembering there were people still in the stairwell, Cadet Kazaglis ran back in and helped another couple of people to get out. Eventually Cadet Kazaglis went back in three more times.

"By that time I was getting pretty dizzy and couldn't really walk any more. I looked at my watch and realized I only had five minutes to get to my crew race."

"I didn't have time to tell anybody about it. A fireman, who was an Army Reserve Officer, noticed my Army crew shirt. He told my coaches about the rescue.

"The *Philadelphia Enquirer* had taken a picture of me carrying those two people out of the building. The next day they came out to the race with a TV crew to do an interview."

Lieutenant General Howard D. Graves, superintendent, pinned the Soldier's Medal on Cadet Kazaglis immediately

after the parade. Cadet Kazaglis's mother and sister were on hand to witness the parade and the ceremony.

Pointer View/Spec. John Barker

Beatrice Wildrick is 100!

On 9 August 1991, Beatrice Wildrick, widow of Meade Wildrick '10, celebrated her 100th birthday at Seabrook, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. "Bea Bea", as she is known to her countless friends,



was a gracious hostess to many cadets, staff and faculty at West Point from 1941-1946 when Meade Wildrick was Public Relations Officer. She is pictured here with her daughter, Belle Robbins. Her son is COL Meade D. Wildrick, Jr. '47 (USA, Ret).

Gifts of Historic Artifacts and Materials/Appraisals

Many potential donors of historic objects begin to think about a 1991 gift at this time as the end of the tax year approaches on 31 December 1991. This is the last year for taxpayers to benefit from gifts of appreciated property to non-profit institutions unless H.R. 1557 and S. 359 are passed to extend the period when donors can benefit from their contributions of historical materials to museums, libraries and other institutions of a similar nature.

If you are contemplating a donation to West Point and anticipate a tax benefit, it may be only a matter of days before such a transaction is impossible to process.

The most difficult challenge of a late donation is the appraisal required by the I.R.S. to validate the current market value of an object. Most donors are unfamiliar with the entire appraisal process and some, unfortunately, contract unqualified and inexperienced individuals who call themselves appraisers to assess historic property.

The American Society of Appraisers lists a register of member appraisers who are certified to appraise artifacts for gift purposes. If you have any doubt regarding the legitimate credentials of an appraiser, contact the society in Herndon, VA at (703) 478-2228. The resources of the local Better Business Bureau can also testify to the standing of an individual, but not the individual's expertise in a field.

Generally, an appraiser should freely provide you a listing of credentials and outline in writing the cost of the appraisal (which may be a percentage of the overall appraisal) and the resources used to establish market value. You should feel comfortable with any appraiser before he/she enters your house.

Be certain in your own mind what you really want to do. Donors are in an especially difficult spot if they are custodians of a multi-generational group of objects and artifacts reflecting a "family" history.

Do you wish to keep all artifacts together as a group and find a receptive institution which will honor this purpose?

Do you believe that some family members might wish to inherit any of the artifacts which should then be set aside for donation at a future time?

Are the objects in good condition? Are they so fragile that a museum or a library may be the only logical place to place them for preservation and study by the scholarly community? (In instances where extensive restoration is needed, maintenance funds should accompany a gift to assure its best use for display or study purposes.)

Can you separate the historic value from the family sentimental value of the ob-

ject(s)? This is important since most museums will not readily display an artifact, which is, unfortunately, perceived as a lack of institutional interest. In fact, its display is not important, since the artifact is among similar objects of historical value and has merit for study purposes.

Do you feel comfortable with the terms stated on the gift agreement? Do not turn an artifact over to an institution if you feel that it really belongs somewhere else. Government property cannot be returned, and it is not ethically right for private institutions to surrender objects to family members again, although all gifts are proffered as unconditional in most institutions. Be sure you are satisfied with all terms of your donation and that you understand the purpose of the object in the institution. Libraries and archives hold these same issues to be important when working with their donor clientele.

Nearly 90% of most holdings in institutions come by way of gifts. Your decision to donate artifacts of value to a museum or like institution is a commendable act and assures that collections will remain interesting for both scholarly study and future display.

Michael E. Moss
Director
West Point Museum

Houston USMA Parents Club Seeks West Point China

Wanted to buy: Wedgewood blue West Point china—salad plates, bread & butter dishes, cups & saucers, and dinner plates featuring the Old Library and Administration Building. Contact Tom Hathaway at 3902 Savell Drive, Baytown, TX 77521; telephone (713) 422-7336.

Travel Tips From Omni Travel

The travel professionals at Omni Travel wish you all a great holiday season. Soon it will be time to firm up plans for that special "gloom period" vacation. The prospects of

fantastic ski conditions throughout the United States will provide great values in ski packages in 1992. As earlier predicted an increase in the number of cruise ships has resulted in greater competition in marketing available cabin space. So now is the time to plan your special vacation. Just call Kimberley at 800-331-1810 for all your vacation needs.

SURPRISE! SURPRISE! We at Omni Travel guarantee the lowest price available at the time of booking a ticket. Recently we went a step further and contacted in excess of 200 military travelers, mostly USMA alumni, and informed them of a reduction of air fares on tickets they had purchased earlier. Omni travel reissued their tickets and refunded the difference in purchase price. Although major airlines will generally refund ticket fare reductions, they do so only if the traveler contacts them and requests a refund.

USMA-related travel with Omni Travel continues to increase. Keeping in mind that the agreement between AOG and Omni Travel was not executed until February of 1991; still, donations to the West Point Fund through September 1991 amounted to \$ 2907.82. In addition, donations of other travel benefits of considerably greater value have been made.

By this time all coordinators of USMA class reunions for 1992 should have been contacted by Omni Travel regarding reunion travel plans. If we have missed anyone, please call as soon as possible in order to insure timely distribution of travel information. If any other organizations are planning reunions, please call and let us participate in your travel plans.

Omni Travel donated seven free airline tickets to cadets as door prizes at cadet activities during 1991. We plan to donate others during 1992 as well. Drawings will be made from those cadets and parents on our mailing list. If you want your cadet to be eligible, please contact Omni Travel at 800-331-1810 and provide your name and your cadet's name for our mailing list.

Although Omni Travel will provide you the lowest available fares for all travel, special discounted fares have been negotiated with American and Delta Air Lines for travel related to the following events:

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Redhat Reunion-92

All former members of the Vietnamese Airborne Division Advisory Detachment (Team 162) and their friends and relatives are invited to participate in a reunion at Ft. Campbell, KY during the period 25-27 June 1992. Social events, military demonstrations and speakers from Operation Desert Storm are planned.

Vietnamese counterparts will be invited. The picture here is of the parade unit that marched in the Airborne parade celebrating the 50th anniversary of Air-



borne Units (July 1990, Wash, DC)

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. Guaranteed, you will have a good time. Reservation forms will be sent to all RedHats on the current active roster.

For additional information call the reunion chairman, Garland Wright (615-647-5913), or Fitz Chandler '59 (314-256-8269). AIRBORNE!

Columbarium Completed

A 432-space columbarium is now in operation under the Old Cadet Chapel. The financial, engineering and construction efforts of LTC (Red) Richard W. Maffry '42 have made this much needed addition to the West Point Cemetery possible.

COL Maffry, who lives in Altus, Oklahoma, designed the facility, donated the money to construct it and spent over six weeks at West Point supervising the project. His wife, Dorothy, was responsible for all the artistic touches and contributed greatly to the project's successful completion.

The columbarium will be dedicated during the Class of 1942's fiftieth reunion in May. The interment of cremated remains is now possible in either the columbarium or the cemetery; however, less than 80 spaces for ashes remain in the cemetery, so shortly the columbarium will be the only choice for ashes. Use of the columbarium is under the control of the USMA Mortuary Operations Officer, Mrs. Grace E. Foster. She can be reached at 914-938-2504 to answer questions or schedule burials.

High School Students: A Summer Foreign Exchange Opportunity

General Dominique de La Motte, President of Saint Cyrienne, the alumni association of Saint Cyr, the French Military Academy, has suggested in a letter to the President, AOG, that we strengthen the bonds between our two schools. As a first step, General de La Motte offers to initiate an exchange program between teen-age students who are sons and daughters of members of our two alumni associations.

The program would begin during summer vacation in 1992. French students would spend two weeks with families of USMA graduates in the United States, and French officers and their families then would reciprocate, hosting the American teenagers for two weeks in their homes in France.

If you would enjoy having a French teenager in your home for two weeks, and if you have a teenager who would like to travel abroad, let us know!

Once we have put you in touch with your French counterpart, we (and Saint Cyrienne) will step out of the picture and let you make your own arrangements.

It's a great opportunity to increase cultural ties and a chance for your children to learn about a foreign country in a safe and compatible environment!

If you're interested, please contact Colonel Herbert or Mrs. Giacoio at the AOG offices: (914) 446-7164.

Ruggero '80 Seeks Veterans of D-Day

Ed Ruggero '80, author of *38 North Yankee* and *The Common Defense*, plans to write an oral history of Operation Overlord. He seeks to establish contact with

West Point veterans of D-Day for the purpose of personal interviews and referrals to other veterans known to grads. Also seeks information regarding reunions, past and future, of units involved in D-Day. Address all correspondence to: Ed Ruggero, 7211 Wareham Drive, Tampa, Florida 33647.

Seeks Grads Who Remember Visit(s) of Submarine S-49 to West Point

Seeking graduates from 1939-43 era who remember visiting the ex-Navy submarine S-49 when it visited West Point in 1940 (may also have visited in 1939 and 1941). At the time sub was privately owned by "Capt." F.J. Chrestensen. Desire your recollections of the visit, photos, etc. Please contact: Professor Joseph J. Beard, St. John's University Law School, Grand Central & Utopia Parkways, Jamaica, NY 11439; (718) 990-6005.

Seeks 1975 Howitzer

Donald Jacobovitz '77 is looking for a 1975 *Howitzer*. He has an extra 1976 *Howitzer*, in case any one is looking for one. Write: Donald D. Jacobovitz, 1563 South Lyons court, Oviedo, FL 32765; (407) 366-7555.

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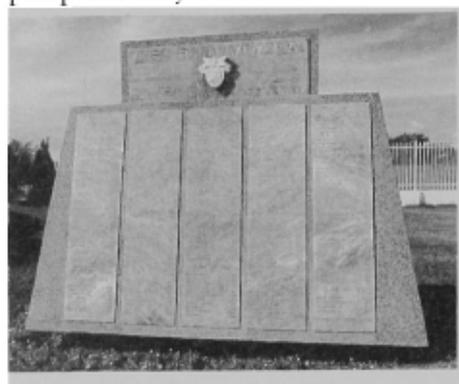
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The encouragement and financial support provided by the extended West Point



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MG Andrew J. Adams '31, the committee's executive secretary, informs us that much has been accomplished in maintaining and improving the beauty of the memorials.

MG Chester L. Johnson '37
Cabanatuan Committee Chairman

Second Annual Alumni Golf Tournament

The Second Annual Alumni Golf Tournament is scheduled to be held at the West Point Golf Course on 25-27 June 1992. Detailed tournament information will be publicized at a later date. If you are interested and would like to receive more information, call the Alumni Affairs Office at (914) 938-3700/3024 or write Alumni Affairs Office, Cullum Hall, West Point, NY 10996.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF SERVICE ACADEMY GRADUATES ADMITTED TO USMA — CLASS OF 1995 —

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Paul Vencill	William A. Vencill '60	James Bartholomees	James B. Bartholomees, Jr. '70
Robert Cairns	Robert B. Cairns '61	Scott Rutler	Randall C. Rutler '70
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Craig Smith	Harold W. Smith '64	Richard Wampler	Richard L. Wampler '72
Dunn Yoshitani	Ken Yoshitani '65	Eric Pavlick	William S. Pavlick '72
Shannon Coll	Dennis R. Coll '65	Jason Comett	Jack G. Gulden '75 (Stepfather)
Fredric Laughlin	Fredric L. Laughlin '65		
Jonathan Doyle	James T. Doyle '66	David Hulme	Nelson D. Hulme '61
Brain Cox	Michael J. Cox '67	Eric Duckworth	Kenneth Duckworth '62
James Doheny	Robert C. Doheny '67	Thomas Madalo	Michael Madalo '62
Margaret Holderness	Jerome W. Holderness '68	Matthew Edmond	Robert A. Edmond '70
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distinguished veteran of this class was Alexander Haig, who received two silver stars for his activities during the first few months.

The Class of 1948 is the "forgotten class." From this class came two Superintendents, Sidney B. Berry of West Point and James R. Allen of the Air Force Academy. Both had distinguished combat records. Jim Allen was with the Republic of Korea Air Force in 1950 and flew 157 missions. Sid Berry rose from platoon leader to company commander to battalion staff in the 35th Regiment of the 25th Division. In addition to them, William Y. Smith lost a foot flying in combat in Korea but still managed to get his Ph.D. at Harvard in 1961, become deputy chief of staff EUCOM and retire in 1983 with four stars. Others, such as Bill Caldwell, Bob Mathis, Tom Hoffman and Bill Patch, were part of the 44 percent wounded who reached star rank.

The Class of 1949 suffered the most casualties that first year. Many of these were veterans and had seen combat in World War II. The Class of 1949 had 27 killed and 57 wounded of their 204 in Korea. This amounted to 13 percent killed and 41 percent wounded. Remembered in the Class of 1949 is Joseph B. Steffy—captain of the Blaik football team of 1947—wounded that first year in Korea.

The class of 1950 had almost 100 more graduates than the class of 1949, but only 206 men were in Korea the first year. Of these 11 percent were killed and 35 percent were wounded. For the war, the Class of 1950 had the most casualties.

The Classes of 1947 and 1948, when taken together at 611 men, still had the most killed at 15 percent. In wounded they were second to the Class of 1949 at 40 percent wounded. These are high percentages and show that exposure to combat among the Classes of 1947 to 1950 that first year was high.

The Classes of 1945 and 1946 should not be overlooked. These classes had served overseas, had joined units in the United States and then had been sent back overseas to Korea. One should not forget Lt. Thomas A. Lombardo, Class of 1945 and the captain of the undefeated football team of 1944. After having been in Japan in 1945, he was rushed from the United States over to Korea and was killed in action on 24 September 1950.

West Point's contribution to the Korean War should not be overlooked. The attrition of platoon leaders from the Classes of 1945 through 1950 needs to be remembered. These men of all branches were

required to fight with a minimum of preparation. That they were able to stop the tanks of the North Korean Army along the Pusan Perimeter is evidence that their West Point training was essential to United States preparedness.

D. Randall Beirne '48
Professor of Sociology
University of Baltimore

MILITARY V. MEDIA: A MEDIA RESPONSE

With most of what General Sparrow says, I would agree. However, with some of what he says I must strongly disagree.

The general's statement that, in his opinion, Cronkite "gave aid and comfort to our enemies in Vietnam" hit me hard. It implies that Cronkite lacked patriotism, that he betrayed his country. The thought that this man, who went in with the airborne forces on D-Day, flew bombing missions (as did Murrow) and was a warm friend of General Eisenhower, lacked love of his country staggers me.

Now I have no doubt that the North Vietnamese were glad to hear Cronkite, who had been a cheerleader for the American effort, say he believed that the war, at best, could result only in stalemate. It was wrong, Cronkite believed, for the nation to pour its treasure — men and money — endlessly into a hopeless crusade. It was the military-political equivalent of saying straightforwardly, "The emperor has no clothes." The country, for its own good, needed to be told that. Neither the military nor the President was leveling with the public. Cronkite, whom polls had shown to be the most trusted man in America, felt he had to do it. Incidentally, Cronkite did not make the controversial statement on his nightly newscast; it was labeled personal opinion on a special program dealing with the Tet offensive. He had just returned to New York from a first-hand look at the battle at Hue.

This paragraph appears on page 209 of *Air Time* by Gary Paul Gates, Harper & Row, 1978:

"On his last night in Vietnam, Cronkite had dinner with a group of correspondents in Saigon. Clearly distressed, he asked over and over again, 'How could it have happened? What in the name of God had gone wrong?' The other reporters, some of whom had been covering the war since the early 60s, did not mince words. They replied that the whole sorry mess had been wrong from the start, that deceptions had been employed at every step along the way to cover up that original mistake."

The outcome was not the fault of the American soldier — I never knew a corre-

spondent who thought that for a moment. It was the fault of "the best and brightest" in Washington, who did not heed Eisenhower's warning about land wars in Asia. General Gavin saw it as a disastrous undertaking early on. Former Secretary of Defense McNamara, acknowledging his flawed judgments, has conceded that the war could not be won and that he should have argued against its prosecution.

The statement that the media regard patriotism as naive just isn't true. If you visit the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia, the words you hear were recorded by Cronkite. I never saw newspaper or networks show more American flags than now in their mastheads, in their graphics. The strongest anti-Nazi statement made by anyone was Murrow's Buchenwald broadcast of 15 April 1945. I think of the TV documentaries supporting the Korean War. I think of how the press — all media — followed the agonies of the Battle of the Bulge and celebrated the victory at Bastogne. I think how, on the newspaper back in Columbus, we celebrated our military. How, literally, we cheered on hearing the news of General Doolittle's raid on Tokyo. I think of Ernie Pyle and the other reporters who died because, instead of a guided tour, they wanted the real story of the fighting at the front. Murrow flew more than 20 combat missions. The fact is that, in the Mexican War, the Spanish-American War, the First World War, the Second World, the Korean War and the first years of the Vietnam War, the press — print and later broadcast—wholeheartedly supported those wars. They were part of the team.

General Sparrow says, "The armed forces place great emphasis upon veracity, accuracy and fairness." But the media, he says, "sometimes" subordinates these considerations to the story. Yes, sometimes they do. And I concede an emphasis by the Pentagon on accuracy, on truth. But wars are fraught with distortion, a tactic aimed at deceiving not only the enemy, but the media as well. This explains the skepticism to which General Sparrow refers.

I've spent 54 years in newsworld. Even when I was teaching after leaving CBS, I was producing 16 newscasts a week on WAMU-FM. Then, after leaving American University, I was news consultant for television stations in Boston, Ft. Myers, Houston, Oklahoma City, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Charlotte, Minneapolis and Memphis. I gave this work up only last year. In all this time, in all the places that I worked, accuracy was stressed. When Paul White hired me at CBS, his first rule was: "Be first with the

story, if you can. But first, get it right.”

At first, correspondents covering the Vietnam War were believers. They accepted what they were told at the briefings as fact. Eventually, they discovered that what they were told was happening and what actually was happening were not the same. The press was justified in being skeptical. The skepticism grew from the misinformation received at briefings and other deceptions, including President Johnson's manipulation of public opinion in the so-called Tonkin incident, in which he completely misrepresented the facts. This gave Johnson the Tonkin Gulf Resolution, which was tantamount to a blank check. I am bitter because, without it, tens of thousands of lives might have been spared.

In 1962, before the Tonkin Gulf incident, the State Department cabled Saigon: “It is not—repeat not—in our interest to have stories indicating that Americans are leading and directing combat missions against the Viet Cong.” Surely the American people had the right to know how deeply we were becoming involved.

We know that from a military point of view, and possibly from a geopolitical point of view, President Bush made the right decisions as commander-in-chief. I don't think for a moment we should have accepted Saddam's first proposal for ending the war. The conditions were totally unreasonable. But for the first time he spoke of surrendering Kuwait, which he had insisted all along that he never would surrender. This was “new.” Then I heard Bush go on the air and say that in Saddam's proposal there was nothing “new.” The proposal may have been “a cruel hoax” as he said. But hearing the President in an untruth like that is embarrassing. You may regard this as a small thing, but if I had done this “small thing” as an editor at CBS, I assure you that something heavy would have come down on me.

General Sparrow says the media constitute a business. But you should hear the business people at the networks scream at the news people, who couldn't care less. Correspondents aren't interested in balance sheets; they're interested in finding out what is going on. Out of all the businesses in America, it is the *only* business the founding fathers decreed shall be free from interference from Congress.

No one questions the need for censorship in wartime. You will recall that in the early months of the Korean War, no censorship existed. Correspondents, sensing what might violate security, censored themselves. But the problem of deciding what to report became in itself such a

problem, the correspondents asked the Army to take over. I think that in the Persian Gulf War, the military went too far. Correspondents should have been allowed to get their stories, then submit them to censorship as they did in World War II and in Korea.

The restrictions were so unreasonable in the Gulf War that the correspondents felt justified in violating them. CBS' Bob Simon and his three-man crew, trying to get the picture of what was happening on the Kuwaiti border, were captured. And what did we see? We saw weapons the Iraqis left behind in Kuwait City. We saw Kuwaitis raising their flag over City Hall when briefing officers were saying “Coalition forces are at the gates of the city.” We saw a small body of Iraqi soldiers surrendering to a CBS crew. We heard, firsthand, stories of atrocities committed by Iraqis. Significantly, we heard nothing damaging to the war effort. I am not sure the correspondents and their soundmen and photographers should have gone off on their own this way. I know it is something a good reporter up against unreasonable restrictions always will do.

In some respects, the military and the media always will be at odds. Both are for maintaining security, but sometimes differ on definition. Too often, to cover up, the military has said it must withhold the story because of security. (The prime example is the Pentagon Paper case. But when the papers were published, nothing damaging to national security was found.) The military delights in the broadcast of its successes and, as in the case of any organization or individual, dislikes the broadcast of its failures. It tends, quite naturally, to make more of what makes it look good. The news media want it all. They don't want an incomplete picture, or a retouched picture. So neither the military nor the media ever will be completely satisfied. Settlement of these questions involve each party's sense of responsibility and conscience.

The man who was president of CBS News longer than anyone else, the president whom I admired most, was Dick Salant. He said to us: “Let me make this point as clear as I know how. While I am convinced that if the First Amendment is to mean anything to us in broadcast news, it must mean that the government cannot investigate and regulate, and tell us what to do and how to do it, I am equally convinced that this gives us no moral license to be wrong, or careless, or biased. Morally and professionally, then, we have no right whatever to be wrong. Constitutionally, however, we must have that right.” The

press was designated by the Constitution to be the watchdog. Not just to bark, but to sniff out. As such, it is bound to be liked when it pleases, disliked when it annoys.

That's the way it is, and I do think a better working arrangement between military and media is going to be worked out. Accept this as an honest effort — not an effort to convert, but an effort to express what this one journalist thinks sincerely on this serious subject.

Edward L. Bliss

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MILITARY V. MEDIA: A MILITARY RESPONSE

I read with interest the obfuscation and ruminations of Leonard Sbrocco and Harry Shaw in the November issue. Learn something new? I did not.

No mention of the strident voices of the TV anchors and panelists who predicted thousands of body bags returning to the US. No mention of the anchor who claimed ability to assess damage done by B-52s because he had been awarded a Pulitzer for work in Viet Nam and, therefore, should be permitted to go to the front. No mention of the TV team that broke the rules, was captured by the Iraqis and found alive, fortunately, in prison weeks later. No mention of the idiotic questions from obviously ill-prepared reporters that were fielded by General Schwarzkopf and staff.

Did these reporters seriously want to go to the fighting units in this *melée* of movement as if to a war game in the California desert? Did they really think they would not interfere with operations? Ask your friends in command in Viet Nam if they had to use some of their resources and give attention to the demands of the media in times of stress. Didn't they realize that a major reason for keeping them from the combat area was to protect them?

My Swiss friends state that French TV during the war had more pertinent and complete news than did the best US, even CNN. The French exploited more sources in the Mid East. The lesson for the media here is to cover a broader front, not set one reporter up in one location and be stuck with his observations.

The media have petitioned Mr. Cheney,

Sec. Def., to change the rules dealing with them in future conflicts.

I say we military should support Mr. Cheney and let him know we do. I have written him once and I will again.

John C. Habaacker
Class of 1939

Editor's Note: See also, "A Battle Behind the Scenes: The Gulf War Reheats Military-Media Controversy" by MG Winant Sidle (Ret.) in the September 1991 *Military Review*, pp. 52-63. A sample: "As Otis Pike said in an article written shortly after the Grenada operation in 1983: 'Our military is trained to win. Winning requires secrecy and an image of skill, courage, stamina, strength and sacrifice.

'Our media are trained to report. Reporting must avoid secrecy and must also report blunders, cowardice, exhaustion, weakness and agony, all of which demoralize us.' "

TWIN VOLUMES ON THE HISTORY OF WEST POINT AND THE ACADEMY PROPOSED TO CELEBRATE USMA'S BICENTENNIAL

Celebrating the bicentennial anniversary of any institution is a great opportunity to publicize and extol the importance of the college or university to the nation, and the world. Usually, these centennial and bicentennial celebrations include seminars and meetings with the presentation of the thoughts and ideas of leading scholars, statesmen and graduates. The publication of these papers becomes a major contribution to the literature and scholarship of the times.

Of maximum benefit to West Point, and its reputation, would be a properly planned and well-written history of West Point and the Academy. To do it well, and on time, it would have to be started in the very near future. There could be no more important contribution to the bicentennial by the Association of Graduates than the underwriting and publishing of such a history.

It is appropriate to make such a proposal in the *Letter to the Editor* column because the *ASSEMBLY* editor-in-chief is also the Associate Vice President for Publications, and hence a member of the AOG Publications Committee, able chaired by Colonel Peter Stromberg '59, head of the Department of English. The Publications Com-

mittee will have to consider all proposals for books appropriate to the 2002 event.

A corollary twin volume has also long been needed—a comprehensive discourse on the contributions, both military and non-military, to the national weal by graduates of West Point. I found more than 100 examples of the contributions made in the early exploration and mapping and settling of the expanding nation. The construction of the Panama Canal comes readily to mind, and there are many, many other examples.

These twin volumes would not be easy tasks. Contracts probably would have to be made with two different historians, or even a team of historians, for each volume. To be sure that the resulting books met the standards of the Academy and the Association, a small committee of "readers" would have to review the materials extant, and then recommend to the Publications Committee, and then the Steering Group, and through them to the Association of Graduates, a general thrust for proposed works. This would have to start soon, and then publishers would have to be found, contracts let. Careful editing and production would have to be followed on a continuing basis.

It is estimated that the initial underwriting would be approximately \$50,000 per book, but much of this would be recovered from the sale of books. The Association could count on the total royalties from the sales if the works were done on contract.

This proposal does not ignore the fact that there will be several books, including historical writings, about West Point and the Academy in these coming years. But they are not subject to the Association oversight and will be the particular author's own viewpoint. These efforts need not be discouraged, and some may even merit endorsement by the Academy or the Association, but our own publications should also be produced and made available on a wide scale.

Our American citizens, and many others throughout the world, admire and respect the Academy and the accomplishments of its graduates. On the other hand, there is a frequent critical attack on the Academy and its mission, and occasional public outcries to do away with the Military Academy. One of the best means of countering such derogatory ideas is to publish the twin

volumes suggested. This work should begin soon.

MG Chester "Ted" Clifton, Jr.
Class of 1936

CADET BARRACKS IN NEED OF RESTORATION

Over the weekend of 11-13 October I had the great pleasure of returning to West Point with hundreds of classmates to participate in, and enjoy, our tenth reunion. The emotions and memories generated and friendships rekindled will always stay with me, as will, unfortunately, what I saw while visiting the Cadet Barracks. They were in an absolutely miserable state of maintenance!

I visited my plebe room, E310 in Eisenhower barracks, as I did at my fifth reunion in 1986. Since that time in 1986 it has deteriorated into a state not unlike a New York tenement slum. Old and worn desks, beds and cabinetry. Paint literally flaking off the ceiling in huge chunks! The *entire* ceiling! The floor tiles were stained, gouged and in poor fit. None of this could be helped by the cadets: they were in perfect SAMI.

I spoke to several classmates who are now assigned to USMA (tactical, operations, and academic departments) about this situation, and apparently it is Corps wide (I looked at two other companies as well). My classmates also informed me that currently \$120 million of deferred maintenance exists with no funding available.

If permitted, I intend to "adopt" room E310 and personally finance the room's restoration to a condition suitable to habitation by cadets. At a minimum it should be retiled, repainted, and the desk and bed refurbished or replaced. I hope other graduates will visit their old room(s) and assess their state of repair personally. While cadets will undoubtedly endure many physical hardships during their Army careers, it seems a gross error to permit their views of self-worth to the Army to be tainted by living conditions of this sort. West Point cadets will someday set the standards for the Army, and the Academy must insure that they learn how high those standards should be

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Report from the Classes



'15

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Marguerite Gilkeson sent best wishes to '15. She wrote, "My traveling days are over." She often sees COL & Mrs Patterson Jr '45, Mary Alexandra Cochran, granddaughter of Mary Welby Cochran, married Timothy Edward Burton on 14 Sep 91 in RE Lee Memorial Episcopal Church, Lexington, VA.

Satchie Naiden sent love, best wishes and a happy 92 to '15. Helen Atkins also sent best wishes to '15. She lives with her son Doug Atkins '45 & Peg at 747 North Taylor Ave, Kirkwood, MO 63122. She still enjoys the everyday things of life. She is in good physical condition, and she esp likes to sit on the deck overlooking the garden. Her two grandsons live nearby, and there is a mini-reunion almost wkly.

'16

On 8 Aug, Woody Woodward celebrated his 100th birthday with a great gathering of family and friends at his ret home in Santa Rosa, CA. Messages were read from the President, Superintendent and other well-wishers.



1916: Helen & Woody Woodward

He was esp touched by remembrances from the Math Dept, where he had taught in the 1920's. Helen was by his side as he stood tall on this proud day.

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Jun '18

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One of the bldgs at Ft Leavenworth has been named Barth Hall, to honor 3 GENs. One of these was our classmate, MG George Bittman Barth. The others were his father and his brother '25.

I am 94 and 18th on the AOG USMA list. Both Mike Grenata and Bud Miley are also 94 this yr, Mike in Sep and Bud in Dec.

Inez Adcock has left us. My ltr to Elsie Wells has been returned.

Nov '18

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It has been rep previously that we have 12 living mbrs of our Cl. This is still the number as I type this in early Oct. Seven are widowers and a few of us still live alone with assistance. Listed below are the names, in order of age. Art Pulsifer is our patriarch, followed closely by Chief Brimmer. Both recently have celebrated their 96th birthdays. And both of them write ltrs to me every two mos without fail. We congratulate the 5 whose wives are still living.

After Chief Brimmer comes Max Usis, Vic Broome (& Aline), Ali Riani (& Elly), your scribe, Mac McReynolds (& Lucy), Johnny Hinds (& Betty), Boyd Fitzpatrick, Mike Odor (& Marie), Wannie Wanamaker and Bryan Evans.

In their ltrs both Art and Chief admit to some frailties, but both have an optimistic outlook on life and set good examples for the rest of us.

Recently Ruth Hastings, in a fine ltr, included both some good and bad news. The good first: in late Sep she was at Ft Lee to attend the Quartermaster Hall of Fame Ceremony where our classmate was formally inducted into the Hall. Kester was one of our outstanding mbrs, both on active duty and, after ret, as pres and scribe of our Cl. And more good news: Ruth, who not too long ago survived two most serious heart bypass ops, now feels well. When we had a telcon with her a few days ago, she was packing to take a cruise to visit Greece.

Now with reluctance and sadness the bad news: Ruth, on 22 Aug, lost a 23-yr-old grandson to a rare disease called viral pneumonia. Also, she had learned that Marion Stokes, widow of our classmate, had died on 28 Jan and is interred in Arlington with John.

By telcon Bryan Evans rep that he celebrated his 92nd birthday with Edith Griffiths, who also lives at the Fairfax. Bryan had invited others but, as I have found, it is mighty difficult to gather any contemporaries at our ages. At the Founders Day dinner here in Mar I invited 5 Cl widows as my guests, but only one showed. All absentees had excellent reasons for not coming. I'll try again next Mar. Bryan is planning on spending Christmas in HI. Better watch it, Bryan. Remember the K-det song "They are wearing them higher in HI."

Just received the info that we have lost one of our local Cl widows. Peg Smith, widow of our classmate EW Smith, died on 8 Oct and was interred in Arlington Natl Cem on 11 Oct. Despite her physical difficulties, particularly with her eyes, Peg was always cheerful and pleasant. Our condolences to her family.

Telcons with Margie Lee and Lucy Bowman were most pleasant, and I gathered that all is well with them and their families. Nothing really newsworthy about our 7 Cl widows here except that Marietta Piland recently took a tour of the Canadian Rockies, which she rep was marvelous. Lella Dunkelberg is as ornery as ever, which indicates to me that she is quite well. She drives all over town doing good deeds for her church and visiting those who are ill or in nursing homes, such as our Cl widow Janie Knudsen.

These notes will be in the Jan issue of ASSEMBLY so I wish all of you a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

'19

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Fred Marlow called to say that, although he had nothing new to rep about Lynne or himself, he was interested in news of others. So I'll give him, and you, as much as I could collect.

John Hardin survived a tough summer—two successive bouts with a very serious kind of "flu" required hospitalization that left him in a weakened condition. But by Oct he was recovering at home and able to move about on his own again. Phil Lauben was also hospitalized for a short time because of a fractured hip, the result of a fall on 10 Aug. The doctors repaired it with a few "screws" and have been amazed at his progress toward recovery. In Oct he was moving about quite smartly, though still dependent on a walker for long distances. He & Irma are following closely the progress of two granddaughters. Melanie Lauben is doing well as a first classman and no doubt looking forward to Jun Wk 92. Her younger sister, Philippa, is across the state at St Lawrence U, where she is a jr.

Alex Bennet's situation is about the same. He retains his sense of humor and enjoys the give and take with his helpful friend Charlie and his nurse Helen, who visit him periodically. When a substitute appeared one day, he said to her, "I hope you won't consider this sexual harassment, but you are awfully pretty!" (This was during the period when the whole nation was focused on the subject.) Alex's grandson, Peter Marshall Bennet, enlisted in the Army and recently departed for Korea after extensive training in weapons opns and maintenance at Ft Sill.

On the other hand, George Dillaway's grandson, George M Dillaway, is completing a career in the Army. He recently visited George & Connie upon his return from the Persian Gulf, where he served as a radar technician during the Desert Storm opn and afterward. He ret on 1 Oct and plans to make his home near Ft Bragg.

Adna & Viv Hamilton seem to be doing very well. Adna, the sports fan, follows all the football games on TV. He has a closed-caption set so Viv doesn't have to listen! However, they are both looking forward to the A-N Game viewing party to be held at AF Vil II in Dec 91. Viv was preparing for the annual AF Foundation mtg. A fiesta theme is planned, and about 85 delegates are expected. One highlight of the gathering will be a morning coffee, to which all residents will wear authentic fiesta costumes. Maude Twining was hospitalized in Wilford Hall, AF Med Ctr, Lackland,

TX for a mo, but returned in Oct to the nursing facility at AF Vil, where she lives.

In CA, Betty Vance suffered a stroke on 2 Aug. After time in the hosp and a rehabilitation ctr, she is now at home, practicing the therapy she was taught. She is making remarkable progress but says she is not yet ready to party! Louise Paquet, perky as ever, promises news about herself in the future.

Deborah Nichols delayed her annual summer lobster bake until Oct this yr to accommodate the diverse interests and schedules of the Nichols family mbrs. About 20 are expected to enjoy the feast in York, ME. Conchita Sorley rep that she and fellow residents were invited by Mrs Gordon R Solomon and the Fellowship Cmte of the Army Distaff Foundation to the annual coffee at Knollwood on 10 Oct. Conchita, Gertrude Taylor, Dorothy Ferenbaugh and Rosalina Kerr enjoyed the fellowship and a magnificent performance by the Army Chorus.

Nancy Echols, at the Fairfax, was doing very well after last yr's health problems until her electric cart attacked her. She had just charged its batteries and inadvertently pushed a wrong button while she was in a vulnerable position. Beware of those robotic-type machines! She is going to recover, but suffered quite a setback. I learned from Nancy that her son, MP Echols Jr, was deeply involved with the Cl of 1891 Centennial Celebration, since his great-uncle, COL Charles Patton Echols, was a mbr of that cl and became a well-known USMA math prof. MP Echols Jr organized and led a sizeable contingent of descendants to WP last Apr to honor the 1891 grads.

You may have noticed that I leave the sad news for the last. This time it involves two Cl widows who spent a lifetime as Cl wives. Mrs Ernest M Brannon (Marje) died of cardiac arrest on 27 Aug 91 in her apt at Knollwood. On 30 Aug, at a Mass of Christian Burial in the Ft Myer Chapel, grandson Joseph O'Hare was the celebrant, two other grandsons were readers and her son, Dr Gerard M. Brannon, gave the eulogy. Interment in Arlington Natl Cem followed. Conchita Sorley represented the Cl at both svcs. Marje and Rosalina Kerr double-dated at WP in 1917 with the young cdts who subsequently became their husbands. In later life, as widows, they both moved to Knollwood, where Marje spent her last days happily keeping track of her 9 grandchildren—their locations, interests, activities and travels. Her friends at Knollwood will miss her presence, and the Cl of '19 sends deepest sympathy to her family.

Mrs John C Raaen (Alex) died on 28 Aug 91 in Orlando, FL. She was buried with Jack at WP on 4 Sep. Alex was fortunate to have a loving and attentive son, MG John C Raaen Jr '43, who, by

the way, was the first Cl son to graduate from USMA. Perhaps this accounted for the good spirits she displayed even when vision problems curtailed her activities in later yrs. She had been an excellent cook, to the delight of her family and friends, and a keen bridge player, to the dismay of her opponents. She was a model Army wife, loyal to her husband, the Army and the Cl of '19, which sends deepest sympathy to John and his family.

'20

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With great sadness I rep that Yvonne Costigan and Catherine Hoge have died. We extend our deepest sympathy to their loved ones.

Yvonne Costigan died 25 Jun 91 in Monterey, CA. She was buried there beside Pop, who died in 48. This came from Herb Reuter.

Catherine Hoge died 15 Sep 91 in Arlington, VA. She was buried in Arlington Natl Cem beside Benny, who died in 72.

On 31 Aug George Rehm suffered a severe stroke which left him speechless and paralyzed on his left side. Transferred to Arlington's Natl Orthopaedic Hosp, he received superb therapy. Today, 11 Oct, his speech has been largely restored, and, with close watch, he was able to walk 15 ft with a walker and has returned home. His left side will take some time yet to improve. He will continue receiving superb therapy, twice/wk and more, from son ret COL Tom '52. Throughout this ordeal George showed great determination and surprising good spirits. Son Tom, wife Mary and their daughter Marguerite have secured full-time care for George's Marguerite at home and are giving them both their all. George expects to hold the annual Cl Gov Cmte mtg soon, postponed from 26 Sep.

Herb Reuter located addresses of Isabelle Swartz and Bunny Welch. He planted 18,900 trees on his WA tree farm in 89 to replace his harvest from 80 acres in 87. He attempted to hold a mini-reunion of our 3 CA mbrs in Aug but says their status approaches that of the Rehm family. He is not too well; Bob Kreuter is more dependent on his cane; and the Engelharts had a series of accidents over the past yr or so.

Carl Engelhart writes that Margo suffered a broken pelvis just before renewing her driver's license. Some mos later, Carl needed a root canal job. Climbing stairs to the dentist, he was hit hard by an angina attack. Margo, sans driver's license, drove him to hosp emergency while Carl took NTGs. Arriving there, the angina had stopped but he could not

leave for two days because his cardiologist was away. The hosp bill was \$6,748.60! Last Jun they went on a short drive up the coast. Stopping at a motel, Carl was awakened in the night by a loud crash and found Margo on the bathroom floor. Hosp emergency found a new pelvis break, 3 cracked ribs, two lacerations on right eye and 3 on head, and badly bruised left shoulder and hip. The surgeon attended to her, gave Carl her X-rays, told him to take her home and get a local orthopaedist and return in 4 wks. She's been taking therapy for 3 mos and now almost has regained her strength. Carl is now well enough to bowl twice/wk again.

Dusty Samouche x-'59, son of Sammy '24—having lost his wife, and his 3 children being independent—ret from NASA, put his home up for sale and, on 9 May, set out in his car and trailer to his daughter & husband in Salt Lake City; then by plane to Fredericksburg, VA to join a gp of 11 bicyclists. They biked to Yorktown, VA to start a rambling 3-mo 5,112 mi trip W via CO where he hoped to find a home near the best ski resort but did not. They arrived in Portland, OR, where all except Dusty returned home by plane. He biked back to Salt Lake City, retrieved his car and trailer and returned to Sula, MN, where he found his future home. It took him only one day to buy it—his old home finally sold just in time. His new home is a comfortable cabin in a beautiful valley of the Bitter-Root River. With plenty of scenic land, it's a veritable paradise—elk grazing nearby; a Bald eagle landing 100 yds from his door; ducks and geese overhead; river full of rainbow trout; driving interrupted by herds of tame cattle or wild bighorns; and, best of all, wonderful people not too close by. When he telephoned 8 Oct he expected his stored furniture to arrive the next day.

'21-'22

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After suffering a long illness **Bob Taylor** died at a hosp in Temple, TX on 29 Aug. He was buried in the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cem in San Ant. Bob is survived by **Janet**, daughter Constance Croslin, 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. On behalf of the CI I extend to Janet and her family our sincere sympathy.

In the Sep issue of this mag I asked that you send me a pic of yourself; I received one reply. **Morris Marcus** sent me the pic that appears in these notes. In the pic are (L-R) Morris' daughter Shelley Machlis, granddaughter Colleen Brady, Morris and his daughter Consuelo Taylor. Many thanks, Morris—and you look great!



1921-'22: The Marcus family

In a telephone conversation with **Carol Olmsted**, she told me that **George's** condition is about the same. We are thinking about you, George, and I hope your condition will improve.

"PD" **Lynch** wrote me that **Peggy** spent the mo of Jul in Paris, France. She attended a workshop in creative writing at the American Acad. She enjoyed the experience, and, while Peggy was in Paris, "PD" visited his son in Athens, GA. While en route he visited his niece in Jay, FL.

Dennis Cole, '65 CI scribe, wrote that **Ferdinand Kramer**, a former mbr of our CI, celebrated his 90th birthday. We welcome Ferd to our 90 Club. And Ferd, here is wishing you many more birthdays.

Another reminder: our 70th is only 5 mos away.

'23

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Ken Sweany writes that he is making a good recovery from his stroke, walking "twice a day using a cane to be sure I do not stumble." Their son Phil has been visiting Ken & **Laura**. **Laura's** condition remains the same. Ken passed on a news item he received from **Lee & Esther Shafer** that **Dorothy, Jim Torrence's** widow, died 20 Aug in Wash, DC and was buried at Arlington. For many yrs Dorothy lived at Distaff House. Our condolences to her son and family.

A long ltr from **Bill Craigie** gives CI news from AF Vil W. **Moe Cavender** moved into the skilled nursing facility there in Jul and will be celebrating his 94th birthday with a party in early Oct. He and the Craigies have dinner together from time to time. During the summer, **Louise Rosenberg** fell and broke her foot, and **Lyle** left the golf course to take over domestic chores. Bill has also had to cut back his golf due to heart problems. Shortness of breath and angina put him in the hosp, where doctors discovered two blocked arteries. Surgery is not possible, so Bill is getting along on medication and hoping to get back to a full 18 holes. Nearby in Sun

City, **Robby Robinson** is still battling prostate cancer and is confined to his home.

Ruth Johnson writes that **Mary Pierce** has moved in with Ray at the Sequoias Health Ctr. Ray's physical condition has deteriorated badly, and he is unable to walk. Their son Bill lives nearby and lends considerable assistance. Ruth's own health has been good, except for her two false hips. Drs would like to replace them, but won't because of her age (she will turn 90 on 25 Jan).

Marge Rich had lunch with **Punky Jamison**. Marge also keeps in touch with the **Joe Smiths**. Joe's aneurysm opn at Andrews AFB was highly successful. **Anna Perle** was permitted to stay at the hosp with him; they are both back home now. Joe is doing fine but faces a slow recuperation. **Kenner Hertford** phoned recently. He is also recovering from heart surgery, and both he & **Betty** are doing fine.

Eleanor & I spent a long Sep wkend in the E, visiting son Fletcher '54 & Betty and family in NJ and grandson Byron Brown, a civ engr at WP. Saw Army beat Harvard. After Sun brunch with daughter Barbara & Lee Brown '46, another grandson, Steve Pope, a professor of theology at Boston Col, drove us to Boston to visit his wife and family. A great trip, though Eleanor had fallen and strained her back muscles before we left, and I fell and got a black eye while getting ice cream cones for the great-grandchildren. But we are still traveling.

A note from **Battle Horton** states that most of his time is consumed with hosps, drs and medicare forms. But he celebrated his big 90 in fitting style and esp enjoyed the present from the AOG. **Battle & Dorothy** see **Sallie O'Shea** often and rep she is doing well. They are looking forward to the marriage of their grandson, James E Harden Jr.

'24

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The annual CI Party for the CI of '24 was held on 10 Oct at the Westchester in Wash, DC. Twenty-four attended: **Charles Booth, Bo Craig** and her son Peter, **Bob & Florence Dewey** with their daughter Cici Hughes, and Bracken Polk (daughter of Jack Polk '37 and niece of Jimmy Polk '33), **Clyde & Lorraine Edleman, Peter & Bunny Hains, Lorraine Gants** and son COL John Claybrook '52, **John Hincke, Betty MacCloskey, Anne Moore, Pat Stebbins, Marguerite Stevens, Hazel Van Way, Loreine Vogel, Marian Weinaug** and her guest, Mrs Maria Murphy, and **Douglas & Kitty Smith**.

Pat Stebbins recounted her many activities, which continue to keep her

crisscrossing the US. She had the honor of representing the Natl Soc of the Daughters of the American Colonists in May, when she presented a cdt at WP with an award for proficiency in Spanish. **Peter Hains** reminisced about his and **Hinecke's** first night at WP and how they hung their first "skin" on the bulletin board. **John Hinecke** retold for all how the Cl of '24 got its nickname, "The Thundering Herd." On behalf of the whole Cl of '24, **Hains** lauded the work of **Hinecke** as secy-treas for the past several yrs. **Clyde Eddleman** circulated a copy of the Congressional Record, into which has been read the obit of **Art Trudeau**. He also mentioned the plans for an alumni bldg at WP. A highlight of the luncheon was the reading by **John Claybrook** of "Grey Walls" (**Buck Lanham's** poem published in the '24 *Howitzer*) followed by the cutting of a Cl cake using a '24 off's dress sabre. Regrets and regards were sent by both **Muriel Elmore** and **Agnes John**, as well as **Melba & Ken Strother** and the **Otis McCormicks**. **Luke Gillespie** of Wallops Isl, VA sent his regrets and regards to the Cl in a newsy ltr telling us he would celebrate his 93rd birthday in early Oct. He lamented he has not seen a classmate since '54, when he met **Charlie Summerall** and **Ralph Glasgow** in London and then joined up with **Otis McCormick** & his wife aboard ship on the way back home.

Bon voyage to **Doug & Kitty Smith**, who left in the middle of Oct for 6 mos in HI.

Many thanks to **Bob Cameron** for his generous donation to the Cl of '24 Fund.

We are sad to rep two deaths: **Marjorie Salmon** (widow of **COL Armand J Salmon**) died 29 Jun 91 at the King James Care Ctr of Middletown, NJ. Mem svcs were held at St Brendan's on Isl Estates, Wed, 2 Oct, with burial at Sylvan Abbey Cem, beside Armand, in Clearwater, FL.

Mrs **Julia Summerall Smith** wrote us that her mother-in-law, **Lilian E Smith** (widow of **COL John C Smith**), died at age 95 in Minot, ND on 17 Jul. Her ashes are to be interred in Arlington Natl Cem alongside her husband. She is survived by her son, Dr **John C Smith II**, and five grandchildren. **Julia**, daughter of our late classmate **Charles P Summerall Jr**, sent her regards to "The Thundering Herd."

'25

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We regret to announce the passing of **BG George Lynch** on 30 Nov 91 in Ft Lewis, WA. His final column follows:

Had a brief chat recently with **Harry & Peg Spillinger** in Bellevue, WA. They had a nice summer and are doing fine. They did not mention any special plans for the winter. **Harry** was 90 last May.

One of the fringe benefits of being a Cl scribe is the receipt of ltrs from mbrs of the Cl family indicating how completely WP is entwined in their family history. In Sep such a ltr was received from **Martha Daugherty**, widow of our deceased classmate, **Joe Daugherty**. In 1917, brother-in-law **William Foster Daugherty** graduated from WP. He was followed by **Robert C Oliver**, a cousin, in '23, by **Joe** in '25, by **William A Daugherty**, the son of **William Foster Daugherty**, in '45 and finally, in '54, by **William Harper**, the son of a sister-in-law. The **Daugherty** family can take just pride in its svc to the nation and in its association with WP.

Henrietta Liwski has undergone another in the long series of her hip opns. The first one left one leg shorter than the other. Two follow-up opns not only failed to correct the uneven-leg problem, but also left her in pain. The latest opn has eliminated the pain, but one leg is still shorter than the other. Through it all she has been strong, and the latest opn has left her more cheerfully determined than ever.

Mr **John E Barth '46**, a step-nephew of our deceased classmate **Charlie Barth**, sent me a rep of the dedication of a bldg at Ft Leavenworth, KS in honor of the **Barth** family. The former Mid-American Recreation Ctr, at the corner of **McClellan** and **Kearney** at Ft Leavenworth, was officially renamed **Barth Hall** on 13 Jun 91 in honor of the three GENs of the **Barth** family, all WP grads.



1925: The Barth family: Harriet, George, Charles Jr and Charles Sr

BG **Charles H Barth Sr**, USMA 1881 attended the Sch of Application for Cavalry and Inf Tactics at Ft Leavenworth from 1889-91 and remained there as an instructor until 1893. His son, MG **George B Barth**, Nov '18, spent 39 yrs in the mil svc. BG **Charles H Barth Sr's** second son, BG **Charles H Barth Jr** graduated from Leavenworth public schs, was admitted to Princeton Univ at age 15 and then went to WP, where he graduated at the top of his cl. He died in a plane crash on a flight to Iceland in '43. The combined yrs of mil svc of the 3 GENs was over 100. After **Charlie's** death, his widow **Doris** became a Cdt Hostess. One of the cadet summer camp bldgs at Camp Buckner is named **Barth Hall** in her honor.

A nice ltr from **Red Newman** also brought me clippings concerning the dedication of the **Barth bldg** at Ft Leavenworth. But he added some disturbing news about himself. In Aug he had a 4th hip-joint replacement. In '29, while playing basketball on a 31st Inf soldiers team in Manila, PI, his right hip was broken. About 70 it had to be replaced. Then the left hip had to be replaced, and, finally, last Aug the right hip had to be replaced again. Since the day he entered WP, **Red's** career, whether on the athletic field, the battle field or the literary field, has been outstanding, but his achievements have been in spite of broken bones, wounds or other injuries. That takes grit and determination.

Red indicated that **Mike & Eloine De Armond** are in good health. In his book, *Mike's Story*, **Mike** points out how the various branches of the **De Armond** family altered the spelling of "De Armond." Recently, **Mike** was visited by **COL Ret Harold G De Arment '44**. They discovered that their great-great-grandfathers were brothers.

Frank Steer rep that all is well in HI. He didn't do any traveling during the summer, but he and his family are well and have had a great summer. He also indicated that **Lani Holmes** is in excellent health, but she had experienced some difficulties in settling **Ernie's** estate due to a misplaced death certificate.

By the time this is published it almost will be 92. Hope all of our Cl mbrs have a wonderful Christmas and will have a healthful and happy New Yr.

'26

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Phone calls and the postal svc informed the scribe that "**Jessie & I (Oka Wade)** are getting along well enough for people of our age." They still occupy the house on the **Marion Mil Inst** grounds where they have lived for many yrs, though **Oka** has no direct sch duties. But much as both enjoy living at **MMI**, **Oka** would have preferred to locate his ret spot somewhere nearer the ctr of surviving classmates, such as **Wash, DC**, for he feels cut off from them in **AL**. In '89 he & **Jessie** paid all the expenses of acquiring and setting up a memorial to classmate **George A Smith Jr**, who graduated from **MMI** in '22. They located the marker close to the **VIP** stands in front of the parade ground, where it will be conspicuously noted.

The bronze tablet reads: "A MEMORIAL TO BRIGADIER GENERAL **GEORGE A SMITH JR**, BORN 1901, KIA 1 MARCH 1945, SINDORF GE. MMI 1921-22 SAPREP USMA 1926. **COL JAMES O WADE, USA (RET) AND WIFE JESSIE M WADE.**"



1926: Memorial to classmate George A Smith Jr at Marion Military Institute

Oka & Jessie celebrated their 64th wedding anniv 21 Sep; a short time previously Jessie had her 88th birthday. So congrats to both of you and hopes that ASSEMBLY will carry many more such anniv reports honoring our oldest living classmate & his wife.

The shift from the home he had occupied for 31 yrs in Temple Terrace, FL to "The Shores" in Bradenton "is worthwhile in every respect except the food, which I'm not too fond of," opines **Bill Deyo**. His cousin Judy engineered the changeover; she lives nearby and now he sees her often. Bill is particularly pleased with the exercise rm in "The Shores" and spends half an hr in it daily. He still misses his life in Temple Terrace but is pleased to have med care handy, should he need it. And Bill is contemplating a trip to see a football game at WP just as he had done in 90. So keep up the exercise, Bill, and a fine life in "The Shores," too.

A short note from **Timmy Daniels**, now living in upstate NY, tells that she is well and thriving, though harassed by the same syndrome irking many of us retired: not enough time to do what we'd like to accomplish.

Spud Murphy received a handsome—though unexpected—gift just before his 90th birthday. Let's read what Spud says about it: "... a beautiful leather book with THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY on the front and my name, EARL JEROME MURPHY, in brass below it. On the first page it says, 'On his ninetieth birthday the graduates of WP salute Earl Jerome Murphy USMA '26'. . . . It's a remarkable book, and it lies permanently on the cocktail table. . . ." Congrats, Spud, on reaching your 90th birthday and thanks, laced with gratitude, to COL Denis Mullane '52, the pres of the AOG, who is making so many changes and improvements in the opn of our assoc.

Because she was so tired and because she knew from long experience that a mo at sea is restful, **Gwen Reeve** set off in late Jun on a British container ship for an extended journey to the US. This would be a quiet voyage for the ship that **Parker** & she had known in the past; it carried

only 8 regular passengers. En route to Phila, at Auckland, the carrier picked up 8 Pitcairn Islanders for a wk's steaming to that desolate isl, seldom served now by any ships. Among the newcomers were Mr & Mrs Ivan Christian, direct descendants of Fletcher Christian. So, after a long voyage, Gwen landed in Phila and from there visited a host of friends, among them Martha Johnson in SC, and eventually saw her son Andrew in Victoria, BC before returning to Australia. Her ltr closed in a cheerful, upbeat tone—it was obvious the trip had helped her. "It was good for me to get away. . . lovely to talk to other Army friends around Wash and MD. . . ."

From Fullerton, CA comes the sad, bad news that the injuries which laid **Hal Doud** low, when he was struck down walking within a pedestrian lane and with the green light, may last longer than diagnosed at first. He writes, "It appears that I probably will not entirely recover. Apparently the shock of my face hitting the pavement did something to my middle-ear balancing mechanism, which causes me to be dizzy and prone to fall down when I try to stand or walk. I have had to give up walking almost entirely. . . ." Meanwhile, Hal is being tested to learn if his sense of balance can be restored. However, his dr warns, it is quite likely that Hal will have a life-long imbalance problem. But this prospect has not dismayed our classmate: "I can still drive so I can do my grocery shopping and get to the dr when I have to." Hal, the Cl unites in wishing you a full recovery soonest from your injuries. Stay in there.

Change of address: **Bill Deyo** to "The Shores" #805, 1700 Third Ave W, Bradenton, FL 34206; tel 813-748-1700.

ERRATA: Please refer to Sep 91 ASSEMBLY (p 76, last line, last paragraph): "basketball" should have read "baseball." Mea culpa. I regret this error which intimates that classmate **Red Reeder** was somehow associated with basketball; everyone knows that he was one of the great Army baseball men.

This issue of ASSEMBLY will reach you near the climax of the hype and glitz which presently mark the observance of Our Lord's birth. Gentle reader, the scribe hopes that through the associations of happier moments and the remembrances of cherished friends who have gone before, you may find from these "notes" a few moments of relief from the persistent demands of the tradespeople. He wishes a happy, joyful Christmas followed by a rewarding New Year.

'27

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Since the announcement of the sad death of **Bob Aloe**, a long note from **Paul**

Jennings informs us that **Bob's** death occurred a couple of days after a sudden stroke. He had been suffering from a heart complaint for some time. He was buried at the Ft Sam Houston Natl Cem. **Betty Lovell** and **Ethel Kuter** attended the funeral. Paul also wishes to announce that he & **Ione** are now established at their new home at One Tower Park Lane #1202, San Ant, TX 78209-6436.

As it frequently does, bad news comes in bunches, and we now have to announce the death of **Ralph Zwicker**. Ralph had been in poor health for some time. Burial was at Arlington Natl Cem. **Trapnell** and **Mac Miller** were honorary pallbearers. The sympathy of the Cl is extended to his two sons and his daughter, Jean Durand, whom we all remember from the 60th Reunion, where she took tender and loving care of our now departed classmate.

Art Roth, who can always come up with an item when the input for the next deadline is meager, is happy to receive a note from the scribe indicating that he is implementing the project to get more Cl items by peddling the results of his research in the *Register of Grads* at the cut-rate price of an item and a self-addressed stamped envelope. This is the pre-publication price, available only to classmates.

A note from **Bob Wohlforth** tells us that he & **Mildred** announce the arrival of their first great-grandson. His grandson, a newspaperman in Anchorage, AK, & his schoolteacher wife are the proud parents. Bob, in commenting on his long and happy marriage, attributes this to the fact that "he has been a slacker in the battle between the sexes."

Betty Lovell is just back from visiting friends in England. She also sent a fine obit on our departed classmate, **Ralph Zwicker**, from the *Wash Post* of 11 Aug 91. It is really a fine tribute to a distinguished soldier.

Jack West, from Morrow, OH, tells of their impending move from their country home, in which he & **Joan** have lived since ret in 46, and which has had 3 address changes during their 45-yr residence. They are now packing for a move to a ret comm in Cincinnati, where their address will be 7300 Deerwater Dr, Apt 432, Cincinnati, OH 45236.

To correct a slight error in the Sep ASSEMBLY notes (probably due to a typewriter malfunction), the reference to **Trap's** golfing partner should read "Mac's golfing partner," and it was Mac's son, not George's, who is coming to the Pentagon.

The project to get more items by offering the big bonus for a 29-cent stamp, noted above, has already found a few takers. **Farmer Edwards** rep from Albuquerque that he & **Ani** are suffering from some mobility problems but adds a positive note that, except for this, they are aging well.

Harry Paxson, also rep from Albuquerque, thinks he is the baby of the CI. But according to our statistical study, this is not correct. **Harry & Beth** have given up their 4000-sq-ft mud/adobe/brick house for a smaller place. He holds down the honors as the oldest living grad at the Mar dinners. Due to a recent knee-cap replacement and some mobility problems, he no longer plays golf but seems to get around well enough to engage in the real estate business.

Antulio Segarra writes from Santurce, PR, saying that he hopes to attend the 65th. He rep no disabilities and is apparently getting along well.

Fox Conner bets that the scribe receives a flood of requests for the age study. That is certainly what is hoped. He rep that he has 10 grandchildren and 3 greats. His son Fox, an AV engr who long worked for Lockheed, now works for Boeing on the new 777, which will not fly for a couple of yrs.

Mac Miller, our secy-treas, has lost his regular golf partner due to illness and has already lost two golf balls, either from the distance of his drive or the better eyesight of his former partner. He also rep the first mistake in the statistical study. Mac's entry should be 6-06-05 instead of 6-16-05. No change in his seniority.

Another note from **Bob Wohlforth** concerning the birthday list: "Your idea about the birthday list is a good one, but you should go one step further and see to it that every living grad of '27 gets a birthday card on the appropriate day—I give you full authority to appoint that stalwart commissary companion **Chubby Roth** to this job. . . ." (Note—Chubby thinks this would be an even better idea to undertake on an individual basis. This would result in more cards for the birthday boy and provide continuity as the list becomes shorter.)

Helen Daly, from their summer home on the N Fork of the Little Laramie River, rep that **Ted**, at 85, is well but with a minor mobility problem. Their daughter Marcia, who works for the CO State Dept of Health, is a wonderful helper for them.

Meredith Masters has nothing to rep except all is well, which is good news on anyone's birthday list. He enclosed a card indicating he is in some kind of an ornamental enamelware business in Brasstown, NC. Sounds interesting.

Bob Turner is very complimentary about the birthday list as an effort to bring the CI of '27 survivors together. At a time "when ea and everyone of us has reached the age where he must apply first-echelon maintenance to himself ea day in order to keep functional," he is doing alright, but **Jane** is hampered by the old mobility problem. They regret that they will not be able to attend the 65th.

Cal Whittle is living in San Fran E Bay Ret Residence and is apparently keeping well.

Vachel Whatley hopes that "we forget no one, esp ea other," which is certainly the worthy purpose of these notes. He goes on to tell us that his old roommate, **Irving Paris**, has had a severe stroke. Paris resigned shortly before grad and took a job with the Bank of HI, where he did very well.

Additional bad news arrived belatedly when we just learned that **Dan Miller** died at Durham, NC on 17 May 91. No further details are presently available. We send the sympathy of the CI to his relatives and friends.

Art Roth, our birthday specialist, notes that **Cyril Williams** will attain the age of 90 on 27 Jan 92 and join the roster featured on page 1029 of the 90 *Register of Grads*. He suggests a congratulatory card from ea of us.

Jessie Dressler attained a similar age and honor on 12 Nov 91, and a similar card should be sent to Jessie with apologies for being a little late.

The early response to the birthday list has been impressive, and the scribe wishes to thank all of you. It may become necessary to delay the publication of some of the later arrivals until a succeeding issue of *ASSEMBLY*, due to the ever present deadline for submission to the publisher.

Hope you can make the 65th and many more.

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Another rep from **Buck Wiley** in FL. He encl an obit re the death of **Spike Hefley**, age 85, of Shalimar, FL, who had a fatal heart attack on 15 Aug at the Elgin Regional Hosp. Also had a ltr from COL FR Dent III '56, who said that his stepfather, Spike, had suffered his first heart attack on 2 Aug. He added, "and he was buried with full mil honors on 20 Aug at Beal Mem Cem alongside his first wife, **Beatrice**, and my mother, **Corra Lynn Dent** (FR Dent '29) **Hefley**." The CI extends our sympathy to Spike's son, **WT Hefley Jr** of Gilbert, AZ; two stepsons, one stepdaughter and two grandchildren.

Some sad news from LTC John R Gilchrist, USAF (Ret) who lives in Little, AR. He sent a news clip about his mother, **Mabel Moran**, widow of **John Gilchrist**. She died on 19 Jul at Chenal Parkway, AR and was buried in the Ft Logan Natl Cem. The CI sends condolences to John and other family mbrs.

Tom Wells wrote from HI that **Hal Half** flew over to visit him for 10 days. **Ione** was unable to travel with Hal due to recent gallbladder surgery, so she stayed

back in Austin, TX. Tom plans to take a trip to China in a few mos. Your scribe & **Julie** will spend Thanksgiving on the *MS Queen* to enjoy the company of fellow alumni and friends and see Julie's niece and cousin in New Orleans. Bon voyage to **Buck & Kitty Wiley** on their 10-day annual Caribbean cruise. Daughter Ann & husband from Walton Beach will accompany them.

Did a little checking—we have 70 classmates living. The whereabouts of two of these are unknown. Of these, 27 do not subscribe to *ASSEMBLY*. Any wonder CI news is scarce?

I was unable to contact all widows. Wish they would contact me, if possible, to rep their address and any news they might have of trips, etc. I remind you all that tel calls are most welcome, if that is more convenient than ltrs.

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Don't know where to start on these CI Notes—I'm afraid my output will be as lean, as the input from '29'ers so far has been scant.

Before this goes to *ASSEMBLY*, I heard **Paul Thompson** is out of the hosp and, despite his heart attack, can resume his normal activities on a not-too-restrictive basis. It hit the day before he & **Josette** were to leave for France, so Josette was really busy, getting Paul to hosp, canceling flight and hotel reservations, etc.

I'm writing about our trip to Sanibel in the past tense, for we will be back from that before the notes are due. We looked forward to two lazy wks with some shelling, a little swimming, really fresh shrimp, some cribbage and a lot of lazying. Jean and David were there our first wk. (It was a fine vacation.)

Have heard nothing as yet on the "privatizing" of the Hotel Thayer, Michie Stadium, etc. "but hope that will change." Also hope that **Paul T** gets to visit GEN Graves, the Supe, as planned before his heart attack. **Slim Vittrup** has also been carrying on an interesting correspondence with GEN Graves.

Was pleasantly surprised to see that '26 had 7 of their living classmates back for their 65th reunion with 4 wives, 4 widows and 6 collaterals. Many of the attendees said it was the best one '26 had had. '31 had a wonderful turnout for their 60th, with 42 classmates, 34 wives and widows and 24 descendants.

We now are one less, as "**Bo**" **Hubard** died 28 Aug, so we're down to 53. As a descendant of the Jefferson family (through Jefferson's daughter Martha), he was buried at Monticello with graveside svc attended by the immediate family and a few close friends. His grave is

close to that of his grandson, his namesake, and not too far from Mr Jefferson. Some yrs ago Bolling and his cousins scraped the wrought-iron fence enclosing the graveyard and painted it so that it is still in good condition. The Cl made a contribution to the WP Fund in his memory. Ina has written the Cl a nice ltr in appreciation. She also is going to make a memorial contribution for Bolling to the WP Fund.

While on vacation on Sanibel Isl, I was watching "60 Minutes" (not very closely) on TV, when all of a sudden it seemed like I was seeing **Danny Sundt**. It wasn't him but his nephew, who is also a WP grad ('52) and rated as the best brain surgeon around. Some of you may remember a mention of him in the Cl Notes and "Contributions in Medicine" article (May 91 ASSEMBLY), which described why Danny is so proud of his family and their accomplishments. In spite of taking chemotherapy and being in almost constant pain, his cancer has not affected his hands or his brain, so he operates 3 times a wk. Two wks after this item, "60 Minutes" said they had received a tremendous response to the story about Dr Sundt [see article on p. 14].

Paul Thompson is now out of the hosp after his heart attack and is taking it easy. He plans on attending the Oct mtg of the Bd of Trustees and plans to talk to the new Supe about the **Doby Kraft** bequest, among other things, such as the "privatizing" of the Thayer and Michie Stadium.

In Oct there was a display in the '29 Gallery of "Sculpture for the Theater" by Nino Novellino, who has designed for Broadway productions including "Cats," "Phantom of the Opera," "Miss Saigon" and others.

This is a reminder that, in the 89 Cl mtg, it was decided to follow GEN Palmer's recommendations to raise a fund to endow the maintenance and enhancement of the '29 Corridor. **Jim Stephenson** started it off with a \$500 donation, but subsequent ones have been notable by their absence. Paul and I hope to have some recommendations about that and the Cl Fund, for which only one request for funds has been made since we were elected in 81. Most, if not all, of the classes have had annual dues or contributions, but we have not since our 50th Reunion. Some of you may want to make some provision in your wills for contributions to the Cl Fund for the enhancement of the '29 Corridor. It is unfortunate, in view of the leading part **Paul Caraway** played in suggesting and planning the Cl Gift for our 50th, that **Della** didn't reserve a part of her bequest for that purpose.

Mac McKenzie is holding his own, and, while he's not following his own advice to all "stay healthy," he's glad the

Annapolis Recuperation Ctr is living up to its reputation as being the best in the area. **Bonnie Mackintosh's** daughter has written that she was with her in McLean, VA for 6 mos a few yrs ago when she had a bout with the shingles. (**Midge Ward** sympathizes with Bonnie, for she too was miserable with shingles.) Now Bonnie pays a short visit every 4-6 wks to McLean to see her dr and is in Petersburg, VA most of the time. Both the McLean and Petersburg addresses are in the Roster.

Despite **Johnny Theimer's** eye trouble, have had two short notes from him. The first says he uses a "magnifer/mike" that does pretty well, but his best bet is **Gracie**, who has to read all his mail, write checks, etc. The other I'll quote: "All good things must come to an end and so has the SF Bay Area New Yr lunches with Auld Lang Syne and wails of farewells. We had not realized how much they meant until now. The closing of the Presidio made it inevitable, as did the aging of the gp, but it is painful nevertheless."

This is preaching to the choir, but last yr the subscribers to ASSEMBLY decreased. It is an excellent medium, and, where you can, I urge you to convince non-subscribing '29'ers to join up. I have a list of them but won't include it in the notes. If anyone wants to know who in his area is a non-subscriber, I can furnish that info. Many Cl widows are subscribers, but more should be.

Dee Dee Armstrong has just returned from a trip of several wks in New England visiting her aunt Suzan and her son Peter (a dean at Dartmouth). She is extremely proud of her grandson, Ensign Alan De Russy Armstrong, who ranked #1 at Pensacola Flight Trg Sch. **Slim Vittrup** rep seeing **Ralph & Bobbie Strauss** occasionally, and they seem to be getting along OK and in good spirits. **Red Calloway** continues to have dizzy spells but is otherwise OK. (Please delete the "Fairfax Apt #205" and add his tel: 703-799-9628.) Slim talked to **Bill Thompson** and found that he & **Nell** were doing well. He told them as well as me that he is pretty much recovered from throwing his back out of gear. **Red Cooper** is progressing satisfactorily after his knee surgery. **Pat & Betty O'Hara** are scheduled for a trip a mo this yr to Nashville, San Ant, CA, etc.; now they are back from DC. They expect to get enough "frequent flyer miles" to upgrade their tickets to Wales next May to first class.

Paul Thompson was unable to get to WP for the Trustees' mtg. The Supe wasn't there either. Later, Paul learned that the modernization of the Thayer will proceed and that the "privatization" of Michie Stadium is now dead.

Happy Holidays.

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This issue finds me happy and gloating over your ltrs and calls. Eight of you have given me something about which I can write, and I am very grateful.

On 6 Aug **John Guthrie** sent in a very nice ltr to say he & "Bets" are closing out their MN home and moving full-time to Naples, FL, where they have spent ea winter in recent yrs. Their address is now 2171 Gulf Shore Blvd, N, Apt 704 (new zip 33940). We hope you two will adjust promptly to yr-round FL living. If you have not done so, why not take up fishing? Many thanks for your ltr, Johnie.

John also enclosed a ltr from COL Thomas B Russell, dir of Major Giving for the AOG. He noted in his ltr that **Jim Herbert's** bequest of \$3 mil is the largest ever received by the Acad. COL Russell goes on to say that the money will be used for a new alumni ctr to be built on the site of the old Smith Hockey Rink and the center will be named for GEN Herbert.

Both **John Guthrie** and **Mark Bradley** are to be congratulated for their excellent work on **Jim Herbert's** obit, which is on p 145 of Jul 91 ASSEMBLY. The Sep 91 issue (p 185) carries the superbly written obit of our **Paul Ruestow**, with the high pts of his most admirable career in the AF.

On 20 Aug, **Clarita Wright** wrote us a lovely ltr from Panama. She and her twin sister had just returned from the 91 annual twins gathering in Twinsburg, OH. They were the only twins from Panama, but there were others from Brazil, England, Taiwan, Russia, etc. The oldest twins were 92 yrs old, the youngest 4 wks. Clarita and her sister performed a Panamanian folk dance called the Tamborito in a talent show and won a blue ribbon. She would like to hear from any other twins in our Cl. Many thanks for your charming ltr, Clarita.

Bernice Nyquist called 27 Aug to say she is doing reasonably well and enjoys the company of her two dogs. She has **Pie's** obit, but said it needs to be shortened, as WP has advised her that obits are now limited to 800 words. Good luck, and many thanks for your call, Bernice.

Tom Stoughton wrote 3 Sep to thank me for some reunion snapshots. He rep that his **Marguerite** had read in these notes that **Mary Muth** lived in Augusta. Marguerite then contacted Mary, whom she found without difficulty, and plans to keep in touch with her in the future. Otherwise, Tom had no Cl news. He & Marguerite continue to enjoy good health, and hope to be able to make the 65th Reunion together. We all hope so!

COL Guy K Tracy '46 wrote on 6 Sep in

his role as pres of the US Modern Pentathlon Assoc. He rep that his assoc had participated in the World Championships last Aug in San Ant, TX. **Fritz Weber**, as a mbr of the 36 US Olympic Team, was an honored guest at the Championships, along with **Kate**. COL Tracy sent us the nearby snapshot showing Fritz after presenting the trophy to a young French competitor who won the fencing event in San Ant. [Also see Nov 91 ASSEMBLY, p 43.] Fritz still looks hale and hearty.



1930: Fritz Weber presents trophy to French winner of fencing in Modern Pentathlon

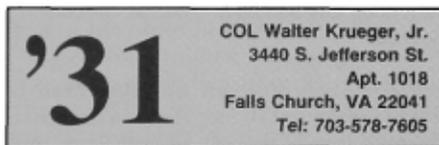
On 14 Sep **Tom & Mabel Mifflin** sent in a lovely card to say they had moved again, from Simsbury to Branford, CT. They want to be near their daughter Ellen and closer to med facilities in New Haven. They note that moving is a real chore, which is the understatement of the yr. Their new address is Cedar Woods Apt A-105, 80 Cedar St, Branford, CT 06405; tel (203) 488-8579. Thanks, you two, and happy days in your new home.

On 25 Sep the WP Soc of DC held its annual fall luncheon in the Koran Rm of the O'Club at Ft Myer. There was a large turnout, and it was an excellent lunch. Our classmates attending were **O'Meara, Carter, Mitchell and Beasley**. Our table included GENs Vitrup and Nichols. DC Soc Pres LTG Willard W Scott Jr '48 introduced the guest speaker, GEN FM Franks Jr, recently appointed CG of TRADOC. He spoke to us about the intangible factors that contributed to our remarkable successes in Desert Storm. He cited soldier weapons tng in Ger, NCO leadership tng and off tng in small unit tactics. He also stressed the importance of prompt air spt from Ger, which provided critical materials and key personnel. He praised the Ger people and their govt for their effective concern for the welfare of our mil dependents left behind in Ger. It was a most enjoyable and instructive presentation.

We were very happy to be able to attend another musical recital this yr by **Sally Carter** at the Presbyterian Church in McLean, VA on 28 Sep. Sally was assisted by pianists Martha Britt and Lynn Grimm. Almost every piece was for two pianos. They included the amusing "Carnival of the Animals" by Saint-Saens and "Rhapsody on a Theme" by Paganini (composed by Rachmaninoff). There was a large turnout for the concert and an enthusiastic audience. It was Sally's birthday and, she said, probably her last recital. Among the refreshments served after the performance was a cake baked by a friend of Sally's in the form of an 8-ft-long piano keyboard in proper black and white. It was made of delicious yellow sponge cake. The **Kings, Beasleys** and, of course, **Bill Carter** were happy to share in Sally's well-deserved triumph.

I was happy to learn, and I am sure Hank Royal and many of you also will be happy to learn, that the Cabanatuan War Mem in the PI was taken over for maintenance by the Battle Monuments Commission as of 1 Apr 91. We feel that this is a sound and long-overdue step.

As you read these notes, Christmas is just around the corner. Count your blessings and remember to be grateful for ea one. Pres **Pete & Betty King** send ea of you their sincere wish that you enjoy a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Healthy New Yr. **Mary & I** add a very warm AMEN! Why not resolve to let me hear from you in 92?



In his annual representation of the CI at the Thayer Award ceremony, **Johnny Davis**, on 3 Oct, had the opportunity, esp at the Supe's reception, to talk at length with the 91 recipient, Ambassador Paul Nitze.



1931: Anderson '56, Davis, Ambassador Nitze, and TW & Nina Parker at Supe's reception

During the latter part of Johnny's svc in 70 as asst dir for Arms Control and Disarmament Affairs in the State Dept, Paul Nitze was the representative of the

Secy of Def to the US delegation at the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks. So Johnny found it easy, given this fortuitous circumstance, to enjoy a long conversation with the Ambassador. He outlined the history of the Thayer Award from its origin by our CI to the present, and Paul Nitze remarked, when he looked over the list of previous recipients, that he knew almost all of them, many as close friends. The day's program, somewhat similar to those of previous yrs, was climaxed with a review of the Corps and the presentation ceremony in the Mess Hall. The Supe, in his introductory remarks, acknowledged the presence of the other distinguished guests at the head table, including our Johnny Davis, who, he said, represented the CI of '31, the cl that instituted the award in 58. He found it a significant contribution to WP. The pres of the AOG, before presenting the award, also told how it came into being through the inspiration of '31, and that it is conferred annually to an outstanding American citizen whose svc and accomplishments in the natl interest exemplify personal devotion to the ideals expressed in the WP motto "Duty, Honor, Country." Ambassador Nitze's scholarly speech to the cadets and guests [see transcript of his speech on p **] encompassed the ongoing world situation and held the close interest and attention of all. **Wilma and Ted & Nina Parker** were present for all the day's functions. Meanwhile, the Thayer Rm received some nice spt, according to the reps we have received in Aug, of generous contributions from **Chicky Buck, Betty Frederick, Virginia Hightower, Ray Kauffman, Dick Lane, Ruth Lawson, Mac McBride, Moppy Perry, C² Smith, Bill Train and Marian Wertz**. And of very welcome note, contributions were received from Hurlbut '33 and Will I Bull, USNA '32. The CI thanks all who have thus come forth. For those who intend to follow the pace set by this and previous gps, please be sure that the payee line of your check includes "1931." It would help if you would advise **OC Krueger** when you have made a contribution so that he can confirm that it has been credited to the Thayer Rm or, as Ockie suggests, let me know when you feed me much needed news and/or pics of your activities.

Parks Houser thrives on the good life of a small town. Everyday he & **Laura** ride out to see the horses and cows, and now and again to go fishing. In Jul he had a little bout with two clogged arteries near his heart, which were nicely repaired, one with the celebrated balloon and the other with a roto-rooter technique. **Dan Callahan** dropped by several mos ago to see them as well as **Jim McClellan's** daughter, Nancy McClellan Sewall. By the way, Parks has a new great-granddaughter Courtney—named

for GEN Courtney H Hodges, ex-'08, his predecessor. With their spreading roots well established, the **Curly-Marion Wilson** family tree is ever expanding its foliage with, on 15 Sep, their and **Marvin Coyle's** first great-grandson.



1931: Lash and Saint, Aug 1927

Bill & Charlotte Train give high marks to the organizers of the "Wilderness Tour of AK" which they experienced last summer. Sailing from Vancouver on the *Star Princess* to Juneau and Skagway, they took off for Fairbanks by air. An interesting feature of the adventure from there was the variety of means of transportation—river steamer, two long vista-dome train rides, a river-rafting trip, a bus and a catamaran trip. They saw the pipeline, visited an eskimo village and heard the first woman participant in the famous Iditarod dog-sled race talk on the breeding and tng of her dogs. From the catamaran, which they boarded at Whittier after touring Anchorage, the grand finale was sightseeing some 26 glaciers. Back home they made their bi-annual visit to the Yosemite Natl Park cabin, where Bill keeps sharp his craftsmanship in the whole array of maintenance trades. **Mac & Georgia McBride** were off in Oct for a 3-wk tour of Costa Rica. At this writing, their plan involved an Army space-available flight from Charleston to Panama and thence a short hop to their destination. Their assumption of ready-availability of space-available accommodation was justified, since few currently seem to want to go to Panama.

The periodic assemblage of our Washingtonians for lunch at the ANCC found **Adams, Boyd, Cooper, Davis, Dick, Little, McBride, Ockie, Passarella, Wilson** and me answering the quorum call.

Finally, the last remaining obituary for classmates who gave their lives in WWII is being readied for publication in *ASSEMBLY*. I had lost contact with **Virginia Blanning** when she moved. Happily, in Aug, **Bob Lee** came to my rescue,

advising that Virginia now was in CO Springs, having moved there a yr ago. When Bob offered her help in preparing **Jim's** obit, I sent him the material I had amassed, including very pertinent info provided me earlier by **Parks Houser** when he and Jim were POWs of the Japanese. Virginia's address is 4445 (not 445 as I stated in my last col), Moonbeam Dr, CO Springs, CO 80916. My Nov col listed Bob, as well as **Jake Smart**, among the most handicapped, golf-cart-mounted among our stalwarts and ladies making the reunion. The nearby pic appears to refute the seriousness of their situation. Bob has since had a successful knee replacement.



1931: Bob Lee and Jake Smart at our 60th Reunion

We're sorry to learn that **Ray Pratt** is not in very good shape. He is bedridden, through loss of the use of both legs, and his right shoulder is immobilized. Ray can be reached through his daughter, **Judy Harris**, 6829 Sugar Maple Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610; tel (916) 721-4664.

Dee Spangler, who attended the reunion with **Dutch**, died of cancer at the Wm Beaumont Hosp at Ft Bliss, TX on 10 Aug. Her ashes were buried at WP on 16 Aug. Very impressive memorial svcs had been conducted earlier at the Post Chapel and were attended by a large gathering, including **Dean & Martha Herman, Carl & Doris Kohls** and **Bill Taylor**. Dee was a singer and had studied at Columbia Univ's Juilliard Sch of Music and at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. Of special note: she was the first woman to sing a solo in the Chapel at WP.

Errata: The **Howzes'** zip code is 98207, not 98027; the **Skidmores** live in Nokomis, FL, not Nakomis; **Harriet Humber's** tel no is (512) 826-5025. Also, the **McCrimmons'** area code has been changed from 415 to 510; their tel no now is (510) 233-4432.

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OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: **Jim Boswell** phoned to say that he & his **Pat** were in San Ant for the 90th Div Reunion and, how about me & my **Pat** having dinner with them that night? Done and done.

We picked them up at their downtown hotel, drove through Ft Sam en route to a pleasant restaurant next to our residence above, and got caught up on the news since we had last seen them a couple of yrs ago when we were out in the SF Bay area where they live. All's going well with them and their married daughter, who lives with her husband among his vineyards in Burgundy. **Jim** denies that a case of their vintage wine costs as much as one of our Fords, but the examples he quoted were pretty close.

We left them at their hotel before midnight, ready for the big doings of the 90th the next a.m. **Jim** didn't invent the 90th, but he was a big part of it. After taking a master's degree at Harvard he was the asst MA in Russia when we entered WWII. From early 44 to V-E Day he was successively G-2, regimental CO and Div Ch of Staff, picking up Silver and Bronze Stars, a Legion of Merit, etc, along the way.

In the Korean War, **Jim** was a regimental cmdr in the 3rd Div and got repeats on all of the above decorations. He graduated from the NWC in 54, the same yr I graduated from the ICAF next door, and, after a stretch as the Army attache in London, ret in 61.

Of particular interest is **Jim's** svc after ret; a total of 8 yrs on the AOG Board at USMA.

Jim & Pat will be at our 60th at WP in May as will I, my **Pat**, you and you.



1932: Archie Lyon

THE WASHINGTON MOB. **Joslin Morris** writes that everything is normal in our DC nucleus. (See nearby pic of **Ward Gillette**, which she took at a recent '32 luncheon.)

THE MAINE BRANCH. **Betty Welborn** wrote that all is well with **Jack &**



1932: Ward Gillette having the camera for dessert.

her up in S Portland, ME. Jill & Bud Schlanser '35 visited Jack & Betty recently during an up-country swing from their home in Annandale, VA, and spent some time with the Welborns. See pic.



1932: Betty Welborn (L), the Schlansers and Jack Welborn (in chair)

YOU'RE AS YOUNG AS YOU FEEL! **DB Johnson** wrote that lens transplants in both eyes have him seeing at 20/20 "like a kid again, and seeing the ball land on the green just like I used to." Congrats on two counts, DB: the eyes and where the ball lands.

DB told how **Cal Smith** continues to officiate at the Broadmoor Intl Srs Tournament every yr and meets the great sr golfers from all over the world as they come of age.

GAL ABOUT TOWN. **Birdie Huggins**, who was a combat Army nurse when I first met her in Italy during WWII, phoned to say she was going to Worcester, MA for a reunion of her 15th Evac Hosp. After that, she was going to Niagara Falls for another roundelay. Birdie had already spoken on the phone with 3 of her old tentmates from the combat days.

It shouldn't happen, but all 3 had cancer—I just hope that those brave gals are getting the same great care that they gave to the GIs in WWII.

FINAL FAREWELLS. **Landon Head** phoned that Alzheimers had finally caught up with **Louise Rude**; she passed away peacefully in the nursing home in Tuscon where she had spent the last several yrs. **Red** was near, as he has always been since he married her in Seattle in 57.

I phoned **Red** to see if there was anything I could do on behalf of '32, but he had been prepared for the inevitable end for yrs. Good-bye to our matriarch, who was a few mos older than any of us.

Archie Lyon passed the word that **George Humerick** had died at the end of Sep. George was one of our foundlings, but he & **Anna** have always been mbrs of '32. Our deepest sympathies to you, **Anna**. Come to our 60th in May, as many of our widows have done in the past, and renew old acquaintances.



1932: Danny Sundt and Clare Jamison

THE FAMILY SEQUOIA. Since our last issue, the nationally broadcast CBS show "60 Minutes" had, as one of 3 featured individuals, Dr Thoralf Mauritz Sundt Jr '52. *Who's Who in America* states that Dr Sundt is chm of the Neurosurgery Dept at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, followed by a long list of other positions at the top of his profession. Thor is **Danny Sundt's** nephew, son of his older brother.

The "60 Minutes" show was heart-warming—and heart-breaking. A clip showed Thor with Pres & Mrs Reagan, taken when he treated the former Pres. It also told of a little child with terminal cancer visiting Dr Sundt. The little girl climbed up on Sundt's lap and said, "Don't cry, Doctor, you did the best you could." She died a few mos later.

At that time Dr Sundt himself had terminal cancer—no escape. But he keeps in there doing a top-flight job, using his skill and attractive personality to help others [see article on p. ●●].

VOX POPULI. In the Sep issue of **ASSEMBLY** there was a review I had



1932: Essie Baer and Frank Jamison

written of the book, *A River Swift and Deadly*. The book was about the disastrous attempt of the 36th Inf Div to cross the Rapido River in Italy during WWII.

During the period covered, I was the Signal Off of II Corps, of which the 36th was a part. I was well acquainted with all the details before, during and after. Just for the record, about 15–20 grads either wrote or told me personally that my book review was right on the button. Some of them had been in or near the action at the Rapido River; others had not. Andy Goodpaster '39, who cmded the Engr Bn that removed the broken ties and rails of the railroad and converted it to a roadway for the tanks around Mt Lungo, wrote to say that my piece told it just the way it had happened.



1932: Danny Campbell and Joslin Morris

READ MY MAIL. Upon the occasion of the changing of the guard, i.e., when Jay Olejniczak took over from Paul Child as the associate VP of **ASSEMBLY**, the pres of our AOG, Denis F Mullane '52, wrote a ltr to each Cl scribe. It was to express, as he put it, his appreciation and that of the AOG for the great svc that you (the scribes) perform. The penultimate paragraph in my ltr was the following:

"The **ASSEMBLY** editor, COL Paul Child, tells me that you are the scribe who has been in office the longest, over 40 yrs, and have served your cl splendidly. Paul says that you write an excellent column—an original and efficient format, a distinctive and energetic style, and one packed with cl news. He also appreciated very much that you & Pat traveled all the way from San Ant to attend the recent scribe's luncheon in Wash to bid him farewell and welcome his successor, Jay Olejniczak."

Who, me? Honest fellers and gals—that's just what he wrote. Just remember, if you don't write me, I can't write this.

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Momentous events at natl/intl level continue to move across the Wash arena, often so swiftly that it's hard to grasp the signif-

icance of one before another takes its place. Yet all who spend their lives in the area of natl def must have noted our Pres's initiatives toward reduction of nuclear arms, as well as the Congressional reactions. Spectators now, we must hope that our armed forces will not be as recklessly dismantled as in the past.

Lost ring replacement continues apace. Thanks to **Eddie Bastion**, **Dorothy Doleman** now has **Louise's** miniature; and by the generosity of **Jean (Arnette) Myers**, **Bill Quinn** is wearing the ring that originally was **Walt Jensen's** (which **Kay** had passed to **Blackie**, if you're wondering).

More dear friends and classmates join predecessors in the Long Gray Line:

- On 22 Aug **Dottie Hartel** died peacefully after her & **Fritz's** gallant battle against her heart condition and other complications. Following mem svcs at Bruton Parish Church in Williamsburg, her ashes were interred in the cem at WP, where **Steve Fuqua** and **Pinkie Webster** joined with **Fritz** and his family for the ceremonies. Besides **Fritz**, **Dottie** is survived by their three daughters, **Mary Domal**, **Linda Downing** and **Karla Tedtsen**; 10 grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren.

- On 7 Sep **Joshua R (Jake) Messersmith** died (of diabetes, we believe) at the Royal Oaks Care Ctr in Sun City, AZ. Funeral svcs were held in Sun City. (The CI did not learn of his death until a mo later.) **Jake** is survived by his widow **Dottie**, daughter **Mary Louras**; 3 sisters, two brothers and two grandchildren.

- On 22 Sep we lost **Charles G (Pat) Patterson** to combined cancer and heart problems which he had battled for many yrs. Mem svcs were held at the Navy

Base Chapel in Orlando, FL, and his ashes were interred beside those of his wife **Elsie** ("little Pat," who died in 55) in the cem at WP. **Steve Fuqua** represented the CI and handled the arrangements. **Pat** is survived by daughter **Pegi Jackson** and two sisters, **Beula Shaver** and **Grace Seeley**.

- And we've just learned that **Bill Daniel's** wife **Doris** died in Dec 88.

To **Fritz Hartel**, **Dottie Messersmith**, **Pegi Jackson** and **Bill Daniel**, the CI of '33 extends its deep sympathy and the hope that you will stay in touch with us. We knew them too, those you have lost, and we too hope that Beyond the Curtain we shall know them again.

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"Tell **Hurly**, if you see him," writes **Wally Andrews** from HI, "that it's time for lunch. . . . Summer is here—89–90 degrees. I go from day to day, trying to be as comfortable as possible."

Our doughty and supportive VP, **Charlie Carver**, brings news of classmates and golf in San Ant:

- **Bill & Helen Ely** summered on the W Coast, where they golfed with the **Senters**, **Van Ways** and **Leslies**, playing by VW's complicated rules ("Some fun!" sez **Bill**). The **Elys** then visited their son **Bill Jr** and family 1–6 Oct. While at Ft Sam, **Bill** played with classmates (**Dahlen**, **Carver** and **Blanchard**); on succeeding days they played family foursomes, first with **Chet & Tommy Dahlen**, then **Bob & Ann Blanchard**.

- "**Bill Jr** & **Judy** had the classmates in for xtails one night; **Charlie & Barbara Carver** had them for dinner in their Towers apt the next. That evening the gp phoned **Jimmie & Joey Polk** in El Paso. **Jimmie's** voice was strong," writes **Char-**



1933: San Ant still going strong! **Blanchard**, **Dahlen**, **Ely** and **Carver**.

lie, and he stated his determination to improve. We certainly enjoyed the **Elys'** visit and activities.

- "**Cyr**, **Dahlen**, **Thorlin** and I normally play golf ea Thu; I play Mon and Wed with a mixed gp of former Jap POW's—**Bill Chandler '31**, **John Olsen** and **Tom Davis '39**, and **Ray Duran**, a valued friend."

- "In Sep we had a tournament: USMA, USNA, USAFA grads. I played with **Doug West '49**, pres of WP Soc of S TX, and **Jim Roberts**, USNA Ret. Army won." (Thanks, **Charlie**, for a very full accounting.)

Here's an update from **Bill Daniel**, long not heard from, to **Abe**: "I checked our *Golden Anniv Yrbk* and found I was in the last part of my tour as PMS at VPI. I completed the tour in 57 and was transferred to US Army Ryukyus Island/LX Corps, where I served as IG and then as C/S. Having had 3 yrs in LA NG (before USMA) I ret in 60 with 30 yrs' ret pay.

"A yr later I discovered that my take-home ret pay would not spt my family. I wound up as an auditor for the TX State Sales Tax Div, where, after a few yrs, I made more than I had in the Army. Our children are grown. My son, an engr for **TEXACO**, lives in E TX and has more o[ver]seas time than I do; our daughter lives in Austin. My wife, **Doris**, died in Dec 88. I'm in good shape and still mow the lawn and do other distasteful jobs. . . ."

Ed Doleman called to rep **Eddie Bastion's** generosity in letting **Dottie** have **Louise's** miniature. **Ed** said both **Dolemans** are doing well and hope to make the 60th. He still has his time on radio commentary and works with the Boy Scouts and the Freedoms Foundation, while **Dottie** is occupied with her Garden Club.

"Thanks for the **ASSEMBLY** extracts," writes **Tom (TB) Evans** to **Abe**. "I particularly was touched by the article on **Dick Sheridan**. . . . I never joined the AOG but have done my share of supporting it with financial contributions over



1933: CI of '33 Memorial Terrace

the yrs. I think it's time I subscribe to *ASSEMBLY*. Thanks for bringing it to my attention.

"After my first wife died, I married **Evelyn**. We've been married 4 yrs this mo. She has an apt in Tequesta, FL, so we live there Oct-Apr and here (Glen-ville, IL) Apr-Oct.

"We do a lot of fishing and play golf and bridge, and I keep busy by trying to become a writer. I've taken two college courses and written 6 short articles. Finding a receptive publisher is the hard part." (Address: 18490 SE Woodhaven Lane, Prestwick E, Tequesta, FL 33469.)

"My wife **Jessie** read the note from **Pete Miles**," sez **Bill Given**. "Jessie says she never has been unemployed from early days working for her dad (who built roads all over KS), to managing PXs at various posts. . . to finally as co-owner in the antiques business. Works 7 days/wk at age 80—and they thought I was dumb as a cdt!"



1933: Bill Given's nephew, MAJ CB Given, in the Gulf

"Here's a pic of my nephew and male heir, MAJ CB Given, in Gulf War (handsome like his uncle). Exec of Med Gp with 5 hosps behind VII Corps. While sping Big Red One the latter moved out without telling his hosp people, who, while trying to track them down, got into a minefield; 'stuff really hit the fan. . . Working on his PhD and has two masters'. I'm proud of him.



1933: Proud moment for Billy Harris' progeny: New MG Ted Stroup & Punkin, you-know-Whorbut and Liz & Barry Pritchard

Hurly Hurlabout rep attending promotion of **Billy Harris'** son-in-law, Ted

Stroup Jr '62, to second star. Ted's wife **Harriet** (better known as **Punkin**) helped GEN Max Thurman pin on a set of Billy's stars, as he had when he promoted Ted to BG at Ft Monroe. Ted was GEN Thurman's XO when the latter was Vice C/S. Other daughter **Liz Pritchard** & **Barry** were also present.

From **Fritz Hartel** come expressions of his deep sorrow in **Dottie's** passing and of gratitude to classmates for their "thoughtfulness, kindness and comradeship" in his time of bereavement. "Dottie loved our CI and WP." She took part in many civic and comm activities and helped greatly in getting out our 20-Yr Bk.



1933: Dottie & Fritz Hartel, circa 1972

"I really enjoy reading the news of our friends and contemporaries in *ASSEMBLY*," writes **Bea Jones**, "though my own news is scant. . . The first gp of our Northern visitors (Canada geese) have returned to Lake Quivira. I haven't decided what to do for the cold mos."

"We didn't blow away with Hurricane Bob," reps **Gracie King**. "In fact, by the time he reached us, the winds were only about 55 mph—but the waves were gorgeous!" **Harry** & **Gracie** are now (Oct) back from their Baily Isl eyrie, in time for the CI lunch on 30 Oct, nach!

From **Charlie Carver** we had first the disturbing word that **Mac McClelland** was to be hospitalized for surgery on his foot, then the good news that the opn was found unnecessary. "So our irrepressible Mac & **Dodie** are taking off for New Orleans this wkend to see the Saints."

"It's been a long while since I wrote," says **Dick (RD) Meyer**, who makes amends with this outstanding ltr (here somewhat curtailed): "We're pretty much isolated here (Akron) from things mil, but we have a couple of active WP gps: our AOG and the Parents Club. The former meets monthly for lunch in Cleveland; I'm the oldest. **Pete Peca '34** and I carpoled from Akron until his recent death. The Parents Club is a new development I find inspiring. A combination spt gp for Plebe families and a proud gp of USMA backers, they turn out 3 busloads for the A-N game, stay at a motel with their cdt's and root convincingly at the game. . .

"The only classmate I've seen recent-

ly is **Moon Mullins**. We were together in Belvoir before WWII and were roommates briefly in the Pacific. He & **Annie** are devoted to the music of the Cleveland Symphony. We get together a couple of times ea summer, most recently last Jul, when he came up with their son **Andy** (Annie was a little under the weather). It's always reassuring to see Moon, as we move along in yrs.

"We try to be active. I'm taking two art courses at U/Akron and hope to do it again next spring; this marks the 8th yr of my latest scholastic career. I do portraits mostly.

"Besides painting I'm compiling what I call **THE BOOK**, *Tales My Father Told Me*. (I have over 100 pgs of transcribed tapes of his recollections collected from his 86th to his 90th yr—his mind's as sharp as ever.) The book plan (family consumption only) is to quote a tale from him, followed by stimulated memories from our own lives. Our descendants to the 3d generation seem to like it, amazed that grandparents were ever that young and foolish. . .

"I'll not golf again, but I work out daily on my treadmill. Beyond depending on sundry artificial devices—implanted lenses, hearing aids, dentures, a pacemaker and defibrillator implant, and carrying a cane—I'm as good as ever." Hearty thanks, **Dick & Lovey!**

Sammy Mundell, contacted to see what he knew of **Jake Messersmith's** death, said he had not heard of it but would call **Dottie** to see if he could be of help to her. **Sammy** & **Mary Lou** recently completed a trip to Dayton, OH and to KY to see their daughter. Their son is a legislator in his 3d term in the AZ House of Rep.

Mem svcs for **Pat Patterson** in the Orlando Naval Tng Ctr Chapel were arranged, and the memorable eulogy was given by (LTC) **Bob Boxell '53**, who had served with Pat as a 2LT in Austria in 54 and yrs later at Redstone Arsenal. Bob's wife **Sue** served as bookkeeper, confidante and personal affairs secy for Pat for more than 10 yrs.

"On 1 Nov," rep **Bill Quinn**, "my book will hit the stands; and on 18 Nov my daughter **Sally** (Bradlee)'s second novel, *Happy Endings*, will also be in the bookstores (her first novel, *Regrets Only*, was a natl bestseller).

"You are mentioned in my book: I state that if it hadn't been for **Bert Sparrow** I would be pumping gas at some filling station today." Note: During our physicals at WRAMC in 29, our hearing tests were somehow exchanged. I was flunked, retested and passed.

"At risk of blowing my own horn," writes **Roy Reynolds**, "I must rep that, after winning the Natl 80 Indoor Doubles at Boise, ID, I won the Natl 80 Grass Courts Doubles at Providence, RI and the Natl 80 Clay Courts Doubles at the

A-N Country Club in Arlington, VA, with different partners." Wow, Roy—those must have been *some* partners!

"A busy summer here," sez **Cal Smith**, "with visits from family, social events, golf tourneys including the World Seniors (40 countries), etc. I don't compete in tourneys any more but help, I hope, on the Rules Cmte.

"Our small '33 gp in CO Springs was augmented in late Aug by a welcome visit from **Gabe & Dot Disosway**. **Tommy Moorman** was their host and kept things humming. . . . Great fun seeing them. **Svava Chapman** was off on a trip. Her & **Chappie's** son Michael gets married in Oct.

"At this stage one's thoughts turn often to the 'inevitable.' I've decided to draft (my own) **ASSEMBLY** obit to send to WP. Hopefully it will save classmates and family a future headache."

Bert & June Sparrow are back from a 3500-mi drive into New England, the Maritime Provinces (New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, including Cape Breton Isl) and back. Bert is grateful for calls, cards and ltrs responding to his two recent **ASSEMBLY** articles (Jul and Sep 91).

Class of '33 Mem Terrace Plaque . . . see pic below.



1933: Name plaque: Cl of '33 Mem Terrace

Scribe Address: our May 90 CI Roster lists **Sparrow** sans a street no; please use 6251 Old Dominion Dr.

60th Reunion: **Hurlbut** is gen mgr. **Fuqua** is the key figure in the WP area. Availability of the Thayer is still in question.

GAO Report: a GAO Rep (NSIAD-9-79, Jul 91) is critical of the Svc Acads in many respects. Copies of this rep can be obtained free of charge by calling (202) 275-6241.

Notes Deadline: please mail your contributions to reach scribe by the 8th of each even-numbered mo (Feb, Apr, Jun, etc). Thanks!—**HGS**

'34

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As a cdt I never missed a baseball game, esp the exhibition games played with the NY Yankee teams that featured Casey Stengel, Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig. Today there is a WP alumni gp, the Doubleday Soc (DS), which monitors and spts USMA developments affecting the heritage and the future of baseball at WP.

DS is now lobbying for the permanent location of Doubleday Field on the Plain. DS is also seeking reinstatement of the Fourth Class System as we knew it.



1934: Down memory lane: on our first-class year summer field trip, Norfolk-Southern trains carried us between VA and NC. Not shown: sooty faces and uniforms

For a better idea of where the DS is coming from, and for an excellent if meretricious review of "The Yrs of Affirmation and Change at USMA: 1986-1991," read the 8-pg article of that title in your Sep 91 **ASSEMBLY**.

The subject was on the agenda at our mini-reunion in Williamsburg, but do not look for any fast-breaking developments.

With that introduction, we quote excerpts from the recent ltr by **Johnny Stevens** to the new Supe, LTG Howard D Graves. "First, let me add my congratulations to the many you have already received upon your appointment to what we have always felt is a tremendously important position.

"Second, let me say how much I appreciate the statement of your intentions to assess the USMA environment which you have inherited, and your style of participatory leadership. . . .

" . . . Third, the Sep 91 **ASSEMBLY** article, 'Yrs of Affirmation and Change at USMA: 1986-1991,' concludes that 'much more about WP was affirmed than changed,' and that this should be a source of pride to its alumni. Please be advised that alumni among my contacts—and there are many from Aug '17 to '62—do not feel more was affirmed than changed, nor do they feel the changes are a source of pride.

"For some appreciation of the views I share with the above-mentioned alumni, I have enclosed a copy of a ltr from the pres of the WP Soc of N CA/NV for your consideration, if you have not already seen it.

"1. Basically, many of us are seriously disturbed that some of our so-called 'leaders' became so concerned as to whether WP was in 'tune with the times' and in step with others that they sought to copy the others.

"2. Virtual elimination of the Plebe System is not viewed as a contribution to the production of better cdt or grads.

"3. We are told that cdt no longer recite every day. It was through such recitation that we learned the assigned lessons, and as a by-product, the importance of doing one's homework on any given assignment.

"4. A question: Are the disassembling of classes, 'the clustering of Firsties' and the scrambling of classes really beneficial?

"5. To extend O'Club and other privileges to Firsties, designed to make them more like jr offs, is considered premature.

"6. We feel that the purpose of WP should be to provide the Nation with mil ldrs of character who serve the common defense with impeccable integrity, and are dedicated to the basic philosophy of Duty-Honor-Country. Further, we feel that ldrs, so trained, should be retained on duty so long as they can be utilized to meet off needs, and not released after short svc. . . .

"My prayers are with you in your heavy responsibility." For copies of **Stevens'** ltr or the ltr referred to and from the pres of the WPSNCA/NV, call Stevens or the scribe.

Our mini-reunion will have come and gone when you read these CI notes, but we are just a mo before the reunion and it is nice to rep that Seth Hudgins, Exec VP of the AOG, gave us lots of advice and spt from the Assoc to Team VA. The people at Colonial Williamsburg Foundation have given us every benefit and, despite the penury of our reunion budget, we have obtained 3 outstanding speakers from the Colonial Capital: Parke Rouse, distinguished author of best-selling books on VA colonial history with a modern curl; the Rev Cotesworth Lewis, Rector Emeritus of Bruton Church; and James Kelly, who as special asst carries the ball for the pres of the Coll of William & Mary.

As the reunion date draws near, **Betty Ann & Dan Cheston** withdrew their reservations in order to be with their daughter & son-in-law, an oil engr, who will be visiting them from Saudi Arabia. **George Gerhart** also had to withdraw in order to have surgery on a bad knee. They will be missed, for George was our reunion pianist and Dan, cdt chorister,



1934: Team Virginia: the Blairs, Moormans, Tysons and Wards with distinguished guest speakers at mini-reunion

our music director. However, we will have stars from our Hundredth Night Show, "On the Level," with us: **Cy Betts, Axel Waugh, Ken Cunin and Alex Stuart.**

Scribe visited **Marion & Bill Moorman** in their new sanctuary W of Richmond, VA—a gorgeous residence in a sumptuous setting. Marion has decorated the expansive colonial condo with family portraits and photographs, including an oil portrait of her maternal grandfather Thomas Barry 1877, who was Supe the yrs most of '34 were born. Her dad was William Bryden '04. No wonder Marion is *gung ho* WP. The Moormans' third son, Michael, was married in Oct in a "tiny town" in NH where his bride lives and near where he works.

Frannie & Johnny Stevens rep small improvement in their ailing legs and knees. She manuevers aided by a cane, and John hikes through the environs of their ret comm. The Fairfax recently welcomed **Jan Tibbets** who joined her sister, Tic Bonesteel's widow. Johnny's ailment is derived from a long-ago insect sting; Frannie's is the result of svc-connected disability.

You may recall that for our 55th, **Jerry Higgins** distributed a quiz. "How well did you know your classmates?" He has reissued it for the mini and it contains such trivia as: "Which 4 classmates ea had 4 names?" and "What synonym for jurisprudence was formed by the first ltrs in this classmate's name?" Jerry regrets that **Virginia & Dale Smith** have moved away from **Kay & him** to AF Vil W near Riverside, CA. Jerry allows as how neither Kay nor he is capable of traveling long distances—no reunion but lots of

esprit de Corps!

"**BJ**" **Richardson** sends from Gibson Isl, MD further commentary about our relative Cl standings: "If I had ranked 250 in the Cl of '91, I would have been in the top quartile and not a Goat." We compliment **Jean Farley Richardson** on having transformed her outstanding Goat to a superior engr.

Nancy & Moon Northam send this end-of-summer rep: "We are looking forward to our mini in Williamsburg. We have enjoyed not-too-hot weather in ME and few insects. Hurricane Bob did us no damage, but we were without power for two days. We have had lots of co but no classmates got up this far. We have compiled two immense scrapbooks to show at the mini. One book contains obits and related items from *ASSEMBLY* and the other Cl news of a happier vein. A BIG bunch of material.

"En route to the reunion we are going to take in the Army-BC game. After the reunion we're getting back to FL just in time to organize an 80th Birthday Bash. Also will be looking forward to our first grandchild in over 22 yrs, and our first great-grandchild ever! We look forward to seeing the Cl at Williamsburg in Nov."

Frankie & Dudley Wilmeth, our TX correspondents, sent a zoo photo of a fanged and winged wild beast which Dud claims is he, and looks a lot like Dud, but the print was too dense to reproduce in a slick paper mag, esp one that little children are likely to see. Anyway, here are Frankie & Dud: "We recently attended an ElderHostel (EH) at the U of CA—San Diego. The campus is at La Jolla, a *chic* seaside resort estab-

lished on his ret by **Mary & Monte Canterbury**. The EH course was Oceanography, and all the work was done at sea level or below. With the sea being 3% salt, and me being on a salt-free diet, I couldn't swallow it. After EH we took a bus to Eldorado Ranch, of which we possessed a piece of stock. We expected a bus with floppy fenders held together by bailing wire. . . . What we got was a super-deluxe bus tour with an attractive hostess and refreshments included in the \$9 fare. The Eldorado was anything but, so we sold our shares, and now we're just a piece of 'po' white trash."

"We have become grandparents again. Our adopted daughter Cindi, who was with us for the 55th, gave birth to a daughter, Amanda, 9 Jul in NYC. Cindi's husband and Amanda's father is **Fred Drasner**, pres and CEO of *US News and World Report*. With that kind of contact, Dud will be publishing his own *ASSEMBLY*, unless we let him into this col more often and don't dock his puns.

Including an obit clipping from the *Boulder Press*, **Dede & Evelyn Simenson** commented, "The sad news is that **Dick Legg** died. . . . We called him the 'Mayor of Monument Hill,' which is just N of CO Springs near the USAFA. Our having our daughter Joanne and her two children living with us keeps us alive. It's fun and we are fortunate to be together. Joanne is a physical therapist for the sch district, and she works on us with good results." **Dick Legg** lived in Boulder with his daughter, **Karen Utley**, for a few yrs, and visited his other daughter, **Rachel Dute**, in Concord, MI.

From CA, **Bill Neal** called to tell us, "**Travis Brown** died on 22 Aug and will be buried at WP 21 Oct." For **TT & Margery's** delightful, hedonistic lifestyle read their 50-yr itinerary in the last reunion yrbk. And now, just a few yrs later, the ravages of arthritis and heart disease have deprived his family and us of his company—but not of his presence. The former WP Quartermaster returns to check the policies he established more than 40 yrs ago.

Beth Sorley Lyon, widow of deceased classmate **Bill Rogers**, rep: "Attended the centenary of my father **Lewis Stone Sorley's** grad from WP. More than a score of family mbrs present included **Conchita Sorley**, widow of **LW Sorley Jr '19**, her two sons, **LW Sorley IV** and **JM Sorley**, with wives and children; **Dr LW Sorley III '56** and **Judith Sorley Chalmers**, son and daughter of **Morrow E Sorley '24**, with spouses; **Beth's** son **William Lewis Rogers**, grandson **William Terrett Rogers**, and granddaughters **Elizabeth and Julie**." We hope they will be around when we (sic!) celebrate the centenary of '34 and of **William Loveland Rogers**. Beth is "off to London for a *fortnight*."

The AOG rep there are 16 of our

classmates who do not subscribe to *ASSEMBLY*. How can they read their own obits if they do not subscribe?

"Miles Chatfield," his BW Jessica rep, "had surgery and is learning to use a colostomy." We wish Miles many happy endings.

Travelers Laneil & Bert Spivey are back from Leningrad/St Petersburg or whatever it may be called after the decline of Marxism in the USSR. We hope Bert will introduce his BW at our 60th, if not before. That tidbit of info from Cy Betts, whose BW Pat is holding her own with the TLC of her nurse, who handles CI communications like she knows us all. Maybe she does.

To learn what WP was really like with the introduction of Lady Cds, you gotta read *Indomitable*, the fact-filled recital by Ben Spiller '41. Kathy Silva, a grad in the first cl with women, says, "*Indomitable* shows the characters' indomitable armor as they combat the stress of tactics, academics, psychological hazing and walking the Area, and still have time to reciprocate with some guerrilla warfare of their own." Lord, deliver us from the insidious female ingenuity. To get the whole story, buy a copy of the bk for your own edification.

It is decreed that USMA prepare for a BIG anniv in MMII. That is 200 yrs after MDCCCII. Which spells, BICENTENNIAL. Keep posted via plans as they appear in *ASSEMBLY*, and the intervening 11 yrs will pass quickly. Send your ideas for the celebration to the Supe for policy, to the AOG for subjects to be recognized and to your scribe for local commercials. We plan to see you THERE, THEN!

Late news break: Martha & Joe Johnson gave various excuses for missing the mini, but it all boils down to that they love their new pad in the wilderness around Pegram, TN and spend their time landscaping and admiring the view. We missed y'all.

This just in from Ruth & Jack Renfro: "Some info on our trip to Ireland and the USSR. We flew from Asheville to Boston, joined 160 others (the size of the gp amazed us) and flew to Shannon via *Aer Lingus*—very nice. We had two days of sightseeing in the Shannon-Limerick area and attended a medieval dinner in an ancient castle. The gp stayed at the Limerick Inn, a charming and very comfortable place.

"Then on to Moscow via *Aeroflot*. The plane was not comfortable and the lunch was peculiar, but the flying was smooth. We bussed to our hotel, a new one managed by Radisson and quite elegant. Even the meals were good. Limited to two days in Moscow, we saw the Kremlin, Red Square, Moscow St Univ and the Moscow Circus. Things were pretty much as we expected: the Kremlin was in pretty good condition, but everything

else (except the hotel) was quite shabby. The atmosphere, however, certainly reflected glastnost. The Intourist guides spoke freely about the govt and the economic conditions, told jokes about Gorbachev and communism, and appeared to have complete freedom in what they said.

"Next we boarded a riverboat (I guess it was really a ship—430 ft long) and spent 6 days following the Moscow-Volga Canal, a small section of the Volga, the Volga-Baltic Canal, various lakes and finally the Neva River into Leningrad. Our American tour gp together with 80 Britishers filled the ship. We had lectures and evening performances by Russian gps. The ship made 4 stops, where we did considerable walking, visiting old churches and monasteries. The meals on the boat and at the hotels were good, including champagne at lunch and vodka or brandy with dinner. The ship was in pristine condition, but the other boats we saw carrying Russians and E European passengers were dirty and smelly.

"We ended with 3 days in Leningrad where we had an elegant hotel, the Astoria, not new but recently renovated. More sightseeing included a half-day tour to the Summer Palace of Peter the Great at Petrodvorets. Yrs ago I thought Versailles was the ultimate in elegance, but The Hermitage and Petrodvorets changed my opinion. A remarkable thing about Leningrad was the huge number of people on the streets.

"Our last day we were up at 5 am and we finally arrived in Asheville at 10 pm—a long day!"

The Post Office let me reclaim these pages to include a tearful but brave call from Eddrea Hillyard letting us know that her beloved Harry died at home 9 Oct. She was Harry's HS and WP OAO and served our country with Harry in asgmts where both she & Harry were recognized for distinguished svc. The funeral at WP was attended by their son Fred '62, who ret last yr, and daughters Lee Anne and Frances, with in-laws and children, including a new great-grandson from Frances.

'35

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The end of summer produced gratifying input—all definitely upbeat—trust you concur. So, with the vacationers "hunkered down" and auxiliary homes, cottages, etc, secured for winter, we hope for complete rep on activities that period. Bud Schlanser, our "Cancun coordinator" for Mini 92, took time out for a hip replacement at WRGH, replacing a 10-yr similar installation. After a 4-wk crutch-assisted recuperation he's on his

way to "duty" status—but no golf til spring 92. Norm Skinrood sustained a series of TIA's (medical label for slight stroke) which confined him to a health ctr at Pensacola. Edith states recovery progressing to a degree that spts frequent home visits and plans for Cancun—a superior prognosis. (FYI Norm, my Marie sustained same in Oct 88, recovered now, but closely monitored by the drs). We're all in your corner for complete return-to-duty status.



1935: Sal Armogida, Ralph Haines and a "friend" at "Billy Bob's Bar" in Ft Worth, TX—it's the "biggest honkey-tonk" in the world

Marge Harris is home after major surgery in Jul at Ft Gordon, GA. Jane Mock Fiore had abdominal surgery in Sep and also is home recuperating successfully. From George & Kathleen Jones: she had successful cataract surgery with George viewing same as "side walk supt" via closed-circuit TV. They are definitely planning on Cancun. He states John & Marty Morgan are "rolling along," albeit slower (much company here). Cancun problematical. Bill & Jane O'Neal were "at sea"—literally—in Aug and Nov via cruiseships; they're our undisputed "cruise champs/consultants." The Joneses received from our Daniel John Murphy the announcement of his remarriage in Jun. Congrats to both. Awaiting more details which will be passed on. George signed off with note on his successful med check-up—highlighted by dr's statement "... your blood pressure is teenage-comparable" (115/65). G's retort—"... Is second childhood implicit?" Bun & Routh Wilby sent word of a book recently published and edited by Routh, *The Kingsbury Project*, dealing with the navigable restoration of Bayou Teche in S LA after the Civil War and part played by the US Corps of Engrs therein. Highlighted were the tech application of raising sunken Confederate gunboats, cleaning opns and historic data on 19th-century labor relations and

administration of govt funds [see Nov 91 ASSEMBLY, p 36]. **Milt & Irene Taylor**, from the Fairfax, proudly rep on the distinguished svc presentation to daughter **Connie** (dr of clinical psychology) by the Pittsburgh Psychological Assoc for her many outstanding contributions in her field, local and natl. They also cited a briefing on Desert Storm conducted at the Fairfax for MG Irving, Apr '17 and our **Les Wheeler**, CG and G-2 respectively of the 24th Inf Div in WWII. **Tom & Billie Gillis** had visit from **Johnny Wright** and his bride of 4 yrs, **Kathy**.



1935: Billie Gillis with John & Kathy Wright

Johny & Kathy appeared serenely contented, relaxed without complaints and easily weathering the viscissitudes of ret life. Address: 1442 Marelén Dr, Fullerton, CA 92635; tel (714) 525-9573. Billie bemoaned her misfortune as she sustained a deep laceration of forefinger that put her golf on (temporary) hold—but did *not* interfere with her running the Presidio Invitational Tournament, in which **Jean Clow** was an active participant. **Arlene Cole** busies herself with frequent trips to Chicago to assist in her grandmother's display of handmade quilts. Her unique entries have won acclaim and awards in the Congress of IL Historical Soc and Museums. **Fred & Alice Cummings**, en route home from their 6-mo summer retreat, were co-guests in Asheville with **Somers & Lucy Dick**.

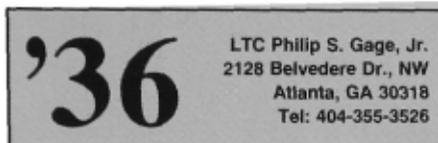


1935: Fred & Alice Cummings and Somers & Lucy Dick

All's well with both couples. **Charlotte Rumsey**, from the Fairfax, adds news of yet another Cl son to Desert Shield participants. Her David, COL, USMCR,

called to active duty upon outbreak of the emergency, has retained that status and fills the assignment at Marine HQs, Dir, Special Projects for family advocacy.

Bernie & Harriet Waterman joined the ever-increasing contingent of '35'ers at the Fairfax. Address: 9000 Belvoir Woods Pkwy, No 208; tel TBA next issue. One can see that installation—NOT "institution"—is becoming the Cl ctr of gravity. Those who have visited there will agree it's a heartwarming event, a "knock-on-any-door" experience; classmates and classmates' widows, fellow alumni from other classes and former mil associates are all in pleasantly plentiful supply.



Dear classmates, our age is really showing, as we parted ties with 4 of our gp within two wks. We bid adieu to **Betty Illig**, 30 Aug; **Henry Lind**, 1 Sep; **Ben Evans**, 2 Sep; and **Dave Chaffin**, 12 Sep. Hand Lind died and was cremated in Monterey, CA. Betty, Ben and Dave were buried in Arlington.

Dave & Betty Chaffin had been perfect and lively hosts on 7 Sep in their beautifully redecorated dining rm, kitchen and patio. Therefore his abrupt demise less than a wk later was truly unexpected. On the other hand, Betty and Ben had both been ill for some time. All that is known of Hank is that he had had diabetes for a long while. Those of us old crocks surviving will miss them all.

While there is no appropriate time to harangue your classmates and ever-wonderful friends, we would like to mention that, of the 45 or so at the May reunion who were offered an outline for a biography to assist/encourage an obit, the response can very adequately be counted on one hand!

And while (if) we have your attention, may the following simplistic obit documentary be told? On 2 Jun, **Kelly Bagby** died in LA. We received a ltr the following day from his much younger brother, Jim, telling us something about our former classmate. From this info, we sent Jim a two-pg resume/history and asked him to forward it to Kelly's widow. We sent the composite to her. She approved. And 27 Aug a completed obit was forwarded to AOC! Simple? Of course!

Sometime in Apr we were informed that ASSEMBLY was going to attempt to show pics of Desert Storm trps—in the Gulf—who were related to '36'ers. About a dozen such photos were obtained and forwarded to WP. Unfortunately, and for unexplained reasons, not one of the '36 photos was reproduced, even though almost every other cl *did*

receive recognition. We are tremendously sorry that our own were not memorialized. However, we should like to mention some of those who submitted very interesting and "in action" and "on location" historical souvenirs: **Jack Daly**, **Robert Abrams**, **John Kelly Quigg**, **Jack Arnold III**, **Scott Beard**, **Ben Turnage III** & wife, **Deidre Hiester** & husband, **Rob Quinn** and more. We're so sorry!!!

Caye Curran wrote that daughter Pat was in "critical care" following by-pass surgery in ME in Aug. In early Sep we were greatly impressed during a long lunch with **Ben Davis** in DC. Many subjects were touched upon—not the least of which surfaced following his biography. We look forward to our next mtg. **Larry Ellert** wrote from Cleveland and home. He told not only of a recent visit from **Clark Hosmer & Aileen**, but of **Ben Davis** being inducted into the Cleveland Avn Hall of Fame. Ben was formerly a native of that city.

This reporter says that **Ben Evans** had the best of all funerals on 7 Oct. His not-too-small and devoted family—headed by lovely **Midge**—paid tribute to one of '36's finest friends and soldiers. He got all the ceremonials Arlington could muster, including 6 magnificent, all-white Clydesdales with proudly combed leg feathers—all pulling the bier/caisson. There was added a very minute mist of rain which offered an impressive and subdued sadness appropriate to the occasion. Then, just as taps was blown, a jet from Natl Airport passed overhead. And we asked **Howell Estes** if he didn't think even the AF was attempting a final tribute to our great classmate. In all there were 15 '36'ers in attendance.

While in the Capitol we had extensive visits (several hrs) with the **O'Briens**, **Bob Breaks**, **Chaffins** and **Ben Davis**. Everyone seemed in great shape. Two significantly impressive people were editor **Jim Twaddell** & his impressario (or should it be impressaria) wife, **Jean**. A Sep *Monterey Herald* carried a nostalgic story about "The Duke of 'F' Troop." Very entertaining and reeking of memories, **Bob Fergusson** described a canine history of a great dog/horse/soldier episode in our long-ago past. **Elmer Grubbs** sent along a pic of a gorgeous strawberry blond, one of his & **Margaret's** granddaughters—who married in Aiken, SC. Saw **Bill Haneke** at **Ben's** funeral and also received several ltrs from him. **Marion** & he have visited their children this yr, and all seem to be in good shape. He says the Belvoir Woods '36 contingent who have FL homes are preparing to migrate soon. One day we received what seemed to be an anonymous phone call. It turned out to be **Bill Hay**. He later followed up with a well-written ltr. His health seems to be *manageable* and his esprit is tops! **Doris Hiester** called be-



1936: Carmel gathering: (top) McCorkle, Fergusson, Charlotte, Wayne Dellinger, Jane, Liz, Tet; (bottom) Ginnie Meany, Jean Miller, Meany, Audrey McCorkle, Gage and Audrey Tetley.

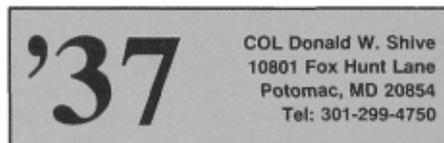
fore taking off to HI to attend a 7 Dec Pearl Harbor memorial. Heard from **Wil Hendrickson** after visiting and assisting with the installation of his high-ranking nephew, Brad Hosmer, as Supe at AFA. A pleasant ltr from **Helen Hess** stated that she'd been to NYC several times. Unfortunately, it was in relation to her brother, who died after a long period of pain. She made a point of her appreciation for good health. This reminded us of the excruciating hurt she endured several yrs ago from arthritis. And now she doesn't have it!! What a victory!

Hosmer wrote he'd been in OH and MD in Sep. In Aug **Larry Laurion** stated he had about 25 more radiation treatments to go. He said that **Haneke, Chaffin, Dorland** and **Layne** had been with him at lunch and that some had driven him when needed. Got a ltr from the **McCabes**, who were planning to go to the Point for some football. The **Meany**s wrote from AK and were planning to visit Carmel in Oct. **Ace Miller** was in hosp at Ft Ord for some stomach upset. This was in late Sep. **Helen Nazzaro** had been visiting **True** in FL in Sep. She was unable to make a stop-off in Atl. **Rebecca Kmet**, one of **Gene Patterson's** children, was in a severe car accident in May. This probably prevented her visiting the CI for the reunion. **Steve Smith** wrote on the occasion of **Chaffin's** death. He praised very highly **Dave's** career and friendship. **Vera Swain** had an art exhibit in Oct at the American Horticultural Soc. The **Tetleys** visited their son in OR—among other things—during Sep.

Hoping to share some '36 similarities with our Navy counterparts, we wrote CPT **Bill Ellis**, USNA '36, about a yr ago.

Nothing was heard until recently. Here's what he gave us: they had 3 Vice Admirals; 12 Rear (2-star); 12 Rear (1-star); one LTC USMC; two MG; and 3 BG. Apparently their total was 33 flag rank, and their grads equalled about what we had. (USNA '36 graduated 261 and produced 33 flag rank; USMA '36 graduated 276 and produced 60 flag rank.) Incidentally, **Ellis** is a neighbor of **Bob Breaks**.

The **Gages** were in CA at the time of deadline for these notes, so your scribe is mailing these in about two wks early.



After rep in the Sep ASSEMBLY that **Pete Hyzer** was doing so well after his 6 May lung opn, it will be a shock to those who have not already heard to learn that he died in WRAMC on 9 Sep. He had been in the Fairfax extended-care facility for several days when he took a turn for the worse, was rushed to the hosp and died shortly after arrival. On 24 Sep, a large no of classmates, wives and friends attended the svcs in the Old Chapel at Ft Myer and the interment in Arlington with full mil honors. **Finn Unger** and classmates from the Fairfax were honorary pallbearers. Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to **Olga**.

In Aug, I inveigled **John Frazier** into going to the Chesapeake Ranch Estates in southern MD to help with maintenance on a cabin I had built there many yrs ago. While there, we had a sumptuous dinner with **Virginia Brandt Bauer (Phil's daughter)** and part of her family.

She has a gorgeous brood of five. The youngest son and daughter are at home—delightfully respectful and industrious teenagers of whom **Phil** would be very proud. A married son and a bachelor one live nearby, and another jewel of a daughter will grad from the USCGA next May, the only femme in Electrical Engring. She loves the life, has sailed on the *Eagle* and worked in the Caribbean rescuing Cuban boat people. **Virginia's** husband, **Ed Bauer**, works at the nearby Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant. I learned that before that he worked for NASA in Toowoomba, Australia, about 100 mi W of Brisbane. That reminded me of the time I was stranded there in 43. Our classmate, **Dave Parker**, who was liaison off with the Australian Army, loaned me his sedan to get back to GHQ in time for duty on Mon.

Before returning home, **John** and I visited museums, became stranded on a sightseeing boat up the Patuxent River and had to be towed back to Solomons.

Our Aug luncheon on the 16th was well-attended (18). Since most of the business was carried over to the Sep one, I'll skip to that one on 20 Sep. Twenty-one attended and included all who had been to our Aug one except **Trapper Drum**, who was laid up with an infection that had to be cleared up before his hip replacement. Additionally, **Fred Clarke** was back from New England, where he spent most of the summer; **Scott Hall** moved back to the Fairfax, having disposed of their Chevy Chase home; and **Jack Polk** was a welcome presence. The change of cmd was settled. **Fred** will assume the chair after the Oct co-ed lunch. The Fairfax platoon was "all present or accounted for." **Roy Lutes** was on sick call. He has not been feeling well for some time. The Halls are the most recent additions to the Fairfax comm and like it very much. They found, much to their delight, that they know well over 100 there on a first-name basis. The count down there is 9 classmates, 6 wives, 4 widows and 1 remarried widow. By now you should have received a new CI address list done by **Scott Hall**. **Bob Gildart** gave a status rep on the 55th. The Bulletin was mailed the end of Sep. **Finn** read a ltr from **Stan Smith** in which he reluctantly bowed out of the job of running the mini in Mystic, CT. He & **Louise** are OK now, and we hope that they remain that way. They had planned to go to the Seattle mini, but **Stan** didn't quite feel up to it.

Fred Diercks rep that the obit deficit had been reduced from 76 to 38, but is now back up to 42 because of recent deaths. The chm of the cmte, **Hank Byroade**, made a plea for all to do their own. It makes a lot of sense. At least jot down the main events in order so that family and volunteer classmates will

have something to work with. We signed a get-well card to **Bill Cain**, who spent a short time in the hosp recently. **Madeleine** says that he is OK now.

Bob Seedlock briefed us on a rep by a WP Soc pres detailing the many changes made at WP. Cdt life is certainly much different from what we experienced. Bob also mentioned that when he was in Teheran some yrs ago working with Parsons, Brinkerhoff, etc, he saw a bronze plaque commemorating our deceased classmate, **Leigh Fairbanks**, for his svc in that area with the Army CE. Leigh's son, **Fairbanks III '63**, now ret, was wounded in Vietnam and highly decorated.

Jack Polk was deposited at the Club by Sara, who then went on to visit the Natl Museum of Art until **Mal & I** dropped him there on our way home. We still haven't had the pleasure of meeting the gourmet cook responsible for his added avoidupois. I learned that his brother-in-law, **Harry Wilson**, & **Hallie** have split amicably.

The next 6 items were passed on to me by **Bob Gildart** from his 55th correspondents. **Peggy Truxton Dyer** is exalted about another reunion with us and plans to come with husband **Holmes** and, possibly, son **Tim & wife**. She said that Hurricane **Bob** created great havoc in Marion, MA—smashed boats and large yachts littering the landscape.

As during the 50th, the **Eriksens** plan a grand tour E in **Endelig** (their motor home), commencing in Mar with stopovers in TX and FL on their way to the 55th. It will be a leisurely trip in deference to the age and high mileage of all three of them.

Randy & Marge Hines are still a traveling duo. They had just returned in Aug from a 3-wk trip—10 days in Munich and Garmisch, and then to Hamburg where they joined the USMA gp for the Elbe River cruise. They went right by the bridgehead on the Elbe near Zerbst where Randy had met the Russians. He will attend the reunion of his WWII outfit (25th FA Bn) in Williamsburg in Oct. Marge wrote additional details describing their tour of the Meissen factory, Dresden, the famous Zwinger Palace Museum and the lovely Sans Souci Palace. Yes, they bought a genuine (?) piece of the Wall!

A note from **Battle Barksdale** covered their annual get-together in Sep with the **Sloans, Van Volkenburghs, Randy & Marge Hines** and the **Eubanks**. This time it was in Jacksonville where the Eubanks now live at Fleet Landing, which is perfect for them. He admitted that 3 of them were deaf (the shouting must have been deafening for the poor wives and neighbors). I'm so sorry to hear that **Geo Sloan** has a deteriorating retina.

The **Clarkes'** son-in-law, BG **Pat Stevens '63**, took over the MS River Com-

mission after attending a short course at Harvard. Bob also heard from **Betty Jane Davisson** that **Dave** had been in the hosp recently and that they intend to be at the 55th.



1937: Marty & Margaret Green

In Sep the **Fraziers** and **Wilhoys** helped the **Greens** celebrate their second wedding anniv at Tides Inn, VA.

On 28 Sep the **Maliszewskis** entertained the CI at a grand luncheon at the A-N Country Club. The next day **Sally Taylor** had a cocktail buffet at her home in VA. Afterwards, the **Fraziers** and we took **Betty Drum** home and had a short visit with **Trapper**. He's been home-bound for quite a spell.

Bob Seedlock spent several days in early Oct at a SHAPE reunion in Brussels. Bob is kept very busy in ret. As rep in MIT Tech Review, "... he is a mbr of the Voice of America's Radio Engr Advisory Cmte; US Rep to Permanent Tech Cmte #1 (Inland Waterways) of the Permanent Internatl Assoc of Navigation Congresses; editor of the *ASCES Journal of Aerospace Engrsr*; pres of the American Chapter of the Burma Star Assoc; and is a consulting engr in his spare time."



1937: Delk & Pegg Oden aboard the *Nordic Prince*

Delk Oden rep from the Fairfax Ret Comm that **Fred & Isabel Clarke** took off for a two-wk vacation in England and France on 27 Sep.

"Wk before last **Bill & Dotty Amos** and **Rae & I (George)** all went out to Big Bend Natl Park for 4 days, staying in the Basin and driving ea day to the E, S, and W boundaries of the park—an area larger

than the state of RI. We always got back to the Basin by late afternoon in time for 'attitude adjustment' hr.



1937: Langtry, TX—on the way to Big Bend: Bill, Rae, Dotty and George

Rangers now warn that if you get off the main paved road you must be on guard for mountain lions and black bears that have migrated to the area in great numbers in recent yrs. We saw nothing but footprints, but we did give 3 different gps of javelinas the right of way in rapid fashion—i.e., a sprint race to the car. The vastness of that area is overwhelming—this was about my 8th trip out there in the past 30 yrs—and you are still in TX, but out of radio range of any AM or FM Mexican or US station. I never tire of visiting it."

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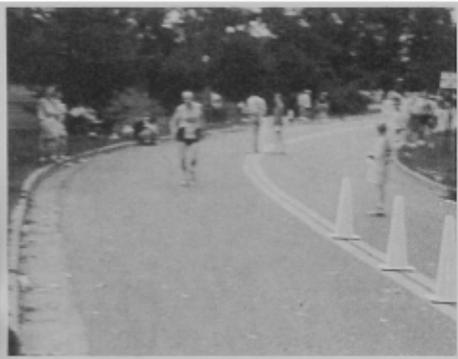
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Elsewhere in this *ASSEMBLY* issue, look for a feature article about our distinguished mil historian, **Trevor Dupuy**. Coverage of our mini-reunion in Williamsburg will appear in the Mar 92 *ASSEMBLY*. Meanwhile, your Program Cmte is fully occupied with preparations. Over 100 attendees are expected.

Here is a new address and current phone no: COL **James T Craig**, 21550 Box Springs Rd, Apt 1024, Moreno Valley, CA 92557; tel (714) 276-0830. My previous CI notes indicated that **Nick Chavasse** and **Art Smith** were the only '38'ers who are also Knights of the Golden Circle, A-N Club, Wash, DC. **Hugh Wallace** and **Trevor Dupuy** are also Knights of the Golden Circle. This corrects my previous rep. The 30 Aug *Observer*, a local NVA newspaper, included a "Commentary" article, noting that 2 Sep 91, Labor Day, was also the anniv of V-J Day. The commentary included a pic of COL **Ed Lahti**, then-CO, 511th Parachute Inf Regt, which guarded the docks

for the Peace Delegation to board the ship. Noteworthy in the commentary: the 511th liberated 2147 internees at Los Banos Prison Camp near Manila, were called "the angels from heaven," and Ed made 126 combat jumps in WWII. During this summer he has been "housebound" by serious eye opns, curtailing his usual athletic activities. Reference previous CI notes, documentary in English about the 511th svc during the Mil Occupation of Japan is being prepared by Iwate Broadcasting Co, Ltd.

In Gainesville, FL, 5 biathlons (5-km race plus 800-meter swim) were conducted during May-Sep 91. **Cliff Riordan** competed in 3 of the first 4 biathlons and was first in the 76-yr-old age gp. Later he may have competed in the fifth of these biathlons. Labor Day wkend **Bea & Cliff** visited **Castex & Petey Connor** in Macon. There **Cliff** ran in the 10-km race.



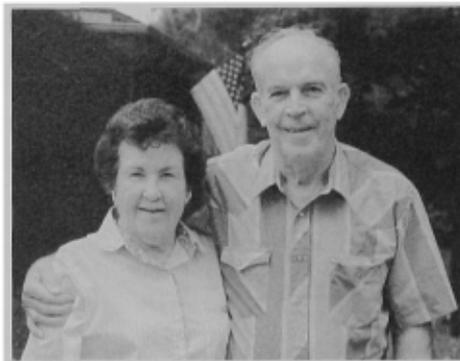
1938: Cliff Riordan 100 yards from the finish line during Macon 10K race, Labor Day



1938: Bea & Cliff Riordan with Castex & Petey Connor after 10K race

Later Castex informed me of presence in NVA of COL Thomas Hayes Brett, US Army, and family. Tom is the son of **Bill & Polly Hayes Brett**. He was 10 yrs of age when his parents died but has agreed to write an obit for his father, aided by his uncle, MG Thomas Jay Hayes III '36. Tom would appreciate any input from '38'ers or other friends of his parents that would be appropriate to include in the obit. Castex expressed his regrets that he & Petey will be unable to attend the mini reunion.

Recent ltr from **Rosalie Folda Valentine** about her trip to Russia and Czechoslovakia: "It is unbelievable that my



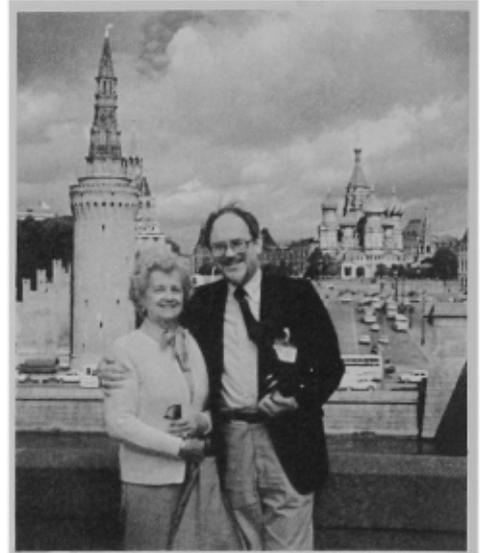
1938: Petey & Castex Connor at home in Macon, Labor Day

son Jaroslav and I were into another world crisis, after going through Pearl Harbor when he was 3 yrs old. Since events happen in "3's", I keep hoping that the third will be a happy event. We were just leaving Leningrad when we heard that Gorbachev had resigned and that he and his family were in the Crimea, where he was resting and recovering from a heart attack. Of course none of this was true. As I read the newspapers, I think you were as well-informed as we were. We flew to Kiev for 4 days before returning to Moscow. There had been so many delays in our plane flights my son decided that we had better seek other transportation in order to make our plane connection from Moscow to Prague. Our travel people were able to get RR berths for the return to Moscow. Because of the uncertainties due to the coup, we made a good decision. Our trip from Moscow RR station to the airport afforded us an opportunity to see the tanks and the blockade to protect govt bldgs. Our bus was detained at one point for entering a forbidden zone. The police soon released the bus driver and we took the proper route without further ado.



1938: Jaroslav Folda with his mother Rosalie Folda Valentine, cruising on the Moscow River

On 17 Sep, svcs were held at Ft Myer and ANC for Ann Blackburn, wife of BG



1938: Jaroslav and Rosalie on bridge in Red Square, with Kremlin and St Basil Cathedral in background

Donald D Blackburn, an honorary mbr of '38. Ann & Don participated in our DC area '38 activities while residing here before moving to FL. She had a stroke related to carotid artery surgery, resulting in her death recently. Many friends and family of the Blackburns attended the funeral svcs. On 27 Sep, the Ft McNair luncheon was attended with wives by **Barschdorf, Beverley, Bixby, Brown, Miller, Mrazek, Sussmann, Voegtly**; also by **Chavasse, Nim Collins, Davis, Dupuy, Bert Harrison, Lahti, Mary Missal, Schmidt, Bill Smith and Walson**. The Beverleys were here from NC and were accompanied by Margaret's brother-in-law, Billy Backus. **Miriam & Jim Lewis** were on a cruise through the Panama Canal and missed this first luncheon of the fall season, which was enjoyed by everyone. The Mrazeks briefed those present about preparations for the mini and conducted a mtg of the Program Cmte afterwards.

From **Bill Strand**, San Ant, TX, 28 Sep: "The WP Soc of S TX had its Sep luncheon at USAA Towers, and '38 was represented by the **Bayers, Skaers** and **Strands**. The Bexar City DA, **Steve Hillig**, gave an interesting speech, which revealed a lot of the frustration facing police because of laws protecting criminals. The **Macomers** spent Jun and Jul at their condo in Gunnison, CO. Mac has been doing some fishing and dove hunting with **Lou Coira**, and he is going elk hunting before he & **Barbara** leave for the mini in Williamsburg. **Mary Kelley** had lunch with **Dick Stilwell** on 7 Sep while he was in San Ant for a reunion of his WWII outfit, the 90th Div. Unfortunately he had to cut his visit short, so there was no opportunity for him to see classmates and other friends. **Fred Wright** continues to do volunteer work with the Red Cross. In Oct he will teach an 18-hr life guard cl at Ft Sam."

The **Lotzes** will be in NVA for the remainder of Oct. While here, they will help Shirley's mother celebrate her 100th birthday on 13 Oct. Their daughters, Shirley Virginia and Anne, will also be there. Her mother, Ora Carter Colton (widow of MG Roger B Colton, US Army) resides in NVA at Mt Vernon Nursing Ctr. She has one daughter Shirley, 3 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. Before WWII, Mrs Colton was a pioneer in photography for short-subject motion pictures. She met her husband-to-be, then-LT Colton CAC, while in NYC to do a short subject on a mine planter. We hope that she and her family enjoy this memorable occasion.

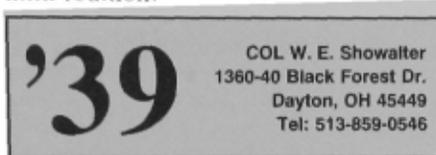
Dick Stilwell underwent heart surgery on 9 Oct to replace the mitral valve, with apparently good results. He is at WRAMC, and we wish him a full and speedy recovery.

Iver Peterson is moving to Liberty Heights Ret Comm at CO Springs on 28 Oct. We will rep a new address and phone no later. **Jane Hulse** has moved to Knollwood, 6200 Oregon Ave NW, #412, Wash, DC 20015.

While most of our contemporaries are thinking about ret comms or long-term care, the **Millers** have thought positively and youthfully. Peggy has long had a desire to own a convertible. She now is zipping around in a new Chrysler LeBaron convertible. Frank now has a new Olds 98 sedan. Are other classmates, wives or widows taking similar action?

On 6 Oct, from **Hugh Wallace**, San Ant, TX, "**Lou Coira** received a postcard from **Sam Hogan** which indicated that Corpus Christi may now be Sam's location. **Evelyn Hartman** has been in failing health for some time and is now in a nursing home. **Jan** has visited her several times. **Bill & Maggie Kieffer** traveled to AK for the wedding of their granddaughter. The bride & groom are both with an Anchorage newspaper. **Mona Preuss** had a visit this summer from her son and grandson. Then she turned around and went to Seattle to see the granddaughter, who had not made the trip to San Ant. Mona has taken up her sch bks again and is attending courses at the Institute of TX Cultures, including Spanish, Investing, etc. Recently, **Jo Ryan Houston & Carl** had a small gathering atop the USAA Towers. Among those present were the Coiras, Kieffers, **Maccombers**, **Wallaces** and **Skaers**. Jo was recently at the USAFA to visit with her grandson there. She heads for CA in a couple of wks for more family visiting. The **Skaers** regret falling out on the mini, but Helen's grandson is getting married at the same time, and that has priority. The **Wallaces** have been very quiet these past two mos. **Ash Packard's** widow sent me a good newspaper writeup, so I now have enough info to complete Ash's obit. We will see you at the mini."

Many thanks to those who contributed info and pics for these CI notes. We do need newsworthy items and pics about '38'ers and their families, particularly from those who have not been mentioned in recent CI notes. Please keep your scribe and AOG informed of changes of address. Let's have a good mini-reunion!



Bob Studer's watercolor on the front cover of the Sep 91 ASSEMBLY, as well as the one on the front cover of this issue, are genuine delights. In addition, he sent a 92 calendar of pictorial reproductions of his original 20" x 24" watercolor paintings of Conejo Valley, CA scenes (Thousand Oaks area). With ea is a word description of the scene or its significance. What talent!

Hidden talents and accomplishments—We have to wonder how many hidden mil or non-mil talents or accomplishments are among us? If so, what are they? Restoring furniture? Artistry of some kind? Authorship? We've noted previously in these notes that **Jane Sullivan** shares her organ artistry in Sun concerts at the AF Vil W, and we'd like to recognize others. Maybe if we in '39 uncover these hidden talents, etc, we might lead the way for the AOG to include an article now and then pertinent to other living USMA grads.

"Halloween on Waikiki"—for **Elly & Sue Wood** for their 50th anniv was a "combination of Mardi Gras and Times Sq on New Yrs Eve! It took us two hrs to get back to the Hale Koa from Diamond Head... streets mobbed with happy people of all ages in fantastic costumes! ... Spent the last wk on Maui. ... enjoyed a helicopter ride, viewing gorgeous tropical scenery, zooming up river canyons and flying inside the Haleakala volcano... observed 7 waterfalls at same time. On return, we were presented a videotape of our trip. ... Since our 50th, I've reduced my teaching load to 9 classes per wk, giving me a 3-day wkend—enjoy tennis 3 times per wk, skiing every winter and sailboat racing yr-round. Sue has become an excellent bridge player, and we usually walk daily near the ocean."

From **Jack Pickard** comes word that he sees "**Bob & Helen Miller** occasionally, and **Bill McDowell** flies up from TX once a yr for a couple of great days together. My activities are mainly physical... walking the beach, playing tennis, swimming... and occasionally real estate."

Jim & Kay Roosa, much as they have enjoyed living in the Monterey Peninsula area of CA for the past 10 yrs following their return from Austria, took an extended trip of several wks to the Columbus

area of OH to check possibility of relocating there. They visited friends and relatives and became better acquainted with various localities. In CA a pleasant pastime has been taking advantage of a variety of excellent restaurants.



1939: Kay & Jim Roosa at favorite restaurant, Melac's, in Pacific Grove

Sam Kail had a successful lung removal opn in May and subsequent radiation (to remove last particle of doubt). By late Aug, however, he started to regain weight and "feel better and [be] able to do some of the things I used to do. I guess I was lucky! Many classmates sent ltrs and cards; some called. Please let them know (through the CI notes) how much I appreciated [everything], and how nice it is to know that others are wishing you well even though we haven't seen ea other for ages. I intended to write ea one, but that was a case of 'eyes being bigger than the stomach.'"

Walt Smith ex-'39, from Charlotte, NC, states, "I spend most of my time in the yard and on the golf course. I followed Desert Storm with great interest, esp the heroics of **GEN McCaffrey**, son of our own **Bill**. I still remember vividly the hazing from young Stillwell in Beast Bks. When he told me to look at **Thomason** and assume that position at the dining rm table, I thought he was crazy!" (Anyone interested in accomplishments of an ex-'39 after WWII should read Walt's bio in our *Golden Howitzer* and be impressed—Chmn, Bd of Trustees, NC State; Alumni Meritorious Svc Award; etc!)

News from Palm Springs, CA is that **Jim Wilson** is winning his share of Srs



1939: Walt Smith and 2-yr-old grandson in Charlotte, NC

tournaments. (He should, with a 2.5 handicap index. Anyone in the CI with a lower one than this?)

Huey Long writes that in Sep he had just returned from an eating contest in Aspen with **Bill & Mary Martin**. "I've been recovering from a knee replacement which **Woody Wilson** said was a piece of cake and would take a wkend. I had it done on 2 Jul and, the way I'm going, recovery will be in Apr 92."

Vance AF Base, named in honor of our **Philo** (awarded the CMH), celebrated its 50th anniv 13-19 Oct, including ceremonies, golf and Golden Knights parachutists. **Jim & Mary Emma Knapp**, who planned to attend, will provide a pic of '39'ers present and any further details for the next **ASSEMBLY**.

Joe McChristian writes that, after their mo at the Pritikin Ctr in CA; then Hobe Sound, FL; DC; the Big Apple; New Brunswick, including scallops and lobster; and another visit to NYC and Albany (re: youngsters), "it's good to be back home in FL. We'll stay put for a while and would welcome any classmates who might pass this way." In DC at the A-N Club, they ran into **Perry Hoisington**, who was "busy writing final revisions of his outstanding book on *A Great Golf Swing*. I predict it will be a great success."

Jimmy Collins' grape-gathering (91 edition) occurred in early Sep with many '39'ers, other friends, workers from Mil History days and at least two grandchildren. After harvesting a healthier and more abundant crop (per **Norm Farrell**) than in recent yrs, they stopped for an al fresco lunch, including wine from cellars. Each worker got a bottle to take

home also. **Yolande** and daughter **Sharon**, in charge of coffee and lunch, did not get into following pic (ditto, **Cooperider's** daughter).

Anita Jumper made a flying, 4-day trip to DC in early Sep for a symposium. **Perry** and sister **Betty Hoisington** met her at Dulles, took her to mtgs and entertained her during her little free time.

Dick Curtin's successful bypass surgery brought two sisters, **Mary** and **Ann**, plus spouses **Bill McCaffrey** and **Walt Higgins**, to Phoenix in Aug. Bill adds, "... splendid recovery is too slow for Dick but rapid by any other standard!" and also that "all's well with **Brad Smith**, back from cooler air in UT; *Forgotten War* is now being remembered, as young offs ask for help in writing monographs." The **Higginses** joined the distinguished ranks of great-grandparents in Aug!

Mini-reunion, Goose Bay?—From both **Andy Goodpaster** and **Jim Knapp** came this identical story (so it must be true): **Andy & Dossy** in late Jul were in **Goose Bay, Labrador**, en route to salmon fishing. Concurrently, **Jim & Mary Emma** were there for 50th Reunion of that AF Base. **Andy** finally ran the **Knapps** down to discover that the 4 had spent previous night at the same motel in adjoining rms!

Ed Hamilton's construction of his new home, replacing the one "totaled" by fire, has progressed nicely, with occupancy expected by this past mid-Nov. Also, **Ed** accepted the gracious offer of a '39 *Howitzer* from **Gene Weeks '42**. The rest of the story is that **Weeks** learned about **Ed's** fire from reading the '39 CI notes and that he had lost both parents in

a fire a few yrs ago. In writing your scribe for **Ed's** address, **Weeks** also commented that one of his **Scarsdale, NY HS** classmates dated either **Showalter** or **McChristian** as eds and wondered how "that came out." **Lucile**, your scribe's better half, added a long PS to the reply, stating that she was the HS classmate, that we celebrated our 50th anniv with our 50th reunion in 89, and now he knows how "that came out!"

With that digression, back to **Ed Hamilton**, who also rep that **Dick Clev-erly's** summer home on Cape Cod near N Falmouth survived **Hurricane Bob** quite well, with no major damage in spite of some extra debris.

Ted Hunsbedt's zip code, 23664, correct in CI Directory, was wrong twice in these notes. Sorry, **Ted!** He "is enjoying the good life in the Hampton area—fishing, etc, mostly with the **Myers** and **McFerrens**. **Pappy & Betty** are home from **Seattle, Vancouver** and **AK**; happily they met my beloved sister in **Juneau**."

Tommy Thomason sends word that **Harvey & Jean Fraser** visited DC area to attend promotion to BG of son-in-law **Hale '67**, spouse of daughter **Janet**, who had only recently returned from duty in **Desert Storm, Saudi Arabia**, as Reserve Off in Nurse Corps.

Clyde Sutton celebrated his 75th in Apr when **Atl Municipal employees** hosted a party at City Court. "It was not a farewell party—I am not leaving; after 32 yrs in same job I've found a home!"



1939: Grape-gatherers at Jimmy Collins': PJ Long, Bob Camp, Harry & Jane McClellan, Perditta Long, Norm Farrell, Julian & Bev Ewell, Perry Hoisington and Howard Cooperider



betts, USNA '34 (brother of Gene Tibbets '34, deceased). Thanks to **Ed Smith**, John's obit is prepared for publication. Her children—**Pat** in Geneva and **Philip**, USNA '68, CPT, submarine, now in DC. Chris' address: same as listed in Directory. They also have a condo on beach nearby and are quite active, including considerable traveling.

"Final Farewells"—We sadly rep the deaths of **Bel Evans**, 10 Jun; **Mary Lerette**, 7 Aug; and **Van Harlingen**, 18 Aug. Bel died at Ft Carson, CO; at his request his ashes were released on the W slope of Pike's Peak, his favorite riding trail. The WP community in CO Springs/Monument rallied around in spt of the family. Mary Lerette died after a long illness. Funeral svcs were held at Ft Myers and interment was in Arlington Natl Cem; many classmates attended in support of **Earle** and their 4 children. **Van Harlingen** collapsed while jogging; CPR was not successful in reviving him. He was buried at WP, with our stalwart, **Mike Krisman**, attending. On behalf of our CI, we extend sympathy to the 3 families.

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As I wrap up these notes in mid-Oct, **John Burfening**, our pres, and **Woodie Vaughan**, past pres, are scheduled to present the CI of '40's 50th anniv gift to the USMA Supe at a ceremony on 28 Oct in the Thayer Awards Rm in the Admin Bldg. Representing the Gift Cmte at the session will be Chm **Walt Winton**, **Jim Maedler** and, in place of **Dave Parker**, the late former chm, his widow **Betty Abrams**, the publisher, has undertaken to have bound copies of the special edition of *The Illustrated History of WP* on hand, and Dr **Ted Crackel**, the author, is also scheduled to attend.

Copies of this special edition of the history also are being shipped by the AOG to our 266 living classmates and to the widows or next-of-kin of 95 (for whom we have reliable addresses) of our total of 183 deceased classmates. This shipment doesn't include the 88 deceased classmates for whom we can't identify next-of-kin or haven't found addresses. The CI wants to ship copies of the bk to these when we have good addresses. To this end, we ask that you continue to be alert and look for the widows and next-of-kin.

USMA '40 in 92, the mini at Nashville, TN, is still on track and rolling. **Marv & Mary Jacobs**, with **John & Bettye Graf**, are getting ready for our gala at the Opryland Hotel 10-13 Jun 92. At this stage, Marv wants to know about anyone who wants to change his attendance plan from a negative to a positive status. If you find you can come after all, write him at 1351 Glen Oaks Drive, Memphis, TN 38119, or ring him at (901) 685-0002.

Mark Klunk wrote that **Lu & Doris Arnold** were in San Fran last Jul to attend the annual Shriner activities. They took time out to lunch with **Dalt Green**, **Wing Jung** and Mark, taking particular note of Mark's virtually complete recovery from a quintuple-bypass 5 mos earlier.



1940: O'Brien, Klunk, FP Fuller, Jung, Green and Webster at Palo Alto

A letter from **Ford & Peg Fuller** says they visited offspring in Palo Alto in Sep and managed to lunch with **Dalt & Helen Green**, **Mark & Fran Klunk**, **Wing & Naomi Jung**, **O'B & Frances O'Brien**, and **Sam & Kim Webster**. They missed seeing **Ed & Sarah Hoover**, who were visiting GA, and **Peppy Millican**, who had just left for TX (see the bad news at the end of these notes). Ford added, "We were saddened to hear about the death of **Fred Kreitzer** (see the Nov notes), whom I had not seen since grad. He, **Wing Lloyd Hough** and I all entered USMA from Savannah."

The I-Co cognoscenti have been nodding and saying, "I told you so." **Joe Couch** told me first, then I called **Red & Dony Gideon**. It's true: their son, **FC (Rusty) Gideon Jr**, USAFA '66, was promoted to BG this past Jul. For now, he continues to cmd the Foreign Tech Div at Wright-Patterson. His parents showed admirable restraint in discussing this, but pride was busting out all over. We congratulate all of them.

Woodie & Beth Vaughan set out in Aug for two wks of exploring the Danube on a new, first-cl Austrian rivership, the *MS Mozart*. They left Passau, Ger and headed downstream for the Black Sea, planning to spend a couple of days in Bucharest, Romania, then come back to Vienna. All went well until they neared Yugoslavia. Then, **Woodie** writes, "a

combination of high water, which made passage under the Tito Bridge marginal, and sporadic firing around the bridges kept the ship from going further E. We substituted more time in Hungary and Czechoslovakia, which wasn't too bad, but the Pope's visit to Hungary upset the revised schedules there. Then the USSR coup made the natives restless, since they expected the worst; this made border crossings a real problem. Our trip reaffirmed **Murphy's Law**."

Meanwhile, **Thad & Jean Nosek** wrote from Rome, where they've been at a convention commemorating the 10th anniv of John Paul II as Pope. "We're enjoying the camaraderie, mtgs and sumptuous buffets and absorbing the sights, sounds and marvels of Rome and the Vatican."

Frank & Ann Colacicco rep that their grandson, **Joseph**, is in the CI of '95, representing the 3d generation of Frank's family at WP. Frank then asked if I had any info on **Frank Wagner's** widow and children, whom they hadn't seen since they left Wash for England in 55. My first, short answer was no; then I had a brainstorm, looked her up in the local phone book and found **Josephine** at 6105 Foxhill St, Springfield, VA 22150; tel 703-451-8444. She sounded chipper and in full cmd of the situation, albeit a little doubtful as to why '40 was suddenly coming to light after all these yrs.

That sage, **Al Gillem**, suggested that **Huey & Connie Hughes** send me the newsltr of the Montgomery (AL) Athletic Club, which cites **Huey & Connie** and their son **Steve** as mbrs of the mo and the "healthiest family in Montgomery." The newsltr says, "Connie, 74, is an amazing physical specimen. She holds the Cooper Clinic's Treadmill Stress Test record for her age gp and recently performed 67 consecutive push-ups. Huey, 75, walks, lifts weights, and stretches every day."

You may recall **Larry Fuller** was Acad chess champion for ea of his 4 yrs as a cdt. He has kept up his interest in chess, among other activities, and wrote that **Gary Kasparov**, the world chess champion, holds a one-wk chess seminar ea summer in Jul at the U of Madrid in Spain, where he is well-known and popular. This yr Larry was asked to present a session on "Chess and the Mil." Two other Americans also gave presentations. **Allen Kaufman**, dir of the Amer Chess Foundation, had a session on "Chess in the Schools" and **Murray Campbell** of IBM had one on "Development of Deep Thought" (Deep Thought is the most advanced of the current generation of chess computers and is expected to beat the world champion by 93). The other 7 seminar ldrs were Russian and German. Larry added, "Everything was well-planned and well-managed. My part seemed well-received; they want me to come back next yr."

I have several items of bad news. First, I'm very sorry to rep **Urey Alexander's** wife **Sugar** died 31 Aug at Carlisle, PA, losing a gallant two-year battle with cancer. Sugar had carved a large niche in Carlisle as an arts and crafts hobbyist and collector and as an off and participant in many club activities. All that is no surprise to those who knew her, but not many of us remember that during WWII she was a volunteer with the women's auxiliary, ferrying B-24's from Dallas to Newfoundland. One of Urey's sons, **Burford**, wrote in an impressive ltr, "**Bill & Anita Lewis** and **Herb & Glencairn Bowlby** supported dad (and my brother and myself) throughout my mother's illness; the morning after her death they were on his doorstep to help. Also, I don't know what we would have done without the comfort given by **George Aubrey**, **George & Candy Dixon** and **Bert & Jean Lane**. Our cousin **Peppy Millican** represented both the family and the CI at mom's burial in Sulphur Springs, TX. Dad will move to a ret comm; his new address is 442 Walnut Bottom Rd, Apt I-7, Carlisle, PA 17013; tel 717-245-9367."

I'm also very sorry to rep that young **Bob Williams** died on 27 Jun of a massive heart attack at age 49 at his home in Monroeville, AL. His father was our **Bob (Robert L) Williams** of D Co, who was lost in an air mission over Rabaul in Sep 42. His mother **Helen** remarried and is now **Helen W Partridge**, of 1917 Woodmont Drive, Mobile, AL 36693. You'll recall that young Bob brought his mother to our 50th Reunion; they had a fine time; and Bob left the reunion telling over and over how the experience had brought him closer to his dad than he'd ever felt before. We offer our deep sympathy to Helen & Bob's family.

A ltr from **George Weart**, Jan '43, brought the sad news that **Ed Haggard** died 12 Sep in Visalia, CA of complications following a stroke. Following his disability ret in 50, Ed worked as a structural engr in the prestressed concrete industry. Ed & **CeCe** moved to Visalia in 71, where he worked until his second ret in 88. We send our condolences to CeCe, who can be reached at 607 W Howard Ave, Visalia, CA 93277.

Marge & I send ea of you our very best wishes for a happy holiday season and a most successful New Yr. We look forward to seeing all of you in Nashville in Jun.

'41

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The Great Fiftieth Video is on the streets and is receiving rave notices. The decision not to have the video, despite a vote of 58 "ayes" and 57 "nays," apparently overlooked the substantial number

of '41'ers who either physically could not make it or faced a higher priority engagement, such as weddings or grad exercises of grandchildren. For example, **Bud Thompson**, **Felix Gerace** and **Mal Troup** were grounded by drs' orders just hrs before the celebration. Others "confined to qtrs" included **Wray White**, **Dennis Grace**, **Sy Coker**, **Ann Marie (Sykes) Sherwood**, **Bob Borman**, **Bob Tuttle**, **Julie Easton**, **Ruth Freese**, **Jig & Arnie Thomas**, **Betty & Paul Monson**, **George Stalnaker** and **Bill Vaughan**. **Dick Kline**, **Karma Gleason** and **Terry (Strain) Olson** had weddings or graduations to attend.

Two of the above have since joined the Long Gray Line.



1941: The monthly Moffett mtg: **Bob Tuttle**, **Vince Carlson**, **Bud Thompson**, **Bob Borman**, **Merritt Hewitt**, **Jack Christensen** and **Lynn Lee**

Recognizing the mistake, **Jack Norton** called **Joe Gurfein**, chm of the 50th Reunion, to explain the rationale for the video. Joe's acquiescence made the project official. With minimum time to spare, **Harry Harvey** discovered the modern-day "Charlie White," **Allen Borack**, who produces professional WP videos. A co in CO Springs agreed to work with **Ben Spiller** and **Mal Troup** in the editing process. **Jack Norton**, **Tom Cleary**, **Bill Vaughan** and **George Stalnaker** provided front-end money. Ben and Mal worked countless hrs reducing 20 hrs of coverage to the prescribed 90 mins.



1941: **Bill Vaughan**: "At the zenith of my career—captain and coach of the Royal Bavarian Drinking Team!"

The quality of the resulting product is best expressed by the ltr from **Bill**

Vaughan and **George Stalnaker**. It reads: "**Burt**: We are just a couple of the walking wounded of '41 who knew some time ago that we wouldn't be able to make the 50th Reunion. That's why we were so disappointed when the cmte decided against the video project. Then—like the Cavalry of old—the 'Can Do' CI of '41 spirit came charging out of the W to our rescue. The video firm of **Andrus**, **Spiller & Troup**, with the financial backing of **North** and **Cleary**, went into high gear.

"We got our copies of the final product last wk, and we just can't adequately express how much it meant to us. It is a cold max from start to finish: the blending of old and new—the way the music was worked into the script throughout—and the last roll call for our heroic KIA classmates who, in **MacArthur's** words, '... drained deep the chalice of courage.' If you can sit through 90 mins of this film dry-eyed, you should have been buried last yr.

"You are there for **Paul Skowronek's** fantastic feat of derring-do; you're standing with bowed head at the **Kelleher-Jobes** Mem; you're talking with classmates; you see the Corps pass in Review—it's all there and you are a part of it.

"The only fault we could find in the whole film was not enough footage devoted to **Pete Tanous** (the **Kevin Kostner** of '41). We enjoyed **Mike Greene's** handling of CI affairs, for we have always admired his sonorous voice.

"We feel we can speak for those, like us, who weren't there, when we say thanks a million to that small, dedicated gp mentioned above whose efforts made it possible for us to be a part of this thrilling, once-in-a-lifetime experience."

Everyone at our reunion thrilled at the presence of 7 outstanding youngsters wearing Cdt Gray who are "... following close order behind us." **King (Starr) Moon**, **Scott (Rosen) Tucker**, **Jennifer Osgood**, **Cary (Rosen) Tucker**, **Chris (Greene) Fellows**, **Joshua (Starr) Moon** and **Mark (Campbell) Allen**—our splendid grandchildren are all doing well. Our **Middie** grand, **Tyson (Bodson) Lewis**, USNA '93, is on the swim team.

We also can rep that our first grandchild grad is now 2LT **Ian Winfree** Bryan USAFA '90. He grad from flying sch on 6 Sep, won his wings, and is awaiting orders to a bomb wing. Our next grand to grad is **Susi Kline** USNA '91; on 23 Dec (changed her major) she will be Ensign **Kline**, according to grandpa **Dick**.

Other grands who aspire to these goals: **Scott Hyatt**, step-grandson of **Frank Linnell**. **Harriet** wrote last summer that he was a Natl Honor Soc student bent on flying fighter aircraft. He will be our guest for the AF-Army Game on 9 Nov; **Harriet** cannot come. He has been declared a "Recommended Candidate"

by USAFA. I have him set up for a pre-game tour and I will then take him to the flight line. Look forward to providing the same treatment for **Stan Hays'** grandson Christopher, as soon as he can make the trip. **Potter Campbell** does this for WP, and I am sure that **Dick Kline** can tell an Annapolis aspirant whom to contact.

One of 91's highlights in CO was the Golf Tournament, played annually in honor of **Dave Gauvreau**. "The Sixth Annual David Gabriel Gauvreau Mem Golf Tournament was a rousing success 5-6 Sep in CO Springs. Three foursomes chopped away on the USAFA Silver Course on Thu, and then tried to repair the damage to their egos on Fri at the Woodmoor Course. Handicaps ranged from 15 to a neat 38, and wagers were widely negotiated.



1941: Strategy mtg before the DGGMGT: Al Hayduk, Roger Neumeister, Mal Troup and John Henschke, enjoying the elegant hospitality of Lou & Jim Carroll

"The participants, who played in the midst of gorgeous scenery and perfect weather, included **Jim & Lou Carroll**, **Jack Christensen**, **Tom Corbin**, **Al Hayduk**, **John Henschke**, **Bob & Jo Kramer**, **Roger Neumeister**, **Dave Pryor** (golfing buddy of DGG), **John Konoski**, **Ben Spiller**, **Pat & Justine Tansey** and **Mal Troup**.

"Although there was considerable discussion over the validity of **Pat Tansey's** handicap, it was immaterial, as he won low gross, and **Tom Corbin** was the low-net champion.

The above golfers were joined at fun and games by **Burt & Kay Andrus**, **Jean Corbin**, **Louise Hayduk**, **Dorothy Pryor**, **Maris Konoski**, **Harrie Spiller**, **Alma Troup**, and the one who knew DGG best—**Mary Gauvreau**.

"Wed eve after cocktails at **Dave & Dorothy Pryor's**, **Mary Gauvreau** gave a dinner at the prestigious CO Spr Country Club. Thu eve **Jim & Lou Carroll** hosted a delightful picnic supper at their home in Woodmoor, where everyone saw a preview of the VCR tape of our 50th—it's a smash, thanks to the great job of editing by "Director" **Ben Spiller** and "Business Mgr" **Mal Troup**.

"Fri night dinner was served at a

gourmet restaurant called **The Briarhurst**, where **Al & Louise Hayduk** saw to it that everyone had as many hors d'oeuvres and cocktails as they wanted. The impresario of this mini-mini in **Dave Gauvreau's** honor was **Jim Carroll**, ably assisted by **Mal Troup** and **Ben Spiller**."

It is my very painful duty to rep more casualties. Only wks after looking so fit and happy at our Big Fiftieth, **Dick Couch** died on 14 Jun of respiratory ailments. Dick had an outstanding career after leaving the svc; he wound up as pres of GTE Iran. He developed a \$600-mil communications sys in pre-Khomeini Iran. Mem donations may be made to the American Lung Assoc. **Pat** can be reached at 10 Hiawatha Rd, Harwich Port, MA 02646.

On 31 Jul, **Bob Tuttle** lost his valiant battle with cancer. Bob had an outstanding career in the USAF. After being shot down and becoming a POW in WWII, he rose to the enviable level of Wing Cmdr B-47s in SAC. After ret he spent 17 yrs teaching math at a private sch. He & **Dolores** cherished the renewal of their vows at the same church where 50 yrs before they were married. Dolores plans to stay in their "ret" home: 2422 Lascar Pl, San Jose, CA 95124. There was an excellent CI turnout at his funeral; **Jack & Muriel Christensen**, **Felix & Doris Gerace**, **Vince & Berta Carlson**, **Bob & Maggie Borman**, **Lou & Ann Elder**, **Merritt & Gerry Hewitt**, **Mat & Roberta Harrison**, **Marge Hershenow** and **Doris Mullane**.

On 1 Aug the CO gang was shocked to learn that **Dottie Henschke** had died of a heart attack after enduring some routine surgery. After a beautiful ceremony at the Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church on 6 Aug, she was buried at the Ft Logan Natl Cem, with **Bill Brier**, **Tom Corbin** and **Mal Troup** as casketbearers. **Renee Linton** of Denver attended, and **Bill & Jerry Brier** from Cheyenne drove down; **Jim & Lou Carroll**, **Ben & Harrie Spiller** and **Kay & I** drove up to Denver. It would be hard to think of a more radiant and charming lady. **John** can be reached at 4505 S Yosemite #352, Denver, CO 80237.

Dennis Grace was critically ill with cancer at the time of the reunion, and later I talked to him over the phone and he seemed to be holding his own. However, he died on 22 Sep and was buried with full mil honors on 27 Sep at Arlington. **Brad Smith** rep: "Luci bore herself magnificently, and Dennis' brother, daughter and other relatives stood by. **Jim & Mary Green**, **Charlie & Johnnie Fletcher**, **Ed Rowny**, **John Deane** and I attended. The usual Third Inf honor guard was supplemented by an AF band that played the Alma Mater and Benny Havens, a beautiful and touching occasion."

It is great now to have good news to rep.

John J Eastin Jr has just been confirmed by the Senate Cmte as the Gen Counsel for the DOE. Mother **Julie** could not be there for the ceremony because of a fall, but she is her always-positive self and an extremely proud mother. The other CI son who has made his parents proud is **Walter Mather Jr**. We have previously rep that he is the first BG son in the CI; we now have a pic of the ceremony.



1941: At BG Walt Mather Jr's promotion ceremony on 27 Jun 91 at Ft Hood, TX: MG Tillelli, CG, 1st Cav Div, Walt Mather and Walt Jr. & Linda Mather

Another item in the "upbeat" dept was sent in by **Bud Thompson**. Someone kept a bk consisting of a grid with col as follows: date-name-home-nickname-ambition-and happy thoughts. **George Brown's** entry is: "7 Feb 31, George S Brown, WP; 'Scratch,' Army Off; to have a good wife and captain the Army Hockey Team." **Joe Tate** entered: "20 Jun 32; Joseph Scranton Tate Jr; WP; 'Joe,' Army Air Svc; to pass all your exams and grad from this dump."

Golden wedding annivs were celebrated this summer. Those rep are: **Harry & Nancy Harvey**, who took 3 children, 2 spouses and 7 grands on a cruise to Bermuda for a wk. Harry rep, "I believe I did everything a grandfather should do, and Nancy did more than her share. Beat Navy!" **Ralph & Betty Upton** attended a surprise anniv party, staged by their children, for **Johnny & Janie Brooks**. "A grand affair," according to **Ralph**. **Curt & Terry Chapman** receive a 50th album and catered party from their children and several classmates. They migrated back to CO mid-Oct.

Mal & Alma Troup have dedicated a yr to celebrate their 50th. It started at the Antlers', where their kids hosted a 5-star dinner. In mid-Oct they toured colorful New England, topped by a stop at the Bridal Suite of the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec.

A copy of *The Fairfield Mtns Breeze* dated Jun 91 devoted a full pg with two pix to our own **Wendy Knowles**. It recounted his thrill at the reunion and a paragraph on **Paul Skowronek's** jump. It covered both of Wendy's illustrious careers—FA in WWII and Korea, where he cmded the famed Triple Nickle Bn, and

his 9 yrs of svc in Vietnam with AID. It was a fitting rep on a very special guy.



1941: Two future great air cmdrs, Johnny Locke and Jack Lokker

Pattie Locke ordered two additional copies of *Gold '41* and rep that she had attended a 9th AF Reunion at Wright-Patterson AFB. She saw many old friends who served with **John** in WWII and heard a "great speech" by LTC Horner, the Air Deputy in Desert Storm.

Horace Brown alerted me to an impending visit to CO Spr by his fine son, **John '71**, who cmded the 2nd Bn, 66th AR in Desert Storm. **John** arrived with his son **Todd**, who "very much wants the AF Acad," in late Jul. **Todd** is an outstanding young man. He is a Natl Honor Soc Sr and has SAT scores that are most impressive. I did assure **John** that **Todd** would have a home-away-from-home once he becomes a Doolie. **Horace** rep that "if he makes it, it will round out the Brown Family Svc Acad story: great-grandfather USNA '10, great-grandfather USMA '11, grandfathers USMA '41 and '49, father USMA '71." **John** and his family are in RI, where LTC **Brown** is a student at the NWC.

Mike Greene rep: "Sy Coker has been admitted to Sleepy Hollow Nursing Home with Parkinson's. **Ruth Freese**, after a series of strokes, has been moved from a nursing home to live with her daughter. She is not doing well. **Bob Lanigan** had a kidney removed in Sep. Please ask for prayers."

Rip Collins rep a mini for **Charlie Murrah** in Seattle to visit daughter **Molly**. **Stan Hutson**, **Ernie Whitaker**, **Bill Purdy** and **Win & Jean Curley** joined **Ruth & Rip** at their home for an "all in rare form" party. The **Collinses** then took a USMA AK tour, which included **Bill Petre**.

POTPOURRI. New addresses: **George AGW Johnson**—1225 Summit Ave #218, Oshkosh, WI 54901; and **Jack & Roz Murray**—300 S Sykes Creek Pkwy

#207 C, Merritt Isle, FL 32952. **Horace Brown** sent the A-N Club of DC "Reciprocal Club News," "On their return from 'down under' last Jun, COL & Mrs (**Terry Strain**) **John E Olson** of San Ant were most appreciative of their Cards of Introduction to the Royal Automobile Club of Australia in Sydney, and the Naval and Mil Club of Melbourne. At the Naval and Mil Club, COL **Olson** said he met several mbrs who helped on a study of the US Army Forces in Australia 41-42. COL **Olson** asked if we had any mbrs who were there, and said that he would welcome hearing from them. His address is 1 Towers Park Lane, San Ant, TX 78209."

Paul Skowronek sent a card from his latest trip "on asgmt" to Bulgaria. He wrote, "New capitalism has a powered, pontooned hang-glider flying passengers over the beach. I tried it and it is almost as exciting as skydiving, and, with a Bulgarian pilot, it is probably more dangerous."

George Pittman wrote to say that he enjoyed the 50th and that he flew his own aircraft to the reunion. I bumped into him at the Air and Space Museum in DC last mo while attending a "Sam Fox" reunion. **Wendy Knowles** rep that he had his second successful cataract opn; he & **Jean** were en route to DC to see **Michael & Xuan** and their new baby due any moment. They will winter in FL at 2003 Roma Way, Boynton Beach, FL 33426; tel 407-785-0746. **Bert Rosenbaum** wrote to say that he had found his old Red Comforter and to salute **Tom Corbin** for being able to get into his Cdt FD. **Bob & Jo Kramer** rep that they flew to OR "where they had 3 perfect days of golf and then spent the wkend with **Lid & Fox Rhynard**." And **Fox** rep that they had a rendezvous with **Wally & Brenda Lauterbach** on the way home from their summer ranching in MT. Speaking of his



1941: Rancher **Fox Rhynard** checking out a rookie would-be ranch hand

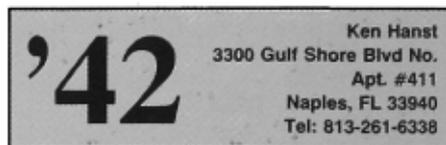
ranch, I was their guest for 3 glorious days in Aug. The first eve, I said, "Gee, **Fox**, this is a lot larger than I expected; what do you have—about 300 acres?" Our old **Fox** said, "Add another zero, pardner!" The old fighter pilot is now a "combat ready" rancher, yanking calves,

riding and repairing fences and treating horses for colic. They have TV but no phone—that's heaven!

Phone calls are coming in asking about the form from **Brad Smith** on the Christmas Ltr. The decision was made by **Mike Greene**. In answer to all queries, I did not initiate such a request.

Ralph Upton rep from his winter home that there are still about 15 of the '41 videos remaining, but they can reproduce more if the demand warrants. Send your check for \$52 to **Ralph** at 110 Silva Pl, Oldsmar, FL 34677. For those concerned about video production expenses, **Mal Troup** rep that there was no depletion of **John Deane's** treasury. He also asked me to announce that he recently sent **Deane** a check for \$1,000, a dividend from *Gold '41*.

Our ranks are vastly diminished and many of our survivors are among the walking wounded, but our great, one-of-a-kind reunion has been recorded for posterity. While we await our 55th, it has been suggested that we concentrate on minis. We may have slowed down a bit, but the '41 spirit remains alive and well.



This news is written with the heaviest of hearts. First a call from **Jim Newman** with word that **Tom Furey** had died. Svcs were held at WP, and as **Virginia** had stayed E to visit, **Jim** was unable to contact her for details. **Jim** had recently been to Paraguay to make a transportation study for the World Bank and was on his way to the USSR for a 3-wk trip with business people from WA St as part of the people-to-people program.

A call from **Lu Clay** that his—and our—dear **Betty** had lost her painful struggle on 27 Aug. Fortunately, all of the family were there to lend spt until the very end. Svcs were held at Arlington, with most of the '42 locals present to grip hands. On a recent visit to DC, **Barbara & I** lunched with **Lu** and had a good, old-fashioned, let-your-hair-down session of tears, mixed with smiles while reminiscing about great, good times in the past! How lucky we were to have had that visit with her at **Marco** before she returned home!

And then a call from **Jack Barnes** to rep that **Boots Beers** had left us on 25 Sep. We had had no word that she had been undergoing treatment for cancer for some time before losing the battle. She joined **Buster** in the WP Cem on 7 Oct.

Our deepest sympathies to all mbrs of the families of those above, and a toast of thanks to the departed for the many good times we were privileged to share.

On the happy side, **Matt Redlinger** rep that the **Castine Clambake** was worth

every mile that he & Rita traveled! From there they "did" Quebec and Montreal before a visit to DC, to include a session with Ed & Mary Farrington.



1942: Are Ed and Matt smiling at their helpmates or at the libations hidden from the camera?

Also enclosed was a clipping lauding **Bill Seifert's** efforts in establishing a "Talking Books" program in the library at Carlsbad, CA for the vision-impaired. Way to go, Bill!

According to **Carl Ulsaker**, **Charlie** (and no doubt, **Lee**) **Mizell** did a smashing job on the annual picnic at the ever-lovin' **Cockrells'** pad in Aug. with 48 faithful on hand. Outlanders included **Andy & Helen Low** and **Bob & Doris Short**. **Floyd Robinson** provided water transport around Lake Barcroft for those spry enough to negotiate the slope to and from the waterfront, while **John Westenhoff** amused or dismayed with candids from past soirees! Carl's disturbing news was that **Bill Hamilton's** condition had deteriorated to the point that the medics reluctantly operated to reduce excess fluid accumulation. At the moment, the results appeared to have been well worth the risk. We're with you, Bill & Gloria.

Jack & Deane wrote the new Supe to protest the exclusion of **Carl Hinkle** from a listing in the *Army Annual* sports mag of former First CPTs who earned varsity ltrs. My similar complaint to the DIA resulted in the "mea culpa" response and the promise of a future explanation of the boo-boo [see Nov 91 *ASSEMBLY*, pg 31]. Even mbrs of other classes wrote or called me to express their distress!

Bill & Kitty Shedd attended the reunion of his WWII outfit in Columbus, OH. On the way, they overnigheted with **Dopey & Jackie Stephens**. While Bill and Dopey swapped well-embellished tales of past escapades, Kitty almost stressed-out trying to kibitz their conversation without missing a beat of Jackie's

gourmet activities in the kitchen!

Eric Orme advises that he & **Pat** have found many friends from hot spots eager to visit them in their cool ocean clime! New electronic equipment enables them to get back and forth to their fishing grounds despite the prevalent fog. Son **Mike** and family hosted a family reunion of 18—from ages 2–90—over Labor Day!

Johnny Reid's review of pledges for the CI Gift shows some two dozen stragglers—none of which, I am sure, are readers of this col, leaving the co reps to do the nagging! In truth, you have all done superbly, some esp so with excess contributions. Widows, ex-classmates, etc, have helped to provide funds for Phase I & II as well as a yr 2002 bonus! Thanks to all for making our cup runneth over!

Tom Rienzi sent a snap of his Honolulu lunch bunch—too faint to print. Imagine Tom in a faint light! Do it again, Tom, and I'll identify the younger set you're running with!

Fred Rosell dropped a line, but as his news was to be incorporated in the Christmas ltr, I won't usurp (and besides, you'll see that before you see this!).

I noted a request in the *Ret Off's Mag* for the address of **George Eckert's** widow **June**. **George Allin** told me that he'd sent it along to her, so here's hoping that it led to a meaningful reunion of some sort.

Happy to see that **Dave Claggett**, **Eric Orme** and **Rip Young** are still adding their pennies to the pot at NAUS, **John Sheffey's** old cause. Too few know that it has been the most forthright lobbyist for mil personnel and that its early activity spurred some of the older, larger orgns to move from complacency to activity.

Thanks to the CI of '19 notes (his brother's vintage), I learned that **John Ely** had attended the centennial celebration of the CI of '91, his dad's CI. John was designated as pres of the CI of '91 for the occasion and was to have the honor of taking the review, but—wouldn't you know—it rained on his parade!!!

An article in the last *ASSEMBLY* featured the watercolors of **Bob Studer '39**. [His artwork also graces this issue's cover.] If my feeble memory is correct, he's our **Jim's** brother! A classmate describes Bob as "a gifted, creative, caring and responsible person." Among his other attributes is "a creditable golf game." Except for the latter, sounds just like our Jim!

A *Washingtonian* mag article entitled "First CI" (as in flying, not cdt status) described folks flying on the Concorde. Lo and behold, the "white-haired man in a blue suit with an open-collar blue shirt" was **Howard Burris**! He allowed as how the DC area was not the ctr of his activity, but that **Barbara's** devotion to the Choral Arts Soc, the symphony and

Wolf Trap keep them there! He reminisced about a trip, with a seatmate from Dusseldorf, when weather forced a landing at a WWII air base rather than Heathrow. When the German asked if Howard knew the place, Howard said that he'd flown bombing missions from there. When the next question was what he had bombed and Howard replied Dusseldorf, the budding friendship came to a screeching halt!

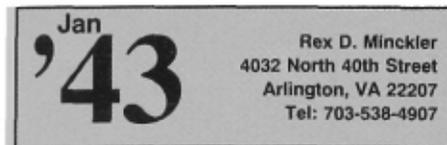
Received another printout from the AOG regarding those not on the list of subscribers to *ASSEMBLY*. As my suggestion to co reps to ask me for names bore no fruit, I'm forwarding a blanket ltr to the AOG to send out, in hopes of tickling some fancies!

Fran Roberts sent a copy of the agenda for a series of discussions on the Middle E, to be presented in his baliwick. He and former US Ambassador **Max Krebs** were to present such topics as Islam-Judaism-Christianity, Israel vs the Arab world, oil from the Mid-E, family lifestyles, the people, the culture and the future. Wow! The good news is that he can use the briefing papers at a forthcoming mtg of the Global Econ Action Inst in Abu Dhabi! How do [sic] he do such as this and still keep the tempo in his golf swing?!?!

Welcome calls from the **Garvins**, just to say howdy, and from the **Gernerts**, expressing continued concern for **Joe Hennessee**.

A Sep jaunt to the reunion of my WWII Regt in Wash, PA provided an excuse for a quick visit with the kids. We were happy to get **Bob & Marcie Bringham** out to lunch after a modest raid on his liquor locker. That gal is something else, the way she just keeps battling her ailments! Had time to enjoy lunch with **George Allin**, **Charlie Mizell** and **Bob Terry**. **George Hesselbacher** was to join but remembered in time that it was **Ann's** birthday and that lunch with "the boys" might not be seemly! She's on the mend, but not as rapidly as either one of them would wish.

This should reach you in time to bring our best wishes for a Joyeaux Noel—and the hope that you'll find camera film and postage stamps in your stocking! Think seriously about classmates who have been out of touch, as well as widows who might be reluctant to join us, and get on their case about coming to be with us at the big 50! Please! This should be a great, big, wonderful blast, but it won't be without everyone there who can possibly make it.



On 11 Sep 91, some 23 DC-area classmates & wives assembled at the Bolling

AFB O'Club for our annual fall bus luncheon, with **Jim Dempsey** (pres) presiding. Among those present were **Adrian St John**, who was back in town again in connection with the CFE ratification process, and **Ginny Harrington** and **Bob & Frances Wood** from St Michaels, MD.



Jan '43: Jim Dempsey, Frank Camm and Joe Benson at the Bolling AFB O'Club for our DC-area fall business luncheon

During the course of the business portion of our luncheon:

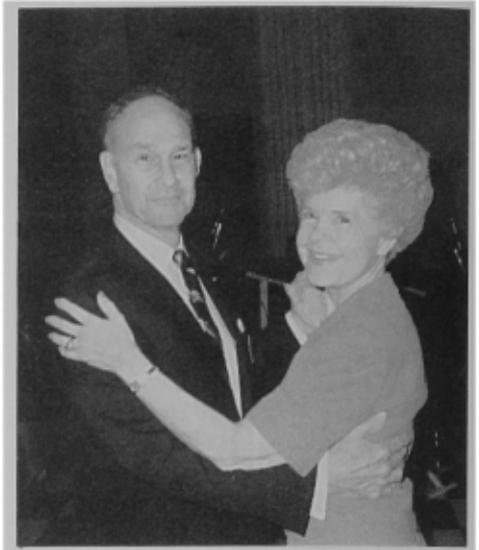
• **Jim Dempsey** announced the following slate of nominees as CI offs, effective Jan 92: **Bill Knowlton** (pres), **Tote Talbott** (VP), **Pat Wardell** (continuing as secy), **Ben Edwards** (continuing as treas) and **Joe Benson** as our CI trustee with the AOG. The slate was heartily endorsed by all present.

• **Frank Camm** and **Dee Armstrong** described the final plaques proposed for Constitution Corner (our 50th anniv gift to the Acad), one of which will list all of our classmates who were killed/died in the line-of-duty.

• **Bill Knowlton** rep that all but 4 of the 85 obits that were outstanding for our classmates have been published or are scheduled to be published in *ASSEMBLY*—a most commendable achievement by our indefatigable Bill! He also rep that some 200 classmates/widows/associates have already contributed at least \$500 to the WP Fund for our CI gift to the Acad and 50th anniv yrbk. Equally significant is the fact that an incredible 96% of us have contributed to this project! In this context, Bill subsequently advised me that the AOG's "Perspective" newsltr has rated our CI as #1 in terms of the numbers of donors, dollars contributed and % of contributors to the WP Fund for 91! Also, according to Bill, 75% of us and 33% of our CI widows have responded to the 50th Reunion questionnaire that was mailed to ea of you with our new (1 Jul 91) CI Roster. A majority of those who responded to the questionnaire indicated the desire to be located together for our reunion, but the Thayer cannot accommodate all of us who are currently planning to attend. So, based upon an extensive survey of possible accommodations in the WP area by **Bob Baden**, a contract has been negoti-

ated with the elegant Park Ridge Marriott, adjacent to the Palisades Interstate and Garden State Pkwy, to house all of us.

• **Pat Wardell** (our CI secy) rep the following major changes to our 1 Jul 91 CI Roster: **Duke & Virginia Kane** to 7 Courtenay Lane, San Ant, TX 78257; **Jane Pitts** (Younger's widow) to 443 Ampudia St, San Diego, CA 92103; **Lois Stephens** (Johnny's widow) and **Alice Young** (George's widow), whose new addresses are currently unknown; and **Lucille Mazur** (Hank's widow), who died in Nashua, NH on 23 Mar 91 (no further details were available). In this context, **Don Wilbourn** and **Ralph Hofmann** both advised me that **Bill & Ruth Wade's** son, Robert R '71 (a LTC in the CO NGUS) of Westminster, CO died in a helicopter accident on 4 Sep 91.



Jan '43: Hal & Charity Barber "swing-and-sway" at our Atlanta mini-reunion

Off mag with the caption "Ret Mil Cyclists Wanted" for the Armed Forces Cycling Assoc. The photo was very similar to the one included in the Sep issue of our CI notes.



Jan '43: The newlyweds, Vic Cherbak & Susan Dorien, in Alta Loma, CA, 31 Aug 91

Meanwhile, it's "hats off" to:

• **Vic Cherbak**, who married Susan Dorien of HI at a big wedding in Alta Loma, CA on 31 Aug 91. As those of you who attended our mini-reunion in Atl last spring may remember, Susan was Vic's guest, and they were both "all smiles."



Jan '43: Eileen & Jim Michael dancing to "our kind of music" in Atlanta



Jan '43: "Younger-than-springtime" in Atlanta with Jean & Jim Cobb

• **Sam & Otto Benner**, whose photo (complete with bicycles and medals) appeared in the Sep 91 issue of *The Ret*



Jan '43: Russ & Dottie Smith and Joyce & George Rebh "turn on" for our mini-reunion snaphooter, Bob Bullard

• **Bob & Kiki Marshall**, whose actress-daughter Sarah is back in town

(DC) starring as Fiona in the Scottish comedy, *When I was a Girl, I Used to Sing and Shout*, at the Studio Theater.

• **Hank & Wylene Saylor**, whose eldest grandson, Pierce Hammond, grad in the Cl of '91.



Jan '43: Another Bob Bullard snapshot, with Barbara McLeod (Upchurch), Jim Frankosky, Bill Fritz and Marian & Bill Hahn in Atlanta

Among our classmates & wives who were out-and-about were:

• **Quent & Jerry Goss**, who visited **Dick & Dottie Evans** in Talent, OR where they are building a new home on a 7+ acre lot overlooking the beautiful Rogue Valley.



Jan '43: Quent Goss visits Dick & Dottie Evans in Talent, OR—a Jerry Goss snapshot

According to Quent, Dick was ret for physical disability (ulcers) shortly after serving as an instructor at WP during WWII; then he joined a major oil co, from which he ret some 10 yrs ago. Dick is in great shape and attributes his "cure for ulcers to whiskey sours and martinis!" Upon their return to San Diego, Quent & Jerry joined **Jim & Marge Aleveras**, **Jack & Lucy Gorman**, **Bob & Glenys Lacy** and **Jeb & Marge Stuart** at the USMC Recruit Depot O'Club for a delightful Sun brunch and reminiscing.

• **Dave & Barbara Barger**, who visited **Bob & Marie Muldrow** in Salt Lake City and were joined for dinner by **Bill & Grace Kyle** from Ogden, UT.

• **Ed & Dot Bennett** and **Bill & Mary Dee Starnes**, who got together with **Ted & Marge Seith** and **Ben & Jane Anne Edwards** in Boothbay Harbor, ME near the Seiths' "Shangri-la" in W Southport. In his "after-action trip rep," Ed stated that the Starneses and Bennetts flew



Jan '43: Bill Kyle, Barbara Barger and Grace Kyle visit Marie & Bob Muldrow in Salt Lake City—snapshot by Dave Barger

from DC to Boston, where they rented a car and motored to Rockport, ME (for golf by the sea) via the Seiths, and then on to Quebec City (at the Chateau Frontenac), Montreal, Stratton Mtn resort in VT (for more golf) and then back to Boston/DC—all-in-all "a wonderful trip with balmy weather throughout!"



Jan '43: Dining out at a lobster house in Boothbay Harbor, ME were Dot Bennett, Ben Edwards, Marge Seith, Jane Anne Edwards, Ed Bennett, Ted Seith and Mary Dee Starnes, with Bill Starnes manning the camera

However, upon the Starnes' return to San Ant, Mary Dee rep that Bill is now having chemotherapy treatments, though he's still out on the golf course playing with his foursome. We wish him the best!

• **Pappy & Jane Doyle**, who drove from FL to NY and most of the states in between to attend a conference and to visit their children and other relatives. As Pappy rep, the "5-yr-old Crown Victoria purred like a lively kitten and the radar detector performed to perfection!"

• **Kay Burlin**, who journeyed to her home on Cape Cod in late May and spent the summer enjoying her family and friends and completing the sale of her home in Concord, MA.

Finally, in response to **Barbara Barger's** question, "What's up with McD?," you only have to see "From Our Family to Yours" (a publication of the USAA's Buying Svc) to observe a beaming McD surrounded by 9 of his 13 grandchildren on the cover. Then take a look at USAA's Oct issue of the *Aide* mag that features an

introduction by McD ("Remembering America's Uncommon Valor in WWII"), with a snapshot of him as an Army Air Corps CPT in front of his aircraft "Fatty Patty Ann," and you can appreciate that he's still going "full speed ahead." Also included in the foregoing edition of *Aide* mag is a glowing article on McD's joint venture with Opryland USA, Inc in the ongoing creation of a musical-show park in the Redland Stone Products Quarry some 5 mi N of San Ant. The park will feature many family attractions and will open in spring 92 under the banner of "Fiesta TX," with McD leading the parade. Perhaps he'll even be playing his trombone! And if all of this is not enough, read "Svc Comes First: An Interview With USAA's Robert F McDermott" by Thomas Teal in the Sep/Oct 91 issue of the *Harvard Business Review*!

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When this issue hits your doorstep, you will be valiantly trying to get out those last few greeting cards, decking the halls, putting up the lights, and bracing the tree. But now, it is only mid-Oct, the Big Game hasn't been played yet, and out in New Haven, IN our honorary classmate, **Tim Doyle**, is neglecting his chores in favor of punching doorbells and kissing babies. Yes, he has gone political. Running for city council on an environmental slate aimed at stopping monster agencies from dumping nasty stuff in his back yard. Next time, I'll tell you how he fared in the Nov election.

Last 5 Aug the Jun '43 southern CA sqdn, with 11 present, gathered for lunch about 45 mi S of L.A. Thanks to **Chuck Dickinson** for news of this conclave and to **Dave Galas** for the great photo below. Shown are (sitting) **Jay Wethe**, **Phil Eastman**, **Dick Wheeler**, **Wes Maughan**, **Bill Brierty**, **Chuck Dickinson**, **Dave Schwartz**; (standing) **Norm Pehrson**, **Dave Galas**, **Dan Shea** and **Pres Easley**.

Everyone knows that the Cl notes are



Jun '43: Jun '43 in southern CA

the most important feature of *ASSEMBLY* and that individual Cl cols are much enhanced by photos. May I, then, say a few words about photos? Today's automatic cameras do almost everything for us. However, these comments still apply to those who use the older, Matthew Brady models. First, think about light—which should fall on the subjects' fronts. When using natural light (non-flash), the photographer should have his back to the light. Persons with gleaming pates may be placed on the flanks to reduce reflections. Generally, I recommend film of the ASA 100 rating; the more expensive fast films produce excessively dark shadows. Avoid cutting off heads, or splitting people in half down the middle. Do not take backs of heads. At gp gatherings, it is better to organize and pose your subjects than to shoot at random. Thank you for your attention. *FROM-AGE!*

The WP Soc of DC had its fall luncheon mtg at Ft Myer on 25 Sep. We deployed there the incredible **QC Atkinson**, **Ernie Buzalski**, **Harry Heintzelman**, **Arch Hill**, **Walt Hutchin**, **Dick McAdam**, **Bill Naylor**, **Joe O'Hare**, **Keith Pigg**, **Bill Roos**, **Harry Schroeder** and the inevitable **JW Krobar**. We were part of a large turnout that heard GEN FM Franks Jr '59, now CG TRADOC, speak of his experience as cmdr, VII US Corps in Opn Desert Storm.

One morn not long ago I chanced to be at the chambers of horrid, wicked **Howard Wickert**. As we drank our coffee (he has two of the old cdt mugs—no handles, remember?) he produced an excellent pic of a handsome gentleman and beautiful lady sitting on a couch. And he challenged me in his harsh, gravelly voice: "Do you know who they are? You don't, do you?"—"Yes, I do." "They are **Ralph & Barbara Young**, beyond doubt." "Correct. Well, just thought I'd check you. Now, I suppose you want more coffee?" Wick's brother-in-law, **Ben Beasley**, the '30 scribe, was lately in the San Ant area and phoned them up. The Beasleys and Youngs spent a delightful eve together, and *viola*:



Jun '43: Ralph & Barbara Young

Bob Dwan has sent me a clip from Tucson's *AZ Daily Star* for 4 Aug 91,

carrying a 4-col AP story entitled "Tucsonan helps honor GIs who died in WWII" and a head/shoulders photo of Bob himself. The story begins: "In the summer of '44, as US tanks charged across western France toward Brest, 10 Americans died in an obscure battle in two villages in Brittany. . . . Tomorrow, the villagers will dedicate monuments to their dead liberators." This is but one of 12 examples of memorialization, both abroad and in this country, in which Bob has assisted materially in the work required to honor acts of valor not earlier recognized. Units involved included the 407th Inf Regt of the 102d Inf Div, the 69th Tank Bn of the 6th Armd Div, and (Bob's own unit) the 15th Cav Ren Sqdn. Bob writes that "it's time-consuming but satisfying." Bob, I know the families of these soldiers salute you for this work—as do we all.

A note from **Bob MacMullin** in Phoenix advised in mid-Sep that he & **Kate** were coming E to visit their son (USMA '73), now in the Pentagon. We arranged for Bob to come to Ft Myer on 4 Oct to lunch with our Fri Cl gp. And let it be said that, although he had not served here since '48, Bob ventured from Woodbridge into the Wash Metro/Beltway traffic and appeared in the Ft Myer O'Club not only unscathed but early. "Piece of cake." I hope you all saw Bob's fascinating ltr on p 2 of the Jul *ASSEMBLY*, reference the article by **George Pappas '44** on "Walking the Area" in the Jan issue, and the revolutionary proposal by **Zoo Gorelangton**, Bob's roommate, in the May issue that walking the area be disestablished. (Surely not, or every 100-hr man who ever walked would rise up shouting, "Odd numbers, POST!") I reminded Bob of the days when he and I sat on the *Pointer* table together.



Jun '43: Bob MacMullin, Jack McGregor and Alan Jones

During Sep, **Bob & Vivian Mattox** drove over to Barrington, NH and spent a day with **Edie Shiely**. "The enclosed pic was taken in front of the 200-yr-old New England farmhouse that she & **Al** beautifully restored. Edie is very active in the local regional WP Wives Club." We are indeed happy to hear of Edie again; thanks, Bob.



Jun '43: Vivian & Bob Mattox with Edie Shiely

The **Mathes** are now in winter qtrs at 1158 Continental Ave, Melbourne, FL 32940. **Bob** wrote in Oct: "**Elinor** & I were traveling between Omaha, NB and Wichita, KS when we happened on this sign. We couldn't resist stopping. Our classmate, **Bernie**, is shared by about 500 people, more or less, of the town of Fairview—which everyone should visit."



Jun '43: Recognition in Fairview, KS!

The mail has been good during the past two mos. Here is a ltr from **JB Stockton**, who presently may be found at PO Box 451123, Miami, FL 33245. He deposes, affirms and says: "Having traveled a long and circuitous route since Switzerland in 67, **Rita** & I are now ensconced in a 24th floor almost-downtown Miami apt with a Biscayne Bay view great enough to remind any AirCav rotorhead of the best day he ever had on a steep approach into a cool LZ. A few wks ago we moved ashore following about 12 on-and-off yrs as powerboat live-aboards. Advancing yrs plus going deficient occasionally on my health rep card forced the lifestyle change. Here's a photo of one of Rita's last catches just before we sold out." [Pictured on next pg.] **JB** closes with a request for all classmates in, near, or passing through Miami to check in with him & **Rita**, for, he says, "We're in the phonebk, finally."

In Sep, **Ginny & John Moses** did a



Jun '43: Rita (holding large fish) & JB Stockton

two-wk junket to NH and Canada. Benefitting from Terry Barickman's research, they joined Terry & Jock Barickman and Terry's sister & brother-in-law on 7 Sep at Kingston, Ontario, and all boarded the *Victorian Empress* cruise-ship for 7 days on the St Lawrence and Saguenay Rivers. As John wrote, "It was delightful—about 90 nice people, very relaxing and pleasant."

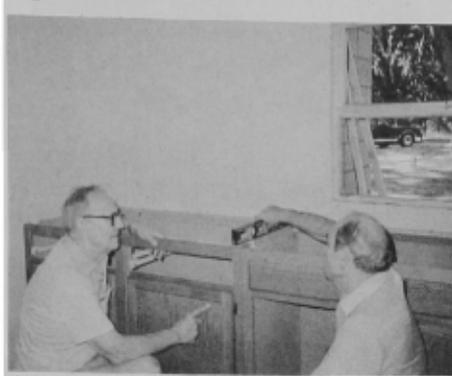


Jun '43: Ginny & John Moses and Terry & Jock Barickman

John added, "I'm holding my Parkinson's pretty well in check. . . but Jock's emphysema is advanced and requires a steady supply of oxygen. However, he was cheerful and made most meals. He and I talked a lot about USMA classmates and similar subjects of common interest. They are moving to the Fairfax ret comm in Oct." Many thanks, John, and our best to you. Alan Jones, our sr CI resident at the Fairfax, confirms that the Barickmans are, indeed, due in there on 14 Oct 91. Their address will be 9100 Belvoir Woods Pkwy, Apt 212, Ft Belvoir, VA 22060.

Last time, in the Nov 91 col, I had the sad duty to rep the news from Jekyll Isl, GA that Bruce McDowell had lost his wife, Katie, in Jun. Since then, Bruce has been joined by neighbor Rolo Brandt in building a sacristy in their church. Com-

pleted in late Sep, the sacristy was dedicated in Katie's memory. Note the following photo. On a jocular plane, Rolo wrote that "despite being built by two professional engrs, this project was successfully completed on time and with no rep cost overruns."



Jun '43: Bruce McDowell leveling with Rolo Brandt

Rolo rep he is now fully ret but remains active. "Janet & I have been looking at the world from 2,000 ft in our little Cherokee Arrow. In fact, we have just returned from a 3-wk trip across Canada."

On 25 Aug Bruce Arnold phoned to say, based on info from a friend, that Bob Sonstelie had died from internal hemorrhaging on 24 Aug 91 at the Marion Wood Nursing Home in Issaquah, WA, a suburb of Seattle, where he had been under care for the past two yrs. He passed away very quietly, with both Valerie and son Richard '66 present. An impressive memorial svc was conducted on 29 Aug at the Marion Wood Home, at which Richard read the Cdt Prayer. Bob was then buried at a civ cemetery in Belleview, WA, only a few mins distant from Valerie's home at 22134 S E 40th Lane, Issaquah, WA 98027. She may be reached there but planned to be traveling during Nov 91. In a phone conversation she recalled how proud Bob had always been of WP and of our CI. "We have a great CI, Willy," she said. She has asked Norm Pehrson, Bob's roommate, to write the formal biography for ASSEMBLY.

The subject of the memorial article or biography is an important one. Upon notification to the AOG of a grad's demise, the Assoc VP/Publications, LTC Olejniczak, or his obit editor, Monica Sullivan, contacts the next-of-kin and provides guidelines for the preparation of the bio. The next-of-kin may ask another family mbr, a classmate or other friend to do the preparation, but must approve the product. The bio must not exceed 800 words in length and should be accompanied by a good head-and-shoulders photo. (If a good photo is not available, the deceased grad's Howitzer photo will be used by ASSEMBLY.) A copy of the editor's "Obit Guidelines"

bulletin may be obtained from AOG or me.

As to the outline for obit bios, there are 5 key headings: 1) Life before entering USMA—date and place of birth, parents and family, schooling, special incidents, why and how deceased went to WP; 2) Life as a cdt—activities, achievements, friends, evaluations; 3) Life on active duty—asgmts and stations, esp in wartime, marriage to whom, when, where, and children, decorations and awards, significant achievements, ret or separation date, place and circumstances; 4) Life in later yrs—employment, education, public, comm or church svc, USMA alumni and CI activities, achievements and honors in civ life/ret; and 5) Other biographical matter including philosophy, beliefs and commitments, and records to highlight the personality and character of the deceased.

I am not going to suggest that ea of us write his own obit, although I would certainly not discourage anyone from doing so. What I would like to suggest is that ea of us work up a clear outline containing the data covered under the 5 pts above, make sure your spouse and family mbrs know where it is, and file a copy with Monica at ASSEMBLY. More on this general subject in a later col.



Jun '43: Bob deCamp, Norm Pehrson and Johnny Lucas

To close I offer you another pic from the famous lunch at the Daniel Webster Inn, Sandwich, MA on 5 Jun 91, about which I wrote at some length last time. Note the reappearance here of Norm Pehrson, who has been all over this col from the W Coast at the beginning to the E Coast at the finish.

Now let us say: MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YR, and "So Long."

'44

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Things must be going well, with lotsa people busy, traveling or chasing grandchildren. I hope all had happy reasons that kept you too busy to drop us a line: in these yrs no news is good news, mostly! However, your friendly scribe has no complaints; he only hopes you're in the midst of healthy fun!

Jun found **Bressler** hooked into a 12-lb salmon in N Norway. No help asked for (or needed, I speculate).

Bill Miller rep **Chuck Czapar** overnighted with him in Barbados and that he met **Jack Combs** at the airport there.



1944: Desmond, Miller and Petrone in NH

En route to Nova Scotia, **Bill** spent a wk with **Johnny Desmond** on "Golden Pond" until delivered for another wk with **Joe & Augusta Petrone** as they struggled to shape up their summer cottage—10 bdrms, 14 fireplaces—at Knollwood Farm, Dublin, NH. They keep their Marshalltown, IA home for the winters (when, I presume, they rest!). Joe and Bill go back to Beanies with **Coots Mitchell** in 40. Later, Bill cast off to Venezuela for some World Record Game fishing before leaving on 7 Oct with the 14th AF Assoc tour to China.

He expects to meet again with some of the AF flyers he helped to evade the Japanese forces in W China in post-AVG days. Thereafter it's to Manila and onward to look up where his father recruited the Igarote Scouts in 09.

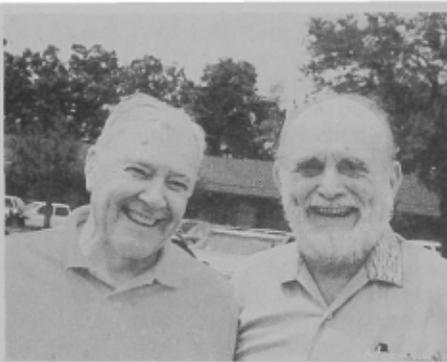
Jim Connell notes that the Cl operating fund—for flowers, postage, etc—is lean and in a posture to receive your donation. A \$25 kick-start would be appreciated.

Chan Gilson rep: 1) his faulty heart valve was replaced by one of a ceramic variety in Aug 90; the surgeon zippered him closed and he broke out of the hosp two days later; 2) after the weather warmed up to 10 below last winter, Sun Valley was great for skiing, skating, outdoor swimming and had not a single fast-food franchise! Chan writes to "sup-



1944: Two piranhas; Miller is the big one

plement the mini-reunion at Irvine"—which it surely does, since his is the entire news we have of same (or is it my declining memory again?). Hope all there had a good time.



1944: Dale Denman and Danny Lee in Heber Springs, AR

Bryan Leeper rep and **Danny Lee** confirms (or threatens) 4 planned trips as Ambassador Extraordinaire to promote attendance at the 50th Reunion: SW—Nov 91, NW and NE—92, SE and S FL—early 93. Apparently, big-hearted **Jim Connell** has tendered Danny a special commission—without pay, mileage or per diem. Don't complain to me about your grocery and liquor bill; you have been alerted!

Alan Gropman gives a glowing review in the *Wash Times* to **Doug Kinnard's** just-published book *The Certain Trumpet: Maxwell Taylor and the American Experience in Vietnam*.

REGRETS!! We regret to rep the death on 15 Aug 91 of COL **Clarence W Cyr**, US Army (Ret) in Springfield, VA. Our "Frenchy" was interred at Arlington Cem with full mil honors. Less than two wks later we lost COL **Edgar N Millington**, US Army (Ret) on 28 Aug 91 at the Fairfax, Ft Belvoir, VA. Only two wks earlier Ed had moved there from his former home in NC. He was buried in Arlington Natl Cem.

On 29 Sep 91, death took COL **Richard S Ware**, US Army (Ret), who lived in Colonial Heights, VA. Dick was buried in Blanford Cem, Petersburg, VA on 3 Oct.

On behalf of all of the '44 family, we extend heartfelt condolences to the **Cyr**, **Millington** and **Ware** families of our honored classmates who join the Long Gray Line.

A happy note through the yrs has been the presentation of Cl gifts to sons and, now, grandsons of the Cl of '44. I rep in the Sep issue on the presentation to the 5th-generation **Rogers** grandson.



1944: Ed O'Donnell and grandson, LT Everman, USAF, AFA, holding Cl gift between them

This yr, **Ed O'Donnell** was privileged to present our Cl gift, a silver tray, to his grandson, 2LT **Brad Everman**, USAF, upon grad from the USAFA, Cl of '91. Per custom, early on grad morning, grads, their families and friends gathered at a selected site for the administration of oath to ea new off. Ed was pleased to administer the first oath, since Brad was the fall sqdn cmdr; then Pat and Ed pinned on the gold bars. Later Ed presented the Cl gift on behalf of COL **James Connell** and the entire USMA Cl of '44 and welcomed the new USAFA grads into a mil fraternity, sharing common goals of honor and svc.

Apropos of nothing but my habit of never reading books just published, I finished **John Eisenhower's** book on the Mexican War and found it thoroughly researched, well-written and the best book I've read on that subject. Good for you, John!

With a little contract that took me to Ger last mo, between two half-days of business I plugged in a wk of mtn air and scenery in the Dolomites around Cortina on a recon of the ski slopes. Realistically, UT has better snow and is less expensive, unless one skis in Europe for 3 wks or more. Ignoring cholesterol and calories, I ferried a final saddle of venison across a considerable freshet of wine at the Hotel Krone, Assmannshausen on the Rhine and then headed back to the real world.

A Cl luncheon at Ft Myer with the ladies was held 11 Oct. My bride was at

a convention out of town, and I fulfilled a prior commitment. Inviting reports, heard only that the **Cushmans** were in from Crabtown. Will paraphrase here what I asked Connell to rep to our locals: projecting the rate of receipts of material for the CI history should allow us to start editing about the time of our 60th Reunion; do note the high quality of some of the tales received, however.

This has been an absolutely gorgeous autumn day; the maples, copper beeches, elms and chestnuts are rioting in tints and tones beyond the spectrum of technicolor. Indian Summer has outrun all its claims. It's a wonderful day to be alive and to thank Someone for the gift. Too, it's time to wish all a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays; may you be with those who love you. GSOYP, A!

'45

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Fifty yrs ago the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor! And we had classmates who were in HI at that time attending "Poop" sch at Schofield Bks. **Rocky Tierno** sent me the pic taken in the Territory of HI in '42. Not shown in the pic were **Bob Dingeman**, **Vern Smith**, **Bill Vaughn**, **Ray McCarrell**, and **Dale Mahan**. Two in the pic are not classmates: **Fnu Frizzell** didn't get an appt and **John Armstrong** entered in CI of '46. All are mbrs of Pearl Harbor Survivors Assoc who unveiled a memorial plaque at WP on 25 Sep. Rocky said that after his bout with the orthopaedic surgeon and mos in a wheelchair and a walker, he is again standing straight and using his legs. He says it's a miracle that lets him stand, look up and say, "Thanks, Lord!!"



1945: USMA Prep Sch Gp at Schofield Bks, 1942: (back row) Al Neville, John Shadday, Fnu Frizzell, King Davidson, Art Wolfe; Bob Duvall; (front row) Rocky Tierno and John Armstrong

On 17-19 Jul at Wright-Patterson AFB was the occasion for a reunion of the Wright Stuff Assoc. It's composed of people who were in the AF Flight Test Div at Wright Field before Edwards

AFB became the AF Flight Test Ctr. **Fitz-P Fitzpatrick** wrote me that **Tom Curtis**, **Clair Whitney** and **Bill & Jo Ann Blessley** were there, as well as **Pat & himself**. In the AF Museum there is a display showing **Boots Blesse** as the first double acc.



1945: Wright Stuff Reunion, Wright-Pat AFB, 19 Jul 91: Bill Blessley, Fitz-P Fitzpatrick, Clair Whitney and Tom Curtis

After the reunion the Fitz-P's visited **Jim Wayne's** widow **Lois** in Franklin, IN; she looks great.



1945: At the Munsons' summer cottage on Cape Cod, 15 Jul 91: (back row) Bill Sibert, Arch Arnold, Rolfe Hillman, Jim Munson; (front row) Jesse Sibert, Prudence Arnold, Calista Hillman and Nancy Munson

Fritz & Mimi Hartwig visited the DC area the end of Jul. Although Fritz is confined to a wheelchair, he's otherwise in good shape and still working full-time. They joined the **Fitz-P's**, **George Smith**, **Pat & Butch Foley** and **Pat & Lynn Cummings** for dinner on 1 Aug.

Fitz-P has signed up as a vol researcher for the Natl Air and Space Museum. So far he's spent a lot of time at the Natl Archives reading material about air and space.

Here's the update on memorial articles for deceased classmates. **Don Henderson** says there is a total list of 129 as of 17 Sep, with 19 still needing sponsors. Don thought of a good slogan: "ONE plus ONE equals WIN," meaning write it now for yourself and write one more for a classmate and we'll get it done.

During a visit to Tucson, **Don** had a talk with **John Chickering**. On his return home he picked up a copy of the Oct



1945: A-N Country Club dinner, 1 Aug 91: (seated) Pat Cummings, Mimi Hartwig, Pat & Butch Foley, Fritz Hartwig; (standing) Lynn Cummings with two grandsons, George Smith and Pat & Fitz-P Fitzpatrick



1945: SecArmy Stone presents Army's Outstanding Civ Svc Award to Sam Lessey on his departure from the Selective Svc Sys, Apr 91

issue of *AZ Highways*, and there was a pic of John's bobcat on top of a cactus. The end of Sep **Don & Dorothy** planned to drive to IA to see how the farm is doing and then spend Canadian Thanksgiving with their daughter and two granddaughters.

Mary Velie died of cancer on 16 Aug in Annapolis, MD. She is **Nancy McGovern's** sister and formerly was married to **Bob Velie**. Mary had 4 married daughters and 9 grandchildren. She entered Walter Reed Hosp in Dec, and since then the CI wives in the DC area have been very considerate. **Nancy & Mack** appreciated that. A mem svc was held on 22 Aug at the small Naval Acad Chapel. Nancy said that she has two uncles who grad from Annapolis—one in 1897 and one in 1910. Two of Mary's daughters married Naval Acad grads. The **McGoverns** and **McDonoughs** planned to be among those present at the mem svc for Mary. Our thoughts are with the family and friends.

Ras & Martha Rasmussen had a visit from **Paul Whelan** on 8 Aug. Paul was visiting his son **Mike**, who lives in the San Fran Bay area. A few mos earlier, **Bob Burgess** stopped for a visit en route to HI. **Bart Kerr** joined them for dinner then. The **Rasmussens'** 7th grandchild was recently born in Providence, RI to **Steve & Fran**. They planned to visit Amy

and her parents when E for a foliage cruise in Oct .



1945: Paul Whelan visits with Martha & Ras Rasmussen at dinner

Al & Betty Sheppard visited DeWitt & Martha Nunn in Jul. Al was DeWitt's partner in a mbr-guest tournament at Ford's Colony Golf Club near Williamsburg. They won their flight and were presented their trophies by Fuzzy Zoeller.



1945: Al Sheppard and DeWitt Nunn receiving trophies for play in mbr-guest golf tournament at Ford's Colony GC, Jul 91. Fuzzy Zoeller presents

Shortly after that event Martha had a hip replacement and is now doing extremely well.

Bob Woods remembers something about when and how the Air Cdt Memorial was established. He said that at the end of our yearling yr he was approached by two mbrs of '44 (he doesn't remember their names) who told him that all the arrangements and payment for the Air Cdt Memorial already had been made. Bob saw to it during our First Cl Yr that the memorial was put in place. In other news, Bob said that he & Gerry had been at Annapolis for a football game, where they honored the '41 football game and those who had participated in WWII and the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Bob was a mbr of that team during his time at Annapolis before entering WP.

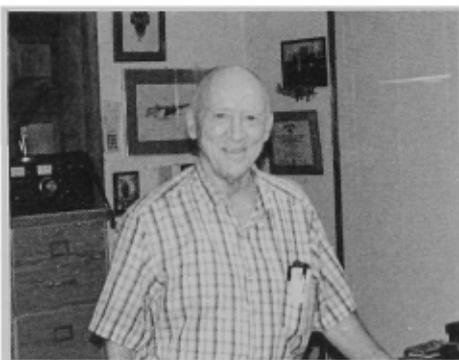
Tut Frakes (Jan '43) wrote me that there are plans to erect a Flight Memorial honoring all WP grads who have died in flight. Its location is to be near the Air Cdt Memorial, which is in a glade on the N end of Lusk Reservoir. It is part of an overall plan to ensure that the

contributions of WP grads to the development of mil avn is recognized.

Bert Bailey visited Van Foster in Sep. Bert drove down from Raleigh to Ft Bragg O'Club to discuss the recommendations of our 50th Reunion gift cmte. He asked Van to collect opinions from classmates in the area. Van said that the concensus of those he contacted was that the best proposal was for a specific highly visible structure. In addition there was strong spt for a suitable Korean War memorial, since '45 had significant participation and casualties over a relatively short period of time in that war. We Vietnam vets already have a well-publicized memorial to those who died there, they concluded.



1945: Van & Bunny Foster in Aug 91



1945: Bert Bailey at the Fosters' in Aug 91

In other news, Van said that Bert & T-Lou's daughter, Nancy Margaret, was to be married on 19 Oct in Raleigh. Van also had heard recently from Mac McGlynn. He called to provide the latest news concerning the Ret Offs' lawsuit against the state of NC. The suit asks that the state be required to refund taxes the state has collected "in conflict with a 1989 US Supreme Court decision." Apparently final resolution of the suit will have to go back to the US Supreme Court. Ted Deacon told Van that he's finally hanging it up from his business position in Atl. He & Micki are ecstatic over their recent move to a new location (undisclosed) in MD, where Ted expects to live the life of a country squire.

Bob St Onge wrote that all 7 of his children and all 12 grandchildren visited with Lois & him this past summer. Oldest son Bob '69 has been promoted to

COL and is to cmd the 197th Bde at Ft Benning. Son Tom '75 works at NASA Lewis in Cleveland, currently on the space station; wife Sue has just completed law sch and awaits results of the Bar Exam. Youngest daughter Anne Foley visited from England; husband Peter is an exec with Toronto Dominion Bank and is currently assigned to its London branch. Other children, Pete, Tim, Susan and Nancy, live close by, are doing well and visit more often.

My cdt roommate, Rupe Jernigan, wrote that he & Henrietta are planning to stop at our suburban Nashville home for a visit on 20 Oct. They will be on their way to visit their daughter Lynn and family in Omaha. In other news, Rupe said they were expecting to see Ed & Shirley Saxby the first wkend in Oct, when they were having an Old Soldiers Club party at their house. Henrietta & Rupe decided to remodel her mother's house and move in there. Their new address is 1848 Morganton Rd, Fayetteville, NC 28305.

Andy Carhartt attended the 50th Reunion of his HS cl in Grand Junction, CO on 14 Sep. It was the largest HS grad cl in the state in 41. He found that there were 3 cl mbrs who had grad from svc acads, as shown in pic.



1945: 50th HS Reunion in Grand Junction, CO: Andy Carhartt, Carlyle Larson '46 and Jack Jones, USNA '47

There were two other HS classmates from the 260-mbr cl who almost attended WP or Annapolis but couldn't pass the eye test.

Happy Holidays!

'46

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(186) It was the most superlative of them all—the 45th, that is! Ethel & I came away with a good feeling. We were all more relaxed and seemed to really enjoy all of the festivities. To the Cl Cmte, under the leadership of Cal Benedict, a hearty thanks for a job well done!

Aside from normal business that was conducted during the mtg, there were two items of special interest. Review the

Sep 91 *ASSEMBLY* (pg 5) and see what one of the items was. AOG made a pitch to the CI for funding the new ctr and the CI voted to fund the "Grand Rm" by raising \$1 million over the next 5 yrs, in time for our 50th Reunion in 96. You'll be getting more on this later. The other item was the discussion **Jack McWhorter** had with us concerning a CI Memorial Plaque for our Korean War and Vietnam War deaths. The plaques in Cullum Hall have no more rm, so it has been decided that we will do our own thing. We will have more on this as well. Of the lists Jack gave us, there are 14 men named for the Korean War and 6 for the Vietnam War. However, one more will be listed, and I must admit I failed to pay attention to whom and which war.

For those not there, Cal will continue as CI pres for 92-93, since the next set of offs will be responsible for the 50th Reunion arrangements. Traditionally, that reunion cl uses the Hotel Thayer. However, there are two problems. The Thayer is undergoing major construction to improve and enlarge the facilities. **Milt Hamilton** informed me that awards have been made for the construction. The other problem: will the new facilities, if ready, be able to hold a cl our size? I found The Seasons quite satisfactory, since we all could have had a room there if we wished.

No way can I list all of the attendees, but there were over 680, including wives and widows. I carried a tape recorder but have only one message: **Jack Montague** rep a mini '46 reunion in Maui, HI in Apr 91 with **Bob Land**, **Dave Peters**, **Earl Dye** and himself.

Two of my C-2 Co classmates, **Ed Braun** and **Jerry Epstein**, both in attendance at the reunion, have sent photos. In Oct 90, Ed & Betty, along with **Jake & Mary Burney** and **Connie & Jack Molchan**, were on the AOG cruise from Istanbul up the Danube to Vienna. They visited areas of Europe previously behind the Iron Curtain, which included Istanbul, Bucharest, Belgrade, Bratislava and Budapest, as well as some of the battlefields made famous by the CGSC 20th Inf Div. Jerry's photo shows his wife and son, **Ethan '95**, whom Jerry refers to as "the caboose of our CI."

McWhorter is still interested in receiving your questionnaire. It is a slow process to enter the data, which, at the present rate, will take until Mar 92. There is still time for you to respond. Jack has completed 62 obits, and **George MacDonald** has written two from Jack's research. Jack was advised that **Donald W Dreier** died in FL, but no data was given. Our sympathy is extended to Don's family, and if we get more data about Don, we'll pass it on.

A note from **Stan Love** with the word that his daughter Victoria's wedding to **Ronald Yusim** on 10 Nov 91 has been



1946: Ed & Betty Braun, Jake Burney, Connie & Jack Molchan and Mary Burney



1946: The Epsteins

announced. Both are psychotherapists: she is a cum laude grad of Barnard, has a master's in social work from Columbia (as does her fiancé) and practices at Karen Horney Clinic; he grad Phi Beta Kappa and magna cum laude from Berkeley. Stan advised that on 20 Jul he gave a dinner party at his Pound Ridge, NY country home and presented Japanese, Chinese and Korean mil art work to the WP Museum. **Dick & Sue Gruenther** accepted on behalf of the Museum. Also in attendance were **Dan & Jean Mahony**, '45'ers **Woods** and **Lessey**, and COL (and Prof of Hist, USMA) & Mrs **Robert Doughty '65**. The Hist Dept administers the Love Award for Excellence in Asiatic Studies and designates the winning cdt ea yr.

Anne Pohl Oliver was proud to rep that **James B Bartholomees III** is now a WP plebe, CI of '95, after a yr at Wake Forest. His D-1 Co was rated #1 in CBT. James is Anne's oldest grandchild and is 4th generation at WP, with genealogy as follows: great-grandfather COL **Herman H Pohl**, Aug '17 (#1 in cl); two grandfathers, COL **Richard S Pohl** (deceased) and COL **JB Bartholomees '42**; and father COL **JB Bartholomees Jr '70**.

What now follows are the notes passed on to **Jim Looe**. **Fred Badger** was awarded the Soldier's Medal for his heroic actions on 18 Aug 89 in saving the life of a swimmer in distress. Fred had seen him, apparently in trouble, and when he disappeared beneath the waves, Fred immediately swam out and towed him to the beach. Fred said he may be the oldest to earn such award,

and he attributes his action to keeping in shape swimming and to the life-saving course received while we were cdt's. **Buck Buckingham** rep grandchild #9, **Landon J Buckingham**, born 9 Jan 91. **Dick Burgess** rep that son **Jack** is a MAJ in Army Med Corps and now a resident in dermatology at Brooke in San AN. **Walt Frankland's** son **Walter III, MAJ '77**, is with 8th Mech Inf Div, on a second tour in Europe after completion of CGSC and MBA from Central MI. Last Jul **Walt & Carol** visited **Wally & Daun**. Also went to Paris for two days—Walt had been stationed there for 5 yrs.

George Hall's youngest son, LT **Stephen N, USAFA '88**, married **Valaire Lampert** in Panama City, FL on 31 Aug 91. **Jim Hutchins's** son **Michael** was married to **Cynthia Maragin** in Atl, GA late May 91. **Sully Johnson** has two new grandsons, one via daughter **Karen** in San Diego, the other via son **Eric** in London, England. **Queene Lester's** daughter, **Lindsey Brutscher**, is on the Lt Cmdr's list, USN. **John & Pat Bartholf** sent the following: first grandchild (**Emily**); **Paige & CPT Robert Weil** at MacDill (F-16). **CPT John P & Lynette** back from Korea (F-16); 8th Tac Ftr Wg (his dad's outfit for two tours) to Ft Carson, ALO duty. LT **Mark C** returned from Desert Storm (82d) to **Tiffaney** at Ft Bragg. **Pat & John** sailing the Chesapeake. Last Jul **Bob Lee** saw the **Kanes, Conners** and **Daytons** in CA and had dinner with the **Bresnahans** at the **Crizers's**. **Joe Rogers** rep son **Henry, VMI '79**, promoted to MAJ 1 Jun 91 at Ft Wainwright, AK; other son **Robert** was married 10 Aug 91. Also has 5 grandchildren now. **Jack & Mary Burney** rep their daughter **Loren Deveau** has a little girl **Danae** (4 1/2) and boy **Ian** (5 mos). Daughter **Dana Swist** has a son **Adam** (1 1/2), and they all live near the **Burneys**. **Steve Edwards** has moved into his new home in Chapel Hill, NC. **Clint Friend's** daughter **Carole Anne** was married 7 Sep 91 to **Joseph Gibbs**. **Marie Parmly** (who was at Reunion) rep a family reunion at Crescent Beach, FL with 5 children, spouses and 10 grandchildren. **John Wiss** is still teaching as Prof of mech engring at Carnegie-Mellon U.

Guy Troy's son **Thad** completed two yrs in Zagreb, Yugo with State Dept on 31 May 91, but he was called back for a mo after hostilities started in Slavonia-Croatia. Thad is now back preparing for a tour in Burundi, Africa. **Reub Pomerantz** rep two new granddaughters in 91—now totals 3 grandchildren (two girls, one boy). Both of Reub's daughters live in DC area, so they spent a little more time up N, rather than primary residence of Boca Raton, FL. **Bud Devens** rep 14th grandchild: **Timothy Harvey** was born 21 Mar 91. **George Webb** rep that daughter **Mary & CPT Dan Cummings '83**, who had an Engr Co in

Saudi Arabia, had daughter Elizabeth on 13 Jun 91. Dan is now at grad sch, under Army auspices, at Penn State. **Minter Wilson** rep that eldest daughter Mary & Joe Caldwell had their 5th child, David, born 12 Jun 91. Daughter Karen & Tom Wiese had their first child, Kendra, born 7 Aug 90. **Allen & Barbara Wood** rep #4 grandchild, Kyle Wood, born 11 May 90. **Duke Wolf**, exec dir of the Armored Forces Monument Cmte, hopes to have seen its dedication on 11 Nov 91. He has been working towards this goal for 7 yrs. It will be located on Memorial Dr, adjacent to Arlington Cem entrance. **Paul "PI" Barthol** rep that son Marine CPT David has returned from Desert Storm, where he was with 1st Marine Div Arty and saw action in Kuwait City and the airport area. Paul has a granddaughter, Deborah, born 12 Apr 90 to his daughter & son-in-law, Mr & Mrs Cody Walker. He now has one grandson and 3 granddaughters. See photo of Paul and son.

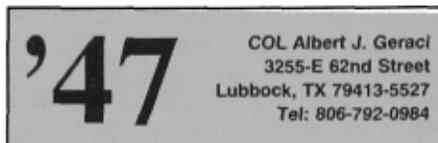


1946: PI Barthol (R) and son, Marine CPT David

I must apologize to **Mimi Heiberg**, since I find that I failed to include any statement regarding Hei's death, which occurred on 30 Nov 90 in Alexandria. I sat with her for Fri night's dinner at Reunion. She and **Marie Parmly** roomed together. Late as it may be, may I express to her and the family the deepest sympathy of the Cl. I just received a ltr from **Harlan & Judy Koch** advising that **John (Jack) A Sadler**, A-1 Co, died after an afternoon's swim at the Presidio on 7 Oct 91. Of late he had been experiencing shortness of breath, no doubt because of his on-going heart problem; nonetheless, it was sudden. **Annette** is at home: 1748 Green, San Fran, CA 94123; tel 415-567-2954. To her and her family I also extend the deep sympathy of the Cl.

I have a ltr from **Mimi**, passed along via **Loome**, with info she would like to pass along. **Hei** was interred on 4 Jun, also the anniv of AWC grad, at USAFA. **Mimi** drove over 5000 mi for that svc, and then, two days later, for her mother's interment in OK, just 3 wks after moving to **Williamsburg** (101 N Berwick Dr 23188). **Mimi** felt the most fitting touch at Hei's svc was the presence of a falcon, a young **Prairie** that is slated to fly at the first home game. Their daughter & son-

in-law, **Karen & Bob Reuter**, LTC, USA, returned for good from Riyadh on 23 Aug, after 2 1/2 yrs of pre-war and war. He is now at the Pentagon, and she goes back to **Cameron Station** as a contracts mgt specialist. Their youngest, **James**, lives a few mi from **Mimi** and is a 3rd-yr law student at **William & Mary**. **HHDH III** (#1 son) lives in **CO Spr**.



Lubbock continues to look like "lush jungle green;" with rains everyday, water is encroaching everywhere.

In case this col turns out to be short or unsuitable to some, be aware that **Bobbi & I** leave shortly (20 Sep) for a long trip to **Korea** and **Thailand**—new for **Bobbi** but "old hat" for me—where we will visit the kids (**Martha & Greg**) and grandkids (**Carol** and **Keith**) in **Seoul** (**Greg** serves in **HQ US Forces Korea**).

Bob Rosen sent me a note with the latest monthly sick roster for **DC** and vic: earlier in the yr, **Bob Curtis** suffered a serious stroke when a blood clot broke loose during angioplasty. He is making a wonderful recovery. **Marge & Bill Henry**: despite **Bill's** fighting off several more small strokes, or maybe *because* of those small strokes, have moved to **FL**: 23162 Post Gardens Way, **Boca Raton** 33433; tel (407) 750-6969. This is a temp address until their new home is built. **Bob**, among others, is concerned about the "lack of communication" in the **Cl**. Might I suggest that all you computer hackers out there subscribe to *Prodigy*, a **Natl Bulletin Bd** (the best) with total overall cost about \$10/mo with one-yr payment in advance. You obtain instant news, wx, headlines, sports, stocks, encyclopedia, etc easily and simply. You may send 30 personal messages or E-mail (6 pp) to anyone *free* on *Prodigy* per mo. Any non-computer expert can operate it and it costs your cash-flow practically zilch. And your efficiency/knowledge increases exponentially. **Cl** offs certainly need it!

Mike Maloney has sent me a personal "sick call" accounting of the travails of **Mockie** in and out of hosp during Aug, when they were supposed to be in **Europe**. Both, of course, need your sympathetic spt. **Mockie**, esp, because of certain med disservices which **Mike** will relate to you. Hopefully, they will still be able to fit in **Europe** before flip-flopping down to **Naples** for the winter.

On 20 Aug we received from **Sen Robb's** off in **VA** a beautiful flag of **USA**, which had been flown over the **Capitol bldg**. Many thanks should go to the thoughtful classmate, I presume, who submitted our names for this daily "trophy." Please step forward and identify yourself.

When **Willie Munroe** traveled to **FL** last yr, he naturally stopped and saw his first "wife" in **VA**. See pic for the "odd couple" . . . I received a long typewrit-



1947: Willie Munroe and John Kennedy in Kennedy's driveway

ten (hallelujah) ltr from **June & Jean Burner**. **June** has joined the crowd in playing a lot of golf. They periodically travel to **MA** and vic for family and beach visits, and **June**, when home, does a lot of "treadmilling," a new apparatus she received for their 44th wedding anniv. The **Webbs, Culins** and **Perrys** had a *mini* in **CA** recently, when the **Webbs** went for son **Willie's** change-of-cmd ceremony at **Ft Ord**. . . **Gerry & Bill Coghill** have upgraded me on the latest visits to **AK** and the fanfare activities occurring in **AK** this summer. **Joy & George Dell** were the latest **Anchorage** guests. Will all those who have not traveled to **AK**, please write. You must include in the ltr, however, whether you have been to **HI**, the other overburdened resort location being neglected right now. The **Coghills' 75th** celebration at **Nenana** on 7 Jul was a complete success, with about 400 joining the large **Coghill** clan. The **Coghills** will return in Oct to **Bill's 35th** reunion at the **Harvard Business Sch**.



1947: Bill Coghill's clan at Nenana, AK

Pete Boerger should be happy to hear that **Bill** caught no king salmon this yr.



1947: Bill, flanked by brothers Bob and Jack, at Nenana, AK



1947: Betty & Bill Conger, Bunny Nairn, Gerry Coghill and Bill Nairn at the Coghills' in Anchorage

... **Bill Nairn** jokingly told me in a short note recently that, as you know, they have visited the old Eastern Bloc countries, China, the Soviet Union and AK successively in the last few yrs. You all have seen what has happened in those countries. Could AK possibly secede to the other side of the Bering Sea? . . . The **Koches**, in New Orleans, remain well. **Bob** has ret from his many demanding jobs, and he & **Margo** may head to CO this Feb to their condo, which will be the same time as the Naples mini.



1947: Bob & Betty Satterm at Naples mini

Before closing (and packing), I should tell you that Pres of AOG Denis Mullane



1947: Jackie & Tom Hayes at Naples mini



1947: Evie & Jim Coolbaugh at Naples mini



1947: At the beach during the Naples mini: Jean Burner, Muriel & Bill Webb, Barb Boerger and Mike Maloney



1947: Bud & Carol Vockel at Naples mini

has just sent me a ltr to express appreciation from all (AOG) for the svc I am performing as scribe/secy to Cl. AOG and USMA, whatever that might be. If anyone out there would like to see a copy of the ltr, please write or call. You, as individuals or contingents, are the ones providing the info, money, svc, help, coordination, etc, or should be. AOG, in addition, sent me a WP lapel pin which you can see in the USMA catalog or at the 45th on my lapel.

COL George Page '55 (Rt 2, Box 148, Bryans Rd, MD 20616; (303) 282-2275), godfather to **Joan & Shelton Bile's** son, is very interested in locating Joan's present address. Anyone know her whereabouts?

Well, take care. Stay healthy. Only about 9 more mos until the 45th! **Bob Rosen** should be sending you the latest on Reunion (about 2-3 wks after you receive this issue of *ASSEMBLY*).

I ran after the postal person to retrieve



1947: Louise & Ralph Murrin at Naples mini



1947: Jean & Kasey Kaericher at Naples mini



1947: The Mastins and Steinborns, all giggly somewhere, probably in CO Springs

the posted col in order to include the following from **Mike Maloney**: "The Naples party is on again for 92. The date is Wed, 26 Feb and it will be held at the Monaco Beach Club, 4401 Gulf Shore Blvd-N. The affair will be very much like the prior ones and, after 15 Jan, you can get specific details from **Sue & Mal Wright** (813-261-6815), **Marion & Dick McAdoo** (813-591-8875) or **Mockie & Mike Maloney** (813-598-2071).

The Monaco Beach Club is the location of the new condo that **Jackie & Tom Hayes** bought in Naples, but they do not move in until Nov or so and, as of the date of this note, they do not know their Naples tel no. Plan on attending—it will be a good warm-up for the 45th in Sep.”

'48

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As the new kid on the street trying to do his first col, I have been properly advised by the gracious efforts of Linda Berman, Ed of *ASSEMBLY*, by phone and in writing. The key point to be noted is the lead time required for materials that appear in the col. You will read this in the Jan 92 issue, and I must mail it to WP o/a 10 Oct. If you have info you want in a particular issue, let me know by the 10th of the mo 3 mos before issue date—i.e., by 10 Dec for the Mar issue. Under the new 6 pubs/yr format, the *ASSEMBLY* publishes every other mo, starting with Jan, and is mailed about two wks before the first day of that mo.

Particular thanks to our late scribe, **Bob Petersen**, for doing his scribe duties in such a superb manner. Bob kept his Cl cols on a MacIntosh computer. Since I have an IBM computer, **Gunder Patch**, our new pres who coerced me into this job, located a MacIntosh man, **Scotty Scott**, who went to Bob's house and, with **Dolly Petersen's** help, gathered all the files and a "dump" from Bob's computer. Scotty translated the MacIntosh into IBM language and delivered to me a diskette I could use along with Bob's

files. I found Bob not only had great files but had already started the Jan 92 col, which I have included in quotes, following this paragraph.

"Did you know that '48 has a male model? Careful, don't get excited; it's all quite on the up and up—not suggestive or controversial, but a straight-forward modeling job of a ret businessman huckstering a project and idea. Now then, those of you who are slim, trim, still know how to dress and have stylishly-graying hair, go visit your agents or call **Roger Conover** and find out how it's done. I only wish the sample pics I have would reproduce so all of you could see how impressive old Roger looks!" (I'm going to call Roger to find out how he continues to look 49.)

"A gp of CA '48'ers from Orange and San Diego counties checked in and sent along a swell pic, including **Joe & Ginnie Meyer, Bill & Chris Cook, Bill & Patt Byers, Mike & Betty Tashjian, Frank & Jolene Robinson** and **Hank & Lucille Stelling**.

Now some of you other gps get together and send pics on how well-preserved and athletic you are.

"**Lynn & Robbie Robertson** are doing fine down Charleston, SC way, but once again the weather dealt them a scare. The hurricane that hit the E coast a yr ago brushed by them—only trees down and some water damage—but recently in a bad thunderstorm, lightning—in Lynn's words, 'a fireball of lightning'—struck between them. Their phones, hi-fi and air conditioner were also disabled, and several more trees in the backyard went down. We're truly grateful for your good fortune, Lynn & Robbie!

"Reminder for everyone—**Bob Cushing** very shortly is going to be asking us for a firm commitment of time and money for the May regional gathering in Naples, FL. Be ready to respond. Those of you who have changed status from undecided to coming, be sure and let Bob know so that you can receive the mailings; address is The Cambridge Club, #104, 333 Fourth Ave S, Naples, FL 33940."

In the Nov issue, **Bob Petersen** rep on '48 spouses in the "Northern outpost," promising a pic, courtesy of **Roger Conover**, in this issue, so here it is.



1948: Joyce Sheffield, Kit Wilhide, Adi Conover, Betty Walk and Sally Buckley

We are now in the era of second (and third or more) rets. **Bill Smith** ret from his position as pres of the Inst for Defense Analysis (IDA). **Maria Smith** advised that Bill was still busy with vol activities, including the bd of dirs of Atlantic Council of US and American Council in Ger, the bd of trustees and exec cmte of IDA and an independent review gp for the Defense Nuclear Agency advising CINCPAC. If that's ret, I'm not going to. Maria keeps involved herself as a natl volunteer consultant for the Red Cross and as dir of Govt Relations for the Natl Mil Family Assoc (**Novella Whitehead** works with that assoc also). Maria was the co-author of the Red Cross award-winning *Volunteer 2000 Study*.

The good news for IDA is that **Scotty Scott** and **Ennis Whitehead** have remained with the Inst as adjunct staff mbrs, ensuring that IDA continues to benefit from '48.

Bill Smith may have hung it up for time two, but **Jim Allen** is still working. I see Jim frequently on my early-morn walk as Jim roars past at 0600, plus or minus, in his Toyota MR2, crouched over the steering gear with his old (young?) fighter-pilot look in his eye as he honks recognition at the new scribe. Jim sold his co but stays on as vice chm of Intl Planning and Analysis Ctr, Inc in Arlington. Going in at that time of day either indicates he is trying to beat the Wash rush hr or, back to his tac off days, maybe he holds reveille formation down at the co. Not to be outdone by Jim, on



1948: The Meyers, Cooks, Byerses, Tashjians, Robinsons and Stellings at a Southern CA get-together

Thurs morns **Kitty Allen** can be sighted at the same or earlier hrs headed for the White House, where she assists in the correspondence off (along with **Anne Griffith**). Jim & Kitty's son Jeffrey is a LTC with the VA Natl Guard, where he serves as legal advisor to the State AG, while daughter Kathie teaches special ed for the Fairfax County sch sys.

It's a recession when the economy causes others problems; its a depression when it hits you. **Joe & Ginny Meyer** had planned to sell their home in Escondido, CA and relocate to Joe's family home area in Ogden, UT. But, with the real estate market off even in CA, they have postponed their plans. Keep us posted, Joe, as the skiers look forward to your relocation to the great ski areas in the Wasatch Range. Latest plan now is for Joe to ret the end of 91. Son Tom Meyer earned his Ph.D. in psychology last summer from Penn State and was given an internship at Columbia U in the Biomedical Statistics Dept, from which he will earn an MS.

Bear Brennan has now "totally" ret but, having been the rivers and harbors guy in Greenville, MS, he still plays a role in the local politics of such activities. Bear's third boy, Michael '83, who completed his active svc in Mar 89, entered the Intl Bus prog at the U of SC, specializing in German. He then attended the U of Koln for a Ger language refresher course and was hired by Opel in Weisbaden. He is scheduled to return in May 92 to U of SC to receive his MBA.

Andy Anderson has a dynamite product which he is marketing with two partners. **Jim Macklin** made a purchase for the Admin Off of the US Courts, where Jim continues as the deputy dir. Andy's product is a computer software/hardware system which creates a signature from the computer. Jim is delighted, as it provides a nifty way to sign his boss' signature to all the ID cards, etc for all the courts. Jim's job is really tough, though; last fall he & **Sally Macklin** had to attend the annual US Judicial Conf in Asheville, staying at the very nice Grove Park Inn. Despite his heavy workload (he had to work from 0900-1200 at the conf), including briefing the Ch Justice of the US, Jim takes time for classmates. On this junket they met with **Dave Mallett** at his *weinhaus* in Asheville. Dave & **Sarah** are planning to ret from the business, working a few days a wk. They are active in the preservation and expansion of trails, with their particular interest being horse trails, as they continue to ride regularly at their place in Etowah. Dave rep that **Lou & Becky Haskell** had vacationed in Henderson, NC this summer from their home in Leesburg, FL. Both towns are reportedly the shuffleboard capitals of their states. Becky had a stroke but was recovering nicely and hopefully is back on the courts by now.

Jim Macklin produced a tape to send to **Buck Borg**, who was having a tough go with med problems in the hosp in S CA. Participants speaking to Buck included **Andy Anderson, John Bellinger, Arnie Braswell, Joe Bratton, John Brennan, Tom Cormack, Jim Dingeman, John Egbert, Gene Forrester, Stan Harsh, Sally Brady, Don Swenholt, Kathy Meinzen, Bob Ward**, and of course, creator **Jim Macklin**.

Marianne Kiernan dropped a card from Tuolumne Meadows, Yosemite, rep on her hiking and camping there and also in and around the Grand Canyon with son Tom Kiernan, now CofS of the Air and Radiation Div of the EPA. The pic shows Marianne with son Tom at the top of Half Dome, after the two half-days, 18 mi and 4,800 ft of elevation climb.



1948: Marianne and son Tom Kiernan

Monk & Susan Doty are almost finished with an addition to their home in Raleigh, waiting for son Mark to install cabinets. Monk works only enough ea wk as a consultant to pay for the lumber and materials for his house addition, while Susan expertly wields a paint brush and adeptly covers up Monk's mistakes. They are thinking of touring Europe in 92—while they can "still get on the bus."

Irv & Ann Schoenberg's #2 son, CPT (Dr) Eric, married Cheryl Oram last fall in Atl, with **Jay & Naomi Josephs** present to observe the event (now that Jay has ret from Montgomery County, MD govt, he should be able to make all the important events). Eric was one of a no of CI sons who pulled a tour in Desert Shield/Storm; 7 mos for Eric, who's now at Grissom AFB while Cheryl is a chem engr/product developer in Cincinatti with Procter & Gamble. It's a tough and unplanned commute for a flight surgeon, frequently on call; advised that he may have to return to Saudi for several mos. Meanwhile in Atl, Irv convinced Emory U to be first in higher education by establishing an investor relations course, with none other than "Prof" Irv Schoenberg as the project mgr.

Received a BENO from **CD Nash** for last Oct's DC CI party. He still has the old sch ties perking, as he was going to

the Army-Louisville game in Louisville, just a couple of hrs from his new KY home in Berea.

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Art Driscoll died suddenly at home in Beverly, MA on 2 Oct. **Maureen** told **Ken McIntyre** and **Tim Cronin** that Art, apparently in good health and enjoying ret life, might have had a heart attack or possibly a stroke. Art & Maureen had 4 sons and a daughter: Arthur D III, CPT John W, Wilfred C II, David P and Ardith M Stefanik. Art was buried in St Patrick's Cem, Fall River.



1949: Tim & Jeanine Cronin's newly combined family

In happier news, the first photo, taken at their Jun wedding, shows the newly combined family of **Tim & Jeanine (Wallis) Cronin** and their 8 children. L-R are Connie Cronin Morris, Mary Cronin, Gloria Cronin Fisher, Tom Cronin, groom, Tim Cronin IV, Jeanine, Erik Wallis, Dana Wallis and Barbara Cronin Montealegre. Tim writes, "We were particularly pleased that **John Andrus, Jack & Bev Finley** and **Jim Lampros** were able to attend and urge us onward. Finley and Anders attempted to start a wave in the church but failed."

Jack Hodes prepared a roster of '49'ers who served in the 1st Cav Div and sent it for review and correction by local classmates at the 10 Sep luncheon. The roster includes yr(s) in the div, assigned unit, decorations received, final rank, etc. There are 79 names including 12 KIA/MIA; 1 CMH, 1 DSC, 22 SS, and 53 PH awards. Jack says div vets would like to get in contact with their former ldrs to talk about such things as Hills 314 and 570, Plei Me and Dak To. Reunion info is in the periodical *Saber*, or contact Jack at 905 Mallow Circle, Killeen, TX 76542. He plans to be in Phoenix at the reunion.

Harry Maihafer wrote that he is up to pg 300 in his book about our CI in the Korean Conflict. This carries things to the end of 1950, where he had planned to stop. But, because of new input, he will continue with stories into 51 and 52. He

says he deeply appreciates "all those who've written, called, made tapes or given of their time in personal interviews." Harry sent a list of the 81 '49'ers in his book and says he worries about what his prospective publisher may think. (Harry, even if your publisher turns you down, I hope you have the book printed and made available for purchase by classmates and others.)



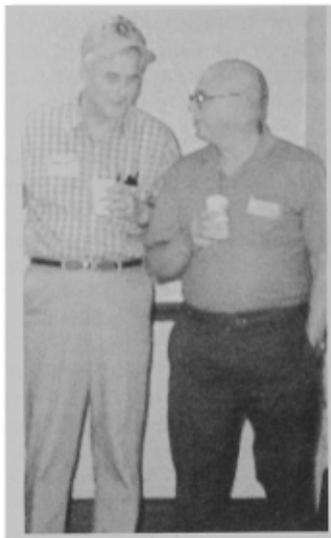
1949: The Hiestands, Maihafer and Metzgers at Saratoga battlefield

Harry also provided this photo taken at the Saratoga, NY battlefield. This was part of a "Manhattan, KS, car-pool reunion." Harry is kneeling in pic. Others are (L-R) Marty Hiestand, Hayes Metzger, Jeanne Maihafer, Katie Metzger and Billy Hiestand. He said they had a great time, including staying with the Hiestands in Syracuse.

At the 10 Sep Pentagon luncheon were John Vandervoort, Ed Townsley, George Sylvester, Ted Swett, Lee Surut, Orton Spencer, Duane Smith, Bob Pfeiffer, Larry Ogden, Phil O'Brien, Wayne Norby, Clay Moran, Paul Monahan, Gene Marder, Art Kingdom, Don Keith, Bill Huber, Ed Howard, George Hoffmaster, Bill Hoffmann, Dick Gillespie, Al Fagg, Bob Ennis, Al English, Hill Dickinson, Jack Carr, Dick Bowman, Dave Bolte, Ted Boland, Charlie Adams and your scribe. Pres Kirby Lamar & Anne were somewhere between DC and AK in their RV.

Paul Monahan says he is planning to attend the 50th reunion of his HS cl next summer. That should prove interesting; it will be his first time. Bob Ennis says the newspaper accts of attracting tourists to Vietnam were exactly his thoughts 25 yrs ago. He advocated opening tourists resorts along the beautiful coastline and in the lush highlands. He felt that people from both N and S would be so busy taking care of tourists they would have neither time nor incentive to fight.

In May, Bob ran into John Walter at the dedication of the Aerial Gunners Memorial in Dayton. In Aug, Bob helped son Chuck fly his airplane from near DC to Merritt Isl, FL. Chuck, with IBM, is going to help them spt NASA. Dad says they had 11 great flying hrs. The helmet bag in the photo was used for the in-flight lunches.



1949: Bob Ennis and John Walter in Dayton at memorial dedication



1949: Bob Ennis in current flying suit

Al & Dorene Fagg visited Budapest, Vienna and parts of Bavaria in Jul. They spent a delightful wk in Vienna to commemorate their 40th wedding anniv. Al English rep that Andrea, second daughter of Mark & Cynthia Jartman, will be wed in the fall. Dick & Carolyn Gillespie spent much of May in Mongolia (still hosting some 50,000 trps from the former Soviet Union). Dick arrived first to look into starting or restarting gold, lead/zinc, copper and coal mines in the Gobi Desert. Carolyn later spent a wk there, and in Jun they took a train across Siberia to Moscow. Dick is full of stories of how "the Soviet system does not work."

Ted Swett said that Cay has a new knee and is up and about as of the end of Sep. Hill & Nancy Dickinson were in a car accident in Canada in Aug. Hill rep Nancy was in the hosp but is much better. Treas Duane Smith explained our Cl memorial policy in donating to the USMA Memory Bk in the name of ea of the 122 classmates known to be deceased. Don Keith, chm of the 45th

Reunion Cmte, plans to begin mtgs this fall. Tom Marsh sent word of plans for a '49 get-together in Phila during the wk-end of the A-N football game.

George Sylvester, chm of the '49'er Lodge Cmte and the new 50th Reunion Gift Cmte, says we have some \$72,000 toward our goal of \$80,000 for the '49'er Lodge maintenance-endowment fund. (After installing a heating sys and adding external landscaping, the fund stood at \$15,000 in 89.) George writes as follows:

"The 50th Reunion Gift Cmte was set up under the direction of the Cl Bd of Dir with a charter to determine what, if anything, the Cl should do about a gift to USMA at our 50th milestone. Cmte mbrs are Costa (NY), Griffith, Hammack (Dallas), Kemble (NM), Kirby (SC), Marsh, Nakfoor (Houston), D Smith, Summers, and Winter (LA). The timing of our reunion is critical in that it falls within the timespan between now and the Acad's 200th anniv, a period during which the AOG has pledged to raise \$100 mil in private contributions. Many of us are unaware that for several decades there has been a growing trend toward dependence on private giving to make the difference between an adequate USMA baseline education provided by Fed funds and the current level of excellence that characterizes WP as a quality institution of higher learning and ldrship. That difference will be exacerbated as the level of defense spending inevitably shrinks in the yrs ahead. It is to such issues that the cmte will be directing its attention. Clearly any gift must have the enthusiastic spt of the Cl, must be something with which the Cl can identify and must be something that fulfills a genuine educational or mil tng need at USMA. With the target of Jun 92 to rep its findings and recommendations, the cmte invites ea and every classmate to weigh in with fresh ideas. Contact a cmte person with your idea or ideas." Or address them to the scribe for general distribution.

Two ltrs arrived from FL. Charlie Smith writes he has been named as an admissions participant in his area for USMA. He says trying to guide Geny toward learning English and becoming an Amer citizen is a full-time job. Also, his dr has told him to quit traveling so much. But he wants to "go back to Vietnam," plus visit several places in Europe.

From Satellite Beach, Monk Kurtz sent a note and photo. Dick Henry is pres of the Space Coast WP Soc. Monk is Prof of CE at the FL Inst of Tech. He notes Dave Rogers, Fred & Joan Westfall and Dave Parrish also live in the area. In the Founders Day photo (courtesy of Tom Loper '50) are (L-R) Tom Burt, Norbert & Donna Schmidt, Dick & Cherry Henry, Fred Fritz, RoseMary May, Mary



1949: '49'ers at Space Coast Founders Day 91, PAFB, FL

Fritz, Joe May and Barbara & Monk Kurtz.

Seen in a DC-area business journal: **Bill Gorog**, chm of Arbor Intl, is also a dir of Worldcorp Inc (charter transport of people and goods) in Herndon, VA. **Ken McIntyre** noted he had left his engring firm the first of the yr. There he was dir for the design of the Boston Clean-up Project, a \$6 bil wastewater treatment plant-and-tunnel complex in the harbor. Ken & **Michaela** plan to move to N VA next summer. **Jean Eaton** says #3 son Dwight, living in Morocco, rep the arrival of a second child, a son. She recently heard from **Paul Murray**, alive and well in UT.

The first Pentagon CI lunch in 92 will be in Jan. Contact **Art Kingdom**, 703-569-9360, for exact date and reservations. Hope to see many of you at the beautiful Sheraton Resort in Phoenix/Chandler, AZ starting 22 Jan. Have you decided at the last min that you'd like to come? Contact **Bill Dirkes**, 101 Forestview Dr, Dayton, OH 45459.

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The big event this past period was the delightful mini-reunion out in MO. Nearly 90 of us gathered, first at the Ramada by Ft Leonard Wood and then at the Lake of the Ozarks. **Lou & Shirley Prentiss** put a lot of effort into planning a wonderful time, mixing activities like "floating" unguided down the Big Piney for a pig roast at the Prentiss home, a tour of the post with a memorial svc, and lots of good food, with free time for golf,

tennis or just plain visiting. People came from all over by car, van, airline and even their own Cessna (**Pat & Elaine Wilson**).

Now the gang in San Ant is preparing for the next one in Oct 92. You should have received info on that one in Sept. If you did not, then drop **Bob Whiting**, **Bill Mastoris** or **Blackie Bolduc** a note. Addresses are in the 40-'50 book. Hope lots of you have sent in your reservations so we can visit next yr.

On our way out to the mini **Robin & I** spent a night with **Cloyce & Joan Mangas** in Richmond, IN. Both of them are

busy as ever with local activities. Oldest son **Lee** is asst prosecutor in the Orlando FL area after getting his LLM in litigation from Emory in May 90. **Ron & Sherry** together with **Ronnie (6)** and **Steve (18 mos)** live in Herndon, VA. **Ron** is a VP with Centennial Mgt, while **Sherry** is a contract specialist with NEC. **David** lives nearby in Richmond and visits regularly. Youngest son **Tom & Allison** have just moved into a new home in Cincinnati, where **Tom** is a cost analyst with Procter and Gamble.

Ruth Gorman wrote that she & **Paul** had hoped to get to the mini but that "it came just at the onset of our calving season." They had 8 "on the ground" and were awaiting 9 more. **Paul** does most of the work, but she helps by catching, holding, etc. When **Paul** is in DC, she exhorts the cows to hold back.

The picture of **Leslie Maladowitz's** wedding came from **Sam Smithers**. From L-R are **Jack & Bev Mackmull**, **Sam & Tillie Smithers**, **Lyman & Sara Ann Hammond**, **Leslie & Davis Barnett**, **Gladys Maladowitz**, **Walt & Ann Stanton**, the **Phil Fiers '49**, **Clyde & Ann Cloar** and **Al & Irene Flynn**. They all gathered in Woodstock, VT in early Jun. The Smitherses also went to Cape Elizabeth, ME for the wedding of **Reg & Sally Lombard's** daughter **Kristen** to **Dan Deniso** on 18 Aug, the day before Hurricane Bob hit the area. Also there for the big event were **Sandy & Beth Oliver**, **Philo & Mitch Hutcheson**, **Nels & Margaret Thompson** and **Charlotte Ferguson**.

Also flirting with "Bob" were **John & Eileen Jones**.

After the marriage of son **John Patrick** to **Anne Cowel** on 17 Aug, they took



1950: The Maladowitz wedding



1950: The Jones wedding

daughter Victoria and son Jeff out on Cape Cod for a wk. The hurricane took out power for 3 days and made the "vacation" interesting.

Ken & Loris Ebner missed the bad weather by heading out to San Diego for a Credit Union conference in Aug. While there the Ebners got together with Jack & Gen Hendry. The pic shows the hard life on the Hendrys' boat out there.



1950: The Hendrys and Ebners in San Diego

In Sep Morris Herbert also managed to get out to CA to speak to the WP Soc in San Fran and then in Silicon Valley. While there he saw Tom Fife and Jack Wheatley and had dinner with Dan & Helen McDaniel. Dan is currently working for Lockheed, but he plans to ret in two yrs. With all their children living and working in the Bay Area, they should be both busy and happy. The McDaniels were off for two wks in England the wk after Herb saw them.

An even more extensive trip was taken by Jack & Ann Jacobson this summer, when they spent a mo in Norway with relatives, including a coastal cruise from Bergen around the N Cape to Kirkenes on the Soviet border.

They rep that the scenery was absolutely spectacular but that the greatest joy was seeing family on farms that went back to the early 1600s. They criss-crossed Norway by rail, bus, auto, plane



1950: Jacobson and cousins in Norway

and boat and were treated royally. After their return and a wk at the beach with their family, Jake ret from BDM after 15 yrs, though he will do some consulting for them.

In our continuing saga of the travels of Mel Johnsrud and his brother Sherm, we start out with Aug in Minneapolis, where they grew up. From there it was Las Vegas once again, then down to Nag's Head, NC for a wk with Jim & June Irons. In Sep they had a beachfront room in Cancun, with side trips to Chichen Itza, Tulum and Isla Mujeres before going to Bangor and Tenants Harbor, ME for some lobster. The last card came from across the country in Seattle. Stay tuned.

Clark & Barbara Martin sent along the happy news that their son Jay graduated in May from OK State as a veterinarian and is now practicing in Castle Rock, CO. They enclosed a picture of most of their family at the ceremony.



1950: Clark Martin and family

On the left is Barbara, then Jay's wife Sue, Jay and their 14-yr-old son Jeremy. On Clark's left is daughter Sue, whose 8-yr-old son and 10-yr-old daughter Barbara are in front of Clark. Sue's husband, MAJ Robert Antis, was newly arrived in Korea after finishing Leavenworth. Sue and her family were on their way to join him for the two-yr tour.

A newsy ltr from Chuck Friedlander mentioned what many of us feel about Bill Ward's ret—that it seems so final. He also said that Frank & Sue Borman called and sounded fine and happy living in Las Cruces, NM. From time to time Chuck sees Al Fern, who is still

working for General Dynamics. In addition, Dave Carlisle calls regularly.

Speaking of Dave, I recently finished Charlie Bussey's bk, *Firefight at Yecheon*, in which both Dave and Bob Green were included in that history of the 77th ECC in Korea. Charlie was very complimentary about both.

Another book of interest, particularly to you office types, will be John Brinkerhoff's, *101 Common Sense Rules for the Office*, due out in Jan from Stockpole.

Elaine Ward sent a note after Bill's ret, saying that they planned to divide their time between Suffern, NY and Melbourne, FL. That has caused "complete confusion," since Bill closed out the qtrs at Ft Myer while Elaine was in Suffern. She also said that some 40 classmates came to the ret parade, which was the second largest ever held at Ft Myer. Bill not only was the last Korean vet to ret but also the last Cavalryman.

In Aug Joe Love headed up to Ft Benning for the Confederate Reunion and then visited an old farm called Springhill, where he saw the graves of his great-great-great-grandfather & grandmother.

From ME came a card from Corinne Detherow, Ralph's widow, who is now Mrs Robert Sucsy. They have a farm near Blue Hill. Daughter Dori graduated from Hampshire in May and is taking a yr off before going on to law sch. Her sister Diane had a baby in Apr, but Corinne didn't send any details on that. Son Doug and his family are well and still living in Columbia, MO.

Clark Duncan rep that he & Marge have a new grandson, Cameron Clark Danforth, born 20 June 91 to their daughter Leslie & Rob.

The area reps continue to do a great job. GG Thomas sent several pp of notes, while he & Shirley were taking a two-wk vacation in NC. Son-in-law MAJ Mike Wood '76 was recently assigned to MacDill AFB, so now their daughter Temple and her family will be nearby for awhile.

- Chuck Means, who is the father of Patriot, is going to ret at Redstone, though he may take on some special short-term project. He went to Ray Maladowitz's funeral. Chuck rep that he & Ann get together often with their neighbors, Bob & Alma Hoisington.

- Bob Douglass also is in Huntsville and is "ret ret," after several yrs with Teledyne Brown.

- Down on Kiawah Island, SC, Walt Stanton and Tug Greer were both involved in the planning for golf's Ryder Cup in Sep.

- Gladys Maladowitz's son Mark & Leslie had a baby recently, whom they named Ray.

- Gus & Ann Dielens are doing well in Lakeland, FL, she working for the VFW and he with a large sailboat and a powerboat.

• **Paul Zavitz** in Destin, FL is still flying free-lance for several firms. He plans to get into air ambulance work, perhaps out of St Croix, VI. Paul mentioned that **Ralph Ritteman** has moved to Destin.

• **Ed & Marcy West** managed to find the time for a Caribbean cruise.

• **Bruce Petree** is teaching at FL Inst of Tech. Son Mark is now at Leavenworth; Cathey is a free-lance biology editor in Orlando; and Todd remains back in Alexandria, VA.

• **Dick Hoffman** had his hip replaced in Apr and is still on crutches. Even so, he & **Biddy** enjoy Jacksonville, where they recently saw **Sandy & Beth Oliver**, down from VA.

• **Dick & Ruth Newton** got their family together in Destin in Jun. Son Dick (USAFA '78) just finished ACSC in Jun and is on the LTC list. Daughter Kathy is married to a cmdr at the Naval War Col.

• **Ed & Lee Pierce** are well and busy in FL, enjoying being grandparents. Ed is still teaching and may go to Panama to teach in the fall.

• Some names and places where GG got notes: **Roxie Hart** from Santa Rosa Beach, FL. **Art & Robin Porcher** in Cocoa Beach. **Chuck & Betty Newcomb** waiting for grandchildren 6 & 7 in Miami. **Toady & Andree Dreisonstok** in Atlantic Beach. **Tom & Shirley Barry** sent regards from Jacksonville. **Phil Nicolay** rep that he had seen **Waxey Manion** in Marco Isl, FL. **Luke Aull** said "hi" from Ninet Six, SC. **Alice Marie Bastar** did the same from Birmingham, AL. **Will Hill Tankersley** rep in from Montgomery. **Frank Henning** is planning ahead in Atl for the 96 Olympics. **Russ Glenn** also is in Atl, still working for Lockwood Greene Engr. **Sid Hines** is in Talbotton, GA, looking for a new wife who plays tennis.

There are two sad notes to add. On 11 Sep **Mark McGuire** died of cardiac arrest at his home in Oakton, VA after jogging. His widow, **Sallie**, lives at 11409 Vale Rd, 22124. They have 3 daughters: **Julie Bethea** in Vienna, VA; **Lisa McGuire** in Midlothian, VA; and **Christine McGuire** in Atl, GA.

On 17 Sep **Clare Sampson** died at Walter Reed after a long bout with cancer. Don lives at 7705 Lookout Ct, Alexandria, VA 22306. Their five children are **Michael** in Cleveland, OH; **Kathryn Sampson-Haugh** in Abidjan, Ivory Coast; and **Elizabeth Sampson-Smith**, **Patricia**, and **Julia**, all in Alexandria, VA.

The sympathies of the Class are with both of these families.

Here's to a great New Yr for all of you.

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Class Activities. At press time the CO Mini Reunion (7-10 Nov) was the major CI activity on the schedule, but for classmates in the DC area. **Jack & Pat Byers'** Art Gallery cocktail party on 26 Oct was also a major happening. More on both next issue.

Regional Spotlight-the SE: reps are **Moose Matney**, **George Meighen** and **Russ Walthour**, and deputy reps are **John Samotis**, **Barnett De Ramus** and **Fred Irving**. **George Meighen** rep that **Jean Sheridan** gave up her part-time nursing career several mos ago. **Don Sheridan** is still ch pilot of Flight Svcs, Inc, but says it is less flying and more paper shuffling. **Don** got his glider rating a yr ago and enjoys the challenge of non-powered flight.



1951: Nancy & Walt Russell, Joe Clemmons, daughter Susie and her two girls last summer in NC

Walt Russell rep the arrival of his first grandchild, **John Alexander Russell**, son of **Sally & Walter B Russell III**. **WBR III** was selected as the outstanding honors prof at U of GA for the 90-91 academic yr. He is Adjunct Prof of political sci. **Walt** is still practicing law.

Bill & Betty Grugin's son-in-law, LTC **William Webster '74**, **Kimberly's** husband, took cmd of 2-77 AR at Ft Carson in Jul. **Bill & Betty** were there for the ceremony. The **Grugins** were on two Caribbean cruises this past yr, one on a ship that caught fire in port in San Juan, PR. **Betty** still has her two art galleries, **The Happy Palette Inc** at home and (a partner in) **The Loaded Brush** in Savannah. **Bill** rep the sad news that he is the "old grad" of the Ft Stewart-Liberty County area.

Phil Gwynn is still actively involved

with **The Gwynn Mgt Co-Financial Consultants**, and rep that he & **Sarah** are in good health. They have 3 children, now 28, 29 and 32. **Phil** rep seeing **Bill Owens**, who is still doing well in the egg business in Dahlonga, GA. He was inducted into the GA Egg Commission's 90 Annual mtg. Congrats, **Bill!** **Phil** said that **Bill** had sold his airplane.

Stan & Jean Umstead have moved into their new home in Montgomery, AL. **Stan** is anticipating ret from his second career in City Planning to devote more time to golf and travel.

The **Umsteads** visited **Lum & Lolo Brantley** in Sep and enjoyed staying in their beautiful new home at Bluewater Bay, FL. **Stan** and **Lum** played in a mbr-guest golf tournament but did not reveal the results. **Joe Fant** writes that their 3 children and families were home for Christmas last yr, and **Joe & Carolyn** volunteered to keep the grandchildren while the parents had R&R. Now the **Fants** are looking forward to two new grandchildren and attending the CO Springs mini-reunion.

Garland Owens writes that last Jun he & **Jessie** went to Ft Bragg to visit their son and then stopped at Cookeville, TN to visit **Walt & Ann Steidl**.

Moose Matney, VP of **Wheat First Securities** in Southern Pines, NC, provides update on the **Clemmonses**, **Prehns**, **Partains**, **Straldorfs** and **John Spach x-'51**. Apr was a big mo for **Cecil & Joe Clemmons**—two granddaughters were born. Son-in-law **Keith**, USNA '80 and a Marine F-18 pilot who flew 47 missions during Desert Storm, arrived home 20 mins before his daughter's birth. The other new father is son **Gordon**, who flies F-16's out of Ramstein AFB, Ger. In Sep **Joe & Cecil** flew to Eglin AFB in the Navion to visit their two AF sons, **Gordon** and **Michael**. Their Navion was pictured in the Oct *Flying* mag. The photo was taken at the Annual Experimental Aircraft Assoc Fly-In at Oshkosh, WI.

Pete & Cathy Prehn rep from Wilmington, NC that after an extended trip to CA for a family reunion, and a long summer of baby-sitting grandchildren, they're resting up and keeping a watchful eye on the S Atlantic hurricanes. **Pete** still operates his small property consulting co and teaches at Campbell U. He & **Cathy** have been involved in about a dozen films in the growing NC movie ind.

John Strealdorf checks in from the mtns of western NC, where he & **Doris** hike in the picturesque Pisgah Natl Forest. **John** also spends 3-4 eves/wk fishing for trout, with some success. During early Aug, **John** sailed the Chesapeake with **Dick Sweet**, U of RI '51, and rep that it was a pleasant reunion—great sailboat and excellent seafood.

Fran & Ed Partain enjoy their home in



1951: Ed Partain and Pete Clay prepare to shove off

Pinehurst, NC where they do lots of walking and gardening and serve as lay ministers of the church. In May they hosted **John & Carolyn Fant** and **Mary Tatum**. Joe is supe of Marion Mil Inst. In Jun Mary Tatum joined Fran & Ed for a visit with **Pete & Pat Clay** at St Simon's Isl. In Jul **Bill & Del Bradley** stopped by en route from ME to their NC mtn home. In Aug Fran & Ed visited **Audrey & Bill Malouche** in Columbia, SC. Fran says, "We do love seeing old friends and we have plenty of rm. . . all we need is a couple of days' notice. So. . . y'all come."

John Spach x-'51 had an article, "A Visit To Light-Horse Harry's Grave," published in the Jul-Aug 91 *Confederate Veteran* mag. Another story, "A Bridge Too Near," has been selected for publication in *America's Civil War* mag. **George Meighen** provided update on **Bill Crouch**. Although Bill attended 40th Reunion, **BJ** could not because of duty as station mgr, ARC at Ft Rucker, AL. In Apr, first granddaughter Kirsten was born, so **BJ's** vacation time was used to help their daughter. In Aug, McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co closed their Ft Rucker off, so Bill took early ret and now plays more golf. He is still active teaching and flying sailplanes.

John Samotis provides update on the **Breakirons, Scruggs, Malouches, Reeds** and **Mary Tatum**. **Dick & Joyce Breakiron** live in Myrtle Beach, and **Dick** teaches at Myrtle Beach AFB. **Dick & Joyce** appreciate the many compliments on the great job son **Richard** did as **CI** aide for our 40th Reunion.

Seth & Joyce Scruggs live in the northern part of SC, doing absolutely as little as they can get away with.

Bill Malouche is still with Michelin, responsible for special projects, which includes expansion of the SC plant, to be the largest Michelin plant in the USA. **Phil & Ann Reed** rep the arrival of first grandchild **Hannah** last May. In Jun family and friends gave **Phil & Ann** a surprise 40th anniv party, and they really enjoyed it. **John Samotis** rep that **Mary Tatum** is profitably involved in selling historic mansions and other properties in Camden.



1951: John & Peggy Samotis at their 17th anniv

John & Peggy Samotis enjoy living on Lake Murray. She is mgr and head buyer of Round Robin Stores, and he is a broker with Coldwell Banker Real Estate. **John** is also pres of the SC WP Soc. Son **Jerry**, a newly-promoted Navy CPO, was in the Persian Gulf and Liberian actions. His next asgmt will be instructor duty at Norfolk.

From here and there:

Jim Guyer provides info of Midwest classmates **Bob Johnson, Harlen Johnson, Tom Woody** and **Chuck Wallens**.

Bob Johnson rep that he is still living in Frederick, IL, and keeps busy working for the Lutheran Social Svcs.

Tom Woodley, residing in Champaign, IL and a Prof of Engring at the U, rep an article in the *Champaign News-Gazette* on a ceremony honoring Olympic athletes from the Champaign area. One of the 24 honored was **Harlen Johnson**, who lettered at the U of IL in swimming, at USMA in track and swimming and earned a place on the 52 Olympic Pentathlon Team which competed at Helsinki.

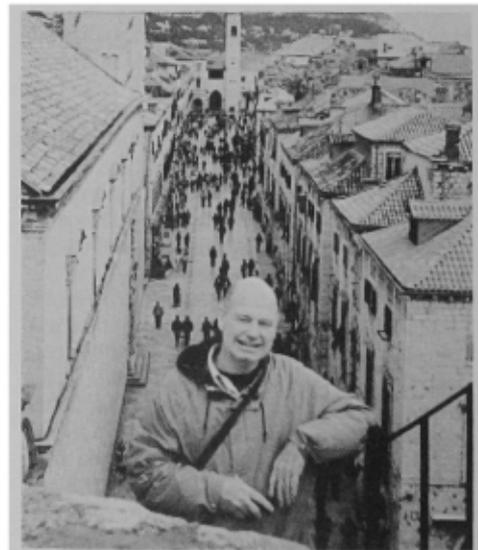
Chuck Wallens has been doubly honored recently. He was elected pres of the Natl Sojourners Inc, an org of Mil Masons. The pres of the WP Soc of WI also presented him with a plaque acknowledging his outstanding svc as pres of the Soc for many yrs. He continues as pres of his own consulting co, Frank X Walsh, Inc. In addition, he is the USMA recruiter for WI Senator **Bob Kasten** and recently received recognition for his outstanding work.

Jim Guyer, who will sail for the Turks and Caicos Isl in Dec, visited **John Haumersen's** business HQ in Racine, WI. **John** was away, but **Jim** met **John's** brother and his nephew **Mike**, who represents the 5th generation in this family-owned business. From Monterey, CA, **Roy Herte** writes that he is trying to



1951: Gloria Johnson caught this 37" striped bass while Russ watched with envy

adjust to ret. "It is tough to get up, shower, shave, get dressed and say, 'here I am, world,' only to find that nobody really cares." Your scribe edited the last quotation slightly since this is a family publication. The Hertes have a time-share condo at St Maartin and enjoyed a wk there in Aug. **Roy** also plays a lot of tennis, followed by a half-mi swim. **Roy** rep that **Bill Magill** has moved to Tacoma, WA from San Diego but still pulls for the Chargers and Padres.



1951: Fred Miller at Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia

Fred & Pat Miller flew to Ger to visit kids and drove through Austria into Yugoslavia. While the civil unrest appeared to reduce highway traffic and increase hotel vacancies, it did not adversely affect them. **Fred** wrote about Belgrade and the Inter-Continental Hotel in glowing terms. In Budapest they stayed at the Forum, with a spectacular view of the Danube.

Sel Graham writes from Austin, TX that he surveyed classmates about a TX mini-reunion but found little interest.

Sel enclosed a photo of the Honorable **Bill Thomas**, TX State rep, presenting the Dean with a memento from the WP Soc of Central TX after his Austin Founders Day speech.



1951: Bill Thomas makes presentations to the Dean

The memento is a brass paperweight in the shape of TX, with the Off State Seal and the inscription: "I 'messed' with TX on 10 Mar 91." In Bill's left hand is the TX anti-litter campaign bumper sticker: "Don't mess with TX" (a play on meanings of the word "mess," i.e., litter versus eat).

The *Houston Chronicle* announced that **Rudy Prince**, chm and CEO of Digicon Geophysical Corp, has been elected chm of the bd of the Intl Assoc of Geophysical Contractors. Sel rep that **Suzanne & Bruce Robertson**, who live nearby, had a nice trip to Europe this summer. They want to do it again soon, this time to Scotland.

John Lewis ret in Jul. He & Fran also spent some time in Europe visiting their oldest son and family.

Tom Hastings rep that he had another heart attack and spent two wks in the hosp. Our best wishes for your recovery, Tom.



1951: Sandy Vandenberg, Bill Quinn and Del Ring at Ring's Foxdale Farm

Del Ring writes from Foxdale Farm, Waynesville, OH that Hoyt Vandenberg Sr was enshrined in the Avn Hall of Fame in Jul. **Shay & Bill Quinn** spent the wknd with **Jean & Del. Sue & Sandy Vandenberg** joined them on Sun.

Farewells:

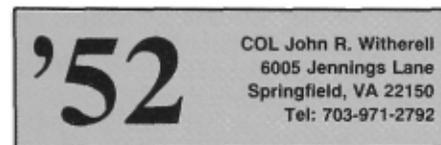
Lil Edler passed away 4 Sep and was



1951: Lovely ladies at Foxdale Farm: Jean Ring, Sue Vandenberg and Shay Quinn

buried in MN. **Bill**, our thoughts and prayers are with you. We will all miss her. **Jack Reynolds**, The Citadel '51, whom many of us served with, also died this fall. **Russ Walthour** represented the CI at the funeral. Thanks, Russ.

Thanks, reps, for your wonderful sp. Keep those cards and ltrs coming.



I hope a good number of you were able to watch CBS's "60 Minutes" on 22 Sep and view the segment on **Thor Sundt**. For those who missed it, CBS presented a moving tribute to Thor's skills and dedication as chief of neurosurgery at the Mayo Clinic. His achievements, including his surgery on Pres Reagan in 89 and his current full sched of opns, were presented against the background of his long fight against cancer. The circumstance of a dr being himself threatened with long odds, and performing his exacting work so well while suffering great pain, made for an exceedingly dramatic report, one that generated a record outpouring of public response. The segment included conversations with **Lois** and showed their 3 children, **Laura**, **Thoralf III** and **John**. On behalf of the CI, the Exec Cmte responded with a telegram to Thor as follows: "The Long Gray Line, esp '52, salutes your achievements. We are proud to claim you. Save some energy for the 40th."

The Wash contingent was alerted to the "60 Minutes" segment by **Thor's** uncle, **COL Harald S Sundt '32**, who also informed me that Thor is to be inducted as a mbr of the Natl Acad of Sciences' Inst of Medicine here in Wash on 14 Oct. This is a signal honor and a testament to the skills and indomitable spirit of our renowned and valiant classmate. More good news: I learned from roommate **Harry Dutchyshyn** and AOG VP/Finance & Svcs **Luddy Harrison** that they and **Thor** marched in the alumni parade and were included in the other off functions sched for Homecoming (12 Oct).

I am sorry to rep 4 recent deaths:

AGW (Jack) Biddle died at his home in Great Falls, VA on 1 Oct. He had cancer. A memorial svc at St John's Church on Lafayette Square here in Wash was held 7 Oct, with the CI well-represented. Jack was pres of the Computer and Communications Ind Assoc. Eulogies were given by Dr Gene Amdahl and Congressman **Jack Brooks**, the latter citing Jack's contributions to regulatory acts aimed at increasing fairness and competition within the computer ind. Among many other accomplishments, Jack had been an adviser to the congressional Off of Tech Assessment, a mbr of the Informational Tech Advisory Cmte of the Off of Mgt and Budget, and a mbr of the industrial sector advisory cmte to the Dept of Commerce. Jack leaves his wife, **Stephanie**, their daughter, **Alexandra**, and three children from his first marriage.

Lew (Gator) Beasley died 13 Sep 91 at his home in Lamar, SC of a heart attack. He was buried at the Wesley Chapel Cem in Lydia, SC. Since his ret in 72 following an initial heart attack, **Lew** worked in family businesses and, at the time of his death, was engaged in franchising **Piggly-Wiggly** Stores. He leaves his wife, **Josephine**, and two sons, **Kevin** and **Keith**.

Pat Pimentel died at WRAMC on 4 Oct of Sjogren's Syndrome, an autoimmune disorder that quite suddenly attacked her lungs. A funeral Mass was conducted at St Columba's in Oxon Hill, MD, with burial at Arlington on 8 Oct. She leaves **Frank** at their home in Ft Washington, MD, daughters **Susan**, **Laura** and **Patrice**, and son **Frank**. Again, many of the CI attended these rites, including **Claire Ellis**, from her home in W Haven, CT. Pat was **Tom Kiernan's** sister.

Susan Wade Pelton, daughter of **John & Nicki Pelton**, died 18 Sep as a result of a brain tumor. She had been affiliated with the Concord (NH) Hosp for many yrs and had developed and produced its "Healthline Series" on local public TV. She had previously distinguished herself by becoming a NH state legislator, winning her office at age 21. She leaves sister **Barbara** and two brothers, **Benjamin** and **John (CPT, USA)**. **John & Nicki** will be returning to their home in Whispering Pines, NC after several yrs devoted to caring for **Susan** in NH.

A happy ltr from **Sam Wetzel** notes that he is not about to be outdone by another cl, for he too has triplet grandchildren [see pic next pg]. Their mother is daughter **Chris**, and the triplets' names are **Evelyn**, **Jacqueline** and **Kenneth Henson III**. **Sam** says **Wetzel Intl** is doing great, **Eileen** is back running the office, and he is on the road most of the time.

The US Army Band presented a concert of WP music on the W lawn of the Capitol last Aug. **Bill Raiford's** "Sesquicentennial March" was played, along with other well-known selections. WP



1952: Sam Wetzel and his triplet grandchildren

composers and their music will be one of the themes of the USMA bicentennial celebration, and this concert was the first of many events to be held in Wash to commemorate the founding of the Acad. Bill was present for the occasion, as were the **Bakers, Clines and Kenneys**.

The CI held an end-of-summer party at the A-N Country Club on 1 Sep. **Frank Benedict** was there, having returned from Leningrad just before the coup attempt. Present were the **Clines, Deverills, Keeleys, Kenneys, Larkins, Morans, Paluhs, Jean Pilk** (Jack was out of town), **Putnams, Sullivans and Yourees**.

Deryle Whipple made the news again, this time for his hole-in-one at the 13th hole of his local course in Perry, GA. Congratulations and strokes are in order. Incidentally, this was worth \$100 from the sponsor of the hole. The younger golfer in the photo is not identified, but is similarly gifted. Details at the reunion!



1952: Whipple (at left) is all smiles as he receives \$100 check

Larry Putnam has published a flyer carrying the plans for a '52 ski trip to Aspen, CO next 29 Feb-7 Mar. This is an annual event that is gathering more participants ea yr, and many of those attending last Mar are again committed to be on hand. There will be skiing at Aspen,

Snowmass and Buttermilk mtns, with accommodations at the Woodbridge Condos at Snowmass. I'll carry the latest details in the next col (to be mailed 17 Feb 92), but you should contact Larry at 703-790-5043, or write him at 1057 Waverly Way, McLean, VA 22101 and get the details on travel and costs.

Dick & Ginny Wiles spent the 28 Sep wknd with **Claire Ellis** in Newport, RI, and then all went up to see the Harvard game. They sat with **John Lewis**, an engr with the Pratt & Whitney Div of United Technologies since leaving the Army.

And speaking of New England, **Cynthia & I** joined **Ed & Ann Gilbert** for lunch at the Tufts U campus in Medford, MA, where Ed is dir of Bldgs and Grounds. Ed gave us a tour of his "post," a beautiful and inviting campus in sparkling condition and alive with students just starting the fall term. We learned that **Jim Lee** and his son **Jonathan** came through the area last spring looking at cols and spent an eve with the Gilberts at their home in Concord, MA.

For those in New England, **Ed Gilbert** has offered to serve as a regional correspondent. You are urged to write or call Ed with info of interest to the CI for publication in *ASSEMBLY*. Beyond this, it is hoped that more of you will be able to get together for sports events and the Founders Day functions, most recently held at the Hanscom AFB O'Club. Please make a note that Ed's address is 22 Hayward Mill Circle, Concord, MA; tel 508-369-1473.

At a recent stag luncheon here in Wash, **Bill Raiford** gave us an update on bicentennial planning. Bill's briefings to the Supe and the CofS on the concept and plans were well-received. For us, there is the question of what special part we want to play in the bicentennial celebration at our 50th Reunion. Please give this some thought and be prepared to discuss the matter at our 40th.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS—Happy Hanukkah—Merry Christmas—Happy New Yr! I have received some interesting ltrs and calls. Some are from those who stay in touch and some are from classmates I have not heard from in quite a while. I appreciate the efforts, guys. Thanks a lot!

Graham McIntyre has been honored by his alma mater, the Milton Hershey Sch in Hershey, PA. Ea yr, one grad is selected from the more than 6,000 and named Alumnus of the Yr at their Commencement Exercises. Graham, a '49 grad, was given a formal certificate. His portrait will be displayed in the visitor's reception area of Founders' Hall this yr

and then will be permanently displayed in the Hall of Fame corridor. The honor carries the responsibility of speaking at commencement and homecoming in tribute to the founders of the sch, Catherine & Milton Hershey.

John Haskell has accepted the appt of chm of the AOG's Investment Cmte. As such, he will supervise the mgt of 5 funds, amounting to some \$27 mil. This includes our CI of '53 Gift Fund of \$186,000.



1953: Mart Silberg surrounded by his family on the 4th of Jul 91

Mart Silberg sent a note with a photo of his family at their annual 4th of Jul BBQ at "Ft Silberg" in NY.

Sandy Meloy sent a snapshot and the news that he & **Hatsie** had a visit from **Neal & Joan Creighton** at their home in Austin. They took them to their lakehouse on Lake LBJ, Kingsland, TX. Sandy reminds me that Neal is pres/CEO of the McCormick Foundation and has a palatial off in the *Chicago Tribune* bldg. Sandy ret about a yr ago after working for Lockheed Missile and Space Co for 8 or 9 yrs. He says he is doing nothing and enjoying it. They held a BBQ, attended by **Jerry Nicks**—recently ret from a bank in San Ant, **Joe Wilson**—broker for Merrill Lynch in San Ant, and **Buck Kotowski**—Chief Engr, TX Asbestos Inspection/Enforcement Off. Sandy wrote that he has never in his life heard such mind-boggling accts of so many one-of-a-kind exploits. Neal, Joe and Sandy became close friends at Sully's (Sullivan's Prep Sch, then in DC), and Neal and Sandy were roommates in B-2. Buck had been Neal's roommate in Beast and spent many Sat eves visiting, so Sandy got to know him, too. Jerry was on the gym team with Neal for 4 yrs and was Sandy's best man. Sandy relates that he, Joe and **Bob Lindsay** met in NYC in 49 on the eve of reporting day for plebes. They saw a lot of Greenwich Vil that night, overslept and missed their bus and train connections. They pooled their money and hired a taxi, arriving with 3 mins to spare. Unfortunately, their tardy arrival was noticed by a host of first classmen.

Bud Tardiff gave an update on reunion planning at the Sep luncheon. Cruise-



1953: (Standing) Sandy Meloy, Buck Kotowski, Neil Creighton; (seated) Jerry Nicks and Joe Wilson at Lake LBJ, 21 Sep 91

ship costs were prohibitive, so the process of selecting an off-post hotel is underway. A reunion cmte will be formed, and Bud is looking for those who will work on it. He needs someone from the WP area. Our reunion will be during Alumni Wk in late May. It appears that the preliminaries are on schedule.

Norm & Margi Delbridge went to see Bob & Donna Segal at their beach house at Corolla Light, NC. Bob is involved in a very big project in London called Pater Noster Sq, comprising some 5 acres around St Paul's Cathedral. It is a private commercial venture, but will have extensive govt involvement: the aim is to eliminate the uncoordinated bldg growth around the cathedral and restore a semblance of the older era. This is tentatively estimated to take 4 yrs, so Bob & Donna have moved to London.

Rolfe Arnhym called from his home in Palm Springs and talked to Sanelma while I was out. He & June were in Phoenix in Oct and saw Wally & Julia Noll.



1953: Wally & Julia Noll with June & Rolfe Arnhym in Phoenix, Oct 91 (note Rolfe's USMA 53 license plate)

When they got home, there was a msg on their machine from Bill & Barb Cole, who were in town for a few days, so they were able to see them the next day.

Rolfe, by the way, is the exec VP of the Palm Spr Chamber of Commerce. He says the welcome mat is out for classmates. Early this yr, he and a few others got together and formed the WP Soc of Palm Spr and the Inland Empire. They had a Founders Day party and 100 attended. They plan to do it again next Mar, so if you are residing in or visiting, get in touch with Rolfe.

I've been saving the biggest ltr for last—an essay on "How We Spent Our Summer Vacation," by Bob & Joan Beveridge. They live in Subic Bay—sound familiar? On 10 Jun, the folks at Clark AFB were evacuated to Subic, 15,000 people in 6,000 cars. They were treated to a preview on 12 Jun when Mt Pinatubo erupted and the wind took the ash harmlessly N of Subic. On the 14th, however, another eruption dumped ash like beach sand over the base. Every transformer shorted out and electric power was off, not to be restored until the clean-up after the evacuees had left the base. They started on a diet of peanut butter or tuna sandwiches. Later that night, the filters clogged and the water supply failed. The next day (Sat), Mt Pinatubo blew its cork; no lava, but 1,000-degree mud and ash—lots of ash. Clark got 11" and Subic got 6". Bob says that from noon on, it reminded him of our cdt trip to Ft Knox, when we visited Mammoth Cave. During the tour, they turned out all the lights to show us how dark it was underground. To add to the general disorder, there were earthquakes, about every 15 mins all night, and a typhoon. The Navy started evacuating the Clark people to Cebu, to Mactan Airfield. Finally, on 21 Jun, Bob & Joan locked their house and left by bus to embark on our newest carrier, *Abe Lincoln*, for an 18-hr cruise to Cebu and a chopper ride to Mactan. There, the Marines had set up tents, cots, food and drink for the 2,400 evacuees from the *Lincoln*, plus others who had arrived by other means. From there, they went by C141 to Guam. After an RON in a house, with cot, shower, and washer and dryer, they went by charter flight to McChord and on to their choice of "safe haven" at Phoenix, AZ. On 8 Aug they received orders to Okinawa and on 12 Aug arrived at Kadena. On 12 Sep they finally returned to Subic, flying out of Kadena just barely ahead of another typhoon. At Subic, they found their house intact and their car A-OK, "thanks to the Marine guard patrol." The base was operational, with most of the ash cleaned up. Bob's ltr exhibited some agitation remaining even then (22 Sep). He was very complimentary of the spt provided: Navy to Cebu, Marines to Mactan and Subic, and AF the rest of the way. For my part, I am proud of the performance by all the svcs—and I am so happy to be able to be impressed and proud!

The social and mtg schedule for the Wash area has been announced: 28 Jan—stag lunch at Gen Off Mess at Pentagon (Walt Henderson); 23 Feb (tentative)—Sun morn brunch w/wives (Bob Barton and Weemo Wubbena); 24 Mar—stag lunch at Potowmack Landing (Clay Jackson); 28 Apr—stag lunch at Ft Myer (Bill Harris); 16 May—annual picnic at the Lindholm's; 23 Jun—luncheon w/wives at Potowmack Landing. All of you out-of-towners who find yourself here at one of these times are required to attend. If you know in advance, get in touch with the project off whose name is in parentheses; if not, just drop in—we can always add some water to the soup.

Okay Cl, don't let down now. Keep those cards and ltrs coming—and phone calls. Almost any type of photo is usable, so send some—just identify the folks in the pic. Don't forget to root for the US in the Olympics and cheer on the preliminaries for the American's Cup race.

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In Oct, 40th Reunion Cmte chiefs met in Larry Skibbie's ADPA Off in Arlington. Present were Larry, Jim Williams, Frank Hart, Jim Henry, Jack Miller, Jim Obendorfer and Doug Stuart. Also present was Rose Mologne, who is coordinating reunion planning and activities for our Cl widows.

Jim Williams, Reunion chief, rep that they continue to compile data on WP-area hotel availability and programs. Questionnaire responses exceed 25%. AOG lists us 4th in priority for a fall wkend, pending decisions by earlier classes. The nearest hotels with sufficient capacity for our numbers are in NJ, but nothing is set. Our Cl gift appears to be the high-tech classroom, the first of its kind. Bill Hilsman has assumed the vast task of being the 40th Reunion Gift Fund Cmte chm, ably abetted by Jim Obendorfer. Cl luminaries are being informed of their appts as Co Gift Fund reps and will soon be reaching out to us about how to show our appreciation. The goal is \$500 per classmate. All Cl gift donations sent to the AOG should be endorsed to WP Fund/Cl of '54 Admin Fund. That will make for longer—and bigger?—checks. All contributions are tax-deductible as formerly. The possibility of preparing a Reunion Bk or Cl Directory was raised but put on hold until someone with experience and time volunteers to do this. Other classes have achieved good results at a reasonable cost. On this and other reunion matters, contact LTG James Williams, 8928 Maurice Lane, Annandale, VA 22003; tel 703-978-9429, or forward mail through your scribe.

After 33 yrs, **Jim Obendorfer** ret from IBM as mgr of Govt Policy, Federal Systems Div. Jim intends to keep involved as a consultant.

The *Wash Post* of 11 Sep informs that among the guests at a White House dinner honoring Senegal Pres & Mrs Abdou Diouf were our own **Larry & Nancy Skibbie**. Other notables included Lamar Alexander, William Bennett, Dom DeLuise and Dizzy Gillespie. Don't those formal affairs scare you? A friend told me he got so nervous watching a guest balance the peas on her knife that he dropped a whole handful of creamed potatoes. A good thing he had a napkin around his neck.

COL Tom McNeil, AOG trustee emeritus, sends news that on 12 Sep the Dallas County Comm Col District (DC-CCD) dedicated the **Dr R Jan LeCroy** Ctr for Educational Telecommunications at Richland Col. Jan was present with Nancy and the children and addressed the dignitaries and guests. Present were 3 AOG trustees and the pres of the Dallas area WP Soc. The LeCroy Center "harnesses the power of technology for a most meaningful purpose: to expand access to learning for individuals, business and communities." This distinguished honor was in recognition of Jan's role as the DCCCD's "earliest proponent and architect of educational telecourse utilization."

Jack Miller attended the fall luncheon of the WP Soc of DC at Ft Myer on 25 Sep. Also present were **Bill Epling**, **Walt Evans**, **Don Gaston**, **Frank Hart**, **Mark Reese**, **Larry Skibbie** and **Ed Weaver**. Frank, our 40th Reunion Participation chm, has also taken on the job of CI rep to the DC Soc. Contact him about joining. Big **Ed Weaver** has ret as asst secy of state for MD and lives in Oxon Hill. **Don Gaston** has a realtor's license, but says that house hunting is not in season. Like the two duck hunters who went out one day—one tracked a flock with his shotgun and dropped the flight leader almost at their feet. He looked for approbation from his buddy, who said, "You wasted a shot; the fall would have killed him." Does anyone else attend the local WP Soc functions out there and want us to know? Send me a menu and we'll print it, but hold the gravy, please.

Newell & Pat Vinson have returned to Alexandria, VA after sojourns in Saudi Arabia and CA. They have 4 busy children: David grad from the U of SC with a degree in computer sci and works for Mitre Corp in McLean. He & Debbie have two children and live in Alexandria. Mark '78 is an AR MAJ and Bn S-3 in Vilseck, Ger. He was in the G-3 Sec of the 1st Arm Div in Desert Storm. He & Bonnie have two children. Patricia Anne is a CPT and Army aviator. She is the ops off of a flight detachment in San Ant that

spts Ft Houston. Her husband, MAJ Moloff, is a Special Forces flt surgeon. Doug '89 is in ADA and XO of the spt co in an RDF bn in Vicenza. His wife's name is Chris. Doug was in Opn Provide Comfort in Iraq after Desert Storm.

Recent obits include **Dick Sugg's** dad, COL (Ret) Douglas Sugg, in Arlington. He served in the Inf in WWII and was ch of the Tac Dept at the Inf Sch, Ft Benning. The CI sends Dick & Ginny its deepest regrets.

Now the holidays are upon us again. Accept our best wishes for a healthy 92 and beyond. Vow to use this col in the next 12 mos to keep current with your classmates. Joyeux!

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The Shakespearean sonnet begins: "That time of yr thou mayst in me behold/When yellow leaves, or none, or few do hang. . .," and as I write this in the autumn, the autumn-ness of our own lives is brought more vividly in focus by the sadness I must relate to you of the passing of two classmates. On 30 Jul, **Rollie Rawls** passed away in Little Rock, AK after a long bout with cancer, and on Sun, 29 Sep, **Al Cini** passed quietly into the night in the hosp in San Jose, CA where he had waged a qtr-century battle with multiple sclerosis. Our deepest sympathies go out to **Rebecca Rawls** and their children, and to **Kathy Cini**, who had for so long provided the strength that Al did not have. Rollie was interred near his home in Little Rock following svcs, and Al, following svcs and cremation, will be interred at WP in Jun 92. Co-mates in E-1 and K-2, respectively, as we all are, are saddened by the loss of great friends and colleagues with whom we have spent so many meaningful hrs. Well done, dear friends; be thou at peace.

The late summer and early fall have apparently been a quiet and engaging period; I've heard from very few folks either in the post or through the TOLL-FREE no. I did have a very nice note from **Dick McCarthy**, from up in Grantham, NH, where he's fully busy in the real estate bus. But not so busy that he can't find time for some sailing, which he obviously finds not only fun, but competitively a snap! The pic shows him proudly displaying the Eastman Cup, which he won in the local events in NH. Dick says that his first distinction in this sport was at WP during Cow Yr, when his sailing team beat you-know-who.

Another note of excellence comes from the San Ant area, in the municipality of Schertz, TX, where **Tom Weaver** rep that, in his capacity as gen mgr of the Cibolo Creek Municipal Authority, one



1955: Dick McCarthy with his prized trophy

of his treatment plants has been awarded excellence awards for its outstanding opn and maintenance. This particular plant provides planning and wastewater treatment for a large area, to include Randolph AFB. Tom, that's great news, since it so closely reflects strong environmental awareness, which so many of us took for granted too long. Congratulations—one of our own '55'ers has, as Tom puts it, "really floated to the top!"

I have a penchant, it seems, for mislabeling photos that I use in this col, and for that, I'm deeply sorry. **Bob Russell** is properly on my case because I misidentified him recently—sorry, Bob! But secretly, it's a clever ploy to get people to write to me in protest, and to pass on a little news about themselves. So it was with **Jim Fiscus**, from out in St James, MO, where he's with Talema Electronic Inc. After squeezing my chin in for hanging his name on someone else, Jim goes on to say how much he & **Alverta** have enjoyed the Ft Leonard Wood area, have watched their 3 youngsters—daughter **Johnnie Beth** and sons **Jim** and **Jerry**—launch into lives of their own, but not straying too far from the mil. All are either in the svc or married to svc folks. Jim is yet another who happily touts the beauty of the Ozarks but misses the chance to bump into classmates. He did rep that **Bob Schmidt**, with a full complement of cats, passed through this past summer and spent a nice visit. Jim, I'm sorry I mis-tagged you, but if it would bring nice ltrs like yours from everyone, I can think up all manner of wrong names! Thanks for your note and offer of hospitality.

Well, the DC-area crowd continues to be a gregarious gp that loves to gather from time to time, and there were two such occasions recently. First on 8 Sep, **Bob & Linda Newton**, ably assisted by **Jim Bergen**, **Tom & Elaine West**, **Dan & Ann Malone** and **Bob & Pat Strati**, hosted a CI picnic at their newly-built home at Roundaway Farm in Middleburg, VA. This is the home out in horse country that Bob & Linda had dreamed of and planned for yrs, and they have now seen it to completion and wanted to share its particular beauty with classmates. It was a great day and a great party in one of

VA's most beautiful landscapes. Without trying to discuss all the details, those who shared this great outing were Zach Hagedorn, Dick & Sandy Wargowski, Carl & Marcia Cathey, Carl & JoAnn McNair, Hugh & Ann Quinn, Danny Dugan, Tom & Mary Elizabeth Mullan, Bob Johnson, Ed & Betsy Anderson, Bill & Anita Anderson, Ray & Ann Gundersen, Matt & Betty Schepps, Bill & Joan McCulla, Durf & Barbara McJoynt, Don & Chickie Hilbert, John & Ruth Sloan, Ted & Starla Vittori, Rich & Mary Ann Miller, Bud & Dorothy Goldstein, Bob & Marly Carpenter, John & Anita Rudski and Jim & Pat Ryan. Bob Newton says he noticed a few things during the picnic that may be indicative of where we are in life: no one wanted to play games; all preferred to sit and visit and snack! That said, he noticed we eat and drink a lot less than we used to and, happily, no one got lost getting to his farm, which speaks wonders for the old MT&G gurus! A lensatic compass in every glove compartment!



1955: Linda Newton and Bud & Dotty Goldstein

Hilbert asks that I pass on the news that he has now organized a notification network for the CI for passing emergency or, in some cases, not-so-pleasant news. It's based on our old co structures and includes reps that are all generally in the DC-NY-Phila area. Here it is: A1—Rod Vitty, B1—Pete Walton, C1—John Sloan, D1—Bob Newton, E1—Carl Cathey, F1—Ray Gundersen, G1—Bill Anderson, H1—John Rudski, I1—Dick Baker, K1—Ed Anderson, M1—Ted Vittori, A2—Tom West, B2—Bob Carpenter, C2—John Lovell, D2—Hugh Quinn, E2—Dan Troyan, F2—Don Hilbert, G2—Kelly Lichtenberg, H2—John Pickitt, I2—Chuck Roades, K2—Ted Gay, L2—Matt Schepps and M2—Tom Mullan. Don is still looking for an L1 rep, but in the interim, use him as the POC for notification. It's not always pleasant news that gets passed on this network, but it is a way of assuring that classmates and co-mates are kept aware of whom to turn to.



1955: JoAnn McNair and Dan Dugan



1955: Quinn, Anderson, Miller, Hilbert, Dugan and West

Hard on the heels of that great outing came a somewhat less well-attended CI lunch at Ft Myer on 11 Oct attended by Don Hilbert, Ed Anderson, Dick Fontaine, Dan Malone (who celebrated his birthday that day), Dick Masson, Bob Newton, Carl & JoAnn McNair, also a birthday celebrant, Tom & Peggy Herren, Dan Dugan, John Pickitt, Al Edwards, John Sloan, Dick Baker and Marty McGuire. It was a quiet, early autumn chance to swap a few stories and do a little CI business. On that note, Pres Don

Finally, Don wanted me to advise that the AOC has finished plans to build an alumni ctr on the old Smith Rink site at WP. '55, just as other classes, is being canvassed to see what form of participation we want in bldg and finishing this much-needed center. There are many alternatives, some of which are quite financially extensive. Don and the Exec Cmte here will sort out some options for CI participation and advise, either through this col or a separate mailing. If you have any suggestions or ideas at how '55 could participate and indicate our spt of this project, drop me a line at the address above, or leave a msg on the machine using the TOLL-FREE no.

In any case, have a happy and safe winter. I'll be at you again in the New Yr. Take care.

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'56

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YR to the extended CI of '56 family!

In the grand state of GA, there is an old

football expression, "How about them Dawgs?!" For those of us fortunate enough to attend our 35th Reunion, we can also proudly say, "How about that Reunion?!" Wasn't it spectacular?? Altogether, 208 of us made that short march, led by Norm Schwarzkopf, onto the reviewing line for the Corps Review, cheered on by the 242 family mbrs sitting in the stands. From the pic-perfect WP fall weather, to the very relaxed and meticulously planned schedule, to the always emotional mem svc honoring 45 classmates who have led the way, to Jim & Joyce Anderson's welcome party at their qtrs, to the memories of dancing at Barth Hall once again on Sat eve, to the thrill of again being a part of the Corps on the parade grounds, to watching the Black Knights in historic Michie Stadium, to Ward & Judy LeHardy's farewell from S Dock... the wkend was one to remember!



1956: Farrell Patrick and Gerry Richardson hoist the CP flag at the Marriott Hotel

It all started on Thurs when we entered the Marriott Hotel and saw the huge banner (donated by Greg & Shirley Wold) welcoming the CI of '56. Everything was in perfect order: schedules, info packets, '56 hats, totebags for the ladies, etc (great planning by Farrell, Gerry and the Reunion Cmte)! The next stop for everyone was the Lobby Bar, where you could sip and greet new arrivals as they walked into the Marriott. Some of the more hearty ones awaited the return of the NYC tour gp at approx 2300 hrs, and the party "revved" up again! Those of us who missed the NYC trip missed a fascinating time!

On Fri AM, as the buses rolled through the Hudson Highlands, a sense of anticipation gripped us all as we entered the imposing gates of WP. After a visit to the CI of '56 Room, which is an immensely popular mtg rm for the Admissions Off, it was off for the Andersons' qtrs for more war stories and a cool drink. Next was the noon-meal formation on diagonal walk, where LTC Peggy Bahnsen's regt gave us a special welcome and the former "Supe," Dave Palmer, led us in a '56 Rocket Cheer!! After another grand buffet at the Off Club, a brief CI mtg was held to lay the ground-



1956: George Stapleton and Alice (Celeste) & Harry Marson at 35th Reunion

work for our 40th Reunion Gift to WP (thanks to Dave Palmer's excellent briefing) and to finalize the final funding details for the CI of '56 Room (our 30th Reunion Gift to the Acad). LTG Howard Graves, the present Supe, also presented a very informative update on WP. **Mike Conrad**, our CI pres, presided over the mtgs, but we gave "the power of the hood" to his wife **Ann**, to insure brevity. The CI also thanked **Bill & Barb McPeek** for their hard work and dedication in putting together our 34th Reunion at the USAFA, plus a rousing cheer for **Bob & Dee Barrett's** 33rd wedding anniv.

The next stop on our relaxed itinerary was very special and bittersweet for all of us—the Cdt Chapel. Chaplain **Camp, Roger Root** and **Stan Wilker** conducted the svcs honoring our 45 departed comrades and gave us inspiration to continue to serve both God and country. The eerie sounds of the bagpipes echoing throughout the Chapel will remain in our memories for a long time.

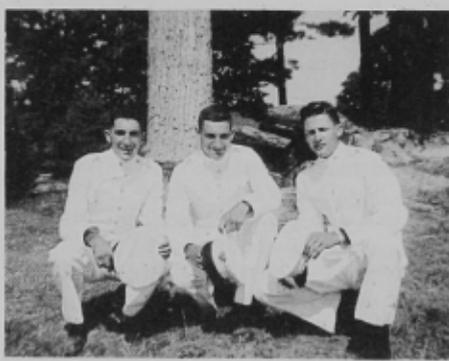


1956: Judy & Jim Dozier at 35th Reunion

Back to the hotel and, for the older mbrs of the CI (yours truly and others), a little nap before the dinner formation. The dinner-dance was a gala affair—our ladies never looked prettier. . . everyone was dragging "Pro" that eve!! We had a stand-up comic, **Bob Sorley**; great words

from **Norm**; a handsome gp of Inf soldiers; a rousing rendition of the AF Song; Co gp pics; a wedding announcement by **Al & Judy Renshaw**; great songs by the Cdt singing gp, and. . . you should see the CI of '56 dance and dance and dance!!!

Sat AM dawned bright and clear, and soon we were marching out front and ctr for the Bde Review, cheered on by our AOA's sitting in the bleachers. All of us stood a little straighter and our usual jovial manner became a little subdued as we looked over the Plain and saw the Corps standing at attention. I'm sure there were 208 special thoughts of previous parades some 35+ yrs ago, with exception, of course, of "**Chester**" **Chesnauskas**, who played Corps Squad football, hockey and baseball for 4 straight yrs!! The CI pic was truly a typical pic "formation" as we milled around, moved left and then right and then were directed to "crunch" toward the ctr. I must admit, however, the photographer took a great pic. At lunch in beautiful Wash Hall, where **Dave Palmer's** pic was prominently hanging on the wall, we had creamed chicken and a dessert no one could identify. We then moved on to Michie Stadium for a wonderfully nostalgic Army football game. As we sat in the stands, our thoughts turned back to **Pat Ubel**, **Don Holleder**, **Ron Melnick**, **Russ Mericle**, **Chester** and the many others who thrilled us Sat after Sat with Army spirit and drive!



1956: George Stapleton, Moose Yon and Jack Nicholson in full-dress whites at Camp Buckner, 53

The next stop was Barth Hall at Camp Buckner for a truly relaxed and enjoyable evening of more food, drinks and dancing. Once again, **Scott Smith** was responsible for the donation to the CI of all the Coors beer. A highlight of the eve was the rendition of "God Save the USA" by a very "spooney" cdt, and all joined in with him on the final chorus. The USMA Band said they loved playing for the "older" classes because they usually fade by 2200 hrs. Sure enough, the last bus was pulling away at that magic hr for a quick trip to the hotel. All in all, it was a very long but happy day!

On Sun, the final breakfast again found



1956: Dr Clark, George & Barbara Woods and Bob Barrett at 35th Reunion brunch at Marriott Hotel

Dr Dale Clark providing us our Heart Research Study update. I didn't quite get all the technical and med details, but I did hear him say that as we get older, we get better looking!! (I may have taken some literary license with his conclusions.) Dale also stated that the study was so successful that there would be one more round of executive physicals at Brooks AFB.

Chuck Russell, our CI travel agent, again donated airline tickets anywhere in the US, and the CI unanimously voted to present them to our CI Reunion workhorses, **Farrell Patrick** and **Gerry Richardson**. A special thanks must go to **Dick & Eva Chase** for the generous donation of their honey (made by their own bees), with all proceeds to go to the CI Fund.

A large contingent returned to WP S Dock for a champagne "Bon Voyage" for **Ward & Judy LeHardy** on their 4-yr around-the-world cruise. Father **Harry Crandall** blessed both them and their stout ship prior to their casting-off. Many classmates rode on the WP yacht and sailed with them to the Bear Mtn Bridge.

I realize that I have only lightly covered all the happenings of our 35th, but there will be more notes and stories in future cols. After all, I have sworn oaths from 207 classmates to write and send pics, but I couldn't find **Mike McGrath**, who must have hidden when I went searching for him. Now let's cover the other news from the CI. . .

Mike McGrath called in late Aug and rep that he & **Sigi** are doing fine. Mike's co, **Modern Engring**, provides engring spt to Detroit's auto cos. He spends much of his time flying world-wide on business pursuits.

Maury Cralle's ltr brought the news of **Tommy Griffin's** ret ceremony in the Hall of Heroes at the Pentagon on 30 Jul. The highlight of the ceremony was Tom pinning his DSM on **Jane**—a touch of cl! Classmates in attendance (not all-inclusive) were **Ken Withers**, **Pete & Ann Verfurth**, **Bob & Kay Sullivan**, **Bill Crites**, **Marty Zimmerman**, **Bob Sorley** and **Jim McNulty**. **Ace Bowman's** ltr finds him & **Mary** happy, tending to their



1956: "The Mud Soldiers" at 35th Reunion

assigned to the 333rd Engr Special Svcs Regt in Ger in 46 and cmded by COL Heath Twichell '18. He had many items and pics of COL Twichell Sr that he hoped to send to **Heath Twichell Jr.** The 333rd Engr Regt was famous for the construction of many Rhine River bridges, including the 100-ton wooden bridge connecting the towns of Mainz and Mainz-Kastel. We located Heath in the wilds of AK, where he was gathering background data for a bk he is writing on the ALCAN Hwy, a project in which his father also played a key role.



1956: Ken Withers, Anne & Pete Verfurth and Kay Sullivan at Tom Griffin's ret ceremony at the Pentagon



1956: Tom & Jane Griffin's ret ceremony at the Pentagon, Jul 91

almond orchards in Merced County, CA and enjoying being grandparents.

They made it down to **Art Evans' x-'56** annual Redondo Beach gathering, join-

ing **Wally Urbach** & his new bride **Nancy, Merrill & Irene Green, Les & Monte McChristian, Joe & Linda Sanders, Jerry & Sammie Kay Skatvold, Bob & Jo Stein** and **Stan Wilker**. Merrill is working for Rockwell Corp, and he & Irene are living in Riverside, CA. Daughter Cheryl resides in SC with two children, Megan and Andrew. Another daughter, Pamela, is a veterinarian at U of PA and a resident in Radiology. Son Gary lives nearby in Riverside and has two children, Jesse and Rebecca. Jerry Skatvold continues his world-wide travel schedule as ch of intl sales for Tiernay Metals and Aerospace Svcs. Wally & Nancy Urbach were married in Nov 90, and Wally ret from Lockheed for the second time in Jul 91. Son Walter III is in real estate in San Diego and recently presented them with a grandson, Walter IV. Daughter Debra works for a sports firm in Aspen, CO, and daughter Connie is a nurse in Arlington, VA, with a 3-yr-old and another on the way.

Received an interesting ltr from an off

It is my sad duty to rep that **Brigitte Salamone, Sal's wife**, passed away in Vahalla, NY, with burial svcs conducted at the WP Cem on 14 Aug. With Sal at WP were his son, CPT Christian Salamone, daughter Dina & John Riveroso and grandchildren. Classmates attending were **John Snodgrass, Gerry Richardson, Farrell & Nancy Patrick, Peggy Bahnsen** and **Jim Anderson**. Sal had his entire family at the reunion, and it was grand to meet them all.

Key date to remember: 15 Jan 92—CI luncheon, 1130 hrs at the Ft McNair Off Club.

This col is being written in early Oct covering news received since 7 Aug 91. When you receive this issue, my next deadline will be 14 Feb (Valentine's Day)!

RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTIONS, FOR THE BEST IS YET TO COME!!!

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It is with deep regret that I rep the death of **Tom Garigan**. Tom was diagnosed about 3 mos ago with an inoperable brain tumor stemming from lung cancer. His condition seemed to improve some after radiation treatments at WRAMC, and he was able to spend most of the last two mos at home. He entered the Hospice of N VA after his condition deteriorated last wk and died on Fri, 18 Oct 91. There was a Mass and memorial



1956: Wally Urbach, Stan Wilker and Joe Sanders at Art Evans' Redondo Beach summer party, Jul 91



1956: Bob Sullivan, Bill Crites, Marty Zimmerman and Bob Sorley at Tom Griffin's ret ceremony



1957: '57—with all faces visible



1957: Gerry Galloway, Tom & Betty Adcock, Shelley Hatch, Nora Whalen, Hank Hatch and Don Whalen

svc at Ft Myer on 24 Oct, attended by most of our classmates in the area, and he was buried at Arlington with full mil honors. On behalf of the Cl I extend our sincere condolences to **Catherine**, to their children, Tom and Margaret, and to the other mbrs of Tom's family.

Two more of our classmates left the active-duty rolls in Oct as **Ed Soyster** and **Dick Stephenson** ret. Dick has already gone to work as the VP for Opns at DYNACORP. Ed ret from his asgmt as director, DIA and was commended for his outstanding job of keeping everybody, including the Pres, informed about the Gulf. He had been in the intel business for about the last 10 yrs, to include a tour as the CG of the USA Intel and Security Cmd. Dick ret as CG, USA OPTEC, and was commended for having developed much of the materiel used in the Gulf. Dick was CG of AVSCOM when they developed the helicopters that did so well in the Gulf. We had a good turnout, a beautiful day, and a grand joint reception. I have to note one person at the ceremony because he was my co cmdr firstie yr: **Mike Houser**, who it turns out has been living in the area for the last 20 yrs but never came to any of our functions. Talk about a long-lost soul. **Nick Monaco** sent a pic he took at **Carl Vuono's** ret; Carl did not actually wear the '57 button during the ceremony.

Nick also sent a gp photo taken at our last Pentagon luncheon with Carl. This time you can see all the faces. How many you can identify?

Saw **Len Wishart** recently; he *did* ret on 1 Oct. Have a happy ret, Len, and let me know what you're doing.

Got a ltr from **Tom Adcock** with a zillion pics taken at WP. He & **Betty**,



1957: Carl & Pat Vuono at ret reception

Hank & Shelley Hatch, and **Nora & Don Whalen** were visiting with **Gerry & Diane Galloway** for a wkend of fun, frolic and football.

They watched Army come from behind to beat Harvard by one pt. According to Tom, the weather was great. Hope we can say the same next yr for our reunion. **Bill Cudmore** suggested that I remind everyone that the 35th reunion will be 24–27 Sep 92. Included are a few of the pics so you can see how happy everyone was to see Army win. Others who were at the game included **Fred Smith**, **Ed Kielkopf** & his wife, and **Carolyn Gaspard**. **John Bloomfield** sent a ltr with a pic of himself on **Bernie Tullington's** boat, and there's a story behind it. Bernie invited John and Clark Hampton, an ex K-1 classmate, for a fabulous wk-long sailing vacation in the Chesa-

peake Bay crewing his spacious yacht, the *Joan Oh*. John learned an important lesson from this adventure. I quote: "... never make friends with anyone who owns a boat less than 42 ft long. Bernie's incredibly small boat could reach speeds of almost two knots. ... Our goal was to reach Tangier Isl 3 days later. We never made it. The incoming tide combined with a lack of wind, and we actually moved backwards. A storm came up and we made for the closest land. Unfortunately, we did not make it and were forced to anchor in the bay to ride out the storm. The wind rose to 30 knots and the waves hit 5 ft. By this time the crew, Clark and I, put on T-shirts on which we had printed 'It sounded like a good idea at the time.'" If Bernie invites you for a trip, John suggests that you first stuff yourself and two other classmates in a VW bug and drive around your backyard for 3 days at 2 mi an hr while dressing, undressing, eating and sleeping. Then put an alcohol stove in the glove compartment and memorize 32 steps to get it started. Now I'm waiting for Bernie's version of the trip.



1957: Bernie Tullington (behind camera) and John Bloomfield on the *Joan Oh*

John did meet Bernie for a wk of golf at Hilton Head, and they had a reunion



1957: Ray Bell, Don Whalen, Hank Hatch, Mac McCullum, Tim Murchison, Gerry Galloway, Bruce Turnbull and Tom Adcock

there with **Bob Dagle**. Bob has been building homes on Hilton Head for the last 15 yrs and is scheduled to build **Bruce & Jeri Turnbull's** ret dream house. To put living at HH in perspective, Bob is patiently waiting his turn as an off of the local WP Soc, but the offs seem to go by seniority and are currently occupied by mbrs of the CI of '46. For those who know Clark, he recently ret as VP and GM of Hilliard Chemical Co of St Joseph, MO, a post he assumed after completing plebe yr and marrying **Nancy Hilliard**. He now has a commercial pilot rating, owns two aircraft (one a twin-engine) and is in the air charter business. **Bill Cudmore** sent a long ltr describing the bash at the home of **Jon & Sid Bokovoy**. Bill also answered a question about his grandson's name. Margaret's son, Erik Indvik, married Wendy Poor, and hence the grandson's name, Will Poor Indvik. A very simple explanation. Margaret's other son Kurt & Rebecca next had a daughter (29 Aug), Celeste Danielle Indvik, making Bill & Margaret the proud grandparents of 8 grandchildren. Is that the CI record? Send your claims to me as soon as you can get your kids to cooperate. Margaret had her second hip replacement in Jun and went out and played golf last wk. The grandkids call her the "bionic grandmother."

Bill started the ltr before the **Bokovoy** party and enclosed a copy of the invitation. It cost him \$1.45 to mail it to me, which should give you some idea of how big it is. It is in the form of 5-paragraph Field Order, complete with annexes (list of classmates in the area and map to the party location). Take my word for it, it's



1957: Jeri & Bruce Turnbull



1957: Tim Murchison and Mac & Berta McCullum

really great. I will quote the first line from the Situation paragraph, however, just to show the power of the press. It reads, "A. Defamation for lack of social interaction of the highest order was published classwide in the Jul 91 ASSEMBLY." Anyone wanting a copy of the complete invitation should send stamps and an address. Actually, I overstated the postage. The envelope also contained a Match Contest book which

asked the party attendees to match individuals (16) to their *Howitzer* write-ups. Super idea! Bill said that **Sid** and **Jon** did themselves proud. As Jon said, "It takes us farm boys a little longer to get things done, but we get it done right." The following info was collected at the party. **Dick Bone** and Jon rep to the gp on their trip with **George Kilishek** (George flew them up) to **Wally Summers'** picnic. There are pics taken at the picnic in the col, courtesy of **John Loberg**. After landing, they got a car and drove until they ran out of paved road before they got to the dirt road leading to **Wally's** ranch. It's hard to believe that you can run out of paved road in CA. **Jack Farris** is having an exciting time as the pres of AF Vil W at March AFB. All of the owners are experts at something and let Jack know it. They are a very lively crowd, like the 80+-yr-old ret Navy man who smiled all through his trip to HI with his girlfriend. He & **Nina** also get to travel a lot, courtesy of their daughter who works for AA. **John & Susanne McClanahan** are in the process of remodeling their house, and Susanne took the opportunity to point out to John how neat Jon's garage and workbench were. If any of you have a similar problem with your wives, come look at my garage, workbench and desk—they'll never complain about your area again. On the way to the party, Bill stopped behind a red jeep at a light, and the jeep started to roll backwards. Bill honked to wake the driver up, and it turned out to be **John McSpadden**, who was trying to decipher the directions to the Bokovoys. Karen was unable to make it to the party. John was working for Flying Tiger Airlines until they were purchased by Fed Express, at which time he chose to go to work for Electronics Data Systems rather than move to Memphis. EDS does computerized flight planning for 70 airlines, and John actually commutes 136 mi a day between his home in Riverside and work. I would have moved to Memphis.

Jim & Mary Lou Russell mentioned that Pres Bush's new missile and nuclear weapon initiative may result in considerable job loss at TRW, including his. They will be going to the CS reunion, which will give them the opportunity to visit son Ryan, who is getting his degree in pharmacy at CO U. Son Craig is in business for himself, teaching computer networking. Jim, you can always work for him. **Craig Smyser** was without **Glenda** because she was on call—she directs the operating rm nursing staffs at two hosps. Craig Jr, a USAFA grad, is an instructor pilot in the B1B program at Wichita, KS, & his wife, who is also a USAFA grad, is the dir of Maintenance in a comm sqdn there. They have a son Christopher, and no doubt he'll also be a USAFA grad someday. Daughter Robyn is a teacher in Chino, CA and son Scott is



1957: George Kilishek, Whit Hall, Rick & Mary Tonda, Howie & Phyllis Haupt, John & Gail Loberg, Homer Johnstone, Pat & Wally Summers (on knees), Jon Bokovoy and Dick Bone

about to break Craig's bank by entering USC. About a yr ago Bill rep that **Tommy Thompson** was not elected to the bd of the Orange Co WP Soc because he voted for **Bokovoy** instead of himself. Well, his virtue has been rewarded, and he was appointed to fill an unexpired term, giving '57 two seats on the bd. Tommy & Janet are now grandparents, courtesy of son Mike & Kathy. Jon & Sid had sent out 16 invites and gotten 15 responses. The lone non-respondent arrived as everyone else was leaving. Bill also sent me a copy of a ltr he got from the USMA DIA, thanking him for pointing out an error in the Army Annual. Seems that a claim was made that the current First CPT was only the 10th also to be a ltr-winner. The no is actually 53. For Civ War buffs, he included info about a calendar put out by the Historical Soc of Medford, MA, which has extremely good pics. If you're interested, drop me a line. Bill also mentioned that he ran into **Bruce Stout**, who lives a few houses away from Bill's daughter Signe, in Encinitas, CA. Bruce called me recently and mentioned he had seen Bill. Small world. Bruce is a space systems engr with GD and says all is well. Bruce & Tamzin will be at CS, and so, after some reconsideration, will the Cudmores. Bill, thanks for a great ltr.

Got a ltr from **John Loberg**, complete with pics, of the picnic at **Wally Summer's** ranch.

Howie & Phyllis Haupt are in the teaching business. Howie left financial planning so that he could enjoy "normal" hrs. Son #3 grad from UC Santa Barbara this Jun, and the Haupts are enjoying their new wealth. They suggest you all stay in your home states because



1957: Homer Johnstone, Wally Summers, Whit Hall and Jon Bokovoy "telling Wally how to build it"

CA is crowded, polluted, has earthquakes, fires and mudslides. Sure! **Dick Bone** noted that the picnic was a lot like the Plebe Hike, but more fun. The ranch is a fantastic spread and the hospitality of the people who own it is incomparable. **George Kilishek**, who flew them to the party in his plane, rep that his son Doug is the mgr of a Toys-R-Us store in Dublin, CA. Son Tom is a sr at Irvine HS focused on engring. **Tommy Thompson** is mgr of a gp working on the space station at McDD in Long Beach. **Jon Bokovoy** mentioned the really important thing in his life: two grandchildren. **Whit Hall** said that next summer the '57 contingent will assemble at the qtrs of **Joe Shimek** in Monterey. Joe's place was selected because he missed this yr's party to take bagpipe lessons. It will be on the 3d Sat of Jun 92, and you're all invited. According to John, Wally's place was the site of this yr's picnic because he didn't attend the last Founders Day. It's obviously not wise, if you live anywhere

in CA, to miss a '57 CI party. Other people who attended were **Rick & Mary Tonda** and **Homer Johnstone**. **Charlie Meng**, who helped plan the event, was absent. The food (lamb-roast and fresh salmon), the place, the people and esp the hospitality were superb. Thank you, John, for another entertaining report. It seems that the CA crowd parties quite a bit.

Got a call from **Warne Mead**. He lives near Ft Bragg and is a VP with Primerica Financial; he says it's the biggest in the world. He mentioned that **Jim McGill** has a farm near Clinton and is into hog raising—big time. Speaking of calls, **Jack McDaniel** called some time back to get the location of **Joe Ouiros**. Jack has been consulting for about a yr for a British firm building affordable housing on the Turks and Cages Isles in the Carribean, about 600 mi S of Miami. He was involved in developments in the US and Europe for 20 yrs as an exec VP with ITT Levett but decided to go where the weather is warmer. That's it for now. I hope that my next col will be able to rep on the reunion in CS.

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Col 67. Unfortunately, this col begins with the sad news you first read on the inside back cover of the Nov *ASSEMBLY*: **Roy Kirkpatrick** lost his last battle on 26 Aug 91. The following is quoted from **Dick Bauchspies'** ltr:

"**Roy** fought like hell to stay with us, but there was too much damage to his heart. As I said on the card I sent with flowers from the WP Soc of RI, 'Now that your work is done, it can be said, Well Done, Roy; Be Thou at Peace.' We've lost a great classmate, friend, father and soldier.

"The funeral was at St Mary's Episcopal Church here in Portsmouth on 29 Aug. Jack Vickers '57 and I were honorary pallbearers. Additional WP'ers at the svc were COL Tommy Thompson '36, USA-Ret; MG Andy Low '42, USAF-Ret; BG Jack Burney '46, USA-Ret; and COL Ted Bierman '60, USMC-Ret. Cmdr Marshall Lundberg, USN-Ret, did a splendid job highlighting **Roy's** life. It was moving, to the pt, and well-received. Roy received full mil honors. He rests in the St Mary's churchyard.

"**Lorna**, Jennifer and Elizabeth held up extremely well through the svc. They have had a full plate with **Roy's** extended hospitalization and heart problems. Roy had two children by his first wife, son Roy F Kirkpatrick and daughter Melissa Carter.

Thanks, Dick, for all your efforts to help **Roy & Lorna** during his hospitalization. Condolences and best wishes

from all of us to Lorna & Roy's 4 children.

Next item is promised pics from the ret ceremony for **Dick Graves** at III US Corps on 20 Jun—one of classmates and another of wives.



1958: Wentworth, Dick Graves, Tuttle, Densford, Linc Jones and Sibert



1958: Patsy Densford, Ann Jones, Bev Graves, Pat Mayer and JoAnne Wentworth

At this pt I must confess to being overwhelmed. Three pp were returned from the last submission (too long) and the material will appear in this one. In addition to that I had info from another 25 which was listed as pending (the list was cut as well). With a little bit of luck, about the time you receive the Jan 92 **ASSEMBLY** with this col in mid-Dec you will also receive a ltr from your Exec Cmte Chm **George Lawton** with a "catch-up" or extra col to get your scribe out of info debt.

THANK YOU to **Jack Tierney** and **Buck Griffin** for the 91 Mini Reunion at S Padre Isl.



1958: 91 Mini organizers Tierney and Griffin, flanking Sibert



1958: A2 files at 91 Mini: (kneeling) McCullough, Roberts, Tom Morgan; (standing) Densford, Kosmider, Bradley, Hansult, Buckalew and Raign

Special recognition goes to Co A2 for winning the attendance sweepstakes for the second consecutive yr. Last yr at Bar Harbor they numbered 5; this yr they accounted for 9 of the 32 total—over 25%!

Here's the roll call (by USCC Co) and some photos: A1 **Jim & Marilyn Sigler**; B1 **Buck & Charlotte Griffin**; C1 **Charlie & Janice Bond** and **Jack & Marie Tierney**; D1 **Ernie Hasselbrink**; E1 **Sam & Leslie Myers**; F1 **Jerry & Faye Cook**; G1 **Andy & 'J' Andreson**, **Glenn & Polly Bugay** and **Bill & Carol Kelley**; H1 **George & Gale Robertson**; K1 **John & Gale Buchanan** and **Tom & Barbara Sands**; M1 **Jack & Arlene Halsey**.

2d Regt: A2 **John Bradley** and son **John**; **Dick & Amy Buckalew**, **Chuck & Patsy Densford**, **Chuck & Celia Hansult**, **Gary & Mary Kosmider**, **Don & Margaret Mary McCullough**, **Tom & Grace Morgan**, **Phil & Steffie Raign** and **Jim & Esther Roberts**; D2 (another special mention here for **Dick & Joyce Mollicone '47** who came with the Hansults, were good sports to put up with a bunch of plebes, and did yeoman svc as our "official" mini-reunion photographer); E2 **Bud & Virginia Davenport** and **Bill & Barbara Wafer**; G2 **George & Mary Jane Lawton**; H2 **Lou Prime** and fiancée **Nancy Yates** and **George & Judy Sibert**; I2 **Stan & Jill Bacon**; L2 **Ron & Karin Hudson**; M2 **Bob & Barbara Hayden** and **John Rave**.

Special recognition to the 7 classmates who came to their **FIRST** reunion: **Charlie Bond**, **Glenn Bugay**, **Bud Davenport**, **Bob Hayden**, **Gary Kosmider**, **Phil Raign** and **Bill Wafer**! Congratulations. Just follow the example of **Lou Prime**, who

made his **FIRST** reunion at Palm Spr in 89 and was back again in 91.



1958: First-time reunion attendee Bob Hayden with Jim Sigler

Kudos to our troubadours **Pancho Myers** and **Pepe Bacon**, who did the honors with songs in Spanish on Sat night.

And now to the stuff cut from col 66. **Ch Lawton** sent ltrs to classmates who still own \$\$ for the reunion bk or postage. **John Stone** sent the first pg of the 61st col which read in part, "Congratulations on your efficient—and hopefully effective—dunning notice/reminder about postage on the Reunion Bk." John sent his \$5 for postage in summer 90. So much for my accuracy. Hope my public apology to John will suffice and he will not engage **Glenn Hall**, atty for some dunned twice, such as **Dick Osborn**.

From **Kay Lou Tomlinson**: "We thought we paid for the Reunion Bk in the advance when we paid for everything else (aside: no, payments were separate). We are in the process of a move with records here (Cherry Hill, NJ) and in AL. I am enclosing \$40 in case



1958: A2 Drags: (kneeling) Margaret Mary McCullough, Patsy Densford; (standing) Esther Roberts, Mary Kosmider, Celia Hansult, Amy Buckalew and Grace Morgan



1958: Troubadours Sam Myers and Stan Bacon

we didn't, but expect a refund if I find out later when I'm able to check the records. Confusing? Ray is working hard on ARCAS—down to the wire now. Final negotiations next wk, but not awarded until Oct. Think positive. We've bought Army football tickets—one good thing about moving up here. Come join us for a wkend."

Pete Groh writes, "Sorry this is late. The extra \$5 is for interest I must owe on this tardy acct." Thanks, Pete; proceeds will go into the CI checking or operating acct.

Paul Vanture's note with his \$5: "George, your address brings back old memories to me. I grew up on N Monroe St just off Wilson Blvd." Now, Paul lives in Portland, OR.

And from **Sam Collins**: "Have been in



1958: Arlene & Jack Halsey on mini-reunion mini-cruise

DC-VA area several times this yr to visit my mother at the Fairfax ret home and WRAMC. Sorry I haven't made contact with you."

Paul Bons sent check with note: "George Lawton tells me I owe you \$5 for something. Sorry to be tardy." Scribe is thankful for the payment from Paul Bons and others, but does wish some had been more forthcoming with news!

Pete Young added a note, "Sorry for being remiss in this."

Joe Shea wrote from CO Spr that he didn't pick up a bk at Reunion (thought he was on my sign-up list—sent it to him to check out the name), but wanted a bk, so mailed him one with a note that the new, reduced 91 clearance price is \$25, as advertised in the last col.

Dan Charlton wrote, "Ah, I love it! Being a renowned procrastinator, I am doubly pleased. Enclosed is blurb from the *Wash Monthly* on Mike Dugan." The encl was a ltr to the ed which reads in part, "When Dick Cheney fired AF CofS Michael Dugan last fall, the press was

remarkably incurious as to whether or not we were losing a good man. In fact, the remarks that got Dugan fired included some of the most prescient analysis I've seen of what would be the key factors in the war.

"(Iraq's) AF has very limited capability. . . . They did not distinguish themselves in the war against Iran. . . . Iraq's (Army) is incompetent. Ground forces may be needed to reoccupy Kuwait, but only after air power has so shattered enemy resistance that soldiers can walk in and not have to fight house-to-house.' Does this sound somewhat familiar—like maybe exactly how things worked out?" The ltr writer was not identified in the clip Dan sent.

Clyde Brown sent \$25 for a discounted bk. "Thanks for this once-in-a-lifetime offer. I ret in Jul 88 and now hold the position of VP-Mil/Congressional Liaison, Lawton Chamber of Commerce. Ethel & I are well and happy."

Another H2 file, **Joe DeChant**: "This is a new address for the same old house. House nos have come to rural NH. I may have to move further N. Second grandchild arrived just before Christmas—this time a girl. We just met last mo (Jun). And what a girl! My 2LT Arm nephew was in the desert. He had a good seat—tank cmdr of a lead tank, 1st Inf Div. He called me from WA when he got home to render his after-action rep. It was better than CNN. Actually, I wasn't waiting for the price to go down, I was hoping for an enclosed, self-addressed envelope. I do very little these days unless I get an 800 no or a self-addressed envelope. Don't like paperwork."

Jay Tirre sent a note: "My father enjoys your col. Now 83, he reminisces Plebe Yr get-togethers at the Thayer and adds his good wishes to mine. No grandchildren as yet, but 5 sons and a daughter promise they'll try. Lois & I are looking forward to the second ret soon."

Jack Peters sent \$25 and "No news, George; sorry 'bout that." A bit more info from **Ash Haynes**: "The address in Paso Robles was only good for a couple of yrs; until last Nov, I was working with PRC as the ch engr in spt of Test and Experimentation Ctr at Ft Hunter Liggett. After 7 yrs at Vandenburg AFB working for Martin-Marietta and Grumman preparing for the Space Shuttle, the Challenger mishappened, the USAF went back to expendables, and I ended up back with an element of TCATA."

Just realized I am out of space. Unreported is info (ltrs or calls) from **Ed Ofgant**, **Mrs Walker (George's mother)**, **Gay Brown**, **Mel Drisko**, **Frank Franks** (provided **Roy Kirkpatrick's** hosp address for cards and has been drafted subsequently by Obit OIC **Tom Claffey** to work on Roy's obit for *ASSEMBLY*), **John Shetler**, **Bob Hayden**, **Rich Clements**, **Bill Shepherd (B1)**, **Bob D'Amore**,

John George, Bob McCann, Tom (TK) Smith, Bill Harrison and Bill Serchak (he & Edna took AOG tour to Russia).



1958: Bill & Edna Mae Serchak on AOG trip to USSR, 90

And more to come from **Chuck Densford** (who organized the A2 turnout at S Padre Isl; also organized an infamous dinner of cheapskates who didn't want to pay \$40 for Sat Mexican dinner—the protest dinner was known as the "Shrimps Dinner"). Three A2 files were joined by **Andy & J Andreson** (Andy is now know as "King of the Shrimps"), **John Palmer**, **Jim Ryan**, **Gerry Schurtz** (he & **Bonnie** had front-row seats for Gulf fireworks in Riyadh), **Bob Melott** (who was coming to S Padre Isl—a first-time reunion attendee, but sadly he cancelled out and will get first-time recognition another day), **Dick Trabert** and **Mike Riordan**. Three recent DC lunches; out-of-towners in Aug were **Butch Saint**, **John Kubiak**, and **Jim Ramsden**. More from **Larry Bullis** and from **Gene Scales**.

If you did not hear from **Bob Pointer** via ltr in Nov, you are not on his mailing list for the 92 Mini in Thailand; contact Bob at 518-785-2408 or by FAX 518-785-2127.

Garry Roosma is already working on the 35th Reunion at WP. Mark your calendars now for the wkend of 2 Oct 93 and the U of Akron football game.

Next year, DC luncheons will be held on Wed to make it easier for out-of-town classmates on business travel to attend. Three of the luncheons will be held in conjunction with other events: Navy League on Wed, 15 Apr 92, AF Assoc on Wed, 16 Sep 92 and AUSA on Wed, 14 Oct 92 (with '57 again). When in/near DC, call your CCQ or someone to see whether we have something going on.

Lost and Found. All living classmates are found! Final hard-core lost were: **Don Forney G2** in Rochester, NY; **Ron Short C2** in Edinburg, VA; and **Larry Shull M1** in ??, NC. Their CCQs have the addresses.



1958: DC swimming party, Jun 91

I promise to catch-up via the "extra" col with **Lawton's** Dec epistle.

'59

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Sorry to rep that **Jerry Lhotak** died on 17 Sep in Maylene, AL where, I understand, a memorial svc and burial took place. The CI offers its sincere condolences to **Ellen** and to his family and friends. **Ellen's** address is PO Box 132, Maylene, AL 35114.

The WP Soc of DC hosted its fall luncheon at the Ft Myer O'Club on 25 Sep. **Fred Franks** was the honored guest and spoke of his pride and confidence in the young men and women he cmded in Desert Storm and those now under his charge in TRADOC. He stressed how the quality of his soldiers and the thoroughness of their tng combined to keep people alive and get the mission accomplished in the desert. Soc Pres **Willard Scott '48** remarked that Fred never mentioned the vaunted hi-tech equipment used in the Gulf War.

The CI turned out to hear **Fred** speak. **Bill Rowe** and **Monk Hilliard** were down from Carlisle, PA; **Jim Walsh** was in from



1959: Fred Franks speaks to the WP Soc of DC about Desert Storm

Boonsboro, MD; and **Lee Bell** had driven down from Baltimore. Locals included **Beurket**, **Boyle**, **Coreth**, **Enright**, **Fried**, **Gibbs**, **Griffin**, **Harle**, **Lidy**, **McConnville**, **Novogratz**, **Jack O'Brien**, **Bruce Porter**, **Robinson**, **Rothblum**, **Socks**, **Stadler**, **Weekley**, **Welch**, **Wilson** and **Wosicki**.



1959: Tory Harle and Dick Rothblum at WP Soc of DC luncheon

Jack O'Brien and I chatted over lunch, and the talk turned to his recent visit to Seattle where he had seen the **Wilmoths**. **Fred & Cindy** have a lovely house on a slope overlooking Lake Washington—an intoxicating view, according to Jack. He rep that **Claire Wilmoth**, now 10, has inherited her father's athletic ability and is a good basketball player.



1959: FEMA Dir Wallace Stickney (at right) presents award to Monk Hilliard

Monk Hilliard, in a recent ceremony in DC, was presented the Fed Emergency Mgt Agency (FEMA) Outstanding Public Svc Award in recognition of "his exceptional leadership in the devel and expansion of the Radiological Protection Sys throughout the State of PA." Monk is the first State Radiological off to receive this award. He manages a cadre of over 4,000 trained vol radiological personnel and oversees the maintenance of 150,000 radiological instruments. Monk's off is at the state capitol in Har-

risburg, and he invites anyone to stop by for a visit to his emergency ops ctr, which has become a model for the whole country. Congratulations, Monk.

Chris & Linda Lawrence are in Olathe, KS, a far suburb of Kansas City, where Chris is administrator of the RL Smith Research Ctr at KU Med Ctr. Both are still very much the horse enthusiasts. Chris travels the competitive trail-riding circuit and was hoping to compete in the Intl Arabian Horse Assoc natl championship ride in AR this Nov. Linda has a new young horse that she is tng in dressage—"a long-term tng effort," says Chris, and the horse should develop into a superstar in a couple of yrs.



1959: Wosicki, Wilson and Enright at WP Soc of DC luncheon

Their daughter, 1LT **Lisa Lawrence Gilliam, RN**, was in Desert Storm with the 86th Med Evac Hosp; and her then-fiancé was with the 10th MASH. They are both now back at Fitzsimmons AH working in pediatrics. The wedding was at the Fitzsimmons Post Chapel on 18 May, and the chaplain who performed the ceremony was the same one (now ret) who officiated at **Chris & Linda's** wedding in 60. Lisa is on the CPT list, but Chris notes that in today's Army promotion is very slow. Isn't there a song about that?

Carl Weaver, who lives with **Ann** in Dumfries, VA, is an avid toy train collector and has written a bk about it. The second edition of *Model Railroading with Maerklin HO* is due to be released this Feb by Greenberg (Kalmbach) Publications of Sykesville, MD. There will be a 16-pp color spread of Carl's own layout, which also will be featured in the Feb 92 issue of *Model Railroader* mag. It was already featured in *Continental Modeller* in England a couple of yrs ago.

Carl has recently started selling off his collection to accommodate his new enthusiasm for live-steam locomotives, which he is accumulating for a future garden railway. Toot, toot! Much to the delight of his granddaughter, he recently tested one in his living room. **Ann** was happy he didn't set the house on fire.

Carl has been writing tech articles for *Maerklin Hot Tracks* for the past 4 yrs.



1959: The group from A-1 at WP Soc of DC luncheon: Rowe, Coreth, Walsh, Enright, Hilliard and Beurket

He says they don't pay well, but they pay. He also has written 3 short stories published in England in 87 and by St Martin's Press (NY) two yrs ago. The title is *Life on the Line*, by Phillip Chinnery, and it can still be found in paperback. Two of the stories were printed in *British AF* mag in 89. He points out that he was a goat in English.

After a 14-yr layoff, **Carl** is flying again. He bores holes in the sky out of Fredericksburg, VA in a Piper Archer. He's been taking people on joyrides, short hops, etc. He'll take anyone up who will share the cost of the plane.

Jerry Aamodt has been varsity soccer coach at Utica (MI) HS for the past 4 yrs, and he is pres of the Detroit Chapter of AUSA. He has been with Tectron Lycoprom for 12 yrs and is presently mgr of the Detroit off. He & **Patricia** live in Wash, MI and have two boys. Stephen (18) entered GMI in Flint, MI and is studying ME; Eric (15) attends Eisenhower HS in Utica.

Clay Abrams sends greetings from



1959: Weekley, McConville and Welch at WP Soc of DC luncheon

Lawton, OK, where he says one of life's little pleasures is watching the local news and **Jan Stratton**, **Tom Soli's** ex, who is doing a great job as anchorperson. He notes that **Hank Larsen** settled there and opened a restaurant called "Calico County." **Tony Pokorny**, who sold his consulting business there but has remained as CEO, does beltway bandit stuff as well as some work for the city and others.

Clay himself ret from civ svc in Nov, rounding out 35 yrs in all for Uncle Sam. He takes paralegal courses, does vol work at the local legal aid off and says he has no idea where it all may lead. He has two grandchildren by his daughter, Crystal, a kindergarten teacher. His son Scott is a 3d-yr law student at U of San Fran.

Nancie Weber writes that **Paul** is a product-line mktg mgr with TRW's space and tech gp. His focus is A-N satellite programs (light sats), and he loves it. Given the current dicey state of the aerospace game, they are scouting ret options in S CA. Paul wants golf and



1959: Fred Franks and the CI contingent at the WP Soc of DC luncheon

Nancie likes water. Alas, the coast is pricey, says Nancie, so they are looking inland, around Fallbrook and Canyon Lake.

The **Weber** boys are in Dallas, both still single. **Matt** (28) is back on course educationally, pursuing a computer engraving technology BS at DeVry Inst. **Dennis** (26) works the ad end of *TX Lawyer*, a Time-Warner weekly prof paper. He has, thanks to the economic woes in TX, picked up a nothing-down bank foreclosure half-duplex in Coppell.

The photo of **Paul** with **Denny Walter** and **Dave Whitmore** came with Nancie's ltr. **Denny & Yvette** have gone to Palm Bay, FL. Their younger son **Phillip** went to Saudi with his Res MP unit and is back awaiting selection for FL's police acad. **Dave Whitmore** is winding up his assoc with IBM and will ret from his position with Saudi Business Machines at Al Khobar before the end of the yr. **Dave & Magdalena** are considering parlaying their savvy in gemology into a for-profit ret enterprise that will also serve their global wanderlust. Last heard from, they were considering Las Vegas as a base of opns.



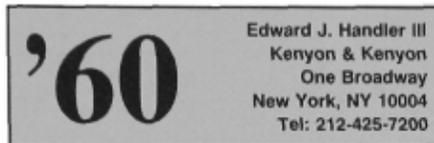
1959: Dennis Walter, Dave Whitmore and Paul Weber

When **Walt & Judy Wosicki** settled in Fairfax, VA for a Pentagon asgmt 20 yrs ago, they still had their eyes on CA for final ret. After all these yrs, though, they have come to love VA, so they have probably settled in for good. **Walt** is with **Martin Marietta**, where he develops business opportunities for their Army programs, particularly those related to helicopter electro-optical fire control. **Judy** started a floral business in Fairfax 4 yrs ago, and it has blossomed into a two-vehicle, 15-employee enterprise that provides all the floral needs of **George Mason U** and the **Mobil Oil Corps Hqs**.

The **Wosickis** have 3 children, all of whom, says **Walt**, are well-adjusted and able to get along on their own two feet. **David** (30) is in commerical constr in LA. **Carrie** (29) is in **Rosslyn, VA** and does advertising for **American Gas Assoc**. **Kimberly** (24) is in law sch at **Catholic U** in DC. Many thanks to **Walt** for the update.

Phil Gibbs still has 30th Reunion bks available for the price of \$50. Send him a check at 7903 Carrousel Court, Annandale, VA 22003. To ask for credit, call him at his off: 703-847-9660. For fastest svc, call 703-698-7317 (his home no).

Some short takes. **Tom Russell** rep seeing **Fred Malek**, **Joe Sullivan** and **Ron Pistone** (whose son is a cow) at **Michie Stadium** for the NC game in Sep. **Larry Minnich**, CCQ for I-1, advises that the recent list of CI lawyers in this space was short **Dick Roberts**, U of TX '65, who is now VP and Gen Counsel for Commonwealth Land Title in Dallas.



Recently received a news release stating **BG (Ret) Michael L. Ferguson** was appointed by the Gov of FL to serve on the bd of trustees for the **Historic Pensacola Preservation Bd** for a 4-yr term. **Mike** is currently practicing law with the Pensacola firm of **Smith, Sauer, DeMarria, Pugh and Johnson**.

John Denton wrote that on 6 Oct, **Ed Walczak**, Co M-2, died in **Georgetown Hosp** of multiple myeloma, a cancer of the bone marrow which was diagnosed two mos ago. **Ed** leaves **Kathleen** and two very young children, **Mary Katherine** and **Rosemarie**. They reside in the **Wash, DC** area. If you have any other questions, please feel free to call **John Denton** directly at 718-657-4840.

Gene Brisach wrote about B-2 guys. **John Davidson** remains with **Rockwell**, having ret from the AF. He, **Lusky**, **Giacoppe** and **Gene** had dinner together

at **George's** place in **Huntington Beach, CA** some time back. That's where the pics of **Lusky** and **Giacoppe** that appeared in the yrbk were taken. **Gene** mentioned that anyone who wants a copy of the bk can send him \$63 (includes \$3 for mailing) addressed to **COL E M Brisach, USA (Ret)**, 5626 **Bellington Ave**, **Springfield, VA 22151-2703**, and he will send you one. DC gp advises that **Gene** may soon head to **FL** for greener pastures. In this day and age one avoids phrases like "more fertile fields" or "greener valleys" (with apologies to **Mrs Calabash** of **Jimmy Durante** fame), but know he'll find happiness there.

George Finley, after more than 22 yrs as a mil off, turned his former hobby of art into his profession. Encouraged by the great success of his many exhibits throughout Europe, he now has a studio in **Gnadental, Ger**. In the Army he is well-known for his series of caricatures depicting mil branches and activities. Since his ret he has concentrated on doing watercolors, pastels, drawings and etchings of European scenes. **George** visited the US last wk and displayed his works of the "Global Village" at The **Union League Club, NY**, courtesy of the scribe. His exhibit, entitled "A Glimpse Of The Old World," during the mo of Oct was well-regarded and included a visit by **GEN & Mrs Galvin**, the **SACEUR**. **Herman Marmon** handled freighting of pix to NYC. In attendance were **Paul Mandry** and **Gerry & Bev Chapman**. **Gerry** is with an **ITT** div in **Nutley, NJ**.

The **Finleys' boys** are both svc-oriented; the older, recently married, is a **LT** in Europe and the younger is an **ROTC** student in **FL** studying enviro engring. Both grad from gymnasium in **Ger**.



1960: Mbrs of '60 at George Finley's exhibit

Cl DC gp was talking about an A-N "pre and/or post-game get-together," I am told. **Maloney** or **Brisach** should provide A/A rep on this.

Wrote to 4 co reps a mo ago for poop, but none arrived. You guys have to send material to be read by others.

Jane & I visited in the Hague with **Sally** & **Mark Lowrey** and had a nice, too-brief visit and a very hospitable and delicious dinner, courtesy of the Lowreys, at a great restaurant. Their daughter, **Liz**, is marrying in Nov at USMA.

Cerjan at 3 stars (D/CinC) and **Hagan** at two stars (USAREUR CofS) are holding down Heidelberg for now. Other stars have not been heard from for a while. **Dick Carnaghi** was at recent Supe's WPSNY talk at "Mama Leone's" in NYC, along with **Maginnis**. New Supe gave a great talk that more grads could appreciate.

'61

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It's mid-Oct, and, as these thoughts go to the word processor, you may have been on the road to our 30th Reunion. Now, in late Dec, as you read the col, other reunions may well be on your mind, such as the ones taking place at this holiday time. Added to those is an annual reunion of sorts during mid Oct in DC, the Assoc of the US Army Convention: **Rod Grannemann** was there, shuttling between home in Salinas, CA and the ancient sands of Persia and Canaan. **Ham Evans** was there too, representing a firm from TX; he & **Anne** have moved from Tampa to Plano, where he has found a very active WP Soc and more of the good life. Also at the convention, **Bill Reno** talked with gps of mid-level Army civs, describing force reductions and their impact on the govt workplace. The photo gallery of Army GOs in the most sr positions pictured **Reno** at DCSPER, **Joulwan** at SOUTH-COM, **Graves** at USMA, **Leland** at JCS J5 and **Glynn Mallory** at CG, 6th Army (he & **Linda** arrived there in Sep immediately after pinning on LTG stars).

Another reunion took place earlier in Oct in Rome, where **Pina** & **Andy Sarzani** provided regal treatment to me and **Donna Krupa**. Following his tour as Army attache, **Andy** ret in 89; they have been living in the eternal city ever since. **Andy** has created a consulting firm that represents several US companies. From time to time, when US dignitaries are in town, the US Embassy calls on him for special translation svc. These pursuits, along with other social activities, have made life very exciting and fulfilling for **Pina** & **Andy**.

And from the Caribbean—**Luke Boeve** sends news that he is presiding over a health and environmental quality co-lo-

cated in Dom Rep; **Gordon Downey** was down there too, renewing some of those old D-2 ties. Back in prim and proper DC, the WP Soc is alive and well, having had a superb luncheon in late Sep; '61 was well-represented by **Bruner**, **Zimmerman** (back in DC for a short TDY from his hqs in St Pete, FL), **Glass**, **DeVries**, **Randall** and **Rosenkranz**.



1961: **Kilkenny**, **Baldwin** and **Windsor** on the Plain for Graves

RECENT PHOTOS: **Byron Baldwin** is standing in front of **Kilkenny** and **Windsor** following the ceremonies when **Graves** took over as Supe last Jul.



1961: **Pres Bush** and **DeVries** bet on who will win the first Presidential Invitational



1961: **DeVries** lets the Pres take the lead

Shortly before **DeVries** ret **Pres Bush** dropped by Ft McNair to give **Paul** one

last chance to prevail in the "500K Presidential Invitational;" being filled with tact right to the end, **Paul** held back to a relaxing 3:30 pace, allowing the Pres to grease by at under 3 per. (Would you really believe that?)

Happy holidays and a great 92!

'62

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Hello again! This will be brief—only a few ltrs—let's go, folks!

Many of you may have been contacted concerning the CI Gift. If not, you will be; please give serious thought to making our project successful. Our gift of a fitness ctr in the Cdt Gym will serve as a great symbol of our CI motto—'62 CAN DO! I understand that upon the recommendation of the "professional" fundraiser we hired to help us, we have settled on a CI participation rate of less than 40% for our fund drive. Well, that may be the experience factor for other schs, but I know we will do better!

Ann Norwood sent along some news which, unfortunately, contained a sad note. **Jim Krause** lost his beloved **Esther** to cancer last Oct. **Jim** and his daughter are still in HI (806 Wanaao Rd, Kailua, HI 96734) and his son is in college on the mainland.



1962: **Marv** & **Ann Norwood** with daughter **Lori**, on the occasion of **Lori's** being named "Amateur Female Athlete of 1990" for USA

At the time **Ann** wrote, they were preparing for daughter **Kelly's** Aug wedding in Corpus Christi. Quoting **Ann**, "Three down, two to go!" The baby, **Amy**, will leave for England to attend U of Norwich, and mom & dad hope to take a vacation abroad. **Marv** is still city mgr, and every time he is a finalist for another city, the city council ups the ante, so they remain in Woodway, TX.

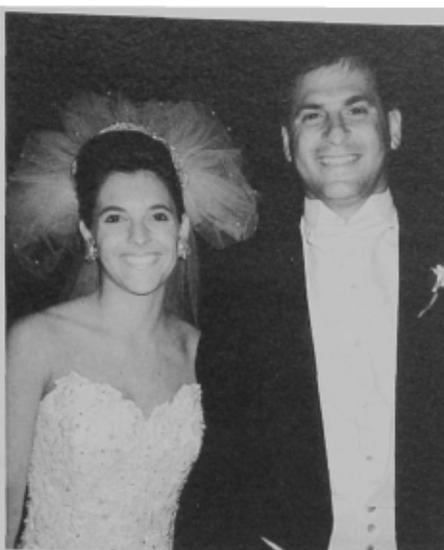
A company-mate, **Larry Waters** began his ltr, "... you could say that I have been writing this ltr for the past 29 yrs and am just getting around to mailing it." That's OK, **Larry**, I'll take 'em no matter how old. **Larry** & **Jane** are, like many of us, enjoying the second phase of their lives now that the children have grown.



1962: "Gramps" Norwood with granddaughter Hannah

Larry continues with Scott and Stringfellow Investment Corp in the Norfolk but resides in the VA Beach area. His financial newsltr has been successful and even makes it to the White House and to Wall Street. To this Larry adds, "... I was a goat in English." When not managing money, he works to keep his golf handicap around 12. Larry & Jane took on a son-in-law when oldest daughter Teri married on 8 Jun. Teri grad from Meredith Col & Steve Pantelakos is a 4th-yr resident at Bowman Grey Hosp, Winston-Salem. Youngest daughter, Wendy Sue, grad from Elon Col and works in Raleigh, NC.

Bill Daugherty writes from Ft Leavenworth that he is the last '62 COL there. He is, as the Dep Cmdt/CofS of CGSC,



1962: Norwood's daughter Teri & Steve at their 8 Jun wedding



1962: Larry & Jane Waters and Chuck Merriam at Founders Day 91, Ft Monroe, VA

also the sr COL around. The only classmates he has the pleasure of seeing are the GEN offs as they visit CGSC. He

reminds us that by "30 Jun 92, color all of us COLs gone!" He & Lynn plan to ret somewhere along I-35 between Dallas and San Ant. Bill said he "... still don't know what I want to do when I grow up!" He adds that **Fred Gordon** still cnds the 25th Inf Div, and **Steve Arnold** now cnds the 10th Mtn Div. Finally, Bill sends along a photo, two yrs late, of daughter Cynthia with dad on her wedding day. Cynthia married Ronald Dale Evans in Jan 90.

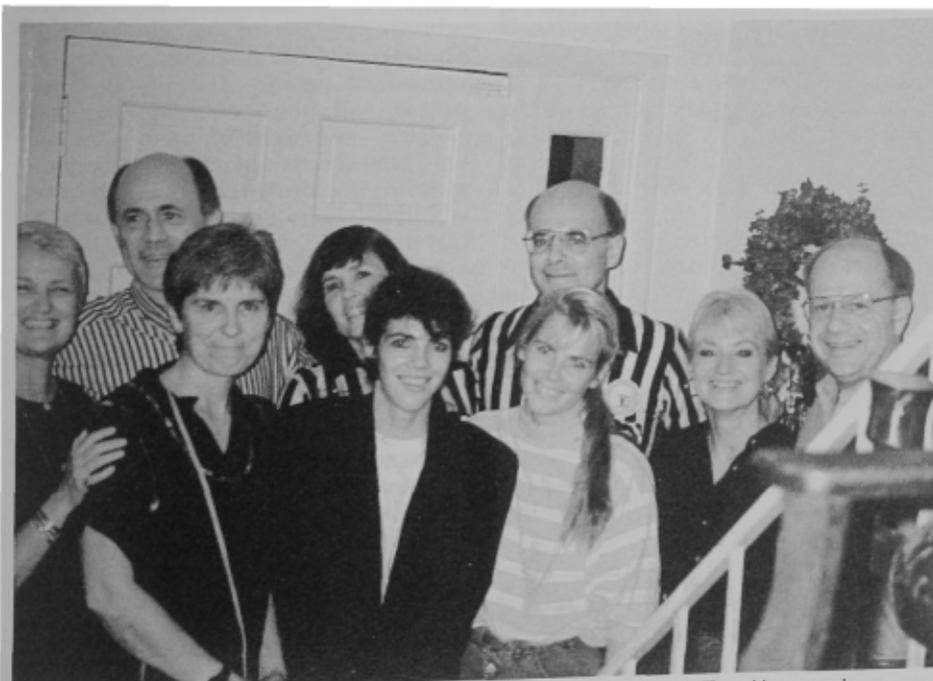


1962: Bill Daugherty with daughter Cynthia on her wedding day in Jan 90

The Wash contingent and a couple of our classmates from out of town were hosted by **Denny Reimer** at the GO Mess, Pentagon. It was good to see so many of our classmates.

Dianne & I had the pleasure of attending a ret party for **Tom & Sally Herre**. Also from the CI were **Matt & Pat Kambrod** and **Lynn Gramzow**. Tom is on his way to WI, close to Milwaukee, to work in his favorite and long-time second career, refereeing basketball. Unfortunately, he is taking Sally with him, and I have been trying to get her to use her license and join us in real estate. Those who know Sally's ability to deal effectively with people know she is a natural for any business.

That's all for now. Thanks to those



1962: At Herre's ret party: Dianne & Phil Pons, Lynn Gramzow, Sally & Tom Herre and daughters, and Pat & Matt Kambrod



1962: The Herres in the uniforms of their second career, with friends from '61

"squared," since he just passed his 10th yr as Atty GEN for the St of GA. Congratulations, Mike & Bette Rose—we are all so very proud of your accomplishments!

Dick "The Wretched" Guthrie just ret (Sep 91) and received appropriate farewell ceremonies (to include LOM) from BG **Tim Grogan**. Dick mentioned something about going to Peru and working in a copper mine—more to follow on this adventure.

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Oct 91: Greetings from HI. Had a great trip to Japan and was able to revisit all my haunts. Camp Zama has to be one of the Army's best kept secrets. Just ask **Joe Arnold**. I was able to spend some time with the Arnolds and think they are settled in for the long haul. Joe is currently acting as dep cmdr of US Army Japan as well as CofS. While there I ran into **Ed Shillo**, who was up from the Navy base at Yokuska to attend a conference. Ed has been in Japan for about 4 yrs now and says he will put in a little more time before returning stateside.

From the **Arnolds** comes info that **Mike & Kathy Horstman** have moved to the VA Beach area. Mike is teaching hist and coaching soccer and tennis at Norfolk Acad, which he attended many yrs ago. Kathy is a part-time librarian there. Daughter Amanda is a student.

Someone sent me a long newspaper article on **Huba Wass de Czege**, which gave Huba a large part of the credit for the winning strategy of Desert Storm. Huba, you may know, was tasked to do some strategic thinking a few yrs ago and subsequently started the Sch of Adv Mil Studies at Leavenworth, which advanced his theories. The grads of this course had been dubbed the "Jedi Knights" and were reportedly the fellows who shaped the ground war strategy. Pop your chest out, Huba; Mr Baker would be proud (Mr Baker was our HS hist teacher back in Gainesville, FL).

Jeff Kleb may have ret, but he hasn't slacked up on his much appreciated correspondence with the scribe. Jeff ret at a Ft Myer parade attended by classmates **Evans, Major, Cook, Bachman, Michlik** and **Dixie Chilcoat** (representing **Dick**, who was in the USSR with the CJCS). Jeff is now located in Ft Lauderdale with a co engaged in work with the Soviet Republic of Byelorussia. Jeff has been in touch with **Jane Fishbach** and says she is doing well and has moved to Manhattan, KS, where she is in sch. Kleb provided other info: **Dan Evans** has been recalled to active duty to work on a post-Gulf War analysis; **Mike Cook** is the CO of Ft Myer; **Jut Hughes** is CO of Camp AP Hill; and **Seavy Bain** is now in the DC area.



1962: '62 at luncheon at the Pentagon, 26 Sep 91

who sent news and a plea to those who have some items of news but can't find the time to write—please write!

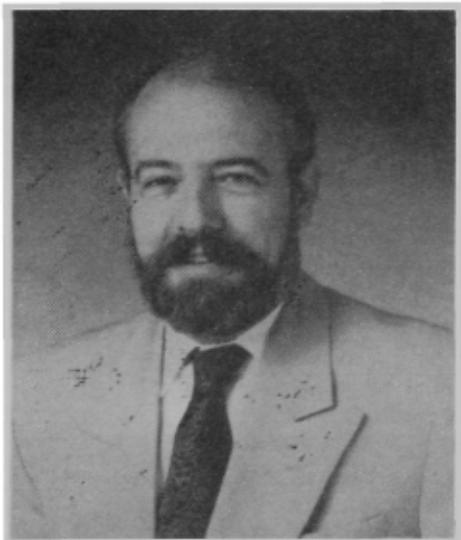
Calendar. In addition, his photos are also in the permanent collections of the UT Museum of Fine Arts, the UT Arts Council and the Salt Lake Airport.

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Time again to write about all the good things happening to us—only trouble is, the mail bag is about empty! Chris



1963: Mike & Bette Rose Bowers at promotion ceremony to BG—this is no laughing matter!



1963: Chris Wangsgard

Wangsgard recently joined the law firm of Parsons, Behle and Latimer in Salt Lake City, UT. Chris has been a lawyer for about 20 yrs and specializes in labor and employment law. He is also quite a photographer, with photos published in the Sierra Club Calendar, UT Wilderness Calendar and the CA Wilderness

Calendar. Thanks to a nice note from **Bette Rose Bowers**, "'63 has yet another GEN to brag about." **Mike** pinned on his star 15 May and is currently the CofS, GA Air Natl Guard. I guess we could call him GEN



1963: Dick Guthrie receives LOM at his ret from BG Tim Grogan

Steve Perryman was recently married and did it in typical Perryman style. He & Angie tied the knot at Rippling Brook Camp Site on the Green River in CO during a 4-day rafting/kayaking trip. A lawyer buddy did the honors, and Steve piloted a spt raft through the rapids in order to have wedding cake and champagne on hand. The crossed paddles made up for the lack of sabres and the Cdt Chapel.



1964: "The happy couple"

Andy Dykes notified us that Jack Grubbs has been selected as Prof, USMA and Head of the Dept of Geography and Envir Engring. Beat your neck in, Hudgins! You are the one who is supposed to keep me informed about goings on at WP! Judy Grubbs matched Jack's success with one of her own in getting her certification as a family counselor.

Andy & Helen have been in Mission Viejo for 4 yrs and now consider themselves true Californians, dudes. Helen is a teacher with the Capistrano Valley Sch Dist, while Andy is a partner in an engring consulting firm, PLG, in Newport Beach. The Dykes have joined with the Carrs and Perrymans for the Irvine Meadows concert series and invite others to join in.

Now to the part that Roy Buckner has been eagerly awaiting. Roy was out here for a conference in early Sep, and he and I made a side trip to Kauai over the Labor Day wknd. Quite an adventure—going on a boys wknd with an old classmate. Before anyone gets any bright ideas, we both behaved ourselves, although Buckner's traveling habits are somewhat eccentric (if anyone has a requirement for hotel soap, Roy is the guy to see). I even had a hard time getting him to sample the Kauai nightlife, but that is another story. We managed to get in 4 rounds of golf in 3 days on the best that HI has to offer, Poipu Bay, The Prince at Princeville, Kiahuna and Kiele at the Westin Kauai. I got into Roy's wallet in

Kauai, but, after numerous rounds the following wk on Oahu, he managed to get some of it back by shooting a personal best at Navy-Marine. We capped off this golfing orgy by playing in the First/Last Annual Jacunski Ret Tourney. For the record, don't let Roy tell you that he is a 24 handicap!



1964: Jacunski and Buckner at leisure

Bill & Ann Reynolds were out here the first wk in Oct for a conference and a little vacation. Bill is working with a big envir engring firm in Seattle and traveled on from here to Taiwan.

Two ltrs from WP. Jeff Louis, in response to my inquiry, provided the names of the '64 issue in the CI of '91: Rick Burney, Doug Winton, Gary Caudell, Geoff Binney and Chris Hartley. The photo is of Dick Nowak trying on Rick Burney's uniform to see if he still measures up.



1964: Nowak: "Lookin' good"

Seth Hudgins, taking a break from his modeling career, rep on a most successful tailgate party at the Bramletts. Dave, by the way, is on the two-star list, so I

suspect we can expect him to vacate Qtrs 101 in the relatively near future. The party attracted in excess of 30.

'65

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Greetings once again from Chicago. We open this issue on several sad notes. Our good friend Phil Harper passed away in Richmond in Aug. Michael O'Grady called with the news and asked for some assistance from the CI. In addition to Mike, we were represented by Roger Frydrychowski and Steve Darrah. Phil had been in the VA hosp and had earlier undergone chemotherapy for his cancer. Phil's obit will be written by Mike O'Grady, with the assistance of Phil's widow Linda. Shortly after Phil's passing, Bob Axley called to inform me that Carolyn Bedell passed away in May. Bob Bedell took her back to TN to her home for the svcs. Our CI was represented by Axley and Mike Stanko.

We have set up a mechanism to send our condolences to the survivors, as well as be presented by classmates. If you will call my office upon learning of the death of a classmate or family mbr, we will handle it from there.

Bob Axley also rep that Chuck Burgard still has several problems and would appreciate hearing from classmates. Please contact either me or Bob for more info.

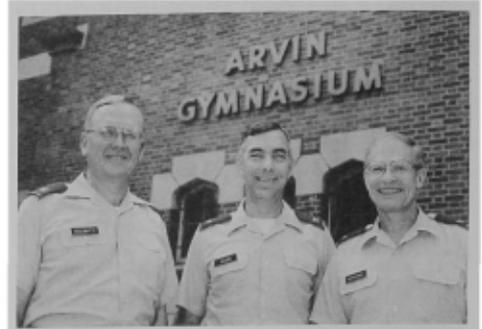
On a brighter note, the "Dep Dean" (McEliece) dug up this pic of the 64 Buckner 2d Detail. Clearly evident enjoying the suds with the infamous CPT Hoy are Swenson, Talbot, Kenny, Polard, Kuhn, McEliece, Csoka, Kelly, Dermody, Howard, Philpotts, Cherry, Williams, Hulin, Hawkins, Campbell, Moseley, Divers, Frank, Roundtree, Tomaswick, Ray, Long, Hutton, Gnau, Stowell, Airy, Cullen, Exelby, Wetherill, Pyrz, O'Grady, Livic, Lane and Smith. Noticeably absent were Coll, Axley and Cooley, who were probably back in their barracks memorizing regulations.

John Media wrote from Dayton that he is out job searching after being the project mgr for the B-1B program, where he won the prestigious Aerospace Laurels Award from *Avn Wk* mag. John C Thompson will be going to Ft Polk, where he will be the ADC of the 5th Inf. Dan Christman just came out on the 2-star list. While talking with Mike O'Grady, who is in Martinez, GA, he rep that he & Barbara have two children, one age 24 and one age 8 (same mother)! Mike is the pres of two cos, one in the chem business and the other in mech engring.

Joe DeFrancisco pinned on this first star in early Oct. Our congratulations to him, Dan and all the others. Joe also sent



1965: Buckner 2d Detail



1965: Doughty, Golden and Wattendorf



1965: Barry Zais (at right)

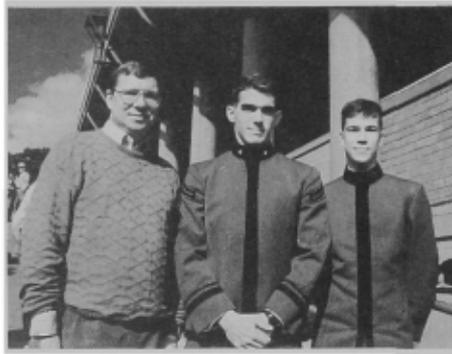
a pic of the change of cmd for Barry Zais with MG Streter (see pic).

Joe also rep that **Gene Farnelo** is the XO to DCS4 and **Bill Connolly** is the XO to ASAFM. Gene has been in DC for a number of yrs, while Bill just arrived last winter from Panama. Joe also sees **Mike Aplin**, who is a div ch in DCSOPS.

I took the enclosed pic of some of our CI offspring currently at WP during Homecoming in Oct. Shown are the two **Kim Olmsteads** (Sr and Jr) and another '65 CI son (unidentified). Offspring not shown are **Andresen, Csoka, Curl, Gill, Mark Hopkins, Jenkins, O'Hara, Osgood, Vann, Laughlin** and **Yoshitani**.

Interestingly enough, the other pic shows our 3 CI offspring on the crew team (**Pat Howell, Chip O'Donnell** and **Shannon Coll**) at a recent regatta down the river from USMA. Who'd have thought—my daughter the cox'n! Joining Shannon in '95 are **Ryan Laughlin** and **Dunn Yoshitani**. I also thought you might enjoy seeing the attached pic of our classmates who are dept heads at WP, **Doughty, Golden** and **Wattendorf**.

The next pic shows some of our class-



1965: Kim Olmstead Sr with Kim Olmstead Jr and another '65 CI son (unidentified)



1965: John Howell, Skip and Chip O'Donnell, Shannon, Judy & Denny Coll and Pat Howell

mates at Homecoming 91, including **Kuhn, Jenkins, Stich, McEliece** and **Olmstead**.

News from the W Coast has it that our prez, **Dave Kuhn**, finally got around to buying a 65 yellow Vet with a "USMA '65" license plate. Dave was featured on a TV show on FNN in Sep, but unfortunately it aired at 3:00 a.m., so your friendly scribe missed it. Dave rep that



1965: Kuhn, Jenkins, Stich, ?, McEliece, ? and Olmstead at Homecoming 91

John Seymour's son was married in Aug. **Rocco McGurk's** ret in Sep and is out job hunting. **Skip & Marilyn O'Donnell** spent the night with us on their way to look at houses in Pittsburgh. Skip rep that he really likes his new job, esp the work atmosphere. He attended some of the Pirate play-off games right after his arrival.

I received a nice note from **Preston Hughes** in Izmir, Turkey, where he is still NATO's Liaison Off to the Turkish Gen Staff and is stationed in Ankra. They have been in Turkey for 12 yrs (not consecutively). He should be ret in 92. John rep that he had a bout with non-Hodgkins lymphoma last yr, but, after 8 mos of chemo and some radiation, he seems to have licked it. He also was in Opn Provide Comfort, working with the Kurdish refugees. He ran into **Tom Genetti**, who is running things at a very busy air field/supply base in Diyarbakia, Turkey. He also saw **Joe DeFrancisco**, who came through with the SA in Jun. While at home in Kosciusko, MS he ran into **Art Roth**, who had been brought in to manage a lamp production facility. The facil had not been doing well and the owners have hired Art to get things turned around. Also in Kosciusko (pop 6,000) were **COL Heilbronner '45**, who was the A-1 Tac and was also the Plebe parent to **Frank Birdsong x-'65, Duncan Brown** and **Preston**.

And finally, I'd like to close with an interesting observation made by **Ross Wollen** that was in the Sep "Ltrs to the Ed." Ross noted that, "Apparently, there is something more certain, and impor-

tant, than death and taxes," since WP does not permit funerals on "Fridays before football games."

Well, folks, that's about it for now. As you can tell, the correspondence and pics have fallen off. Please keep those ltrs coming—everyone really likes to read them.

'66

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From all of the reps I have gotten, the 25th was better than anyone could have anticipated. There have been nothing but compliments from everyone on everything (except from the last 10 people on the buffet line). It was very disappointing not to have been able to attend. I have this very empty feeling that will stay with me until our 30th, and I am sure all of us who missed being with you share this feeling. Help us out over the next 5 yrs by keeping in touch through *ASSEMBLY*. **George Cox** requests that any outstanding orders for S&G items be called to his attention immediately. Since you will not see this article until late Dec, you can be sure there is a problem if you still do not have your items. If you were a Scoutmaster Council mbr, check the Sep 91 *ASSEMBLY* bulletin bd for important info on the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee. Guy Troy '46 sent a photo of **Keith Markey**, team physician for the US Modern Pentathlon Assoc team, pictured with Weber '30 (who was on the '36 team), Guy (who was on the '52 Olympic Team), and Losey '72 [see Nov 91 *ASSEMBLY*, p 43].

Norm Fretwell mentioned that there was some discussion on the Cl giving "appropriate gifts" to classmates' sons or daughters who attend the Acad. I, for one, totally spt this idea and wish it had come up yrs ago.

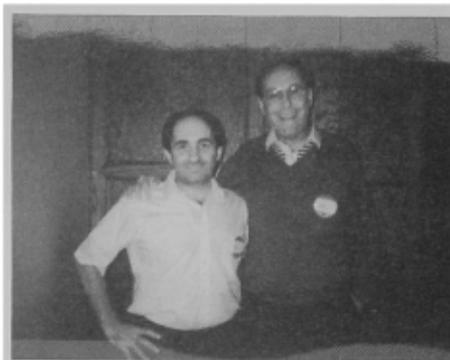
If any of you share the same feelings, please let Norm or me know any suggestions you may have. **John Strapac** was first to send reunion photos. The first photo shows John and Mr Creighton OPE. . . neither have changed much in 25 yrs. The second is an E-1 gp photo. Missing was **Al Sirutus**. Thanks, John.



1966: John Strapac and Mr Creighton OPE at the 25th

What's happened to "The Zoo?" I thought **Fox** and I were the only two who didn't make the reunion. **John & Stella Pappas** sent a photo showing only John "Pappas" and **Chuck "Muff" Hiller**. For those of you not familiar with "The Zoo," it originated in D-4 cow yr and has been active since. We've had our share of zoo reunions and, at the 20th, we were all present except **Steve "Crow" Singer**. Other active mbrs are **Mike "Fox" Me-**

whinney, Mike "Rooster" Brennan, Bob "Chugger" Coats, Bob "Mule" Kesmodel, Bill "Snork" Stalker, Deme "Toad" Clainos, Tom "Tyro" Miller and Jack "Wren" Zehren. I have often wondered if our gp is unique within the Cl. If there were/are others, someone let me know the details.



1966: Is this what's left of "The Zoo?" John Pappas and Chuck Hiller

Another late but very welcome mini-reunion newsltr arrived just after the last deadline. **Troy Scott** sent an informative ltr detailing the '66 European event: "To start this off, you must know that **Rance & Susan Farrell** are the mil attachés to the Swiss and live in the beautiful old town of Bern, Switzerland. After the last Founders Day in Heidelberg, we tagged Rance with coming up with a wknd full of activities that we could brag about in the *ASSEMBLY*—you know, something to compete with the Obstacle Course run. Attendees were **Charlie & Brenda Williams, Dan & Martini Waldo, Troy & Elke Scott** and the Farrells. Rance planned a wknd that was fantastic! He arranged for us to stay in a hotel for embassy personnel that even had fireplaces in the rms. Fri night we started off with dinner at Rance's house, along with a guest from the Swiss Army, their CofS for Tng. The next day we took a tour of Bern and enjoyed a bit of their local 800th-yr anniv celebration. Finally, Rance cajoled the gp down to the local swinbad on the River Aich. After touring all the places where sunbathers gather, we were informed that the physical challenge for '66'ers was to take a plunge in the fast-running, glacier-fed waters of the river, which, according to Rance, is the traditional initiation for visitors to Bern. Of course the temp of the water was a hefty 13 degrees Celsius. After the swim, we headed to the S for a walk through the Swiss Alps, with fantastic views of the Eiger and the Jungfrau. Rance & Susan selected a country inn overlooking a lake, and we feasted on traditional Swiss fare, which did not include fondue! We were introduced to the regional Swiss country roads, and, after a harrowing race down the mtns trying to follow Rance, we made it back to Bern." Troy also noted that he was in



1966: Liapple, Auer, Lester, Cecil, Medlock, Suhay, Strapac, James, Donovan, Cox, Swift, Kriebel and Wight

DC in Jul and had lunch with his new boss, **Fred Rees**.



1966: Troy Scott, Charlie Williams, Rance Farrell and Dan Waldo in Bern

John Steel wrote that he has recently formed the WP Veterinary Med Soc (WPVMS), which is open to any Acad grad who is also a veterinarian. So far he's found 18 grads who are vets. He rep our Cl is well-represented with 3: **Jon Welch Agnew** and **Colin Bludau**. Welch is still on active duty in the Army Vet Corps in San Diego with the Navy. Jon owns a vet hosp in Kenwood, CA. He is handling mainly dogs and cats, but also does a bit of everything else, including a few llamas. Jon would like to contact Colin and any classmate he may have missed who is a vet; call 707-833-1000.

Rick & Linda Gorski are now ret and living in Richmond, TX. Rick was cmdr of the CE District New Orleans. Their new home is on the 6th fairway of the Pecan Grove Plantation Country Club course. Rick is now mgr of projects for Houston Engr Corps. Their daughter Lisa was married to Grant Ledyard in Jul 91 in Canada; sister Amanda was a bridesmaid. Grant plays defense for NHL Buffalo Sabres. Rick is really into this country stuff—he bought Linda a truck. Their address is 2110 Pecan Trail Dr, Richmond, TX 77469; tel 713-341-9397. Lots of room for friends, so bring your sticks.



1966: Linda & Rick Gorski with their daughters and new son-in-law

The Wash DC area annual summer picnic was held at Ft McNair on 14 Jul. **Bob & Jan Meccia** have moved to TN this summer. Bob and **Tim Daley** have

done an outstanding job of organizing our qtrly luncheons and the picnic over the past yrs. He will be missed by all of us in the area. His employer, EBASCO Environmental, moved them to TN without a whole lot of advance notice. Sound familiar? The newest DC area addition is **Bill Guerrero**.



1966: Greg & Aleta Hoffman



1966: Buz Buczacki and son with Norm Cooney

On 13 Oct we had a combination '66 Panama-USMA reunion at the Annapolis

Boat Show. **Jim Proctor**, **Colin Bludau**, **Jack Crabtree** and I were the 4 lucky '66'ers who headed for Panama after Abn and Ranger Sch. Panama was, we all agreed, a fantastic way to start mil life. Crabtree was not present, but we were joined by our good friend COL Dick Ginn, who was with us in Panama. Jim was showing his 57-ft sailing yacht *Dulcinea* at the show again this yr. Jim designed the yacht and then he, his brother Richard, and his father invested in the project. The hull and much of the finishing work was done in Taiwan to Jim's specs, and the boat was rigged and fitted at Annapolis in 88. For anyone interested, the price tag is \$1.2 mil. I'm sure there would be a classmate discount! Jim is cmdr, 4th Special Opns Spt Com (Theater Army) (Abn) US Army Pacific, Ft Shafter, HI. He assumed cmd Apr 91. Jim & **Kathleen** and daughter **Jennifer**, 2-1/2, reside at 1309 Parks Rd, Honolulu, HI 96819-2131. Jim told me that **George & Vonda Crocker** arrived in HI in Jul. George is cmdr, Special Opns Cmd Pacific. He is at Camp Smith, HI. In his new position, George is in charge of all Special Opns Forces in the US Pacific Cmd.

Colin Bludau, as mentioned above, is an Army veterinarian. Colin arrived at Ft Detrick, MD in Jun 91. If anyone can get **Crabtree** to send in some current data, please do so.

The economic noose is continuing to tighten around lots of our necks as the recession deepens. I can tell you from first-hand experience that you have no better and more understanding friends than our classmates. I hope this is not news to anyone, but in some cases I have been disappointed to hear classmates



1966: Mike Bailey, Norm Cooney, Fred Rees, Bob Meccia, Bill Rennagel, Jerry Sands, Buz Buczacki, Greg Hoffman, Dave Arthur, Bill Guerrero and Tim Daly at Ft McNair, Jul 91



1966: Kesmodel, Proctor and Bludau on *Dulcinea* in Annapolis

say that they have lost touch with the CI or maybe only keep up with one or two people. Those of you who do keep in touch with the CI know what I mean. Those of you who do not don't know what you are missing. Please note my new fax number. Also, I have an answering machine on 301-377-5424. Thanks to all of you who sent news, and Rance, it's Bob. Next time. Kes.

'67

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25 Aug 91: Short note from **Brick Anderson** found wedged in between nasty ltrs from the IRS and **Suzi's** Fredericks of Hollywood catalog in today's mailpile. The Andersons are "hiding out" in the CO Rockies for a yr. Brick didn't say what they're hiding from—knowing Brick, the imagination can have a lot of fun with that one. My guess is they're hiding from **Barb Mackerer**. He also didn't mention whether or not there was a reward for finding them. He did send along a tattered old photo of two of our finest on a fishing outing in the Central Highlands, circa 70.



1967: Fishing for carp, Vietnam—who are these latter-day Waltons?

He didn't identify the anglers in the flick, though he did say they were using concussion grenades for bait. That sounds like **Dave Hale**, but I do know that he's not one of the guys in the pic. My guess is **PJ Penney** and **Jim Milliken**. Anybody want to confess?

2 Sep 91: **Ken Carter** managed to pull into port long enough to drop a line and bring us up-to-date on his & **Joan's** travels this summer. They've been sailing the Chesapeake again all summer, but, unlike last yr's pleasure cruise, this has been a working trip. Ken has been selling his bk, *Chesapeake Reflections*, at better bookstores and gas stations up and down the bay, and, according to Ken, the book is doing quite well. He's already started another book, *Running Free: A Life Under Sail*, which he says is about life, living, working and cruising on a sailboat, and all the wacky people one meets doing such things. If Ken wants to write about wacky people, I've got a few names for him.

11 Sep 91: Nice note from **Macy Brown** today, along with an excellent photo of him & **Suzie** and their granddaughter, **Stephanie Fosnight**, that was taken just 11 days before **Suzie's** death.



1967: Suzie & Macy Brown with granddaughter Stephanie

Macy asked me to pass along his most sincere appreciation to all of you who have called or sent notes of spt and condolence—**Jimmy Allen** in particular, who was present at **Suzie's** funeral.

20 Sep 91: Some People Have It Rough Dept: cutesy little postcard depicting a Koala sipping a beer arrived from Canberra, Australia today. The senders were **Ray** & **Sally Winkel**. They've been in Canberra since Jun, while Ray does "research" on atomic and molecular physics at the Australian Natl U. Come on, now. I had a brief exchange asgmt at the Royal Mil Col located just outside Canberra back in 81; I know the kind of research that goes on down there. I remember doing lots of comparative research on Australian beer and wine. As I recall, they both had lots of molecules. I'm sure this yr of intense academic endeavor will help Ray be a much better Physics Dept Head.

30 Sep 91: Admin note (there's not

much real news from you slugs this time, anyway): I have been asked by **R James Steiner '78** to include the following announcement in this set of notes. "All former mbrs of the Scoutmasters' Council should review the Bulletin Board note in the Sep issue of *ASSEMBLY* concerning the 30th anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical info." He goes on to point out that the WP Camporee is the largest annual scouting event held in the country. Any of you folks who were active with scouts as cdts, take note.

9 Oct 91: Another disgusting tale of fishing prowess, this one from **Marc Ducharme**. At least he didn't have the cheek to send a phony photo of him holding a huge stringer of store-bought trout, *à la George Dials*, but his braggadocio is just as nauseating. Marc had just returned from 9 days of fishing the Yellowstone River drainage in MT where, according to him, he lost count of all the thousands of trout of every species on the planet he caught and released. Again, this sounds like a ltr I'd get from **Hale**, except that he's never been known to release a fish in his life. Indeed, the fish that **Hale** legitimately catches are so few and far between that he's been known to carry them around with him for wks.

10 Oct 91: Speaking of **Dave Hale** (an irksome thing, I know, but sometimes a necessary part of this job), his photo appeared in the 23 Sep issue of *Army Times* in the Gen Off Asgmts column, along with the news that he has been reassigned as the asst dep dir for political mil affairs on (be still, my heart!) THE JOINT STAFF in the Pentagon. For some reason, I have always considered the term "political mil" as an oxymoron, but then, that probably explains why **Hale** got the asgmt. It's a shame he doesn't have to undergo a congressional confirmation process like a Supreme Court Justice; I'd love to testify.

14 Oct 91: Well, tomorrow is deadline, and it's obvious the new editor won't have this drivel in his hot little hands by then since I can't afford the \$9-10 the Postal Svc charges for overnight delivery. Probably just as well; I'd hate to give the new guy a false sense of what to expect from this quidnunc. By now you should all have received the mailing from **Ace Clark** regarding the 25th Reunion. **Ace** made two mistakes in his ltr; first, he forgot to mention the open bar/open house buffet dinner at his house on the first eve of the reunion. Secondly, he incorrectly stated that I had agreed to put on the 50th Reunion. That is not true. I have, however, promised to do the 75th. OK, that's all for this time; I'm not going to wait any longer for you to get off your collective fourth pt of contact and send me some news. Besides, I've already exceeded **Dewey's** retention capabilities (your lips are still moving, Ed). Take

care, sports fans. I hope you all send me real nice Christmas presents this yr. BEAT NAVY!

'68

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To err is human—to blame it on someone else is more human. Therefore, if this article is late it's because I got a ltr from a grad who asked me to mention that all former mbrs of the Scoutmasters' Council should review the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep ASSEMBLY concerning the 30th anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical info. I started thumbing through our *Howitzer* to see who were mbrs of this orgn. I came up with a gaggle of 32 prior to realizing that the article was due the next day—**Mike Benefield, Chuck Besanceney, Chuck Brooks, Fred Burdette, John Ludwikowski, Frank Lynch, Chuck Petruska, Mike Potter, Bob Shimp, Art Torres and Terry Wong**, to name a few. Can you image what scouts must have learned from this crew?

While combing through our *Howitzer*, what's left of my mind wandered on occasion (surprise!) to note that **Chuck Giasson** was the only mbr of the "Ski-diving [sic] Club." What was **John Hedley** doing listing "Hospital" as an activity during his yearling and cow yrs? With orgns like that, **Henry Riser, Dick Shipley, Dick Witherspoon** and I wondered why our Tacs scratched out our mbrship in the Canadian Club yearling yr.

Speaking of **Dick Shipley**, I owe an apology to him. He doesn't always E&E into and out of town without checking in.

He does it only when he thinks he can get away with it. Last Sep, he attended a course at GWU presented by the Inst for Federal Health Care Execs, and he performed admirably during off-duty hrs keeping **John Wing's** brew off store shelves, ingesting red meat, watching football and telling war stories to **Dick Witherspoon** and myself. Dick rep that **George Christensen** is the Dent Corps Rep at Ft Sam's CDC, and **Eric Kunz** is ret and the current budget dir for OH St U.

I'm glad **Spoon & Pat** could come over to visit while Dick was in town—not just for the good times at our home but to share good times with the folks who come to visit them too. For example, two wks prior to **Dick Shipley's** visit, **John O'Neal** came to visit the **Witherspoons** while he was in town for an Intl Polit Sci convention. John came armed with an album full of pics of the new woman in his life—daughter Mary Adelaide. Earlier in the yr, John presented and had accepted his 3rd independent research proposal at U of AL at Tuscaloosa—which means this is the 3rd yr he's taking off to do just what HE wants to do. . . .

Another source of news and names and good times is our periodic CI lunch in the DC area. **Joe Fowler** drove over to Annapolis from his Army Claims Ofc at Ft Meade to carpool with **Henry Riser** and me. He voiced his interest in seeing and hearing from **John Cruden**, who took some time off from his DOJ environmental top cop job to be with us. **Lee Outlaw** and **Jon Dodson** appeared the most worn-out—possibly because of their PA&E trials in trying to maximize the force in the wake of the dissolution of adversarial super powers, the good

showing of our current weapon technology and the decline of a financial base. **Norm O'Meara** fell back into old ways of wearing civies—but this time it was because he is a civ with the Logistics Mgt Inst, a federally-funded R&D ctr. He said that he got tired of changing vu-graphs as the Ch Sci Off with SDI. Another new civ was **Glen Hewitt**, who traded in his DSCPER MANPRINT Pentagonian greens to **Nellie Laughton** for pinstripes with ARC. Glen is in an off just over OPTEC cmdr classmate, **Bill Marriott**. **Larry Manning** has also changed jobs—now he's a sr specialist with E Systems Garland Div, SAF Opns. **Mike Peters** has been accepted as the CofS and '68 CI Gift and 25th Reunion coordinating off at WP. Folks who couldn't make it over to the Sheraton from Pentagonia just wimped out when you consider that **Jim Carman** came in from his logistics mgt dys at VHFS in Warrenton, **Jerry Florence** cut his Pr Wm Health Dist Dir dys short in Manassas, and **Skip Greeby** won the **Jerry Cobb** long-distance award by flying in from Chicago! Actually, Skip also had business in town helping to redesign, modernize and retain Natl Airport. Even **Charlie Adkins** could forgo Exec VP dys for a while by coming. **Sandy Cohen** arrived looking like a dressed-up teenager. He glibly explained that his face had broken out as a result of the TV make-up he had to use for a live TV show with one of his syndicated columnists—**Jack Anderson**. It was stunning to see **Sandy** and **Jon Dodson** discover that the last time they had been together was as patients in the ICU at Long Binh. **Rick Rhoades** looked a little lonesome since his classmate students left the NWC. It's always good to see staunch CI lunch supporters like **Rich Carlson, Bill Higgins, Fred Hoblitt, Karl Leatham, Ed Lorentzen, Bob Swedock** and **Mike Wells**. A newcomer to the luncheons but an oldtimer in the area was **Mike Simonich**, who has been with OSD for a couple of yrs dealing with treaties, while **Bill Kunzman** is still an LNO with the French Army in Paris and **Brian McKenna** is in Brussels testing them. It's also rumored that **Ollie Johnson** is being punished by being assigned to DSCPER, and **Howie Harper** has moved up from the VA tidewater area to EWA HQ by the Beltway. Other bits of news included **Bruce & Jean Korda's** return from GB and Bruce's asgmt as a DASC for the ground combat common chassis in SARDA; **Bill McCauley** is handling TRADOC Concepts Branch dys; **Hal Wilhite** is a Prof of archaeology in Norway; and CI Pres **Dave Ohle** did such a good job as XO to the DCSOPS that he's now the XO to the Army CofS! To confirm that we're still the CI we started out as, with that special 10%, I had a call waiting for me upon my return from the



1968: The H2 gang at our 20th

luncheon—it was **Ed Millson** at his new job showing ATT how to network and wanting to know when the luncheon was. I told him to check with his neighbor, **John Keane**, who does a superb job of coordinating the time and place, advertising the event and providing a forum for us.



1968: A typical gp of expressions at a DC CI lunch

The editor smiled on us again by cutting my comments reference **Tom McNaughter** prior to his pic in our Sep notes. Tom felt so sorry for me that he forwarded two pgs of Desert Norm stories. Actually, he was mobilized ahead of his unit, the 352d CA Cmd, in Dec and shipped to Riyadh to offer Brookings advice at PX prices to the ARCENT G-5 staff. While in Riyadh, he enjoyed a heart-wrenching Christmas party with **Jim & Lisa Greenberg** and the 4 kids and a dinner 4 mos later when he returned for after-action reporting. Tom said he saw Jim all over Kuwait and Iraq from Jan through Mar. In Jan, Tom's unit was chosen to coordinate the Kuwait emergency relief effort and to make that city presentable for CNN. Unfortunately, CNN occupied Kuwait City 3 days prior to Tom. He saw a frustrated **Bill Nash** just as the Saudis agreed to take in all those Iraqi Shiite dissidents who had gathered at Al Safwan, right next to Bill's HQ. Bill has now redeployed and is the ADC to 3rd ID. **Jesse Gatlin** came in-country in mid-Apr to be the Opns Off for the CE opn that took over the US mil mission in Kuwait as ARCENT pulled out. Tom had heard that **Dave Schulte** was somewhere in the vicinity of Riyadh; however, they never got together. He did hear about and see **Bob Beahm**, who started out cmding one of the 352d subordinate bdes and ended up cmding the 352d—a 1-star slot. Tom won't be working for Bob, though, since Tom left the unit to take a job teaching Soc at WP two wks a yr through an IMA Res billet that **Dan Kaufman** offered him. Not only will Tom and Dan work together ea yr, Tom will have his wkends to himself—except the ones he'll spend helping Dan, **John Colabro**, **Mike Peters** and **Pat Toffler** organize our 25th and figure out what to do with all that \$ we're donating to our

CI Fund. With regard to the pic of Tom on the staircase of one of the Al-Sabah palaces, he was the 3rd oldest grad to attend the Founders Day celebration in Kuwait City—behind BG (Ret) Goetz '59 and MG Frix '61. Maybe it's time we found a carry-over sport. . . .

Another Storm attendee to check in was 11th Sig Bde Dep Cmdr **Frank Lynch**, who spent 7 mos in Saudi with the largest echelon-above-corps orgn ever assembled—two bns from Ft Huachuca, a bn from Ft Gordon and a couple of NG outfits. After his return from Saudi, he was informed that 783 slots were cut from his bde. Overall, after 5 yrs in HI, he's spent two yrs at Huachuca and was asked to speak at the AWC after he made 06 above the zone. At Carlisle he was introduced to the CI, which included **Ross Irvin**, by **Mike Brennen**, who said, "I could tell you a great deal of the heroic and dynamic exploits of my friends and classmate, Frank Lynch, but I'd be lying. . . ." Mike used the same line on **Spoon** when he came up to give the inside poop on the plt that will remain in Ger as USAREUR. Also at Carlisle is **Bob Brace**, who is on the faculty in (where else?) the Dept of Ldrship.

Ross Irvin grad from the AWC Corresponding Studies Course—along with **John Anderson** and **Frank** last summer. John is an atty in Mayfield, KY and assigned to the 100th Tng Div as the resource mgt off (aka controller). Ross is the credit mgr for a leasing co, and was the ch of info mgt for the NYNG—not bad for a guy who got sweaty palms just spelling "computer." He is currently in the AR as the resource mgt off for the 98th Tng Div.

Frank thought that he was the last to make COL; however, the latest 06 list proved him wrong. I'm proud to note that we still have classmates beating the odds and climbing the ladder, with **Dave Neyses** and **Paul Ptasnik** at the top of the list.

Another list appeared in the AUSA 1991 *Green Book* that included old info as far as we're concerned: **Joe Fowler** as the ch of Army Claims Svc, **Jim Orahood** as cmdt of USMAPS, **Tom Banks** as cmdr of the 212th FA Bde at Sill, **Steve Winsor** as cmdr of the 18th Engr Bde in Karlsrue and **Jeff Rogers** as cmdr of the 175th Theater Fin Cmd in Yongsan.

I saw a healthy and relaxed-looking **Jim Altemose** at Natl Airport. Since his ret, Jim has spent some time around Ft Bragg with **Monte Anderson's** orgn, US-PA/IRA, making his own hrs. Now he's back working regular long hrs with Raytheon in Bedford, MA as the sr requirements engr in the AMRAAM PMO and enjoying the pastoral home life in NH. As we all know, Jim's a cl act—which his community has quickly grasped. Don't be surprised to see him active in local



1968: Gordie Crupper, Orca, Mike Fellows and Ross Nagy on the Swans' deck

politics soon.

Stott & Bobbie Carleton have been in contact with **Doug Cummings** and **Mike Kulikowski**. Doug is living close to the eastern shore of MD and working hard at stealing **Ray Puffer's** job as ski bum in CO. Mike seems to have had about all the fun he can handle in AK and is looking to be reassigned down the coast a bit to Madigan, Ft Lewis.

During my last visit with **Dick Shipley**, he reminded me of the present I gave to my ushers for **Barbara's** & my wedding on Grad Day. It was a tie bar made of a bullet, created by **Andy Shaffer's** dad, with the usher's name on his personal bullet. I wish I had given one to every mbr of the CI. I'm getting calls that long unwritten obits are being finished and finding their way into the queue of our "Be Thou At Peace" section. Thank you for achieving that closure; however, there is still much to be done. **Joe Javorski** (508-892-9952), the new dir of tng devel with Norton Co, still needs room/co-mates input regarding **Ernie Flowers**. **Henry Riser** (301-266-4481) needs much the same for **Doug Wheless**. Rabble, they can't write an appropriate obit without your input—please help.

While on this unpleasant but need-to-be-reported subject, **Ken Nicholson** (7565 Woodstown Dr, Springfield, VA 22153) lost his bride **Sherry** to cancer on 11 Sep. Music, adventure, church, children and family filled Sherry's all-too-short stay with us, and she has left a great void. Sherry had logged more parachute jumps than any master blaster in the CI and is loved by her family as much as we love our own brides and children. Ken, we're deeply sorry, and we're here for you.

One last shot, Rabble. CI get-togethers like the DC lunches are truly worth the price of admission and may be the beginnings of mini-reunions all over the world. It's good to hear about classmates getting together at **Joe Henry's** home in CO or at the **Millers'** or **Roberons'** in PA. Keep it up, send pics, keep in touch and let's stay together because YOU'RE ALL WE'VE GOT—Dave.

'69

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This col is being written on 15 Oct 91, covering news received since 7 Aug. When you receive this issue, my next deadline will be 15 Feb 92.

We begin this time on a sad note because of **Hank Schroeder's** death in early Sep. A priest who was Hank's CGSC classmate presided over the memorial svc at Ft Myer, which was attended by **Foss, Ken Johnson, McGovern, Richmond, Robella** and **Wanless**. Our prayers and condolences go out to Hank's family, esp his father, who was the 4th Regt Tac when we were plebes.

Shortly before he died, **Hank** had attended the DC summer gathering held on 24 Aug in Falls Church, VA. **Ken Wanless** and associates did their usual splendid job, and over 150 classmates, family mbrs and friends attended. Ken says he will do the party again in Aug 92, so watch this space for details.

In attendance were **Albrecht, Alexander, Allen, Anstrom, Bazzell, Beckworth, Bettencourt, Bresnick, KC Brown, Carpenter, Clark, Cornelison, Craft, Dunaway, Foss, Greg Foster, Bill Foster, Gelineau, Glacel, Gonser, Gray, Gregg, Hill, Hirobayashi, Hofstetter, Hoopengardner, Hunkele, Mike Jones, Bill Jones, Lee, Landrum, Martray, McDermott, McGovern, Molter, Morelock, Nelson, Nesbitt, O'Toole, Osterhoudt, Ramos, Reams, Ricker, Robella, Robyn, Schaaf, Scibetta, Schroeder, Seitz, Slenker, Bill Smith, Sparks, Steele, Stobbs, Red Taylor, Bill Taylor (E-4), Wanless, Jay Wheeler** and **Doug Williams**.

Ken ended up in the black to the tune of \$303 and sent this amount to the CI Gift Fund at WP. I strongly encourage ea of you to do the same and respond positively and generously to the recent solicitation from the Fund-raising Cmte.

At the same time, I ask that ea of you query the next classmate you see to ask if he subscribes to *ASSEMBLY*. If he does not, encourage him to do so to keep abreast of CI news—esp what is being said about *him*! We have hundreds of classmates who are non-subscribers, and I want to reduce that number significantly.

George Albrecht opened the civ mail from Derwood, MD with a note and photos from recent, major social events in DC—**Beckworth's** birthday and **Morelock's** ICAF grad and housewarming.

Rick Ricker wrote next, from Vienna, VA, with a unique photo: 3 WP brothers-in-law in one family. LTC Marty Dempsey '74 and MAJ Doug Lute '75 were just back from the Persian Gulf when they and families met **Kathleen & Rick** at WP.

Lynn & Jim Hillebrand wrote from



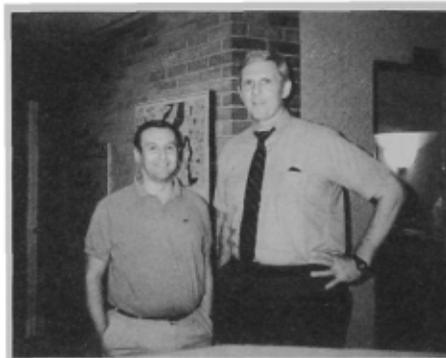
1969: Gonser, Beckworth and Gregg at Beckworth's home



1969: Albrecht at Doris & Jerry Morelock's home



1969: The Morelocks with Rob Albrecht at ICAF grad



1969: Craft and Albrecht

Chicago with word that **Mike Krzyzewski** received the Polonia Cares Foundation's Man of the Yr Award. **Paul Kessenich** also attended the awards ceremony.

John Routree sent the final civ ltr from Pomona, CA, noting that **Dottie** had hosted a Ger girl via AFS during her sr yr



1969: Ricker, Dempsey '74 and Lute '75 at WP

of HS, so they hoped to visit here sometime next yr.

Lois & Jim Johnson at WP opened news from the active-duty contingent. Jim is now in charge of the mil history div of the Hist Dept, while Lois recently completed her MA and is a speech therapist for 3 schs in Highland Falls.

Ella & Joe Cornelison wrote from Wash, DC with the good news of **Mike Nardotti's** selection for BG, JAGC. Mike is our first active-duty BG.

John Greathouse also wrote from DC with news that he is being assigned to the DAO in Vienna—with additional accreditation to Albania!

Writing from here in Ger were **Marilyn & Bryan Schempf**, who are in Heidelberg as Dep USAREUR JAG. Also in Heidelberg are **Pat & H Lobdell**, whom I saw briefly on a visit in Sep. Further so, in Hohenfels, is **Dan Cox**, who leaves in summer 92. **Linda & Dan's** son **Warren** is to be commissioned as a 2LT this Dec.

Holly, the children and I are settling in well here in Bonn. The pace of life is just as busy during the wk as it was in Wash; in addition to duties here in Bonn, I travel frequently throughout Ger, esp the five new states. But wknds are much quieter and a nice time for family activities.

In addition to those in Ger mentioned above, **Marcie & Pete Heesch** and daughters are with us here in Bonn. And during recent trips to SHAPE and NATO hqs in Belgium, I saw **Doug Aykroyd** and **Bill Taylor (F-3)**. We hope to get together for A-N, which I hope will be a pleasant memory when you read this col.

Until next time, best holiday greetings from our family to you and yours. God bless to all in '69.

'70

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I hope you all were paying attention when the last ltr came out from the AOG regarding the Annual Giving Program 91-92. A few interesting things jumped out at me with the ltr from the WP Fund:

First, our own **Joe Reeder** is a regular member of the WP Fund Cmte, no doubt because of his vast experience in trying to talk us all into contributing to our CI of '70 Fund. Then, I noticed that **Mike Mahan** is the chm of the CI Giving Cmte. How 'bout that \$ fans, two experts from our CI on that high-powered team!



1970: Kate & Joe Reeder at our 20th Reunion

AND FURTHERMORE, Joe Reeder was able to talk the AOG into letting him enclose a ltr on behalf of our '70 CI Fund Acct WITH the info from the WP Fund. So, consequently, you all now know that we are in the midst of another fund drive for the CI Fund. To repeat some of Joe's points, 197 of the CI contributed during FY91, or about 30%, totaling \$24K and a butt. The acct now totals about \$112K. Note that ea regt has its own rep to assist: 1st-**John Bickel** and **Rich Gasperini**; 2nd-**John Connors** and **Jack Zoeller**; 3rd-**Ron Spears**; 4th-**Kerry Lawrence** and **Bill Taylor**. Be generous this yr and earmark your checks for the "'70 CI Fund Acct." Let's be like the pink rabbit drummer and keep going, and going and going, so that after awhile we can present our alma mater with a GREAT gift.



1970: Mac & Lydia Love at our 20th Reunion

As **Joe** was flying around the country doing his big-city lawyer thing, he happened to be reading the airplane's mag *American Way* (Sep 91) and noticed that

there was a photographic essay on a village near Barcelona, Spain. To us, it is noteworthy, because the article "You Have to Get Out of the Car" was illustrated with photos by **Kurt Markus**. It's a most impressive spread of some outstanding pics. Kurt is described by the editor as "an award-winning fashion photographer whose work has appeared in *GQ*, *Esquire*, *Rolling Stone* and *Interview* mags." Too bad he didn't send a photo in to me—he could add **ASSEMBLY** to that list! The bio goes on to rep that "his books included *After Barbed Wire* and *Buckaroo*, and his work is owned and exhibited by museums. Markus... lives in Kalispell, MT with his wife-agent **Maria** and their two children."



1970: Pete Billia, Jim Osman, Nick Sebastian and Barney Forsythe at our 20th Reunion



1970: Tom Maertens on the tom tom with his Happy Daze band at our 20th Reunion

A last-min-before-deadline phone call from **Bill Taylor** was received in time to announce that **Bill Jr** and **Boone Bartholomees'** son are now mbrs of the CI of '95. Bill took his son up for R-Day and noted that the Corps HAD NOT, at least not totally, as the new cdts were still scared on the first day and studying the Bugle Notes like crazy. . . . **Bill & Terri** live in Gambrells, MD, which puts them in spittin' distance of DC, Ft Meade, Baltimore and Annapolis. So close to the

latter that **Bill** is the pres of the USMA Soc of Annapolis, which sounds like an exchange asgmt to me. **Bill** is a regional mgr for TX Microsystems and is currently under contract to CECOM to develop a Soldier's Computer—a BDU cargo-pocket-sized device to assist in maintenance, supply, navigation, c², and other high-speed tech stuff. **Terri** is teaching dance and ballet, and the 3 kids at home include **Jonathan** (16), **Michael** (11) and **Beth** (9). **Bill** was looking forward to the CI of '70 luncheon in DC, which was scheduled for the 3rd wk in Oct. If we're in luck, a photo may be forthcoming. . . .



1970: Chuck Hicks and Brian Bryson et al at Alumni Exercises at our 20th Reunion

Rumors are now dispelled. *Army Times*, in its recent after-action review series, quoted **Jim Mowery** in the "Coming Through" article on the IID. **Jim** was serving as the cmdr of the div's "fourth major maneuver unit, the avn bde," but had been preparing for a Dec 90 rotation to the NTC prior to the deployment. **Jim** was commenting on the replacement of CUCV's with HMMMV's and the fitting of the choppers with new nav aids and survivability equipment. The *Off Bk of Army Lists* also reveals that for his actions and ldrship, **Jim** was awarded the DFC for his contributions to the effort.



1970: Tom & Sheila Rabaut at our 20th Reunion

The *Off Bk* also announced the Selection List for 06. Those who will be earning eagles in the next yr or so include **Gary Steele**, **Clint Ancker**, **Kurt Meyer**, **Jack Sabia**, **Bud Seifert**, **Frank Monaco**, **Tom Armeli**, **Jim Murray**, **John Reese**, **Bob Hilliard**, **John Reitz**, **Jim**

Snider, Roy Marshall, Rich Rutledge, Dave Smith, Bill Spracher, Frank Gehri, Bob Laird, Lynn Rolf, Tom McNamara, Steve Starner, Ken Clow, Perry Baltimore, Steve Baribeau, Phil Curtis, Wayne Barth, Tommy MacIver, John Vermillion, Corky Bruce, Bob Driscoll, John Bryant, Bill Malkemes, Terry Young, Bill Lane, Steve Cook, Ken Jaccard, Brian Davis, Tom Page, John Drinkwater, Charlie Ennis, Shelby Stevens, Rob Stewart, Jim Etchechury, Hank Zimon, Matt Fleumer, John Greenwalt, Jim Hayes, Tom Nicholson, Larry Kimmel, Bill Patterson, Jim Henderson, Wayne Pembrook, John Hostettler, Nelson Johnson, Kurt Reineke, Mike Jones, Dave Kent, Tom Lenox, George Allin, Mike Meuleners, Gary Thomas, Jim Ward, Ralph Churchill, Bill Williams and Al Fenty. Also, Pete Cramblet is slated for 06 for Med Dept selections, as is **Tom O'Meara** in the Res Med Dept selections. Well done, guys. Everybody go hang around your resident LTC (P) next summer and wait for that BIG promotion party!



1970: Rachel & Mac Plummer at our 20th Reunion

While those guys will be movin' up, some others will be movin' out, including **John Woloski**, **Ted Shadid**, **Mac Plummer**, **Dick Goodyear**, **Bill Wallis** and **Chuck Lucente**. I hope these folks have made a trip to the local bait and tackle shop so they can enjoy fishing in their ret!

Clint Ancker wrote in from his new asgmt at the NWC (no doubt during one of those dull lectures). He wanted to verify some of the war stories.

The nearby photo was taken in Rafha, Saudi Arabia, which, for you geography freaks, is about 200 mi NW of Jubail port. Rafha was the site of a 30,000-person refugee camp—Clint was the G3 of the task force that built the camp. **Jim Mowery's** 4th Bde attached an Apache co to the task force for security. **Steve Cook**



1970: Cook, Mowery and Ancker in Rafha, Saudi Arabia

was serving with Jim as a sort of "super-XO," since Jim already had a G3 and an XO. During the Storm, Clint was the G3 of the 2AD (fwd), which was attached to the 11D, which actually operated and fought as 3rd Bde, 11D. Did you guys understand all that when you read paragraph one, situation, friendly forces, in the OPORD?

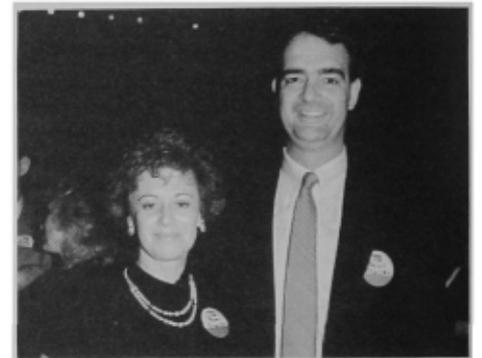
Add some more literature to your CI of '70 library. **Bob Hales** has co-authored another niche book entitled *What You Need To Know About Psychiatric Drugs*. Bob describes it as a 650-pg trade book covering all major drug classes and major psychiatric disorders that require pharmacologic treatment. Pardon me, Bob, if I don't show much interest in anything but the chapter on aphrodisiacs and lustful behavior in women. Bob adds that he will be adding two more books to his string of 9 in the next few mos: *American Psychiatric Press Textbook of Neuropsychiatry* and *Textbook of Administrative Psychiatry*. Look for them as primary selections of the Sigmund Freud Mem Book-of-the-Mo-Club. **Dianne**, meanwhile, has kept a little closer to mainstream humanity with her 14th book entitled *Your Health* about a yr ago, and several articles in *Family Circle*, *Good Housekeeping*, and her regular col in *Working Mother*. Bob has been elected as the pres of the Assoc for Academic Psychiatry, a natl gp for academic psychiatrists with residency programs in the field.

The nearby hunk shot is of **Bill Knowlton** and **Tim Lavelle**, just prior to their effort in the recent *Chicago Sun Times* Triathlon. Even with 4,000 competitors, Bill rep that he finished in the top 10 in the Elite Masters (the top over-40) category, with Tim beating him by 5 min, just out of the prize money. I think you can pop up your chests for that, guys.

Rapid fire, from a variety of allegedly reliable sources: **Sumner's** 3-wk swing



1970: Knowlton and Lavelle at Chicago Triathlon



1970: Pat & Paul Franke at our 20th Reunion

to CA and ret to NYC provided **Patti** with enough subject matter for the next 9 yrs' worth of calendars. **Wayne Pembrook** and **Bill Patterson** are boning tenths with **Clint Ancker** at the NWC. **Bob Pantier** and **Greg Vuksich** are heavies in the DC CI of '70 orgn. The *Off Book of Army Lists* says that Greg is due out to Ft Ben Harrison, almost a neighbor, by golly—any confirmation? The same book alleges that **Chach Morris** is also due out to Ft Ben—all this with the place supposed to be closing down any moment? **Corky Bruce** is expected in the DC area, and **Terry Johnson** should be at, or approaching, Ft Monroe. **Bob Millard** is supposed to be assigned to USMA in that dreaded dept which provided us Plebe Boxing. WHERE IS **JACK RYAN**? Good luck to **Tom Miller** and the USMA cagers—let's cheer them on to better last yr's 6-22 season. **Eric Pedersen** has been named as the dir of Contracts for Allison Gas Turbine Div of GM in Indianapolis. **Bill & Marilyn Terrill** had a baby girl last Sep! Some of these photos have been dredged up from Reunion. You don't like them? Send me some new ones!

That just about dumps the data banks on this one. But if we could only hear from **Bill Arcuri**, **Ken Mark** or **Terry Tierney**, then we would REALLY have some news. If you want to see your name

in bold print in an internationally-distributed mag this winter, then send a ltr, or a Christmas card, or even a very expensive holiday gift, or SOMETHING (with a pic), 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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I just woke up. It's Tues after the reunion. Everyone's gone. Thank God. Was it good for you?

Superb. All the returns are not yet in (in fact, none of the returns are in; the wknd was just over yesterday), but by all accts the reunion was a great event. Granted, there were Hindenburg parts and there were Man-on-the-Moon parts; but it was an event. Last time I was so euphoric was my last hr on the area; last time I was so tired was the 12th day of the last Ranger patrol. Somebody, write and tell me how it went. More to come in upcoming issues.



1971: Bazzle in "overflow parking" at Reunion

For now, pre-reunion poopettes. The COLs selection list was published in Sep with these names of tomorrow's GENs: Arch Arnold, Johnny Brooks, John Brown, Jim Grazioplene, Buster Hagenbeck, John Lilley, Mike Penhallett, Chuck Swannack, Bill Tetu and Hans Van Winkle.

Jeff Jones turned over his PSYOP Bn Cmd in Jul after two exciting yrs which included deployments to resorts in Panama (Just Cause), Jordan, Egypt, Oman, Kenya, Thailand, Korea, Japan and Saudi (Desert Storm). In the Gulf, he cmded a 5-bn task force. After his promotion to COL in Jul, he was off to work for the Natl Security Council, where he often sees Tom Harvey still working in the White House, now for the VP's Natl Space Council.

Robin Miller and Bob Lundy recently graced the sallyports of downtown WP as reservists brought in esp for their demonstrated ability to keep cdts pro. . . . Robin in Social Sci and Bob in Electrical Enging and Computer Sci. Bob is cur-

rently serving as a sr consultant for IBM in CT. He has seen these classmates running around the NE: Jim Crow with GE Space in the satellite business in Phila; Joe Visinski with Raytheon and their rugged computers in MA; Art Wielkoszewski as a VP with IBJ Schroder in NYC; and Bill Hancock as a dir of mktg for NYNEX in CT.

And for my latest "Clear the Record" entry. . . Bob Kulbick is not in NC, as erroneously rep by someone who must have sabotaged my copy; he's an asst VP for Kemper in Ft Lauderdale. Come on down.



1971: Tetu and Metz in Korea

Tom Metz, G3 of the 2ID in Korea, sent the enclosed photo of Bill Tetu's change of cmd. As earlier rep, Bill is in the two-yr program at Leavenworth with Johnny Brooks. Tom looks forward to his cmd of the 199th Separate Inf Bde at Ft Lewis next May.

Further info on the tragic loss of Bob Wade in early Sep indicates that he and his co-pilot were on a tng flight with night-vision goggles in their OH6 Cayuse observation helicopter when they apparently struck a guy wire from a radio tower.

And on 29 Sep, we lost Fred Baldwin to cancer. He passed away in Cornwall, NY where his parents, former employees at WP, now reside. To all their family and friends, we mourn your and our loss. Be thou at peace.

OK. So you told me at the reunion that you want me to continue punishing myself with this col. OK, OK; hurt me. But I'm going to play hardball with you. You don't keep in touch, and I'm going to make you validate yellow journalism. That's right, we're talking the deMoya Globe. Get outta here. And Merry Christmas. Humbug.

'72

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After a tough early fall season, the column is back on track, so greetings once again. There have been several recent notes and newsletters in time for this issue. Let's see what we have here.

Bruce Scott was TDY from Ger and the new engr bde in Bad Krueznach when he dropped a line. The Scotts, all 8 of them, are on their 5th tour in Ger. He mentioned that Gary Speer, a classmate at the War Col, is on his second cmd tour with a Ranger bn at Ft Lewis. Others Bruce has heard from include Wayne Boy and Bob Van Antwerp at AWC; Tom Gobiney, Frank Galati, Butch Stedje and Andy Harvell at Ft Leavenworth; Dan Strother is flying helicopters for the CG in St Petersburg, FL; and John Box Berger is sr OC at the NTC at Ft Irwin. Thanks for the input, Bruce, and the photo of you & Mary with your 6 children flanked by GEN & Mrs Powell was a nice touch. Congratulations on your beautiful family (and your promotion, too!).



1972: Founders Day 91, Kuwait City

I must say that Bobby Curran has the Midas Muffler touch when it comes to this Cl col—nobody, but nobody, provides as much good poop. Being located in DC doesn't hurt, and he does an excellent job of keeping up with '72 in that area. The latest news is about the DC area picnic held in Sep. The attendance was less than expected and desired, but those who attended had a great time. Since Bob's notes are too voluminous to include everything, I'll do the best I can to summarize without missing the important stuff. Early arrivals were Shawn & Linda Conlin and family. The Conlins anticipated catching their meal at the nearby lake, but the kids took over the fishing gear. Shawn is still working on the Joint Staff while Linda is employed in the Army's Off of Congressional Legislative Liaison.

Roger & Linda Bowen and family traveled over from Bowie for the event. Roger is now with the DOE full-time, and Linda is back to work now as an RN

since the kids are in sch full-time. **Tony Dedmond** was able to leave his world of soccer for a while to join the gp. Oldest son **Tony** is on the state traveling sqd and is noted to be one of the top forwards in the MD/DC/VA area. Younger sister **Tonya** is an emerging soccer star as well. **Rhonda** still teaches HS while **Tony** commutes every day from Ellicott City to Ft Belvoir to attend the Def Sys Mgt Col. **Jim, Lynn** and **Jamie Derner** also made the picnic, even though **Lynn** was busy with some real estate transactions. **Jim** is still working with the Joint Staff. There is reported discussion about **Jamie** and **Eric Pavlick**, son of **Bill & Barbara** and a plebe in F-1, becoming acquainted. I think **Curran** was up to his matchmaking tricks. Speaking of the Pavlicks, **Bill** has moved to the Pulaski Bldg, downtown DC, and works with the head engr. He gets to visit USMA more often to see **Eric**. **Barbara** works at Bishop Ireton HS. **Bill & Betty Harlan** were there with daughter **Elizabeth**. **Bill's** still serving as a lawyer and travels the Beltway ea day from home in Bethesda to **Bailey's Crossroads**. Also attending were **Jim & Ellen Kievit** with their 3 children. The **Kievits** reside near **Rockville**, and **Jim** works at the Concept Analysis Agency in Bethesda. **Thom, Debbie** and **Matthew Tomassen** traveled from their farm for the event, and **Bob & Sabina Wank** came all the way from **Woodbridge**. **Bob** informed the gp that his off-mate is **Dan Doe**, who apparently keeps a low profile since being in DC. **John Siemer** has returned to the Pentagon as an aide to **GEN Sullivan**. **Terri** returned from Ger shortly after **John's** arrival. There were other "participants" at the event, either in person, or

by way of reps from those attending. Some of these included **Tom Greco**, USCC 1st Regt Tac; **Charley & Dale Anne Fletcher** (**Charley's** cmding a provisional transportation bn in Saudi at the time); **Ken & Cindi Searcy** are now in **Crailsheim**; **Bob & Roma Lossius** are at **Ft McNair** after his stint in Saudi; and **Ty Hughes**, still in **Kuwait City** helping rebuild, had a close call with a land mine but is OK (this rep came from **Joanne**, who got to see him briefly in Aug). **Larry & Mona Baltezore** couldn't attend due to soccer commitments but checked in to say he just grad from the sys mgt col. He also heard from **George Heyworth**, who has been on a job search in the DC area (anticipating his ret in the next few mos); **George** was most recently at **Ft Carson**. **Bob & Kathleen Dees** were unable to attend but rep being back in the area after his bn cmd tour at **Carson**. **Bob** is attending the **Indus Col** of the **Armed Forces**. He also sees **Mike & Kyong Dougan**, just in from an engr district in **NM** for a stint with the **DAIG's** off.

Curran requests that possible classmate sightings be rep to him so he can keep the DC area roster up-to-date. He specifically mentioned **Butt, Eiva, Frocht** and **Rosbach**, so if any of these are in the area, check in with **Bob**. One final item he noted was the latest 06 list, which included **Bruce Barlow, Wayne Boy, Mike Deegan, Mike Jackson, Bill Leszczynski, Wally Wojdakowski** and **Steve Curry**.

It so happens that **Steve Curry's** wife **Marie** sent a note to tell of their whereabouts. They are in **Killeen, TX** with sons **Ryan**, a freshman at **Penn St**, and **John**, a freshman at **Killeen HS**. **Steve** is CO of the **720th MP Bn** at **Hood**. Also at



1972: The Rasmussens, USAFA '70, with the Puddys, Myers and Hawthornes at Founders Day 91, Ft Leonard Wood, MO

Hood are **Steve & Patty Main**; he's CO of 3 Bn, 32d AR, 1st Cav. Both **Steve & Patty** went to Saudi last yr. **Marie** has kept up with some others over the past yr. **Dick & Terri Ducote** still live in **Dunwoody, GA** with their 7 sons. **Dick** is a partner in a consulting firm, **SDF Intl**. **Stan, Patty** and **Sarah (3 1/2) Florer** are in **Stuttgart**, where **Stan** is CO of 1st Bn, 10th SFG (Abn). **Joe & Melissa Gallagher** and sons **Ed** and **Sean** are in **Seoul, Korea**, **HHC 8th MP Bde**. **John & Regina Goshorn** and sons **Andy** and **Daniel** live in **Farmington Hills, MI**; **John** is with the **Ford light-truck div**. **Dave Hartman** cmds 1st Bn, 43d ADA at **Ft Bliss**; **Louise** and children **Joshua** and **Jessica** are there with him. At last count, **Andy & Jane Harvell** were in **Tunisia** with sons **Jacob** and **John**; **Andy's** working in the **US Liaison Off**. **Bob Hieronymous** is a production mgr with **Boise Cascade** in **Vancouver, WA**; he & **Debbie** have 3 children: **Adam, Eric** and **Pamela**. **John Langlois** was last heard from in the **Leicester, MA** area. The **Bruce Moores** are now living in **Woodbridge, VA**, after having returned from **Aschaffenburg** and the 4th Bn, 7th Inf, 3ID. **Tom McNerney** is putting his **French** to good use as **US Army Liaison Off** to the **French Army Staff Col**; he & **Patti** and daughters **Stephanie** and **Vicky** live near **Paris**. The **Dale Packards** live in **W Chicago**; he works for **McMaster-Carr** and **Linda** is with **EF Hutton**. When **Linda** talks, **Dale** listens (couldn't pass that one up).

Rick & Eileen Schrader and daughters **Allison** and **Suzanne** live in **Westfield, NJ**. He's an asst to the pres of **Parsons Brinkerhoff Engring Consulting** in **Manhattan**. The **Dave Wildes** family is at **Ft Riley**, where he is **Avn Bde XO** for the 1st Div; the **Wildes** have two sons: **David** and **Drew**. After several yrs at **Ft Hood**, **Rob Holland** took off for a short tour to **Korea**; **Rosemary** and kids are staying in **central TX**, where eldest son will finish his sr yr of **HS**. Also in **TX** are **Tom & Jacquie Walton** (in **San Ant**). **Jacquie** teaches computer classes as well as creative writing, while **Tom** spends lots of time on **TDY**. Well, that's about it from the **Steve & Marie Curry** update.



1972: Founders Day 91, Ft Leavenworth

Hope all continues to be well through the holiday season, and let's hope the Big Rabble was able to do it to Navy. We could use a big win after a somewhat frustrating season. Thanks and see you again, soon.

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This is being written as of 18 Oct; my next deadline is 15 Dec.

On 4 Oct 91, CI Pres **Doug MacIntyre** presided over the annual CI mtg held in the Pentagon. Noting that the ctr of mass of the CI now is in Wash, he used the analogy of force equals mass times acceleration to suggest that we would be able to do more with a Wash-based Standing CI Cmte. The motion was voted and agreed upon by the 31 members present. The cmte consists of **Kenn Riordan** (chm), **Lin Arrison**, **Steve Bothe**, **Pat Putignano** and **Kelley Mohrmann** (PAP, Dept of Math, USMA).

Bill Pokorny deserves our gratitude for carrying the ball at WP for several yrs as ch of the Standing Cmte. He advised that we are the primary cl for the 20th Reunion. There is a chance the Hotel Thayer will be under construction, and alternate arrangements will have to be made, e.g., stay at the Suffern Holidrome and use buses (or all stay with **Kelley**). Bill also briefed on funds: Admin funds, \$38,000; CI Fund, \$5,700; miscellaneous, \$350.

Jay Willis briefed on his post-ret network. He was supported by **Bob Garrant** who explained his successful results

from his experience as a consultant in the banking field with RCA.

With all this debate and discussion, the participants met at L&N Seafood for drinks and dinner. **Steve Bothe** and **Susan Krebill** described a serious injury to her husband **Dan**. While at Scout camp, he dove into a lake and injured his spinal cord. It appears that it is not severed, but recuperation is slow. He'd love to hear from you: LTC **Dan Krebill**, SCI Center Ward 1-W, McGuire Veterans Admin Ctr, 1201 Broadrock Blvd, Richmond, VA. Dan's bn cmd has been deferred one yr.

Jay O'Brien won the Republican primary for the VA House of Delegates. He appreciated your spt, esp financial, before the Nov election. Also among our politically active classmates, **Davis Richardson** was appointed to the Montgomery County Planning Bd. He & **Barbie** are restoring an old farmhouse, and it looks superb.

'Tis the season of 40th birthdays: **Ritt Dallaire**, 3 Sep; **George Quillin** in Oct; and **Al & Jan Costantine** hosted a party for me, which I thank them for (despite the roast). Also seen at the Costantines' were **Madonna & Bob Aldridge**, who are in fine form. **Mark Gerner** writes that he enjoys cmdng an OSUT bn at Ft Benning; after DMI, USMA and MFO Sinai. He has battled back twice from cancerous tumors, and that is a relief to us all. **Scott Feil** returned from being the S-3 3 ACR and Desert Storm to join the Chief's Study Gp.

As far as I know, **John Abizaid** is our only BZ (Army) 0-6. Congratulations, John!

Heard from **Jeff Sorenson**, who is program mgr for a few signals. He is located

in VA horse country, Vint Hill Farms. The address there is PMSW, VHFS, Warrenton, VA 22186; Attn SFAE-FEW-SG (Sorenson).

Hope all is well for **Mark Hanna**, cmdr, 4-21 Inf, Ft Ord, CA.

During the course of my business, **Ed Francis'** name came up at Sikorsky. We didn't get to meet as planned, but it was good to hear all is well. His phone: 203-386-5206.

Barbara Rash wrote to inform us of their whereabouts; **Charlie** is cmdr 2-7 Bn FA, Ft Drum, NY 13602. This is a REFORGER unit, so he will keep busy. She is still in IL, trying to sell the house without much luck.

Lee Ross (244 Haverstraw Rd, Suffern, NY 10901; tel 914-362-0096), wrote and said, "I thought you might be interested in knowing that Co F-4 held a mini-reunion in DC back in Aug over the wknd of the 16th. While it was generally for those stationed or living in the DC area, all our reachable classmates were invited along with wives and families. We ended up with quite a turnout: from the immediate area, we had **Grant & Annick Walker**, **Pete Fotheringham**, **Kevin & Kwi Keating**, **Al & Susan Sciarretta**, **Mico & Denise Miller** and **Joe & Chris Jaremko**. **Lou & Pam Sosler** came all the way from Madison, OH. **Mike & Martha Stewart** traveled from Concord, OH. NY's reps were **Jim Cooke** and me, along with my wife, **Paula**. Together with all the kids, there were about 40 of us for a wonderful picnic on the Potomac River, complete with volleyball, good food and gorgeous weather. Please mention that special thanks go to **Denise Miller** for hosting the Fri night party at her home; to **Paula Ross** for supplying hors d'oeuvres and wine; and to **Susan Miller** for supplying the great food at the picnic Sat. It was a memorable occasion for us all." Thanks for the ltr and photo, Lee!

Following my last report, **Donny & Cyndy Atkins** wrote to say how pleased they were with the whole staff at Cedar Sinai Med Ctr. They were competent, young, good looking, etc. **Cyndy's** recovery from the removal of 60% of her liver because of a tumor is proceeding exceedingly well. She hopes to be in the air again soon as a flight attendant. **Donny's** spt throughout was a source of strength, as anyone who knows **Donny** might expect.

LTC **Jim Schroeder** cmds a signal bn in Korea, as I have rep. He has had sightings on **Charlies H Berlin III**, an MI bn cmdr there, and **Jim Bessler**, who is XO 1st Bde 2ID and cmd selected.

The standing cmte has a Pentagon PO Box for CI business: CI of '73, PO Box 46973, Wash, DC 20050-6973.

As the holiday season approaches, I wish all travelers safe journeys. As always, **Pat**.



1973: (Kneeling) Lee Ross, Grant Walker, Al Sciarretta, Lou Sosler; (back row) Kevin Keating, Mike Stewart, Jim Cooke, Mico Miller and Joe Jaremko

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Greetings, Merry Christmas and Happy New Yr! I hope you are set to have a happy, healthy and fulfilling 92. Just a wee bit of news these last two mos, and I busted another deadline. . . again.



1974: Jim & Yvette Kelley, Carmel, CA

First-time writer **Jim Kelley** said he waited 17 yrs to write about something really big. "The happiest day of my life occurred when I married CPT **Yvette Jean Augus** at the Carmel Mission in CA." Both are stationed at Ft Ord; they met in Panama during Opn Just Cause. Yvette is cmdr of an assault helo co (UH-60) and Jim was the Bde S-3 and then XO. Jim was on the last Bn Cmd list, and he & Yvette will be headed to Ft Drum next summer to cmd the 3-17 Cav. Wish you the best.

Our long-tenured Chem Prof at WP, **Buddy Blackman**, sent a good update on '74 folks there. **Todd Bacastow** and **Bill**

Doe are in the Dept of Geography and Envir Engring, **Conrad Crane** in Hist, **Tom Daula** and **Barry Scribner** in Social Sci, **Bob Dillon** and **Fred Stellar** in Civ and Mech Engring, **Steve LaRocca** in Foreign Languages, and **Dean Russel** in PE (the dept with a heart!). Also, **Jim Loy** is a Juice and Computer Sci PAP but is up at RPI (Troy, NY) getting his PhD. Buddy noted that most of '74 live down in the Lee Gate area of post—where the "old" guys used to live—remember? (now he are one!).

Buddy also notes the 20-yr reunion is only 3 yrs away—plan now, Homecoming 94. Buddy's looking for advice on how to structure the wknd. He and the guys there favor what some classes have done before, and all stay at a big hotel or resort, and bus in to the functions.

Finally, **Buddy** is still selling off the CI items from reunions gone by—good stuff to include golf and grey B-Ball hats, T-shirts, belt buckles, stick pins and charms. He & **Sandy** will ship it right out upon notification; get him at Blackman, 155-A Gardiner Rd, WP, NY 10996; tel (H) 914-446-6438 or (W) 914-938-3328. Also note that **Jim Fishback** has a stock of the same CI items for the DC gang; contact him at 15443 Silvan Glen Dr, Montclair, VA 22026.

Ben Withers sent a pic and data on classmates in the Leavenworth area. Ben is in this yr's CGSC CI, along with **Don Dubia**, **Ralph Graves** and **Jesse McCorvey**. Jesse is a Res off serving on active duty. Those in the photo include **Eric Wildemann**, **Brian Oliver**, **Ralph**, **Brian Geehan**, **Dave Petraeus**, **Dave Wallinger**, **Bob Beecher**, **Jesse**, **Bill France**, **Dwight Morse**, **John Porter**, **Don Dubia**, **Eric Fardelmann** and **Ben**. Some of

these folks were passing through on the Pre Cmd Course (for new bn cmdrs) like **Brian Geehan**, who took over the Forward Spt Bn in 3d Bde, 2ID, Korea in Oct; and **Dave Petraeus** likewise the 3-187 Inf (Rakkasans) at Campbell. Others at Leavenworth include **Bob Delacruz**, **Jim O'Brien**, **Dom Izzo**, **Bill Kenney**, **Marv Decker**, **Matt Klimow**, **Gary Richmond** and **Steve Ottesen**, all working in CAC or somewhere—I'm waiting for **Decker** to write and enlighten me. Anytime, **Marv**.

Ralph Marks provided a bit of C-2 news: **Randy & Alice Studer**, along with 3 young'uns aged 8-14 yrs, live in his hometown of Algona, IA, where he's an agent for Central Life Assur Co. Of special note is that **Randy** was nominated by the Gov of IA to join the "America 500," a commemorative sail in 92 to retrace Columbus' voyage from Palos, Spain. Another C-2'er, **Keith Alexander**, had done Desert Shield/Storm with the 1st Arm Div G-2 shop while **Debbie** was in Ger.

Tam Pham update. **Tam & Kim** are getting around and seem to be adjusting well. They were special guests of the AOG at WP on 27-29 Sep for a football wknd. COL (Ret) **Seth Hudgins '64** escorted them as they toured bks and grounds, took in the parade, visited the Supe and attended the Harvard game, where he was announced as a special guest. Later they had supper with our classmates stationed there—just a real special homecoming time for **Tam**. NBC has also picked up on **Tam's** story and has been doing some shots and interviews. Tentatively, he'll be part of a special on 4 Jul 92 entitled "The Meaning of Freedom."



1974: Kim Chi & Tam Pham at Wash Hall, WP, 28 Sep 91

Tam & Kim also were able to attend the second annual DC '74 picnic at Ft Hunt Park on 12 Oct. In attendance were over 100 classmates, wives, kids and friends. Credit **Marv Searle** and **Don Zacherl** with setting up the event. Notes from the picnic: **Ted & Sherrie Martin** live in Montclair, VA while **Ted** serves on the treaty verification team that insures our Russian friends don't exceed nuke testing limits. **Larry (& Eileen)**



1974: CI reps at Bell Hall, Ft Leavenworth, 4 Sep 91

Frank is on the Joint Staff and responsible for comms in key cmd locations. **Bob (& Marcia) Bassler** is in DIA; in Desert Storm he was the bde engr for the 1st Inf Div's Avn Bde. **Russ & Barbara Quimby** live in Woodbridge, and Russ still serves on the Natl Transportation Safety Bd—railroads. **Jim (& Julie) Mitcham** works in a SCIF in the Pentagon until he takes his bn; and **Lloyd Scott** is still cranking out lessons learned from the war.

More notes on the DC crowd: at last rep the Walter Reed drs included **Bill (& Debbie) Hopkinson** (Orthopaedics), **Mace (& Shirley) Braxton** (Surgery), **Dave (& Karen) Daigh** (Neurology), **Steve (& Elizabeth) Sihelnik** (Urology), and **Chris (& Patty) White** (Pediatrics). **Chuck (& Maureen) Markley** is at DIA; **John Shortal** with the Old Guard, **Vayl (& Kim) Oxford** with DNA; **Colin (& Carla) Willis** just arrived at PERSCOM to work in Info Mgt; **Jim Inskeep** is working on the TACMIS(?) project at Ft Belvoir and lives in Woodbridge. **Mary Bonnet** has a good job in the Pentagon while **Joe** is across the river in Georgetown as the ROTC PMS. **George (& Lori) Runkle** is an FBI agent in town and was good enough to arrange for a fellow agent to brief classmates at a Sep luncheon on the Ill Wind investigations. **Chris Kaila** must still be selling real estate in Fredericksburg, VA, due to his name on big signs on the town's main drag.

I saw **Bill Aldridge** while he was TDY to the Pentagon; he's with the Recruiting Cmd at Ft Sheridan, IL, and in the last 10 yrs he's been at Leavenworth, then Ger as a bn S-3 and XO in the 3d Armored Div, then a tng-with-industry asgmt with Dupont. His soccer-star boys are 15 and 13, and he's added a daughter along the way. Also, **Chuck Herrick** hides in the Pentagon basement with the IG guys, is the XO and takes pride in snooping around, it seems. He had previously served with the 193rd in Panama. He & **Priscilla** live in Alexandria.

As I close, it's unfortunate to rep that during a live-fire exercise with his bn at Ft Campbell, **Dave Petraeus** took an M-16 round in his right chest. It splintered a rib and exited out his back. A great surgeon at Vanderbilt Hosp in Nashville patched him up, and, at this writing, Dave was well into full recovery. Iron Rakkasans!

A word for you shy folks who don't like to see your name in print: write and tell me about other folks. Waiting to hear from you. Next deadline: 15 Feb (May 92 issue). Have a great year!

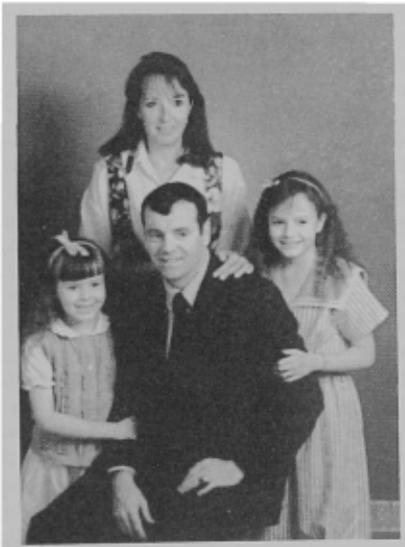
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Greetings to All Mbrs of Courage and Drive '75. I recently sent a ltr to the AOG to be copied and sent to all classmates who do not currently subscribe to *ASSEMBLY*. I hope this will generate some new '75 subscribers and more mail for the Cl col.

It is with deep regret that I rep the sudden passing of our classmate, **Ioane Keehu Jr** on 17 Oct 91 during a trng mission in HI. I received this sad news from **William "Bob" Aultman**. Our Cl sends its deepest sympathy to the family.

Wes Hayes dropped a note from SC. He was recently elected to the SC Senate to serve out the unexpired term of a senator who was elected to a judgeship. Wes, we're sending best wishes when your seat comes up for re-election. Sounds more and more like we have a White House-bound classmate.

Pete & Marilyn Farrell sent a great ltr. I haven't seen Pete since our days together in DMI.



1975: The Farrell family

Pete is currently serving as ADC to LTG John Myers at NATO Communications and Info Sys Agency (NACISA). Pete says they've done a great deal of traveling during their tour in Belgium, but are all ready to head for home. A TDY last yr enabled Pete to spend a wknd in San Francisco with **John & Cindee Uhorchak**. At the time, John was doing a research fellowship at Letterman Research Ctr. The plan was for them to move to WP this summer, where John will be working with Army athletes in sports medicine. John, we'd appreciate an update. In Mar, the Farrells sat with **Bill & Coco Watkin** at the Heidelberg Founders Day dinner. Bill works at the off of the USAREUR Engr in Heidel-

berg. Pete says Bill's whole family is fluent in German—quite an accomplishment. Pete also saw **Peter & Linda Madsen** in early Jun at Ft Bragg as they were packing for their move. Peter got back from the Desert at Easter and received orders to DC, where he is the XO to the Ch of Engrs. Peter also came out on the Bn Cmd list, so he will probably move again in the near future. The Farrells recently received a change of address from **Jim & Gail Slavin**. They recently moved into qtrs at Ord. Pete also had the opportunity to attend the new Joint Staff Off Course (Phase II) at AFSC in Norfolk from Apr to Jun. While there he saw **Steve Bellene** and **Dan Fey**. Steve is assigned as a shift off in the Natl Mil Cmd Ctr. The Feys were on their way to Offutt AFB, NE where Dan plans to man the Abn NEACP. Pete, thanks for a great ltr, but let's not have another 5-yr communications gap.

Bob & Edith McConnell wrote from Norfolk, VA. Bob was at Hood last Christmas visiting his brother Dan '77. Bob is currently attending AFSC and Edith is expecting McConnell #5 in Jan 92. Navy-person Bob ended his note with a "Beat Navy, but not too loud." A-N day must be tough for you!!

Al Fehlings and **John Talbot** both checked into the net with phone calls recently. The Fehlings are still in DC, and Al is busy in one of the Puzzle Palace offs. The Talbots are still in Ger and expecting Talbot #3 in Feb. Name considerations included Storm and Shield. Kathy threatened to name our two ARTEP and REFORGER.

I received a ltr from R James Steiner '78, who asked me to include the following in our col: "All former mbrs of the Scoutmasters Council should review the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep issue of *ASSEMBLY* concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical info."

As we enter the holiday season, we extend to you and your families best wishes for a peaceful and happy New Year. All the best—**Bill**.

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After a few rather lengthy articles, this one will be short. Let me start by giving you a quick update on our Cl Reunion. **Andy Chmar** and I met with **Phil Pierson** just before the Army-Harvard game (an exciting end—21-20—to a rather dull

game) to get some info from Andy as to what he learned as the co-chair of the 10th Reunion. The bottom line is that our CI-sponsored activities will most likely start in the afternoon Fri, 9 Oct, and conclude Sat eve. The big event will be Fri night. Given that there are very few of us at WP, and that traditionally the attendance of the 15th Reunion is not as large as that of the 10th and 20th, we felt that not having anything specific for the CI on Thurs and Sun would be most appropriate. Hopefully, by the time this article is printed, you will have received a ltr with more details. While at WP, I also got a chance to see **Rich Sollner**, who was visiting Phil; Rich had driven up from DC, where he is in the Pentagon.

One more piece of news: our congrats to those classmates who made the 0-5 list below the zone. To the best of my knowledge, they are **Andy Chmar, Steve Collier, Bob Lennox, Ricky Lynch, Tim Lynch, Mitch Poody** and **Jim Ward**.

Well, let me get on with the meager but very welcome news. A last-min fax from **Jack Powell** said the following, "Just wanted to write a note from the civ side of the world after reading the Sep 91 ASSEMBLY. Though certainly not the first, I wanted to make sure that "this" former mil-now-civ expressed my sincere appreciation to all of our classmates who were in the Persian Gulf or sping them from across the world. They all did a fantastic job—one that continues to make me proud to have been part of and know some of the dedicated soldiers who remain. We had an opportunity to spend two days with **John & Vanessa Chapman** and family. So we got an up-close and personal explanation of what went on. I've talked with **Craig Schweoman** and family. They are all doing fine down in Ft Hood, TX. I got a call from **Jim Skopek** in Jan—he was on his way back to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He had recently gotten married. Hopefully, he will fill in the details at some later date. I've talked with **Robin Riggs**, wife of **Van Riggs**. Van spent about 8 mos in Saudi flying Blackhawks. They are glad to be back together. As for my family, we are still in the teeming metropolis of Wilmington, OH, between Cincinnati and Columbus on I-71. We would love to see anyone passing through this way. Our home is always open if we're here. My work no is 800-345-3783. I continue to enjoy the financial world. I'm involved with a nationwide mortgage banking co. It keeps me very busy and doing some traveling."

A postcard from **Bob McConnell '75** had this news: "I'm a mbr of the CI of '75, writing to pass on info on my brother **Dan McConnell**, his wife **Jackie** and 4 boys, **Danny** (11), **Matt** (9), **Scott** (5 1/2) and **John** (3 1/2). They recently moved from Ft Hood to Ft Jackson, SC. Dan is the XO of the Tng Ctr Cmd, and his new address is 3737A Furman Smith Road, Ft

Jackson, SC 29206. Anyone visiting Columbia, SC should drop by or call."

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Well, that is all for now. Until next time—**Keesy**.

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Hello, friends and classmates. Sorry I missed last time, but... No Excuse, right? I'm currently hiding in Charleston from all the local Citadel grads I've harassed about how badly Army would beat them. Needless to say, my phone is off the hook, and I'm wearing my Halloween mask early. I've actually received some mail recently... believe it or not.

It is with deep sorrow that I rep the death of **Joe Tramosch** on 5 Mar; he died of a heart attack after working out on Long Isl. It came as quite a shock to everyone, because Joe was in terrific shape. Joe was working as an Asst DA in Nassau County after receiving his law degree from Vermont. Joe was well-liked by everybody and had a bright future in the legal profession. We all grieve his loss. I received a very touching ltr from **Joseph Tramosch Sr**, Joe's dad. He closed with perhaps the only consoling things in this tragedy: the strengthening of the bonds between those who shared his life and the certainty that Joe has, in the finest tradition of WP, led the way where others will follow. God's peace be with you, Joe.

Jose Solera dropped me a line from CA. Being a citizen of Costa Rica, Jose went on to get an MBA from Cornell and has spent the last 7 yrs with Intel. He is currently serving as a program mgr within the MIS gp doing PC and LAN development. Jose & **Meg** have two children, one of each flavor. Jose lives in Fremont and welcomes anybody in the Silicon Valley to call.

Kim Kadesch wrote from Northern Iraq in Jun. He was deployed with the 3-325 Abn from Vicenza for Opn Provide Comfort. He says there is little comfort for anybody, including **Jim Barclay** and **Rob Grubbs**, who were also there. Kim is the Bn XO after being the S-3. Kim, **Carolyn** and their two daugh-

ters will head for the British Staff Col in Dec. He is looking forward to putting the old rugby boots on, and he wants everyone visiting London to get in touch.



1978: MAJ Brian Mays and MAJ Mike Riley at Ft Rucker, Sep 91

Mike Riley wrote from Ft Rucker where he is an experimental test pilot. Sounds like fools' work to me, but you pilots are definitely birds of a different feather, no pun intended. **Brian Mays** went through AH-64 qual with Mike before moving on to be a controller at NTC. **Dave Swafford** has left Mother Rucker for Ger. **Bob Shaw** left USMA for Rucker. **Tom Snukis** is at Bragg after completing CGSC. **Bill Wansley** stayed at CGSC for the SAMS program, which means nothing to this civ. **Joe Pfanzer** finished CGSC and went back to Ger. Mike apologized for not writing for 13 yrs, but, alas, dear readers, he is not alone.



1978: At the Matos residence in Orlando, FL: (back row) Tony Matos; (front row) Jack Alexander, Joe Mooney, Bob Sarginger, Mike Kazmarek and Bob Birmingham

Tony Matos sent me a ltr from his vacation home in Orlando. He included the photo seen above with possibly the largest collection of well-known but unprosecuted criminals ever to attend USMA. Sorry I couldn't be there. Birms is training with industry in Orlando with McDonnell-Douglas. Please call, if you dare. Tony is still working up in NH. He says that Section 19 of the VET parking lot has been reserved for A-N, and all should stop by.

Jim Steiner wrote me a note on paper from the law firm of Orr and Reno,

misses Mobs and that crew but seems to be enjoying himself.

That's all for now. Keep those ltrs and calls coming, folks!

'79

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Greetings. I hope these notes find everyone in good health and spirits. If you have news, please feel free to write; it takes active participation from classmates to keep this col going.

The first ltr for this issue was from Jim Steiner '78. He writes, "All mbrs of the Scoutmasters' Council should review the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep 91 issue of ASSEMBLY concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical information." Further, anyone knowing of old scouts who either did not see or did not receive the Sep ASSEMBLY, please pass on the word for the upcoming Camporee.

The next ltr was from Cl Pres **Jim McGorry**. Jim & JoAnn have relocated to NC, where Jim has accepted a promotion with Baxter in corporate sales and mktng. Also working for Baxter are **Paul deBenedictis** and **Brian Concannon**. Paul is in MD while Brian is working in Chicago. When Jim & JoAnn were welcomed to NC by a neighbor, Jim informed him that they lived in Fayetteville when Jim was on active duty. But their neighbor replied that, well, this is the first time he will actually live in NC. Last Jun Jim attended a wk-long admissions seminar at WP. His Res job is liaison off, MALO, to the Dept of Admissions. **Gregg & Maggie Martin** were hosting Jim in their qtrs. However, Jim did get lured to run to Camp Buckner and back with Gregg and **Phil Maclin**. Jim said that he had "fears of being yelled at by the man in the red sash," as he again wore a uniform at WP. A few mos ago Jim spent a wknd in Wash, DC with **Mark Roche**, **Bert Mizusawa**, **Tom O'Donald** and **Alex Perwich**. Jim rep that Alex and Bert competed over everything, and Mark was able to stop in to see Jim & JoAnn on his way to Ft Leavenworth. Last mo Jim & JoAnn were able to fly to San Fran to visit **Ward & Barbara Rotter**. They are all doing well, including both of their girls, and Ward is busy running a financial mgt cl. Jim did have 3 key pts for the Cl.

CLASS GIFT: Discussions have begun with the AOG for special fundraising for a gift from the Cl of '79 to be presented at our 15th Reunion. A separate ltr will be sent to everyone explaining the fund-raising goals. If anyone is interested in working on this cmte, please write or give Jim a call. Comments on gift selection are welcome; Jim's number is 704-540-1120.



1978: Gathering at the Olds home: (front row) Tim Taylor, Bill Sumner, Bob & Jan (Calhoun '80) Meyer, Jim Nalepa; (back row) George Tronsrue, Barb Sumner, Paul Zacharzuk and Bob & Pam Olds

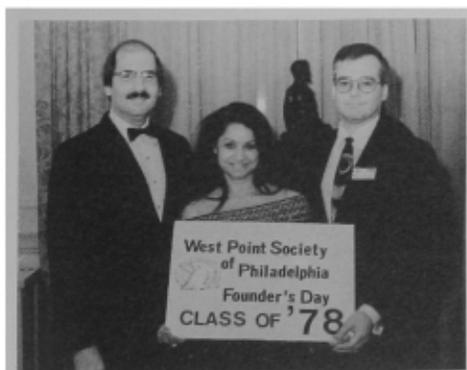
which, of course, made me quite nervous. Never can tell when the past will catch up, and I knew **Fred Orr** did not go to law sch, but my fears were for naught. Jim asks me to inform "all former mbrs of the Scoutmasters Council to review the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep ASSEMBLY concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical info." Jim & Carol have a daughter, Elise, born 20 Aug 91. Jim also has a son, Ryan (10). He also reminds everyone that 1 Jan is the deadline for GI Bill benefits.

Chip Braungardt called from Edgewood. He is working for a small co that consults to APG on a number of munitions programs. Chip saw **Ben Malto** at the Human Engring Lab at APG but thinks he may have left there recently.

Talked briefly with **Bill Harner**. He is at CGSC and says there are about 40 classmates there. Bill said he would get some more details soon.

Scott Hutton wrote from Portugal. He will be headed for a Christian mission to Mozambique; he has learned Portuguese, the language spoken there. He did a quick recon in Aug and said it was a real eye-opener. The country has been torn apart by yrs of war and the failure of communism. He feels that it will be a super opportunity to revive the Christian spirit in a land that desperately needs some light. Our prayers are with Scott and his family during their stay in this troubled land.

DC Adams called from Cincinnati where he is still recruiting for P&G. He



1978: Rick Sheffield and Norma & Martin Beckman at Founders Day 91, WP Soc of Phila

Arnie Ferrando is finishing his PhD in Dec and is going to Houston to work for NASA with the hope of becoming a mission specialist studying the long-term effects of weightlessness. As a former roomie, I can honestly say that I will come forward at the hearings on this to testify, and it won't be pretty. Congrats, pal. Nando says he is absolutely massive from lifting.



1978: Bob Chadwick, Biff Baker, John Luce '80 and Jim Hansen (former Chem "P")

FOUND CL RING: A '79 Cl ring was found in Chicago, inscribed with the initials "LB." The possible candidates are **Leo Brools** and **Larry Besterman**. Leo was contacted and said it was not his ring. However, Roger Hafer (the person who found the ring) was unable to contact Larry. If anyone can get in touch with Larry, have him call Roger Hafer at 708-460-9595.

REUNION PLANNING: If anyone is interested in working on the 15th Reunion, stick out your paw or just give **Jim** a call at 704-540-1120. Thanks, Jim, for the update, and congrats on your promotion with Baxter.

Jeff Lott wrote to update everyone on the Lott family news. Jeff now has 3 girls; the youngest turned one last August. He sent a photo from the natl sales mtg in Florida for Abott Laboratories' Diagnostics Div in Clinical Chemistry sales.



1979: Jeff Lott and other attendees at natl sales mtg in FL for Abott Laboratories

The photo includes (L-R) David Knapp '84, Dave Toth '81, Jeff and Mike Rodemers '80. Jeff has recently seen **Steve Powell**, who is a professional engr and has recently started his own business in Conway, SC, and **Steve Renfrow**, who is a mgr of a manufacturing plant in Dillon, SC. Thanks, Jeff, for the news and updates.

The final ltr for this issue is from **Kevin Weddle**. Kevin and I bumped into each other in SWA. He finds it ironic that he will go from the largest combat engr unit since WWII to return to a deactivating unit in Ger. After the majority of the unit had been transferred to V Corps, Kevin found out that their remaining unit was being transferred to Ft Lewis and I Corps. While **Jeanie** & Kevin are happy about going to Ft Lewis, they feel cheated to have to leave Ger so soon. This is esp true for Kevin, because of the rich historical significance of Europe. It is hard to fit 4 yrs of planned traveling into an 18-mo tour. Kevin is looking forward to leading an officer staff ride through the Somme and Verdun. Kevin is looking forward to the move, for I Corps will be a contingency Corps with the required adventures and planning. Besides, a new tour brings new adventures. Thanks, Kevin,

for the news, and I hope that your return to the USA is smooth.

That's all the news from me. If anyone has not seen his name in print, remember—it's probably because you have not written. Let's get started on the 15th Reunion, and God Bless to All. **Scott**.

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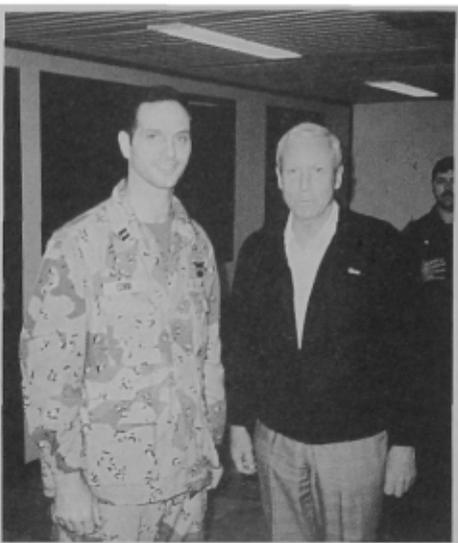
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Well, our 10-yr Reunion is over, but definitely not forgotten. I don't know of anyone who attended who was disappointed. It was the best in every way, and we all thank our classmates who made it all possible. Thanks also to the Goodpasters, who good-naturedly participated with us. I was sad for it all to end, and promises to "see you in 5 more yrs" all received "if not sooner" in reply. See the reunion section in the front of this issue of *ASSEMBLY* for more details.

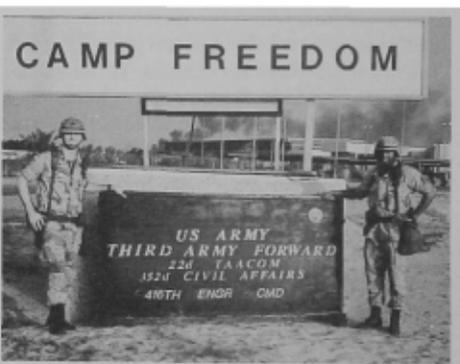
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The Desert Storm stories exchanged at the reunion were remarkable, and none less so than **Tom Cobb's** experience. He was mobilized in Feb 91, and, after he arrived in Saudi Arabia, was assigned as the Secy of the Gen Staff for the USARCENT Forward HQs and Task Force Freedom. He spent a few days in King Khalid Mil City and then deployed with DCG of ARCENT to Kuwait City the day after it was liberated. After a wk of frantic work in spt of 4 gen offs managing the restoration of Kuwait, the news media was about to overrun their position. They sent up a red-star cluster for help, and their distress call was answered by CPT Media himself, **Archie L Davis III**. Archie and Tom spent two mos in Kuwait working for the DCG of ARCENT, MG Robert Frix '61. Tom says their greatest accomplishments were not getting fired and putting on the Founders Day dinner for the WP Soc of Kuwait (Provisional). While Tom was managing the Cmd Gp, Archie was busy arranging interviews with CNN, ABC, NBC, CBS, etc. Rumor has it he is on a first-name basis with Linda Sherza. Tom saw **Bob Newman** and **Camille Nichols** overseas while he was there. Tom returned to the States and was demobilized at the end of

May. He works with Bell South as a mgr in Marietta, GA. He is assigned as the Opns Off of the 148th MEDEVAC Co, GA Natl Guard. He & **Barbie** have two children, Elise (3) and TJ (1). Tom, thanks for writing, and you looked great at the reunion!



1981: CPT Tom Cobb with the Honorable Michael PW Stone (Secy of the Army), 20 Mar 91



1981: Tom Cobb and Archie Davis in Kuwait City, Mar 91

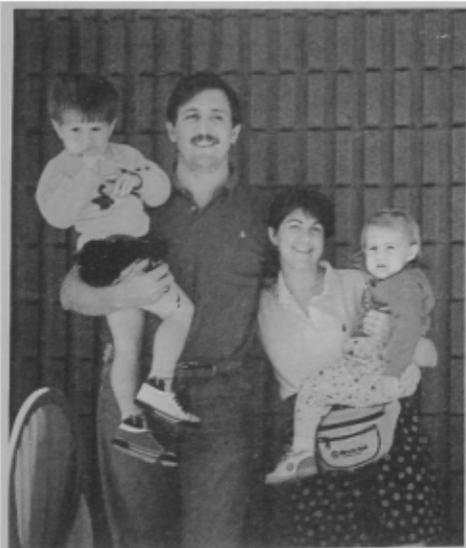
Another of our classmates who participated in Desert Storm was **Ernie Lockrow**. He was not at the reunion, but he wrote (his first *ASSEMBLY* ltr) from HI. His path to his dream asgmt began 10 yrs ago when he started with the 39th Engrs at Ft Devens and did well as a plt ldr, asst S3 and Co XO. Then he applied to med sch and was accepted for Sep 84. His bn cmdr lost a fine engr, and Ernie finished med sch in ME and went to Ft Bragg to do his internship in family practice. He decided he would rather do Ob-Gyn and learned never to change his mind on DA! Before he could go do an Ob residency, he had to pay his penance to DA. Ernie served 89-91 as the bde surgeon for the 82d Abn Div. So after two wars and a deployment to Honduras, he finally got the residency of his choice. He thinks it was well worth it. He loves HI and wishes he had more time to see it. Needless to say, there are a lot of

babies being born after Desert Storm, and Ernie will be very well-trained. If anyone is ever in HI, stop by Tripler and say hi to Ernie.



1981: Ernie Lockrow "coming home" out of Iraq, 23 Mar 91

Jack Bowen wrote with the good news of the birth of a little girl to Matt & Kathy Herholtz on 19 Aug 91; her name is Kate. Jack has been promoted at Leo Burnett to the Kraft Acct, and now he does Parkay margarine advertising. Jack was at WP this summer working on the Admissions liaison off's course. He saw Jerry O'Keefe, who is in the Admissions off, and Chris O'Connell, who is in the MALO program like Jack. Chris is a real estate developer in Boston and is successful in spite of the recession. Jack heard from Ron Horn, who is in Korea for a yr. Karen and their boys are staying in CO until Ron comes home. Meanwhile, Jack's family—Marylynn, son Andrew and daughter Lauren—are doing well and enjoying Chicago.



1981: The Bowen family

Bill & Debbie Adams wrote to announce the birth of Patrick Ryan Adams on 24 May 91. He is their third child and joins sister Lauren (7) and Daniel (5). Bill is stationed at VA Tech, working on his master's in human factors psychology. He will be in the BS&L Dept next yr. They are all enjoying some family time



1981: Some of the women of '81



1981: The Bill Adams family



1981: GEN Goodpaster led '81 in the march-on



1981: Co C-2 & spouses

after 3 hard yrs in the 7th Inf Div (Light) at Ft Ord. He was a btry cmdr and took his btry to Panama in 89 before the invasion, then came back and won the annual competition for best firing btry in the div.

Thank you all for writing! I hope we have lots of fun pics from the reunion submitted for the next issue. NJS.

'82

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Seasons Greetings, '82! One yr ago there were quite a few of us in the Gulf bracing for the worst. Nearly everyone is back home now, and here's hoping we won't be back there again.



1982: The Scroggins reunion

Lisa Scroggins sends a reunion photo. She, Amanda and Diana met Paul upon his return on Easter Sun. Paul was with the 82d Abn and spent nearly 9 mos in the desert. The reunion was quite a celebration, as Paul's family all came to Bragg for the event. Lisa sends news of Wes & Valerie Elmore. Wes is out of the Army and is attending divinity sch at Duke U.



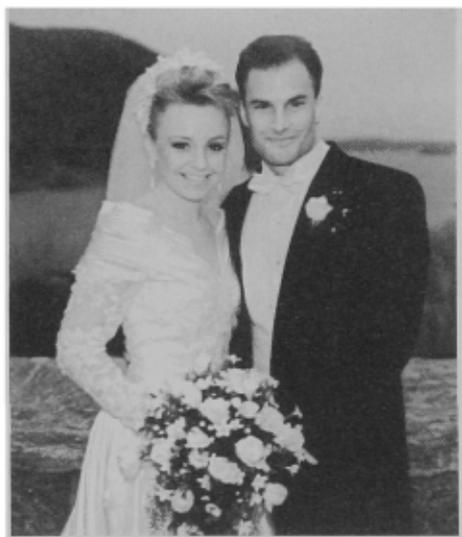
1982: Founders Day 91, Kuwait

MG Glynn Mallory sends the photo of the 91 Founders Day celebration at the Al-Sabah family palace in Kuwait. Steve Peterson gave a briefing on Iraqi defensive plans that had been left behind on a terrain board.

Doug Morrison is now at Leavenworth as a BCTP ops off. He spent a good bit of 91 in Iraq and was in the unit that

secured the airfield where negotiations were held. He's now reunited with Cathy and two-yr-old daughter Courtney. Doug sends news of a few people: **Tim Welton** cmds HHC, 11D; and **Jim Creighton** ran into Doug in S Iraq as Jim was serving with 2AD (FWD) and 4-3 FA.

Brad Peterson writes from Chicago that he has begun a new career as a financial analyst with United Airlines. Brad left the Army in Aug 89 to get a master's in mgt from Purdue. His final green-suit asgmt was HHC cmdr for Davison Avn Cmd at Ft Belvoir. Brad would like to hook up with the Chicago WP Soc, and requests that a mbr call him at 708-893-4323. He also sends 1-2 Moose news: **Bo & Sarah Dyess** are at VA Tech as Bo studies for his master's; **Steve & Trish Kent** are at Ft Sill; and **Selby Rollinson** and family are at WP, where he is a Tac.

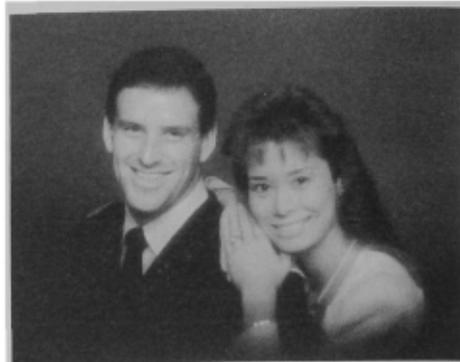


1982: Liz & Phil Kruk

Phil & Liz Kruk were married in the Catholic Chapel at USMA on 13 Apr 91. **Dave Palamar** and **Rob DeLuca** USNA '82 were at the reception, held at the Hotel Thayer. Phil & Liz are both institutional equity traders on Wall St.

Mark & Dorothy Condry will celebrate their first anniv on New Yr's Day. Mark has had an interesting career. After an initial asgmt at Ft Hood and a job as aide to the 4th Army Cmdr at Ft Sheridan, he cmded in the 1-4 FA in Korea. **Ken Dahl** was a cmdr in the same bn, and **John Garrison** was nearby. On to DLI, where he met Dorothy. Mark recently completed FAO in-country tng in Caracas, Venezuela; he attended their FAOAC and had time to travel around S and Central America. The Condrys are now headed to U of FL, where Mark will get an MA in Latin American studies. At **Bill Goetz's** wedding in Rochester he saw fellow H4 friends **Bill Reagan**, **Dan Worth** and **Nencho Kolev**.

Mark Washechek is also a student



1982: Mark & Dorothy Condry

these days. After 4 1/2 yrs at Ft Benning—he saw IOBC officers return for IOAC—Mark is now working on a master's in mgt of tech at GA Tech. **Rene Wolven** just finished her master's thesis and is returning to USMA as a Math P.

Yet another student, **Hans Brechbuhl**, writes from Harvard. Hans is a USSR FAO and is in the Soviet Studies program. Mrs Brechbuhl is the former **Ann McIntyre '86**. She left the Army in Jul 91 and is studying at Emmanuel Col in Boston for an MA in education. They met on the second of his back-to-back Ger tours. After Ger, Hans went to DLI to study Russian, and Ann completed MI-OAC. No telling where Hans' skills will take him in the rapidly-changing world scene.



1982: The Pates and Coutteaus at Yosemite

Harlene (Nelson) Coutteau is in NPGS with **Chuck '81**. Both are pursuing a master's in systems acquisition mgt and are mbrs of the Acq Corps. They've been traveling around CA and spending some time with **Charlie & Chris (Portera) Pate**. They are both in the ORSA program at NPGS. The 4 of them recently took a trip to Yosemite for a hike or two.

Yancey Williams was in **Harlene's** curriculum. He & **Gail** and newborn son **Taylor** left Monterey recently en route to Yancey's asgmt as a test and evaluation off at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Harlene sends news of some of the women of '82: **Rose Stewart** is at NPGS studying computer sci; **Deborah Gillette** is a civ working for the EPA in Wash, DC; **Linda (Miller) Nichols** lives near Oakland and works for Bechtel as a mech

enr; **Denise Goudreau** was deployed to Saudi with her Stuttgart-based MP unit; **Eileen (Martin) Volpe** is near Stuttgart and cmds a QM unit while **Tom** is deployed with 4-16 Inf; and **Roberta (Baynes) Pandza & Stu** are at Ft Sill (Roberta branch-transferred from FA to AG).

Rick Howard writes from Ger. He's currently serving with the 122 Signal Bde and will be USMA-bound soon to teach computer sci; he's also an NPGS grad from '88. Rick has been married to **Kathy**, a CPA, for 8 yrs, and they have a son **Steven** (3) and a daughter **Lisa** (1). Rick has seen a no of '82'ers recently. At CAS³ he saw **Larry Verbiest**, who is off to S America to complete FAO tng; **Mike Orr**, who is getting his master's in nuclear physics; and **Uwe Porth**, currently in KS working in an ROTC job. While interviewing for the USMA job, Rick saw **John Schoen**, who is a DPE instuctor, and **Kris Gandy**, who works in the USMA AI Cell.



1982: Rich Hook in Iraq

Rich Hook says hello from Ft Leonard Wood. After 7 1/2 yrs in Ger, his branch told him it was time to come home. Rick then took a trip to Saudi as B co cmdr and S4 in the 317 Engr Bn—some guys will do anything to stay OCONUS. **Annette** and daughter **Sarah** will do some adjusting, as German is the only language spoken in the house.

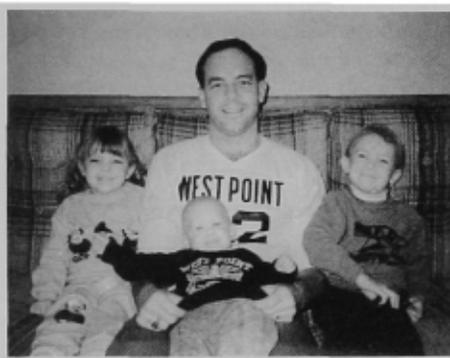


1982: Select few logisticians

More sch house news. **Mark Kimmey** and 4 other '82'ers attended the ORSA Mil Applications Course (I) at Ft Lee. Mark recently gave up cmd of HHC 1-63 AR, an OPFOR Co at Ft Irwin. He's

going to Ft Gordon to work in Dir of Combat Devel. **Norb Doyle** completed cmd of an Abn Inf co at Ft Richardson and was en route to U of FL to earn his MBA. He & **Ciail** have a 5-yr-old daughter **Catherine**. **Ken Juergens**, a recent grad of Babson Col, is en route to TAA-COM in Warren, MI with **Gaby** and son **Thayer**. **Kevin Hackney** has finished an asgmt at Ft Lewis in the 4th Region ROTC HQs. He's off to the Pentagon and the AI Ctr.

Steve Aviles, who finished at the top of his ORSA MAC cl, came from a tour as a Ranger instructor at Dahlonga, GA, where he cmded HHC of 5th Ranger Tng Bn. He & **Pam** and children **Jason** and **Casie** are now at Ft Benning, where Steve will work in the Inf Sch ORSA Cell.



1982: Kevin McPoyle and kids

Kevin McPoyle writes from Allentown, PA where he is in sales with Air Products and Chemicals. He & **Heather** have 3 children: **Brendan** (6), **Meghan** (5) and **Colin** (2). Kevin recently gave up cmd of an air cav trp in the PA NG. Quite a few challenges in being signed for an avn co that's 90 mins away. He also sends news: **Tim Bergin** is working for Leo Burnett, an ad agency in Chicago; he & **Kate** were wed on Memorial Day 90. Also, **Paul Merritt** is a Juice P at WP after earning his post-grad degree at NPGS; **Brian Molloy** is at NPGS now working on an ORSA advanced degree; and **John Radel** is with the SF in the Philippines, digging out from under the Mt Pinatubo ash.

Mike Hogan writes from NJ. He and **Les Knotts** spent time together recently as Les stopped by on his way to USMA. **Les & Monica** will be at WP for the next few yrs as he teaches Plebe English. **Scott Paoli** gave our CI Prez a ring, and he's doing quite well. Good luck to you, Scott. **Mike Davidson** is assigned to the Army's Litigation Div in Arlington. He & wife have a one-yr-old daughter, **Meredith**. **Steve Jarrard** is at USMA as a BS&L Prof. He & his wife have a 3-yr-old boy. **Karl & Yvonne Friedman** have two girls: **Jessica** (4) and **Elaina** (2). Karl left the Army to join a family business, a health ins brokerage firm. Mike wants to remind everyone of the 10-yr Reunion,

9-11 Oct 92. Also, every '82'er should keep a current address with AOG so all info will reach you. **Dave Steer**, **Bill Rogers** and **John Garrison** have the various planning cmtes off and running and are doing a super job.

Meanwhile, here in Korea, the mbrs of the Select Few are small in number. **Joe Duffey** and I ran into ea other at Camp Stanley. Joe is working with computers in a functional area asgmt after flying AH-64's at Ft Hood. **Mark Swanson** and I spoke recently; he & **Stephanie** and one-yr-old daughter **Ashley** are now assigned to Ft Rucker. Mark received a call from **Graham Galloway** and **Ozzie Gorbitz**. Graham grad from Harvard with an MBA, and he & **Michelle** and daughter **Ashton** are living in Atl. **Ozzie & Janet** are now in IL as USAF Off; Oz has a full-time Reserve job.

That's all for now. Merry Christmas and pray that 92 is more uneventful for the mil.

'83

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Hello out there! The ltrs have been kind of slim lately, but the bad news is that subscriptions to *ASSEMBLY* is down. Which means they could start scaling back the amount of CI notes. If you missed the subscription notice, then by all means write and order at AOG, USMA, West Point, NY 10996-1780 or call 914-446-5800 for info.

Jerry Jackson has been very industrious lately. He finished the Civ Affairs/Psyop Grad Program and now has his MS in intl relations from Troy St U. Now he's attending the Regional Studies Course at the JFK Ctr. He's completing his second master's in aeronautical sci from Embry Riddle, which he attended simultaneously at night. Boy, when he goes back to sch he really gets into it! In Apr, GEN Barratto, Cmdt of the Special Warfare Ctr, presented Jerry the Soldiers Medal for saving 15 people from a tenement fire at the end of Just Cause.

John Tibbetts at Riley with the 1-34 AR called me to let us know about some classmates he was with in Kuwait. He took cmd in Oct and was alerted in Nov. He was a Tank Co Cdr during the assault. **Marvin Meek** was in the S-3 shop. **Steve Payne** was the CG's aide and headed for KS St as an ROTC instructor. **Kelly Morningstar** was a Tank Co Cdr during the breach in 2 Bde sector. **Duane Riddle** was CO of HHC, 2-16 Inf. **Kirk Schleifer** was a CO in 2-16 Inf. **Mike Bell** was the 24 ID CG's aide and is now at U of Maryland en route to WP to teach.

I also got a call from **Bill Lunde**, who got out in 88 and lives in Dallas, TX with his wife and two children, **Christine** (4) and **Scott** (2). He's ready to start moving

around again and is looking for that perfect job.

James Steiner '78 says, "All former mbrs of the Scoutmasters' Council should review the Bulletin Bd note in Sep issue of *ASSEMBLY* concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical info."

Oh come on, wake up and enjoy life—this isn't our gloom period anymore—remember, we're out of sch!

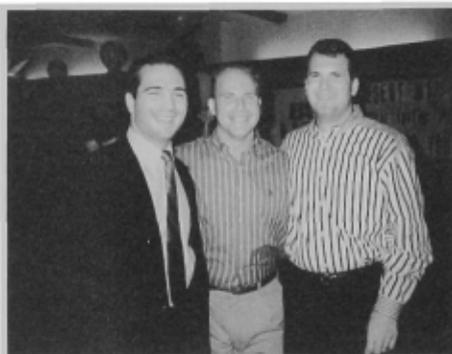
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This column comes to you from scenic Charlottesville, VA, the home of the JAG Sch. This is definitely a prime location—co-located with UVA, the facility is gorgeous. There are a number of grads here, but that will come later. First, let me pass along news that other classmates have sent for this issue.

Bill Georgas wrote from nearby Alexandria, VA where he, **Julie** and their children, Kevin and Kaitlyn, are doing great! Bill left the Army in 87 after a second major bout with the knee surgeon. After some time working with MCI, Bill is now working with a jr off placement svc in VA. Julie is also busy with the kids and a counseling gp she runs for children involved in domestic violence situations. Bill claims that his impetus for writing was a visit from **Jim Klingaman**, who was on his way back to the Ranger Regt at Benning. Jim was looking forward to this "respite" after 28 mos in ROK! Jim mentioned that another Cl Ranger, **Mike Kershaw**, would be training at Benning for a tour with the Ranger Bn at Ft Lewis. Bill keeps in contact with **Paul & Janet Heun**, who are in Freehold, NJ where Paul works for MCI. Paul is doing very well with the co, having attained the position of opns mgr. Paul & Janet have a little girl, **Danielle**. **Keith & Robin Nuzzo** are living in Cleveland, where Keith is a project engr for Lubrizol. **Tom Parker** is in Chicago working with Mayflower Contract Svcs. Tom is also the CO of a Res co. **Bill Penny** is at Riley, where he is cmdng an engr co and working on returning to WP to teach math. Finally, Bill passed on that **Pete Boylan** has left the green machine for Honeywell in CT. Thanks for all the info, Bill, and write again soon!

I recently heard from a couple who have faithfully corresponded over the yrs, **Al & Ree Porambo**. Al is working at WRAMC in DC doing a fellowship in child psychology. The Porambos live outside the Beltway in Gaithersburg, MD with their children, Alyssa and Michael. The Porambos had the opportunity to attend a welcome-home bash in Phila for another Desert Storm hero from

'84, **HR McMaster**. (Welcome Home and good job, HR!) Also attending were **Bill & Lisa Coyle** and, of course, HR's wife **Katie** and daughters, Katharine and Colleen. The photo shows the '84 contingent there.



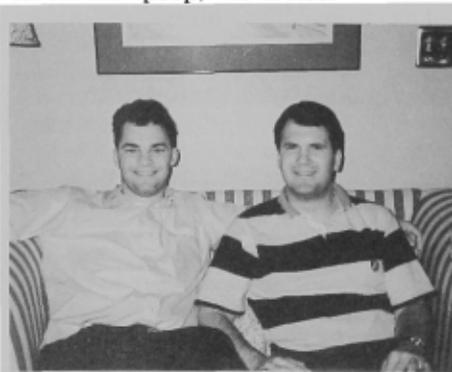
1984: Bill Coyle, HR McMaster and Al Porambo at HR's welcome home from Desert Storm

The next day, the McMasters and Porambos got together at Ree's parents' place in Phila and put the kids before the camera so that we could also see just how cute they really are!



1984: Al and HR with their children, Michael and Alyssa Porambo and Colleen and Katherine McMaster

In short, a good time was had by all. **Al & Lee** routinely see **Bryan & Mickey Allem**. The Allems live in PA, where Brian works for Matrix Medical. The territory that he covers for that co includes MD, so he often gets an opportunity to stop by and reminisce with Al about—what else??—the Corps! Thanks for all the "poop," Al & Ree!



1984: Bryan Allem with Al

Yet more news comes from the DC area: **Charlie & Maura Millar** and their daughter Amelia enjoy DC, where Charlie is VP of a local brokerage house. Congrats, Charlie!! The Millars are expecting a second child—how about a pic upon arrival, Charlie? Charlie does a daily mkt show on "Voice of America" in Europe, along with **Vernon Plack '85**. You can catch the show by tuning in at 1640 hrs, EST. Charlie speaks regularly with **Mike & Lynn McCormack**. The McCormacks are in the Boston area with their daughter Ashley; Mike works for GTE there. Charlie has also seen **Tony & Robin Bibbo**. They are in the Baltimore area, where Tony is the business mgr for a large hosp. **Dee (Painter) & Randy Cozzens '85**, stopped by the Millars' place after their triumphant return from Desert Storm. Both Dee & Randy are currently COs down at Ft Stewart. Charlie passed along that "**Bucky**" **Pritchard** is in Albany, NY working for Key Bank, and that he sees **Kevin & Laura Wallace** once in a while. They live outside Phila. Thanks for all the news, Charlie!

Ken Thrasher's wife **Pat** wrote from the "north country" up at Ft Drum, NY where Ken is currently in cmd of HHB, 3-62 ADA. Ken had served as the S1, ABMOC and A/S3 in 3-62 during the past 3 yrs the Thrashers have been at Drum. Ken wasn't kicking back on staff, though. He earned his master's degree back in Dec 90 and went straight off to CAS³ in Jan 91, in addition to being dad to two beautiful little girls, Tiffany and Kimberly.



1984: The Thrasher family

Pat also sent news of other classmates. **Rich & Diane Wink** had been at Drum with the Thrashers, but are now in warmer climates at Ft Jackson, SC with their twins, Sarah and Erica. Rich is CO of a basic training co there. **Lloyd & Chris Stephenson** and their son Craig and daughter Lauren are also in 3-62.

Lloyd should be Cdr of B Btry when this is published. **Sean & Laura Dodgson** had also recently departed Drum for MA where Sean is CO of a recruiting unit. In addition to their two boys, Tyler and Patrick, the Dodgson's welcomed a new mbr of the family, Meghan Elizabeth, this past May. Congrats!! Finally, Pat told me that the Ft Leavenworth Founders Day pic in the Sep *ASSEMBLY* was of Ken & Rich Wink while they were at CAS³. Great ltr, Pat! Thanks for all of the "poop" and write again soon!

Susan Hagstrom wrote from Chicago where **Tom** is working for First Natl Bank of Chicago after receiving his MBA from U of Chicago, along with **Shamus Hanlon** and **Clark Spurrier**. Tom loves the work and he, Susan, and their boys, Jacob and Benjamin, are enjoying the Chicago area. The Hagstroms traveled to Corning, NY this past Labor Day to visit **Gary & Shelly Bastin**. Gary works for Corning Glass; they have two children, Zachary and Mallory, and another is on the way. Congrats! Thanks for all of the news, Susan! Hope to hear from you again soon!



1984: Tom Hagstrom and Gary Bastin with their children, Jacob and Benjamin Hagstrom and Zachary and Mallory Bastin

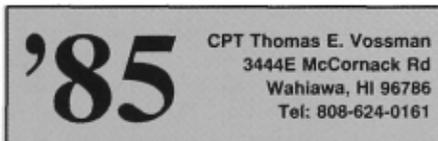
News from the "Down Under" came from **Dave Alberga**. Dave deserves congrats on a couple of counts. First, he was married this past Sep to **Christine** after a courtship through grad sch. **John Dowd** was the best man (taking a break from the Kennedy Sch—at Harvard, I think—where he is preparing to become a Soc P!!). Also in attendance were **Mike "Gumby" Parietti** (currently selling pharmaceuticals in DE), **Steve Enos**, **Paul & Stephanie LaFontaine '86** and **Roger & Kelly Carstens '86**, who were there as witnesses or for the free beer! Well, the second congrats goes to both Dave & Christine, as both received their masters' this past spring in business admin/level economics and Japanese language/soc anthropology, respectively. (I definitely don't want to match wits with those two!!) Now, Dave & Christine had an exotic honeymoon in Fiji, but that was because they were on their way to Sydney, Australia where Dave landed a job with a consulting gp. (And you all

were wondering where the "Down Under" news was going to come in!) Dave also ran into **Pete Weis** in Palo Alto, CA before he left for the "outback." Pete is working for Mobil Oil. Thanks for the info, Dave, and congrats again!

I've run into a number of classmates here at the JAG Sch, and I'll have more in the next col, along with pix. I should have had the stuff ready for this col, but I was negligent in developing the film. (No Excuse, Sir/Ma'am!!) But, briefly, **Tracy Knox** was here for the 125th Basic cl and finished as the Distinguished Grad, along with numerous other awards. He is heading off to Ft Bragg. **Tom Ayres**, **Katherine Spaulding**, **John Alumbaugh '83**, **Tom Swanton '83**, **Chris DeToro '83** and **Karen Wiggins-Fair '85** are here for the fall in the 126th Basic Course. I'll have more on their asgmts, etc, along with photos in the next col!

Finally, I've been asked to pass on the following info for all of you ex-Scouts out there: All former mbrs of the Scoutmasters' Council should review the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep *ASSEMBLY* concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee and request for historical info. If anyone was big in the Scoutmasters' Council, drop me a line and I can link you up with the people running this project.

Well, that's it for now. Sorry for dropping the ball on the info from the JAG Sch. We'll square it away next time. Until then, keep on Beating Navy!!



It has been a fast-paced qtr for those of us out here in HI, highlighted by the return of over 1,000 veterans for the 25th Inf DIV(L)'s 50th anniv. We had some remarkable soldiers from our ranks return for a great wk. Everyone sends their heartfelt thanks to these veterans for sharing their experiences and memories with our soldiers. We are currently about 2,000 strong in Ft Lewis, participating in the first Corps level BCTP (Cascade Peak 91) since its inception a few yrs back.

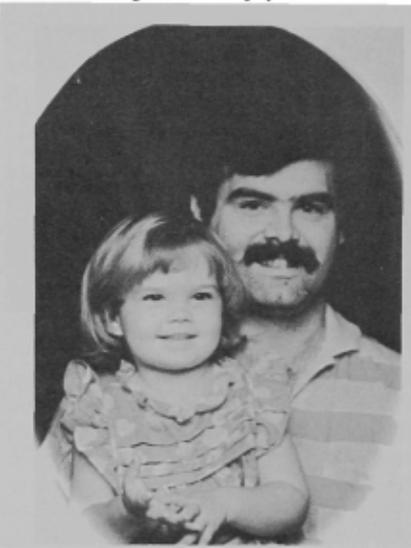
While here I have heard from **Brian Hobson**, who is now working on I Corps Staff awaiting a cmd with the engr. **Mike Rubitski** is doing super with the 864th Engrs as the S-2/Asst S-3. He, too, will be taking a cmd sometime in the near future. Although I did not run into them yet, **Nate Sassaman**, **Russ Wagner** and "**Stretch**" **Rodney** are all here tng up for a major NTC rotation, I believe. All are doing great in their careers. Also, I was able to touch base with **Steve Roesler**, who is now cmding a bridge unit while his brother Scott is down at Ft Ord. It was great seeing more of our Cl

doing great things in the Army.

I have only received a few ltrs since Aug. The 'ole summer swoon, I guess, has found the majority of you; but I appreciate the ltrs I have received, so let me fill you in on those from whom I have heard.

Pat Gaston should be in cmd by now in Ger. After working as the S-4 of the 13th Signal Bn, he transferred to the spt side of the house, after having some bad experiences while in an FA unit. He had a great experience in Saudi while spting the 1st ID. His ability to perform his mission has made him decide to make the mil a career. Pat, we are extremely proud of you, who made it all come together. I have a great experience now working with my FSB, and I know how critical spt can be. Hooah!

Gordy Bell wrote from IN, where he has now finished a degree in surveying. He, unfortunately, had a bad experience with a sr rater and felt it was best to seek a career—against his will—in another profession. He has since been extremely successful at Purdue in establishing—get this—the "ETS" fraternity to help svc mbrs adjust to college after careers in the svc. He was also inducted into the Surveying Honorary, Lamda Sigma. Pictured nearby is his daughter, Chelsea Nicole, his pride and joy!



1985: Gordon W Bell (G-2) with Chelsea Nicole

Our mainstay, **Peter Everett**, has had a rough summer but continues to do well, despite some extremely unfortunate experiences with the Big "Green Machine." In his case, "duty calls" was answered at the expense of losing a valuable relationship. Pete, hang in there, and always know that if you are doing what you know is the right thing to do, you're doing the right thing. Best of luck on your decision.

Doug & Carol Orr are doing super now in DC, where Doug is working as the legislative liaison for the DIA in the



1985: Carol & Doug Orr

Pentagon. This was after spending some time in the PGIIP intel sch at Bolling AFB. He has run into **Debbie Delaughter**; **Glenn Schweitzer**, headed for Okinawa with the SF; and **Mark Trawinski** at the MIOAC. Mark spent some time as an SF S-2 while in Saudi. He & **Chris** have one daughter. Finally, he saw **Mark Salazar** at Ft Campbell, working with TF 160.



1985: The Yi family, Sep 91

Sunny Yi, having spent some time at WP, has come away like many others with the feeling that the Corps "has" in many ways. We can only hope that the purpose will make it a better place to produce quality offs. He & **Heather** were blessed with son **Evan** recently. They now reside in Chicago after Sunny completed his MBA at Harvard. He rep that **Lee Webster** is currently in the MBA program at Northwestern.

Finally, **James Steiner '78** wanted us to mention to all of you who participated in the Scout Jamborees at Woops to please read the **ASSEMBLY** Bulletin Bd in the Sep issue which outlines plans for a big event coming up in the near future.

That is all I have. I trust many of you will write about your exploits over the next few mos. I look forward to hearing from you. Again I feel it necessary to inform you that we have one of the least, if not the least, number of subscriptions of all the classes for this mag. I sincerely

hope that it is not due to the quality of articles I try to crank out every two mos. My GRE score, however, would indicate that this might be the case. I will try not to take it personally yet, but we really ought to encourage more to subscribe. I do have a database started on addresses, so as it grows I will be able to help more of you out in the future. Finally, **Rhonda** & I will be headed for grad sch—either to Stanford or GA Tech—in Jun. If you need a place to stay in HI until then, we are only a phone call away. And as I have also said in the past, if we are not there, I know **Jeff Ryscavage** and **John Quackenbush** will be more than happy to put a roof over your head. Until next time, you have my best, '85!

'86

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This is the issue with all the reunion stories and photos. Though I wasn't able to get to WP, I managed to talk to **Rick Lange**. He named many who attended, but it was impossible to get everyone. The few I did manage to write to were **Steve Cannon**, **Bill Turner**, **John Lynch**, **Van Oler**, **Pat Daly**, **Mark Michealson**, **Pat Antonietti**, **Randy Birchfield**, **Tom Echols** and **BJ Zoopa**, just to name a few out of the 150-200 who went to our first reunion. More later.

Mike "Dish" Dishman sends word from Monterey, where he and **Troy Lewis** are studying Greek; then it's off to Greece for a yr. Others at Monterey with Dish are **Ken Curtis** and **Dan Schultz**. Dish's Ft Sill roomie, **Dave Thomas**, is now out and living in Holyoke, MA. Dish and Dave managed to have 20 keg parties in a row last summer—hence, Dish's weight gain. However, Dish has managed to lose 18 lbs since Easter.

Other news **Dish** gave: **Angie (Diciro) & Steve Bacci '84** are out and living in Memphis. **Cliff Mainor** is an S-1 in the 1-15th in ROK, as well as **Steve Hitz**, who is an FSO. Those in Ger include **Barry & Jodee Diruzza**, **Flip Kleinfelder** & wife, **Jim & Robin '85 Griffen** (Jim is an S-1 with 2-12 FA) and **Tom & Heidi DeFlippo**. Tom is presently cmdr of C/2-12 FA.

Aubrey "Lee" Garner is at Knox with **Holly** for AOAC. Before heading to Knox in Jul, Aubrey was in the desert working as the BMO for the 1-8 Cav, which was full of '86'ers—**Scott Billie** (S-1), **Bill Vredenburgh** (S-4) and **Dave McCarley** (CESO). Their experience in TX and the desert made them a close gp.

Mark Schake is in CO Spr working as an Armed Forces missionary to Peterson AFB Complex and Ft Carson. Before accepting this position, Mark was a civic action engr in Honduras. After putting in 80-hrs of office and construction work

during one hot, humid wk in Sep, he went to prop up a board he was sawing while remodeling the interior of a bldg. He got his left hand too close to the circular saw blade, partially amputating 4 fingers. He was medevaced to Ft Sam Houston, where he spent 4 mos in and out of Brooke Med Ctr. He was ret on 30 Jan 90. Mark accepted his present job the next day. As a missionary, Mark's job entails providing an environment where people can grow spiritually. He trains others entering into spiritual svc, holds Bible study 4 times a wk in his house, greets new mil personnel and coordinates mil retreats and conferences.



1986: Mark Schake, Bill Ward and Andy Miller '87 presenting a skit

Others from '86 presently in CO Spr are **Dale Cleland** & **Shawn Leighton**, **Bill Ward** and **Curt & Alice Szuberla**. Others assigned to Mark's old bn, 4th EN Bn at Ft Carson, are **Ed & Suzy Columbus**, **Doug & Deb Luehe** and **Dave Nelson**. Thanks, Mark, for the update.

Jill (Spangler) Reilly resigned two wks after **Chris** left for Saudi with the 6th Trans Bn and two wks before their daughter **Jordan Elizabeth** was born. **Chris** came back on 18 May and resigned a few mos later. Presently **Chris & Jill** are at Duke, where **Chris** is working on his MBA. They can't wait to root for the Blue Devils in B-ball, but it's getting through the football season which is difficult! **Jill** is just enjoying being "mom."



1986: CPT Dan Kelly '85 with Chris Reilly, holding daughter Jordan for the first time upon his arrival from Saudi; Langley AFB, 18 May 91

Jeff & Elaina (King) Hajduk are in San Ant, TX, where **Jeff** is working for Clark.

Elaina, like Jill, is enjoying the fruits of motherhood with daughter Danielle.

Matt & Linda (Fetko) Christ are stationed at Bragg. As Desert Storm developed, the Army deployed Linda to Saudi but left Matt at Bragg to hold down the fort. When she returned, they flew to Nassau to bake in the sun and lay in the sand—but with the added attraction of a cool ocean breeze.

Eric & Debbie Scheidemantel are at Ft Lewis. By the time this article is published, Eric will have taken cmd of an ADA btry.

Mike & Lila Sturghion are at Ft Rucker since Mike transferred from FA to Avn. Lila and daughter Natash went with him to the wire grass of AL.

Pete & Sharon King and son Douglas are in NY, where Pete has a new job to “be all he can be” in the civ world.

Scott Poirier and gp got together at Hilton Head, SC over Memorial Day for an informal 5-yr reunion/return from Desert Storm party. Scott was working for Lucas Assoc in Newport Beach, CA but left in Sep to get his MBA at Yale. Others at the Hilton Head bash were **Dave Urban**, in law sch at Temple; **Joe Morris**, an engr for Procter and Gamble in St Louis; **Jimmy Belanger**, who works for his father’s co in MI and is a husband and father; **Mike Spingler**, another employee of Lucas Assoc; **Andy Napoli**, who is married to **Robin** and at AOA in Bragg; **John Olvey**, who’s married to **Nancy** and has two children; and **Rich Pascoe**, who may work for a high-powered SC politician. Thanks, Scott.

Stephen Brooks cranked out another I-2 Moose newsltr. Here are some highlights:

• **Ron & Amy Marsh** had a son this

spring and are now getting ready to get out of the Army. Ron spent a night at **Stephen’s** place while attending a job conference in Alexandria.

• **Brian & Lauren McGowan** are settled into their apt in Dallas. Brian is enjoying life at Clarke-American, but asks that if you have any problems with your checks you shouldn’t bug him at his toll-free no, 800-759-2435.

• **Louann Nannini** is still trying to complete her requirements for pre-med. She mentioned a possible title for her book, *How to Get to Med Sch Part-time After 40*.

• **Trey & Cindy Jackson** still have their dogs (Shemp and Morrissey) and are living in a house in Arlington, TX. Trey is working for a paper mill (Rock-TENN) in Dallas which is heavy into recycling, and Cindy is working and going to sch at UTX-Arlington.

• And the publisher of the Moose newsltr, **Stephen**, is currently bldg a co-generation plant in Lake Charles, LA for the next 10 mos or longer. Stephen works 10 hrs/day Mon-Thurs—therefore, a 3-day wknd every wk! He is still seeing **Nancy**, who lives in Arlington, VA, and travels N every 2–3 wks. When Stephen doesn’t see **Nancy**, he’s visiting **Trey & Cindy**, **Brian & Lauren** in Dallas or **Eric & Kristin** in San Ant.

Mary Ellen (Conway) Picciuto is out of the Army but not before going to the desert. She says the high pt of Desert Storm was the cease fire and then the dreaded wait to get back home. While in the desert ME didn’t see one classmate, but she did talk to **Steve Kaczmarek** on the land line. ME’s parents took care of daughter **Kelsey** while **Jack & ME** were gone. But now, ME is content with being

a mother, as so many of you have already mentioned.



1986: ME in a desert latrine



1986: The Picciuto 4th of Jul family reunion

Cyndi Isler is doing well and working in L.A.. She visited her brother '88 in Ger this past Apr. Girl, send me a note and tell me how you like L.A..

That’s all I have for now. I know some of it is patchy, but ya’ll get the general idea.

'87

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It’s mystery quiz time. What happens in May 92? a) **John Hurst** wins the jackpot at Vegas; b) your last car payment on your Firstie car; c) the highly-touted Cl of '87 5-yr reunion. d) all of the above.

Well, I certainly hope you selected c or d. That’s right, sports fans. Next May, believe it or not, we chalk up 5 yrs since the hats went a-flyin’. As I was writing this back in Oct, I caught up with **John**, and he had already made tentative plans for the reunion back at WP. We plan to send out an info sheet in regards to the reunion and also enclose a questionnaire. Due to the fact that we have all gone our separate ways and Desert Storm added that little extra touch of uncertainty, we are enclosing a ques-



1986: The Hilton Head crowd

tionnaire in an attempt to catch up on everyone's lives. If we are unable to "locate" you by Feb, please feel free to drop me a line with your current address and all the tasty news about your life. For that matter, please feel free to write whenever you wish, but esp when your address changes, so that we can give you the straight poop.

Enough business already. . . . I mentioned that I spoke with **John Hurst**. He had a dandy wedding story to relate. On 10 Aug 90 he corralled his neighbor, who happened to be a Lutheran minister, and his sweetie and scurried off to the local church. Why the haste? Well, shortly after becoming LT John & **Shelia Hurst**, he boarded a plane with the 24th Mech and headed for the Mid-E. Not to worry, folks; they made it all formal on 1 Jun 91 upon his triumphant return to the States. He says our classmates were flocking to the Inf Adv Course at Benning this autumn. John, however, was sharp enough to snag cmd of an AR co and won't join us at the Adv Course until Apr 92. He bid **Rick Nieberding** farewell, as he was off to Ft Knox to join me for the Oct Advance Course.



1987: Scott Canonico (C-3), Dave Mikolaities (B-3), John Lacksen '88 (E-4) and Dave Scheyer (G-3)

DID EVERYONE HAVE A BUD SUMMER? Pictured here, another "Rocky Mtn High" at Ft Carson, CO evolved into a Bud Summer Bash which garnered a 5-keg rating with a crowd of over 100 people. The motley bunch of **Scott Canonico**, **Dave Mikolaities**, **John Lacksen '88** and **Dave Scheyer** hosted the event. They were joined by **Mark Migaledi**, **Doug Tuminello**, **Kevin Keenan**, **Bob Ness '86**, **Ted Moran '86**, **Lou Bartulovic** and **Matt Petrocelli** (in spirit only). They added that "things have been going well at the high-speed, low-drag 4th ID. . . even though not many of us went to Saudi, we did deploy to Ft Hood to train the MS ARNG. We did entertain ourselves quite well!" Thanks for the latest from the Rocky Mtn High Club.

Ladies and gentlemen, if you missed it in *People* mag, if your neighbor bought the last copy of the *Star* or the *Globe*. . . on 27 Apr 91 **Fred Kaehler** got married!!!

Yes, that's right, he ended bachelor life last Apr by marrying the former **Laura Bennett** at Ft Myer, VA. She was an instructor at the S-1 course in Heidelberg, and Fred was one of her star pupils. Fred admits it was a clear-cut frat case, but forgave himself because, after all, she's a civ. It was a small H-1 reunion when **Brian Bedell**, fresh from Iraq, **Brett & Beth Guthrie** and **Walt Daley** all showed up—and in style.



1987: Fred sportin' a happenin' tux and a beautiful bride, Apr 91

Other classmates in attendance were **Joe & Kelly Michaud**, **JP & Priscilla Walter** and **Kurt Greene**, all EOAC grads. Fred made it very clear, so check it out, gang—"I'm not wearing my blues—I rented a tux!" And a good looker it was, too, Fred. I'm sure I speak for the whole CI when I offer congrats to you & **Laura** and bid you good tidings as you head for rough duty on the isl paradise of HI.



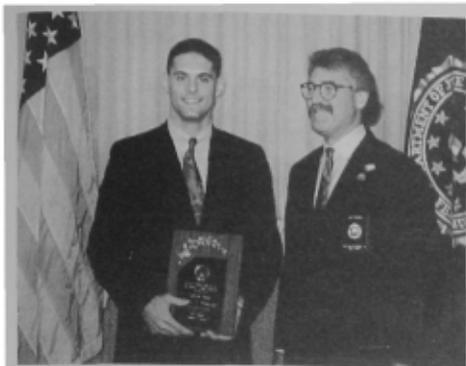
1987: Brian, Fred and Walt, Apr 91

The Bud Club of the 4th ID took you to the Rockies. Now **Donna & Ted McAleer** whisk us away to "the hillbilly haven in the heart of the Ozark mtns, none other than Ft Lost-in-the-Woods." Labeled 'Sapper bonding,' the '87 Engrs have settled in for winter EOAC. Their stay in the Ozarks has included visits with **Fred Kaehler**, **Wendell Nelson**, **Joe Samek**, **Mark Mitchell**, **Steve O'Dell**, **Sam Homsy**, **RJ Sollohub**, **Dale Willis**, **Jackie (Fabrizio) Coffey**, **Anne Anderson**, **Paul Rollins**, **Stewart Fearon**, **Bryan Truesdell**, **Mike Johns**, **Mike Kiene**, **Mark Toy**, **Cliff Daus**, **Mike Ferrone**, **Jim Korpela**, **Bill Leady**, **Jamie Gayton**, **Mike Rose**, **Bruce Marchetti**, **Darren**

Rodeschin, **Dave McCormick**, **Dwayne Romero**, **Eric Tuggle**, **Mark Puhala**, **Rob Fancher**, **Rudy Esteves**, **Greg York** and **Doug Moody**. Newlyweds include **Fred & Laura Kaehler**, **Dwayne & Margaret Romero** and **Stewart & Brenda Fearon**. **Donna** assures us that they are making the best of a potentially boring situation. For instance, when water-skiing, canoeing or tubing aren't quite cutting the mustard, there is always midnight volleyball at the Blue Heron Rookery. I had to say that 3 times fast, **Donna & Ted**; for a min there I thought you said naked volleyball at the Red Baron Hookery. That, of course, would blow any chance you had of being appointed to the Supreme Court. But, anyhow, **Donna** said she was planning to leave the Green Machine this fall to attend the Darden Business Sch at UVA in pursuit of an MBA. **Ted** will be stationed at Ft Lee. She also hinted that **Mark Mitchell**, **Anne Anderson** and **Paul Rollins** were considering trying their hands at the civ world. **Donna & Ted**, as always, stay in touch, thank you, and watch that volleyball stuff!

JAMES GAGLIANO IS AN FBI SPECIAL AGENT. There, I said it. **Jim** wrote me a ltr and waited until the very end to tell me the big news. But I refuse to be modest for you, and I'll give you the coverage up-front that you deserve. After 4 years in the tundra of Ft Drum, **Jim** decided to pursue his dream and apply for the FBI contingent. However, his plans were temporarily placed on hold when **Gina** gave birth to a 9 lb 9 oz baby boy named **Anthony James**, and he had volunteered for a tour in Saudi as an XVIII Abn Corps LNO. As fate would have it, a CPT took his slot in Saudi, and the FBI pushed the Army to release him on an early out. After moving the wife and child to Pearl River, NY, **Jim** left for special agent tng at Quantico, VA. Sixteen wks later (Jun 91), **Jim** grad and was assigned to the NYC Off and an Organized Crime Task Force working in the Bronx, Queens and Brooklyn. The work turned out to be great until his worst fears were realized—he learned that his supervisor was none other than an Annapolis grad! Anyhow, the graduation was a grand event, and **Jim** received his badge and credentials from **Pres Bush**, who spoke to the cl on the Anti-crime bill.

The pic shows **Jim** receiving the cl physical fitness award from **Walt Stowe**, the dir of Special Agent Tng, once again proving that Rangers lead the way. **Jim** added that his brother-in-law, **Kevin Houston**, got out last Jun 91 and secured tryouts with several pro basketball teams. Finding that he was rich on talent but shy a few inches, **Kevin** has subsequently landed a position with the Plans Div of NY Tel and lives back in Pearl River with **Liz** and their 3-yr-old daugh-



1987: Special Agent James Gagliano

ter Lauren. Jim and Kevin live close enough for Kev to inflict a one-on-one butt-kicking on occasion. Jim also mentioned that **Jack McGuiness** got out last Aug 90 and went back to sch at Iona Col. He is only a few credit-hrs shy of an MBA! **Rich Fredricksen** was married to **Diana** on 30 Aug 91 and is living in TX. **Jim, Kevin, Jack, Bill Garvey, Jack Poole, Kurt Hoernlein, Chris Rigoni** and **Jeff Opperman** all made the wedding. Jim had nothing but compliments for the bride & groom. In closing, Jim offered to help anyone considering law enforcement as a follow-on career. You may reach him at 95-25 Queens Blvd, Rego Park, NY 11374; tel 718-459-3140. Congrats and keep us updated!



1987: Special Agent with his special family



1987: B Lynn Sones, Bryndol Sones and Jeannine Hadley at Founders Day 91, WP Soc of Phila

Chip Holton is working for a fiber optics corp in Roanoke, VA. He works with **Gene Kaiser** and **Kurt Hoernlein** and mentioned that **Chris Rigoni** holds a position with TX Instruments. **Bill Lam-**

pley is working with Mobil Oil in Jacksonville, FL, and **Chip** heard that **Clarence Jones** made the cuts in Dolphin camp until a broken hand sent him packing for law sch—on scholarship, by the way.

Mr James Steiner '78 wrote me and asked that all former mbrs of the Scoutmasters Council review the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep issue of *ASSEMBLY* concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Camporee.

Please keep in mind that reunion details are coming your way, and we would appreciate help in tracking long-lost classmates. See ya next time.

'88

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Many of our classmates are moving on to bigger and better things in the civ world. For those of you who decide to get out, best of luck in whatever you do.

Paul J Bento is out and studying law at Seton Hall Law Sch; he is currently working as a paralegal in a NJ-based law firm.

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Finally, I have a few dozen pics that you have sent in over the yrs for *ASSEMBLY*, to be returned to you. As soon as I get a loan to pay for the postage, you will be getting them back.

Keep writing.

'89

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Well, '89, I hope you all are having a wonderful time out there, too. Times have been busy, and I've been out of the net for a while, so I'm sorry for the ltrs I haven't answered.

Matt Marcy sent a wedding pic. In Sep 91 he married **April Jackson** in Charleston, WVA. The Marcy's are with the 12th Engr Bn here in Ger.

Speaking of weddings, **Chuck Correll** threw in the bachelor towel and married long-time sweetie **Kristen Pienkosz** in Jul 91. **Telita Crossland** and **Jeff & Lynn Destephano** witnessed the honors. **Chuck** writes that **Chris Scuron** & his wife (sorry, can't remember her name) had a big baby boy, **Chris Jr.**, in Feb.

Chuck & Kristen are partying it up lately in Bamberg, Ger with 2-2 ACR. *Toujours Pret!*

Sherri Langston got married in Jun to **Carl Whiteman**. Both are stationed in Hanau, Ger. **Sherri** has been in touch



1989: Kristen & Chuck Correll

with **Lynn Breen, Doug Stutz, Ralph & Stephanie (Reich) Kauslereich** and **Matt Reyes**.



1989: Sherri (Langston) & Carl Whiteman at WP

Sherri says also that **Andrea Salvidio** married **Mark Brewster** in Sep 91 in a really fun wedding. Good luck to **Sherri & Carl** and to **Andrea & Mark!**

Pete "Pineapple" Patacil sent me an obnoxious ltr for not writing more in this col. No excuse, **Pete**. He, **Kathleen** and son **Willie** are in Vilseck, Ger. There, **Pete** has seen the likes of **Rob "RJ" Jorgensen, Casey Reed, Sue Young, Jim Wenner, Carl Ramsey** and **Dave Santo**. **Pete** is doing just a great job in the Ammo Spt Plt for 6-1 FA. Delta Meat!

James Steiner '78 sent me a line to put out to all you Scoutmaster types out there. This yr is the 30th Anniv of the WP Scout Camporee, which is the largest scouting event in the USA. Check the Sep 91 Bulletin Bd of *ASSEMBLY* for details.

John "Wedge" Tonra says "aloha" from sunny HI. In May, he met a lovely lady in Thailand while on Exercise Cobra Gold. (Tough tng, huh John?) They got married on 21 Sep 91. So welcome, **Buntajit (Buranaphong) Tonra** to the Cl of '89.

They are together in HI and will have a Catholic wedding at WP on 23 May 92. Make it, if you can. Go, Boys!

Well, at Oktoberfest in Munich, I ran into my dear drinking buddies from



1989: Matt & April Marcy, Reb & Kelly Yancy, Mike Francomb and date, Dave Gravel and date, John & Kim Matlock, Scott McKechnie and Mark MacGregor



1989: Wedge & his Asian sunshine

AOB, Greg Anderson, Troy Faber and Joe Baalman. Also, there was Vince Antolin and Todd Smith. So we had a mini-reunion on behalf of the Hofbrauhaus. Speaking of old buddies, I saw Al Jarotzky in Kitzigen, Germany with his wife Candi (Vernold '90). As usual, Alex was pondering "it."

I have a new address now. Write me and say hi—I'll make you famous! Until again, **STRENGTHEN THE LINE!**

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We have classmates all over the world now, so if you are in Korea or somewhere no one has ever heard of, or if you are

still in Kuwait, drop me a line and enlighten the CI.

Overseas, **Rob Munden** (B-3) sends news of his unit being deactivated. 4-69AR and its sister bn, 1-69AR in Kitzingen, are no more, displacing several of our classmates. Rob went to B Trp, 1-2 ACR in Bindlach, and he tells me that **John Lenkhart** (D-3) went to 4-70 in Erlangen with **Jon Newhard** (A-4). **Greg McCown** (H-1), with his wife **Julie**, went to 1-37AR in Vilseck, while **Rob Davidson** (H-3) went to Schweinfurt. Rob had also heard from **Brian Cook**

(B-3) and **Malcolm Schaefer** (B-3). Apparently, Brian had quite an experience in Saudi with his platoon acting as the mtg point for some of the surrender talks, and he will soon be moving up to scout platoon leader in his bn in the 11D. Malcolm skipped a job with the 82d and is now a platoon leader with the Old Guard in DC, a perfect job for an ex-Color LT. It does not sound like deactivation is too much fun, and Rob tells of the hardships of finding a new job, giving the movers another crack at breaking his furniture and the long waiting lists for housing that some of our classmates are facing.

Vickie Mitalas also wrote from Deutschland saying that she ran into a bunch of our classmates at a computer exercise: **Broderick Bailey** (G-3), **Tom McCleskey** (D-4), **Tom Jones** (H-3), **Johnny Roo** (G-2) and **Bill Eisenbauer** (I-4) were in attendance. She also had a couple of CTLT (who knows that they call it now) cadets in her co this summer to keep her up-to-date on how soft the place has gotten—something about the plebes not pinging?

Tom Jones (H-3) sent in a little news of his own from Baumholder. He wanted everyone to know about the classy bathrobes that **Ted Reich** (A-2) has been giving away in Hanau. I also heard from an old roommate of TJ's that he has been looking to do a little investing in diamonds. More details to come.

Stateside we have had a few more weddings. **Chip Elliot** (B-4) married **Debra Clark** on 28 Sep 91 in Fairfax, VA.

Susan Curtis, formerly **Susan Henricks**, sent me this pic from her wedding.

She married **Scott Curtis** (A-3) on 22 Dec 90 in the Cadet Chapel. Chaplain Camp officiated, and the reception was



1990: Susan & Scott Curtis' wedding party



1990: '90 at the Streetman wedding

held in Cullum Hall. They now reside at Ft Polk, where Scott is an Inf Plt Ldr, and are expecting their first child, Scott Bradley.

Dan Streetman (B-1) sent a couple of pics from his 25 May wedding. The first is a pic of Dan & Terri and the second is a shot of several of our classmates.

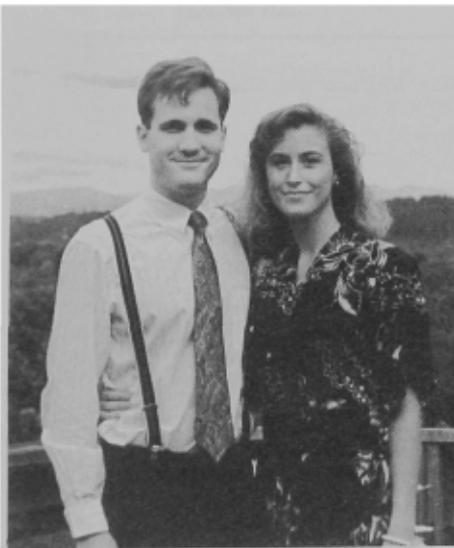


1990: Terri & Dan Streetman

Pictured are **Pat Davis** (B-1), who was married in Jul and is flying Hueys; **Tom Schermerhorn** (A-2), who finished Ranger Sch two wks before the wedding and is now with the Berlin Bde; **Shane O'Kelly** (B-2), who finished Ranger Sch 13 Aug and is stationed in Vicenza with the Streetmans; **Will Hinshaw** (C-1), who is flying Hueys; **Joe Ricciardi** (B-1), who is a construction PL in Ger; **Derick Smith** (B-1), fresh from Saudi and now at Riley; **Dave Bair** (B-1), who graduated Ranger Sch with Shane 13 Aug; and **George Seaward**, who finished Ranger Sch in Mar and is now with the 82d. Dan finished Ranger Sch 3 Sep and is now off to Vicenza with Terri. Huah!

Jodi Carlson sent me some photos of husband **Jeff** (A-4) and a few of our classmates. Jeff & Jodi were married 21

Nov 90 while Jeff was in OBC at Ft Bliss. They now live at Ft Riley, where Jeff is with C Btry 2-3 ADA.



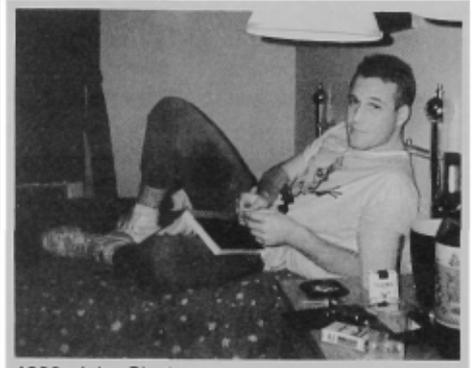
1990: Jeff & Jodi Carlson



1990: Kevin Hutchison and Jeff Carlson

Here is **Jeff** with **Kevin Hutchison**, now engaged to Amanda Hopkins (DPE

Trainer), waiting for a bus at Ft Riley to take them to Ft Knox to catch a flight to Saudi. Since then, both have returned safely to Ft Riley.



1990: John Sinsley.

The last photo is of **John Sinsley** (A-4), who is now stationed in Ger with B Btry 5-7 ADA.

Mr James Steiner '78 asked me to call to the attention of all former mbrs of the Scoutmasters' Council the Bulletin Bd note in the Sep ASSEMBLY, concerning the 30th Anniv of the WP Camporee and the request for historical info. You can reach him at 603-224-2381.

Keep the ltrs coming. The Proud and the Mighty.

'91

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Hope that this first ASSEMBLY article for our CI finds you enjoying OBC and preparing for your first unit. I have been busy myself with the '91 trip section to Ft Sill and apologize to all of you for my silence in ASSEMBLY to date. As more people begin to write, I promise the articles will not stop.

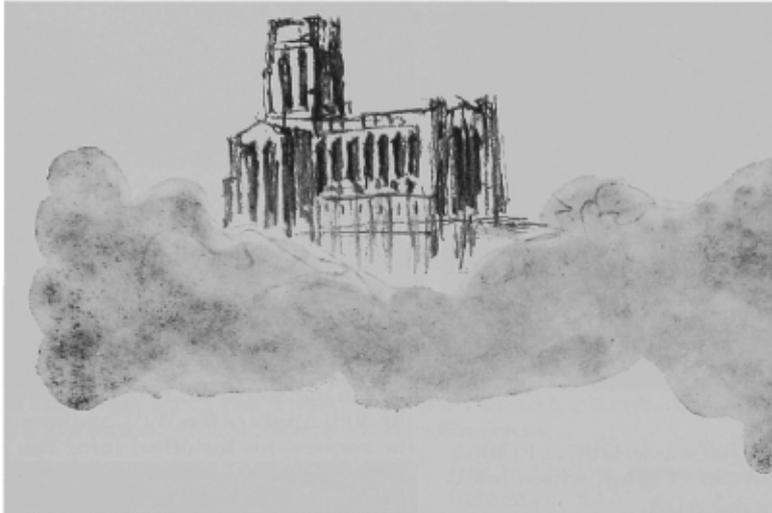
One of the best stories I've heard so far is from our Inf brothers. During a squad assault, **Greg Andersen** hustled to a covered position and began firing to cover his squadmates. Soon, however, he felt a strange stinging sensation and discovered he had rolled (combat-style, of course) into a fire-ant bed. Greg then began laying down a grazing fire of clothing until he emptied his magazine. The OPFOR were so scared by Greg's attack that they stopped firing. Latest word is that Greg took the hill and the OPFOR decided not to press charges.

I close with one request—write! Also, send a pic and I'll do my best to get it into the next ASSEMBLY [May 92; deadline 14 Feb]. If you send pix, please include the full name of everyone in them.

Best wishes to all. As winter comes, many of our number are heading to Ranger Sch. Try to drop them a ltr when you can. Take care, Happy Holidays and God Bless—**Troy Prestenberg**.

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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Greece). He returned to the United States in July 1958 to become executive officer and later commanding officer of Fort MacArthur, California. Bill retired on 31 July 1959.

After his retirement Bill studied for his master's degree at the University of Texas in El Paso. He accepted a job as professor of history at San Antonio College, where he taught for nine years. He was very interested in politics and didn't hesitate to write to the local newspapers, congressmen and even the President. He did volunteer work for The Retired Officers Association and was very active in the American Legion, both as a commander and historian. He accumulated over 2500 hours as a volunteer at Audie L. Murphy Veterans Hospital.

Four years ago Bill had major surgery, and he really never recovered. After such an active life, the last years were very hard on him. He is survived by his wife, two sons and five grandchildren.

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Benjamin Richard Wimer

NO. 8509 CLASS OF 1929

Died 25 June 1990 in Terre Haute, Indiana, aged 83 years.

Cremated. Memorial: Roselawn Memorial Park, Terre Haute, Indiana.



Benjamin Richard Wimer

WHEN BEN WAS STILL IN GRAMMAR SCHOOL, both his brother and his father, a veteran of the Spanish-American War, were fighting as part of the American Expeditionary Force in Germany.

Back home in Terre Haute, young Ben, dressed in tunic and sword, led the neighborhood into battle. He was born to be a soldier, yet, with a genius for math and science (a 96 was the lowest grade he was to receive in mathematics at West Point), he also wanted to be an engineer. With both goals in mind, before graduation from Garfield High

School, he obtained an appointment to the Military Academy from the Fifth Congressional District, Indiana.

As 18-year-old Ben boarded the train for West Point in 1925, his father, Colonel Benjamin E. Wimmer, said he fully expected his son to become a cadet leader, letter in sports and graduate high enough to enter the Corps of Engineers.

So Ben set to work with what the *Howitzer* called "a sincerity of effort and a seriousness of purpose." And he succeeded. The 4 June 1929 *New York Herald Tribune* said, "Wimer was a cadet captain in the Corps, ranked 23rd in a class of 299 and, after four years of letting the varsity team batter his 155 pounds, won his "A" as a center on the football team."

Yet his father wasn't satisfied. "Why weren't you head of the class?," he asked. "Well, if you'd said that's what you wanted, I would have tried harder!," said Ben.

Later efficiency reports were to praise the same qualities that propelled Ben through his career at West Point: "Energetic, conscientious, an original thinker; he thrives on responsibility; is highly professional, industrious, forceful and unusually intelligent."

Out of West Point, Ben reported to the 2nd Engineers in Fort Logan, Colorado. There, he met his first wife, Honora Warren of Denver. Next, he was sent to the University of California, Berkeley to attain a degree in civil engineering, then to Virginia as company officer with the 5th Engineers, then the 13th Engineers at Fort Belvoir. In 1935 it was back to the classroom for a year at the Engineer School, Fort Belvoir.

Though he'd had enough of schools for awhile, Ben was transferred to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor as an Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

In 1939, as a captain, he was sent to San Antonio as area engineer for the Galveston District, where he supervised construction work at Duncan, Brooks, Kelly and Randolph Air Fields.

In November 1941, now a major, AUS, Ben held orders to go to the Philippines. He was due to sail on 8 December but, with the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he was diverted to Honolulu as deputy district engineer, then as district engineer of the Central Pacific Area, where he designed and constructed airfields, sea-plane bases, ports and harbors.

He was promoted to lieutenant colonel and colonel, AUS and, in the summer of 1945, received the Legion of Merit for "rapid completion of vital installations." During the Ryukyus Campaign he was responsible for building strategic airfields on the island of Ie Shima and received the Bronze Star "for meritorious service against the enemy. . . . When

torrential rains washed out construction . . . and there were constant enemy air attacks during the clear periods. . . Colonel Wimer so effectively organized and supervised the efforts of over five battalions of engineers that the airfields were operational in every instance prior to the projected dates of completion."

In September 1945 Ben became the commanding officer of the 1180th Engineer Construction group in Tokorozawa, Japan, where he was reunited with his family for the first time since 1941. Later, he received a second Legion of Merit for "foresight, sound judgment and exceptional technical ability, making a most notable contribution to the success of the Occupation of Japan."

In April 1947 he returned to the States as executive officer, South Atlantic Engineer Division, Atlanta. His first marriage ended in divorce, and, in 1948, he married Esther Smith.

Next it was to Air Force headquarters where he organized and trained engineer troop units, then back to the Army at Fort Belvoir as commander of the 79th Engineer Construction Group. After a year at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ben went to the Pentagon as deputy chief of staff for Logistics. His final tour was in Europe as division engineer, Southeastern Division, Joint Construction Agency.

When he retired as a Corps of Engineers colonel in 1957, he became director of the Honolulu Office of Lublin, McGahey & Associates, Consulting Engineers. He moved to their head office in Livorno, Italy and remained there until, in the mid-sixties, he retired again to Mathews, Virginia, where he designed and constructed his retirement home.

After Esther died, he returned to Indiana to rekindle a romance with his high school sweetheart, Lillian Zelma Spencer, and moved to Terre Haute to marry her in 1979.

His last twenty years were fraught with health problems due to a stroke and operation for cancer of the pharynx, which made it difficult for him to talk or swallow. But, typical of Ben, he continued to work in his well-equipped shop, exercised his still-lively mind by reading and tackling construction projects in his home and, in his seventies, patented a machine to help others with swallowing impairments.

He was a staunch supporter of the Farmers Chapel Church in Terre Haute, through which he donated funds, usually anonymously, to those in need. He died peacefully in his sleep.

He is survived by his wife, three stepsons, son Richard Jay of Charlotte, North Carolina and two daughters, Penelope Jane Wimer of Decatur, Georgia and Sally Stiles of Cornish, New Hampshire.

Sally Stiles



Alden Pugh Taber

NO. 8900 CLASS OF 1930

Died 12 November 1990 in Pensacola, Florida, aged 83 years.

Interment: Rensselaer, Indiana.



Alden Pugh Taber

ALDEN PUGH TABER WAS BORN the second of four children in Bluffton, Indiana on 21 May 1907. He was reared on a farm and attended a one-room schoolhouse in his early years. While growing up he helped around the farm and helped his father in his carpentry business, forming the basis for his lifelong love of gardening and woodworking.

In 1925-26 he attended Indiana University, where he was in a mathematics class with Virginia Kresler of Rensselaer, Indiana. She would become his wife ten years later. He entered West Point in 1925 and graduated with a bachelor of science in engineering in 1930. It was at the Academy that Alden got his nickname Rosie (due to his rosey cheeks), and he was never called by his birthname after that. He served for nine years in the Coast Artillery at four different stations in the United States, Hawaii and Panama. He was graduated from the Coast Artillery School Regular Course and Chemical Warfare School Field Officers Course in 1937. In 1939 he was detailed to the Ordnance Department and assigned to duty with the Air Force, serving overseas in the European Theatre of Operations. He was Ordnance Officer of the Composite Command for about four months in North Ireland, and was Ordnance Officer of the Eight Air Force Service Command for about eleven months in London, England. Upon returning to the United States in 1943, he was assigned to the Materiel Command at Wright

Field, Ohio, where he served from 1944-45.

In early 1946 Rosie was graduated from the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas and served as instructor at this college for a short time before entering the Massachusetts Institute of Technology later that same year. Rosie was awarded the Legion of Merit in 1946 and an Oak Leaf Cluster was added in 1957. He graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in June 1948, obtaining his master of science degree in mechanical engineering. In 1949 he obtained a patent for the sear-locking device for automatic firearms.

During the remainder of his military career Rosie held many positions including director, Ballistic Research Laboratories, Aberdeen, Maryland; commanding officer, Watertown (Massachusetts) Arsenal; and deputy commander, Aberdeen Proving Ground. He also graduated from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 1954.

General Taber retired from the service after 27 years of active duty. He became a professor of metallurgical engineering at Syracuse University for two years following retirement, but in 1960 he was elected vice-president and head of the Research and Development division of Babcock and Wilcox at Alliance, Ohio. He was made a group vice-president and head of the Power General Group in 1971 and named senior vice-president in 1973. He was a member of the board of directors of Babcock and Wilcox Canada Ltd, Canada's leading manufacturer of fossil-fired and nuclear-steam-generating and powerplant equipment and accessories. He retired in 1973 and consulted for one year until age 66. He and his wife retired to Arizona for nine years, moved for two years to South Carolina and finally settled in Pensacola, Florida.

Rosie was a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and served as committeeman-at-large for the Industrial Science section. He was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the American Society for Metals, American Ordnance Association, Sigma Xi, an honorary engineering fraternity, and was listed in *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in American Men of Science*.

Rosie suffered a debilitating stroke in 1984, along with a heart attack two weeks prior to the stroke. He died 12 November 1990. He leaves his wife of 53 years, a son and daughter. He will be sorely missed. His leadership qualities, his dedication to his family and career, his wonderful sense of humor and his spirit of fair play will long be remembered.



Frederick William Ellery

NO. 9395 CLASS OF 1932

Died 29 September 1990 in Winter Park, Florida, aged 80 years.

Interment: Glen Haven Memorial Park, Winter Park, Florida.



Frederick William Ellery

FREDERICK WILLIAM ELLERY, Brigadier General, United States Army, Retired, died Saturday, 29 September 1990 in Winter Park, Florida at age 80.

Born 17 April 1910 in La Grange, Missouri, General Ellery was a son of Dr. W.L. and Alice Reid Ellery. He graduated from West Point in 1932, from the Armed Forces Staff College in 1948 and from the Army War College in 1953. During World War II he commanded the 313th Field Artillery Battalion at the Moselle River and the 177th Field Artillery Group in the XII Corps of Third Army. In 1959 he was appointed commanding general of the 45th Artillery Brigade (Air Defense) at Arlington Heights, Illinois and was responsible for the defense of the Chicago-Gary area. During his career he earned the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Bronze Star with three Oak Leaf Clusters. The 313th Field Artillery Battalion was awarded the Presidential Unit Citation for its actions under his command at the Moselle River.

Survivors include his wife, the former Shirley Key, of Maitland; son William Ellery of Maitland; two brothers, Robert of Quincy and James of Bronson, Iowa; several grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Florence Needham and Alice Keaton.

Services were held on 3 October 1990 in Florida.

beled "Cream of the Crop." He was appointed to the Academy by Congressman Charles Brand.

In the summer of 1932, Henry arrived at West Point on the West Shore railroad, along with Cadets Dan McElheny, Wright Hiatt and Kenny Dawalt. Soon afterward he was "stood up" by Philip (Horse-Face) Gallagher, who later became a major general. Henry was too green to recognize an officer who was not wearing a shoulder strap.

His proudest moments at West Point were accepting the Pointer (golf) Trophy at the athletic review during plebe year and accepting stars at the star parade in his first class year. He continued to play on the golf team and participated in the goat-engineer football game and two 100th Night shows.

After graduation, Henry was turned down for the Army Air Corps because the medical examiner said he was wall-eyed. Instead he joined the Ordnance Corps and was first assigned to Fort Monroe, Virginia. Later he was sent to the Hawaiian Ordnance Depot, where he learned to play the ukelele and won the Hawaiian Department golf championship ("while all the good golfers were out on Navy cruises," he said later).

During the war years, Henry rode a motorcycle around southern England supervising five marshalling area camps from which the D-day invasion was launched. A few weeks after the invasion, his Ordnance battalion crossed the channel as part of Patton's Third Army. He entered Paris a few hours after it was liberated and spent the next couple of years in Brussels, Rennes (France), Luxembourg and Germany.

One of Henry's vivid memories of the war was an American soldier sitting out in the country at Brest, France, where he was supposed to be guarding an intersection with interdiction fire. The soldier sat reading a comic book, and every once in awhile he would stop reading and shoot intermittently with a 50-caliber machine gun.

After the war, Henry joined the Mathematics Department at West Point, and, in 1947 he married Elisabeth Karin Stehnik (whom he had met in Germany) in a service conducted by Frank Pulley at the Cadet Chapel. Their son William Henry and daughter Marie Elisabeth both were born at West Point.

Then he was stationed in Detroit, where second daughter Katherine Louise was born. After a tour of duty in Korea, Henry was stationed at the Pentagon, then in France and Germany, and at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, where he was Chief of Staff. His final military assignment was with the Army Audit Agency at the Presidio of San Francisco.

During his military career Henry commanded every size unit, including squad, company, battalion and group

(regiment). He received medals, in his words, "for being in the right place at the right time (when the medals were given out)," including the Order of Leopold II, Croix de Guerre avec Palme, Order of Ulchi and the Legion of Merit. Henry also was given the honor in 1952 of presiding at the swearing-in ceremony of his sister-in-law, Rosemarie Stehnik, into the Women's Army Corps.

After retiring from the Army in 1966 with 30 years of service and the rank of colonel, Henry enrolled at Duke University and earned a master of arts in teaching (in mathematics). The Duke Mathematics Department hired him to teach calculus until his "re-retirement" in 1982. While a professor at Duke, Henry sang in the Chapel Choir for thirteen years, including three performances of Handel's *Messiah* each Christmas. He learned to play the recorder late in life and performed in schools and rest homes with members of his family and the Feathered Fiddles Early Music Ensemble.

As a private pilot, Henry flew both land and sea planes. He eventually logged about 500 hours ("a lot when you have to pay for it yourself") in twelve different types of aircraft.

Henry's health was in gradual decline over the last several years from a neurological disorder of unknown origin. He was cheerful to the end and died peacefully and without pain. He is survived by his widow Elisabeth, who nursed him faithfully at home, three children and six grandchildren.

Joseph James Nazzaro

NO. 10712 CLASS OF 1936

Died 5 February 1990 in Tucson, Arizona, aged 76 years.

Interment: Air Force Academy Cemetery, USAFA, Colorado.

JOE NAZZARO, SON OF VINCENT AND FILOMENA NAZZARO, was born 21 March 1913 in New York City. He grew up in a warm and loving family, which engendered in him those character traits and natural strengths that were to mark him as a leader throughout his life. He had three sisters and a brother John, who followed him to West Point, graduating in January 1943.

Joe attended Alexander Hamilton High School in Brooklyn, where he was fortunate to come under the influence of the principal and his daughter, who was one of Joe's teachers. Through their counseling he reached his full potential as a student/athlete, graduating with academic and athletic honors. He was offered scholarships to St. John's College and to Dartmouth but decided on West Point. He attended Millard's Preparatory School in 1931 and, after passing the



Joseph James Nazzaro

Academy entrance examination, was sworn in as a cadet on 1 July 1932.

Joe adjusted well to cadet life and took hazing as a plebe philosophically and with good humor. His main interests were in athletics, where he excelled, and in fellowship with his coaches. The academic program was no problem for him, but earning top grades was not high on his priority list.

After starring in football and lacrosse, Joe graduated and was assigned to the Infantry branch. His admiration for several of the football coaches who were Air Corps pilots and his long-held wish to fly, however, guided him to select the flying school at Randolph Field, Texas as his first assignment.

His profile in the 1936 *Howitzer* reads, "Joe's strong character and sense of justice and loyalty have won the admiration of the Corps—and years from now, when he is 'General' to the rest of the United States Army, this boy is going to be 'Joe' to us." The stars that escaped him academically were earned by him during his military career. After thirty-five years of distinguished service, Joe retired as a four-star general, but basically was still the same person.

He reported to Randolph Field, Texas in September 1936, but after graduation furlough, flying training did not start for about five weeks. It was at this time that Joe demonstrated his loyalty and concern for his friends. Joe was always in control of himself. Unfortunately, during this period of forced inactivity, some of his friends were not. On a few occasions, some of the more exuberant ones became over-zealous in their partying. They were rescued by Joe and delivered safely back to their quarters.

After graduating from flying school and winning his wings, Joe was assigned to Nichols Field in the Philippines. He spent two years there as a fighter pilot, learning the various duties of a squadron

there really wasn't much to do. There were a few books in camp, but these were hard to get. . . . Most of the time was spent in visiting among our friends. . . . We spent a lot of time forecasting the end of the war and our release, always when we hoped to get out and not when we actually thought we'd get out. . . . We made plans as to what we were going to do and what we were going to eat when we got home. Every night nearly in one of the groups there was some kind of show, mostly variety, though several plays were put on. . . . Once, I forget the date, we had a 1937 class party. I don't remember who got it up. . . . We all contributed a little in cash and had a fine meal, chicken soup, chicken cooked up in the rice, a couple slices of bread, a pudding and coffee. . . . The only one missing was Wynkoop, who was in the hospital."

By 1944, life in the prison camp had changed. Joe Chabot, a classmate, has a penciled note in his diary about a visit Perry made to him in a ward on 14 December. Joe was a litter patient and couldn't walk, and therefore avoided being sent along with the 1500 prisoners on the *Oroyku Maru*. Perry asked Joe, if he was still alive when the Americans retook Manila, to contact Betsy and give her this message:

"I'll always be proud to be an American. I hope America will always keep a strong defense against any and all countries. Always distrust the Japanese. I have received enough mail in prison camps to know what was going on back home and I've received one snapshot. I love you, Betsy and Perry, Jr."

Perry died in the sinking of the *Oroyku Maru* in Subic Bay on 15 December 1944. In late 1945, Betsy married Henry Pike, a lawyer in the metropolitan area of Washington, D.C. Perry, Jr. attended Hill School in Pottstown, Pennsylvania and graduated from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. After service in the Coast Guard, he attended American University. He became interested in European culture and, after graduating from the Mozarteum Academy of Music, remained in Europe working as a doctoral candidate and teaching in a private school in England.

Perry's career came to a tragic end too soon for him to realize the goals he had set for himself. In his short time in the Army after graduation he served in the finest tradition of the Point, earning a sound "Well Done."

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Joseph Benedict Missal, Jr.

NO. 11229 CLASS OF 1938

Died 24 October 1989 in Washington, D.C., aged 74 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.



Joseph Benedict Missal, Jr.

JOE WAS BORN TO IMMIGRANT PARENTS in Cleveland, Ohio, the youngest of six children. Both of his parents were born in Poland. His mother worked hard to raise the family, and his father was a mailman. In high school Joe took part in many activities, was class president in his junior and senior years, and was valedictorian at graduation. In his senior year he was a member of the National Honor Society.

He attended John Carroll University in Cleveland for a year before entering USMA. He didn't enter on 1 July as most did. He was admitted on the basis of his high school records and was called to USMA at the last minute—reported and was sworn in on 5 July. After that he received the same rude welcome given to all plebes.

As a cadet in "I" Company, Joe was one of the quiet ones: he played lacrosse, wore stripes as a second classman, ate his share in the mess hall, walked his share on the area and dated his share of the girls. After graduation Joe went to Randolph Field, but the Army Air Corps didn't like the way he landed his plane, and he joined the 28th Infantry Regiment at Forts Niagara and Oswego in New York. The regiment was transferred to Fort Jackson, South Carolina—and a year later Pearl Harbor happened. Until then, Joe was like so many of us—doing the job of a captain and holding the rank and pay of first lieutenant. That all changed on 8 December 1941. In the fall of 1943 Joe went to C&GS School at Fort Leavenworth, then to the 291st Infantry,

75th Division. He took the 1st Battalion to Europe in 1944, through the Bulge, across the Elbe, through the Colmar Pocket and on into Germany. When the 75th Division returned to the United States after the war, Joe and the other Regular Army officers were transferred. He went to G-3, European Command, in Frankfurt. In 1947 he went to Fort Benning as a member of the staff of the Infantry School. In June 1950 he was en route to 8th Army Headquarters in Japan but wound up in Korea as S-3 of the 24th Infantry and later as senior KMAG advisor to the 6th ROK Division.

He left Korea in the summer of 1951 for the Department of Defense and spent five years in the Pentagon. He then went to the Staff College in Norfolk, and, after graduation, he was the only one assigned to a joint staff as J-3, Pacific Command at Pearl Harbor. From there he went to G-3, Second Army at Fort Meade in 1959, and in 1961 he was named PMS&T at Temple University in Philadelphia. He retired in 1966, took a job with the State of Ohio and moved to Cleveland. After a year of struggling to keep up a job while in poor health, he retired again in 1967, bedridden by rheumatoid arthritis. Surgery in 1968 corrected these health problems, and Joe and Mary moved to Northern Virginia during late 1970.

Joe and Mary had met on a blind date during First Class summer. That date blossomed into marriage in 1940, five sons, 9 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Joe and Mary enjoyed the military life, and both were active in many academic and social functions. Many of the young men who went through ROTC during Joe's term as PMS are now very successful, dedicated career officers.

Joe was always proud of his USMA heritage. His pride was increased when his oldest son, Jay, entered USMA and graduated with the Class of 1964. Three other sons also had important military careers—one Navy and two Coast Guard. The youngest, David, was an invalid from birth and passed away in 1976.

Joe suffered a sudden heart attack and cardiac arrest on 19 September 1989 and died at Walter Reed Hospital on 24 October. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery after Mass at Fort Myer, attended by family, friends and classmates.

His family loves and misses him, but Joe's religious faith was an inspiration to those who were close to him. His classmates and other friends regret his death, but we treasure memories of our experiences with Joe in military service and during retirement.



John Herbert Spangler

NO. 11165 CLASS OF 1938

Died 9 January 1990 in Long Beach, California, aged 76 years.

Interment: Riverside National Cemetery, Riverside, California.



John Herbert Spangler

JOHN HERBERT SPANGLER WAS BORN IN KINGSTON, OKLAHOMA on 19 November 1913, the son of Dr. Milton H. Spangler and Mary Frances (Trott) Spangler. Soon thereafter the family moved to Colorado, and Herb attended grammar and high school in Briggsdale, graduating from Briggsdale High School in 1932. He took a year of post-graduate study there and then attended the Colorado State Teachers College in Greeley for one term. He then was appointed to the United States Military Academy by Representative Fred Cummings of the Second Congressional District of Colorado.

Herb climbed the hill to the Plain on 2 July 1934 with about 380 other hopefuls of the Class of 1938. The stone walls of Central Barracks held no terror for him after the rocky hills of Colorado, and he was too resilient to be bothered by much else. With a reasonable academic effort he maintained a comfortable position in the upper half of the class during all four years, and the Tactical Department gave him no problems. In plebe year he tried gymnastics (tumbling) and took enough lumps from the mat to convert him to boxing for two years in the 125-pound class; in the ring he could at least hit back.

Herb made an ideal roommate. He was quiet, sang infrequently, always remembered who was on guard or CQ, never lost his temper, displayed a nice sense of humor, was never heard to snore, seldom dragged, and, when Call to Quarters sounded after supper, he would put his feet up on his desk, open

a textbook and, tired from his athletic pursuits, go quietly to sleep until roused by Taps. These qualities earned him two contented roommates each year, corporal's stripes yearling year, sergeant's chevrons second class year and finally the top honor, WFCB, first class year.

One of the highlights of Herb's cadet career was the trip home on yearling Furlough. He and G-Company classmates Bob Ashworth of Montana and Pete Sights from Oklahoma decided the quickest and cheapest way home was by motorcycle, even though none of them had ridden before. On a clandestine trip to Newburgh, three used motorcycles were contracted for, delivery to be outside the North Gate on 1936's Graduation Day. Our heroes reached the gate at the appointed time, accepted their three gas-guzzling steeds, received a three-minute lesson in the care, feeding and navigation of Indians and Harleys and headed west. It was a painfully hilarious safari that none of the three would forget. Herb was the smallest rider and could barely touch a foot to the ground when astride. He had more difficulty than the others—which was considerable. All three finally made it to their homes, but all returned to USMA by rail.

Upon graduation, Herb was assigned to the Coast Artillery but reported for flight training at Randolph Field with many classmates, including Carter Duncan, Pete Sights and Fred Dean of G-Company. Having mastered primary training, this group moved on to Kelly Field, where Herb, Pete and Fred roomed together through Advanced Flying School. In the spring of 1939 all graduated; Fred departed for Selfridge Field while Herb and Pete remained at Kelly as instructors for about fifteen months as the Air Corps and flight training expanded. The other motorcyclist, Bob Ashworth, was also in the area, in the Infantry at Camp Bullis, and close enough for an occasional reunion.

In the fall of 1940, Herb, Pete and several other instructors were transferred to Maxwell Field, Alabama and branched out into other assignments. Herb became involved in recruiting in 1941 and spent a lot of time flying about the country, looking for and encouraging prospective aviators.

On 4 December 1943, Herb and Maude Long, from Oregon, were married at Fort Lawton, Washington. Maude's daughter Maribeth (born 26 February 1941) was adopted by Herb, and a second daughter, Virginia Lee, was born to the couple on 16 October 1947. Herb was proud of and loved his girls dearly, and the feeling was mutual.

In 1944 Herb was assigned to a fighter wing in the Southwest Pacific, but details of his activities there are lacking. Sometime late in the war, Herb was

badly burned at an Australian airfield in the crash upon takeoff of a B-17 in which he was a passenger. Extended hospitalization restored him to duty and erased some of the physical scars of the accident. We had no way of knowing the effect of the crash on his self-confidence and mental attitude; he seemed the same solid Herb to us.

From 1948–51 the Spangler family was in Japan, where Herb was serving with the 527th AC & W Group. From there all moved to Arlington, Virginia, where Herb was assigned to the Pentagon in the office of DCSOPS, Air Force Headquarters. There he remained until 1955, continuing his introduction to the latest in electronic hardware. From the Pentagon Herb and family moved to Seattle, where he became Air Force plant representative for Boeing Aircraft. From 1957–59 the Spanglers were at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, where Herb was involved in the procurement and production of C-130 and C-133 aircraft. In 1960 the family moved to Hanscom Air Force Base in Massachusetts, home of the Air Force Electronics Command. While there, in 1961, Herb was retired as part of the Services' effort to reduce the wartime "hump" of senior officers.

With his Air Force experience and extensive electronics background, Herb hooked up with North American Aviation and the family moved to Los Alamitos, California—except for Maribeth, who stayed behind to finish her degree at Boston University.

Herb worked for North American's Space and Information System Division in Downey for a number of years on a variety of assignments, including NASA's project for landing on the moon, apparently enjoying and doing well in his work.

Then problems began: the warnings of a series of very minor strokes were missed, and one day in 1973 Herb struggled home covered with blood from having totaled his car as a result of a major stroke. Other more serious strokes with brain damage followed and left Herb physically capable but in an advanced Alzheimer-like state. He had to be placed in a sanitarium where he spent the rest of his days until his final illness. And misfortune continued as Maude died of a too-long-neglected cancer in 1980, forcing Maribeth to take over the guardianship and support of her father until his death.

So a fine man has left us, a man remembered with affection and respect by all who knew him. Herb was a credit to his family, his Class and the Corps, a devoted husband and father, an outstanding human being and a wonderful, loyal friend. We continue to miss him.

His daughters and classmates

to one too many jumps and the earlier football injury at West Point. From this point Jess pursued his deep-seated interest in aviation and went to work for Republic Aircraft. Later he worked for the Federal Systems Division of IBM and finally as a military consultant for Boeing Aircraft. He fully retired in 1965. While in retirement, both Jess and Bobs were very active in TROA and local AOG functions. Jess arranged for monthly luncheons for the class plus occasional evening parties for classmates and families in the DC area. He also provided numerous notes for the class column.

After having both knees replaced with stainless steel and plastic, Jess's knee problems were over, but the strain of these protracted hospital stays took its toll on Bobs. She passed away on 3 April 1981 from throat cancer. Jess suffered a stroke in 1982 and then required full-time care in a nursing home. Jess's personal nurse and good friend, Martha Vogel, worked with him from 1982-88 and knew him best in those final days. Martha would visit daily, take him for long walks and occasionally bring treats not found in the institutional fare. Unexpectedly, Jess was a model patient. During some more lucid moments his wit would shine through like a beacon in the night. He would continue his stories with a moral and other displays of witicism. Shortly before his death, he commented about a trip to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where "something was amish" (sic). Jess died peacefully the morning of 9 September 1988. Both Jess and Bobs are buried at Arlington, just a few steps from Bobs' mother and father.

He will be missed by his two sons (Mari passed away in 1985) and three grandchildren. His classmates and their families appreciate the time and effort he spent in loyal service to his Class and USMA. We all feel his loss deeply. Yet another hand we must grip from the shadows of the Long Gray Line.

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Robert George Cole

NO. 11630 CLASS OF 1939

Died 18 September 1944, KIA in Holland,
aged 29 years.

Interment: Military Cemetery in Maargraten, Holland.

BORN INTO AN ARMY FAMILY AT FORT SAM HOUSTON IN 1915, Bob grew up surrounded by Army associations pointing toward an Army career. So it was not surprising when he won an appointment and began his four years at West Point in the Class of 1939.

At West Point Bob was well-liked and an enthusiastic athlete who played B-Squad football for four years. In June 1939 he was commissioned as a second lieutenant of Infantry and, a year later,



Robert George Cole

married his life-long sweetheart, Allie Mae Wilson.

In early 1941 Bob volunteered for parachute training, won his jump wings and joined the 502nd Parachute Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division. He advanced rapidly and by 29 May 1943 was a lieutenant colonel commanding the 3d Battalion. In this assignment he played a key role in the 502nd for the rest of his life. Well-built, with ruggedly handsome features and a strong commanding voice, Bob looked and acted like a leader. Furthermore, he knew soldiers and had a genuine concern for them. His men, in turn, respected and admired Bob; they knew that his strict discipline and tough training were aimed at their survival in combat.

The 502nd deployed with the 101st Airborne Division to England in 1943. There Bob initiated a rigorous training regimen to prepare his battalion to invade "Fortress Europe." In the spring of 1944, training began focusing on OVERLORD, the plan to invade Europe via the Cherbourg Peninsula.

OVERLORD had the 101st landing at night by parachute and glider at H minus 4 hours, with the principal mission of neutralizing defenses of Utah Beach, where amphibious landings would begin at H Hour. Mission details had been changing almost daily, but once the units arrived at the marshalling areas in May 1944, the missions were solidified and all ranks were told their jobs.

Bob's battalion was to support the 2nd Battalion in destroying a 122mm coastal battery dominating Utah Beach and then capture causeways 3 and 4 from Utah Beach. The 502nd drop zone was just inland from the coastal battery.

OVERLORD was launched the night of 5-6 June. The cross-channel flight went well, but, low clouds and unexpectedly heavy flak over Normandy caused troop carrier units to break for-

mations and lose orientation, resulting in a badly dispersed drop for most of the division, including Cole's battalion. Initially Bob found only four of his men. But as the night wore on he collected more of his own men and those from other units and moved toward the coastal battery. Shortly before reaching the battery Bob learned it was already destroyed, so he redirected his scratch force of 75 men to a successful attack and capture of Causeways 3 and 4.

At 1300 hours on D-Day, Bob linked up with the 4th Division which had landed across Utah Beach. By nightfall Bob had collected 250 men and been placed in regimental reserve.

The 3rd Battalion's next heavy action was an attack along the highway from La Croix Pan to Carentan. This paved road, quite straight and level, became a causeway, with four bridges spanning canals and the Douve River. The road was only six to nine feet above marshland, flooded fields, canals and the river and restricted the attack to the road/causeway itself—which was exposed to fire from every direction.

After a day and a night of heavy fighting and severe losses, Bob had gotten a force past bridge 4 onto the Carentan side of the Douve, but the enemy still contested every advance, primarily from a farm house surrounded by hedgerows. Even heavy artillery fire failed to suppress the enemy fire. Bob saw his options as either continuing to infiltrate his men or directly assaulting the strong point. He chose the latter and yelled over to his executive officer, "We're going to order artillery smoke and then make a bayonet charge on the house." Major Stopka yelled back, "OK." Bob then told Stopka to pass the word to fix bayonets, reload and prepare to charge when Bob blew his whistle. At 0615 Bob lifted the artillery fire and blew his whistle. On Bob's left Major Stopka was yelling, "Let's go! Over the hedge!" But as Bob looked back, he saw only a few men up and running. He thought, "my men have let me down." Actually, confusion in getting the orders down to the men had caused their failure to respond, but more men joined in as they saw him leading the charge. Bob ran on, urging his men to fan out and keep moving, while meanwhile firing his pistol and yelling, "I don't know what I'm shooting at, but I gotta keep on." Some men, hearing that comment, broke into laughter in spite of the danger all about them.

Disorganized as it was, the charge nevertheless captured the farmhouse position. But, as Bob mustered his unit—now scarcely more than a hundred men—he realized at what a terrible cost. For his actions in this fight, Bob was nominated for the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Sadly, he didn't live to receive the

award. In Holland, in September 1944, while attacking the heavily defended town of Best, Bob called for air support which mistakenly strafed Bob's positions. When Bob ran out in front of his men to direct the laying of identification panels, a German sniper shot Bob squarely in the temple—killing him instantly. He died as he had lived, unafraid, with his first thoughts for his men.

In the beautiful and immaculate Maar-graten Cemetery in Holland, Bob's tombstone is a special one reserved for winners of our country's highest award for valor. Bob's heritage of Duty performed with Honor and courage for his men and his Country remains fresh and clear in the hearts of all of us who knew him. Here was a MAN!

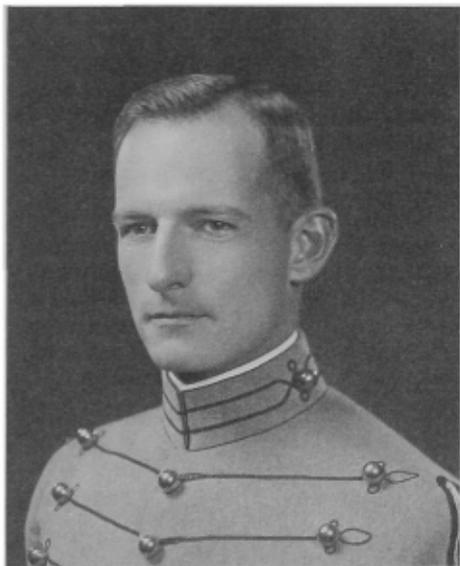
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Edward Traywick McConnell

NO. 11598 CLASS OF 1939

Died 19 November 1970, Charlotte, North Carolina, aged 55 years.

Interment: National Cemetery, Salisbury, North Carolina.



Edward Traywick McConnell

ONE OF THE MANY THINGS IN HIS BACKGROUND that drew Ed McConnell to West Point was an interest in marksmanship. His father was not only a respected dentist in Gastonia, North Carolina but was also a Distinguished Rifleman.

At West Point Ed's flair for the unorthodox in warfare and strategy became well-known. He was the 1st Sergeant of "H" Company and a three-year member of the Rifle Team. In the words of his *Howitzer*, "Frequently he has found time to diagnose the faults and virtues of many military leaders and to shoot the black of the bull's-eyes." Both characteristics continued throughout his career. As commander of a light tank battalion in the California desert, he knew in detail the foibles of those opposing him on

maneuvers and used that knowledge to defeat them. In France he showed the same uncanny skill in sensing what the Germans were up to. He combined that knowledge with drive and individual bravery in winning two Silver Stars.

But we move ahead too far. Ed graduated from Gastonia High School in 1932 and then attended Davidson College for three years before gaining an appointment to West Point. His military bent showed in his simultaneous service in a National Guard Infantry unit and as sergeant major of the Davidson ROTC unit.

His first duties with the 67th Infantry led him into Armor because the unit was selected to become an armored regiment. His stints as regimental motor officer and maintenance officer gave him an insight into that field which he passed on to those who served under him later. Lieutenants assigned to Ed's battalion were horrified to be told to go to the motor pool (sans rank insignia) pull tank engines for two weeks. It was Ed's way of getting an officer really interested in maintenance.

At Camp Polk and in California, Ed was in the 40th Armored Regiment of the 7th Armored Division, first as exec and CO of the 2nd Battalion, and then as CO of the 1st Battalion, which had light tanks. When regiments were abolished, the 40th Tank Battalion was formed from the 2nd Battalion and "B" Company of the 1st Battalion. Ed was the logical choice for CO since he already had commanded both pieces. He never relinquished command until wounded in the head near Metz in 1944—a wound which was to end his active combat duty, shorten his life and deny him the fame which would have accompanied the brilliance with which he commanded.

The 40th landed in Normandy in early August and started a run across France as the spearhead of XX Corps. Their route ran across famous names: Chartres, Paris (where they were told to let the French through to take their own capital), the Seine south of Paris, Chateau-Thierry, Verdun, Gravelotte (famous battlefield of the Franco-Prussian War) and then the mud around Metz. Truly a spectacular drive!!

One of his officers had this to say: "In many ways Colonel McConnell was very unorthodox—often not following the Army manuals but creating radio operations and techniques. After two second lieutenants had been killed in combat shortly after entering France, he requisitioned two replacement officers. Within four days these two were also killed. After that he did not request any replacement officers but gave battlefield commissions to tank platoon sergeants and tank sergeants, because they were familiar with his techniques which saved so many lives. We ended the war with 45

second lieutenants by battlefield promotion, and every man so commissioned served very well.

Even after hospitalization and head surgery, Ed's health was never quite the same. He returned to Germany with the Constabulary, finally commanding a Constabulary squadron before going to Greece. There he was named Knight of the Golden Cross in the Royal Order of George I for his work in that beleaguered country. For three years as a Tac back at USMA he was known as "the Owl," because of his slight stoop, piercing eyes and keen brain.

Second Army staff followed and then international duty in Izmir, Turkey, with NATO's Southeast Europe Command. After service with XII Corps, Ed's final assignment was as CO of the Army's Electronic Command at Fort Monmouth. He retired in 1966 as a result of disability, bought a house in Charlotte, North Carolina (where two sisters and a brother lived) and died four years later while working on a car. His war-torn body finally gave out.

In 1940, at a dance in the Officers Club at Fort Benning, Ed met Betty Van Fleet. They were married in the fall of 1941 and returned to Camp Polk, where Ed was serving. It was a wonderful marriage, blessed with four daughters: Helen was born in Gastonia in 1942; Catherine in Washington in 1945; Mary Jane in Greece in 1948; and Pansy Avery (the first two names of Ed's mother) at Fort Meade in 1957. Since Ed's death Betty has remained in their home in Charlotte but spends much time in Florida with her father, that fine old soldier, General Van Fleet '15.

Helen survived her father but died in 1984, leaving her husband and two sons. Catherine lives in Greensboro and has four children. Mary Jane also lives in Greensboro. Pansy Avery is now Lieutenant Avery Brand. She and her husband are both stationed in Germany and have one son, born in Frankfurt. In 1990, Avery was ordered to Saudi Arabia.

We close with a few descriptions by those who knew Ed. One officer, whose entire World War II service was with him, wrote, "He was a tough, dedicated professional soldier whose ambition was to make civilians into the best tank battalion in the 7th Armored Division. He was fair, demanded absolute obedience to his orders, had a voice like a foghorn, made a soldier feel like a toad when he chewed him out for doing a poor job but never failed to commend a man for doing a good job. He gave full support to his senior officers and knew the first and last names of every NCO in the battalion. I salute a great leader who had the respect of his full command."

Another writes, "Ed McConnell did more training by example than anyone, in my experience. In the middle of a

1917 to Edith Jesse Johnson and William Quentin Wells. Walter attended his first ten years of school in Beaumont, Texas. While in Beaumont he lived next door to the girl he would one day marry, Marilyn Vivrette. In high school he studied the trumpet and played in the school band and with a local dance band on weekends. In later years, Walter would remark that playing second chair to Harry James in his high school band was his claim to fame! Before his last year in high school, his family moved to Houston, where he graduated from San Jacinto High School in 1934 and worked while attending Lamar Junior College in Beaumont. In the spring of 1935, he received a principal appointment to West Point from Congressman Martin Dies of Texas.

When he entered West Point he had no idea what was in store for him; he simply knew he wanted the best education available. It was Walter's nature to proceed with the present. Whatever task was at hand was the task that had his full attention. His desire was to do his best for himself and for others, and his un-failing good humor and subtle wit stood him in good stead at West Point and throughout his life. Walter graduated 29th in his class, was an academic coach for three years, made cadet sergeant as a second classman and made lieutenant as a first classman. The Choir, the Glee Club, Camp Illumination, Color Lines and the Hundredth Night Show were some of his activities as a cadet.

Sports—especially Army sports—always held a special passion for him. Although he relished scoring the winning touchdown for the Engineers in the 1939 Goat-Engineer football game, nothing ever exceeded the thrill he had rooting for Army a few years later when Army handed Notre Dame a 60-0 loss at Yankee Stadium.

Commissioned in the Corps of Engineers, Walter eagerly embarked on a career that spanned 23 years and took him from the banks of the Rio Grande in Texas to the banks of the Moskva in Russia. His first assignment was with the 8th Engineer Squadron at Fort McIntosh, Texas. Next he completed assignments at Fort Custer, Fort Belvoir and West Point. The end of World War II found him serving as the Eighth Army's assistant engineer in Yokohama, Japan. From there he was assigned to Russian Language School in Washington, D.C., followed by 14 months' service as assistant military attache in Moscow. Walter then returned to Washington, where he was assigned as chief of the Engineer Strategic Intelligence Division of the Army Map Service. This was followed by schooling at Texas A&M for his master's degree in civil engineering and then at the Command and General Staff College. Next came Germany, where he

was assistant commandant and later commandant of the Army Engineer School in Murnau. After three years in Bavaria, the Wells family returned to Fort Lewis, Washington, where Walter commanded the 116th Combat Engineer Group. Attendance at the Army War College was followed by three years as the Fort Worth (Texas) District Engineer. Walter's final Army assignment was at the Pentagon. He served as executive officer to William Schaub, the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management, until retiring from the Army on 31 August 1962.

While serving as the Fort Worth district engineer, Walter's abilities and effectiveness as a leader had not gone unnoticed by the Brazos River Authority Board of Directors. The *Waco Tribune-Herald* editors wrote, upon learning of his pending reassignment to the Pentagon, "Colonel Wells has proved himself a firm and reasonable leader. . . to the unanimous satisfaction of state and local representatives. Keeping him here would be the best news of 1960 to those who have learned to depend on Walter Wells' judgment and skill." A year and a half later, the directors prevailed on him to come back to Texas and take on a new challenge as general manager of the Brazos River Authority.

Established in 1929, the Authority was the first state agency in the country with jurisdiction over the waters of an entire river basin. Walter's arrival in 1962 signaled a new era for the BRA. Kenneth E. Hendrickson's history of the BRA, *The Waters of the Brazos* (published in 1981 and dedicated to the memory of Colonel Walter Johnson Wells), puts it this way: "A man of energy, skill and determination, Wells was to transform the public image of the Authority and lead it into new realms of achievement scarcely dreamed of by his predecessors."

The untimely death of Walter Wells due to cancer after 18 years at the helm of the Authority triggered a well-deserved thunder of recognition and praise from state legislators, engineers, business leaders, friends and clients: "Walter Wells was respected nationwide for his candid, pithy and cogent observations regarding national and regional water resource programs." "All of the Brazos River basin's farm lands, cities, towns, communities and industries owe a huge debt to Walter Wells." "Walter Wells was one of the most outstanding, knowledgeable, considerate and resourceful water engineers and water conservationists in this nation." "Wells achieved a national reputation in his field and served as the president and chairman of the board of the Texas Water Conservation Association and as director-elect of the National Water Resources Association."

He also was chapter president of the

Texas Society of Professional Engineers, a fellow of the National Society of Professional Engineers, chairman of the Water Resource Committee of the American Society of Civil Engineers, chapter president of the Society of American Military Engineers, on the executive committee of the Water Resources Congress, a trustee of the Waco United Fund, chairman of the Waco Heart Association and a 17-year member of the Waco Rotary Club.

In addition to his wife Marilyn, who lives in Waco, Texas, Walter is survived by his four children (Carol W. Dagleish of Barrington Hills, Illinois; Walter J. Wells, Jr. of Potomac, Maryland; Dennis B. Wells of Manchester, New Hampshire and Shelley W. Judd of Tyler, Texas), by his 18 grandchildren and, now, by one great-grandchild.

This soldier patriot, this civic-minded public servant, this kind and gentle Christian man, this husband and father with so much more to do and to give, left us too soon on 31 December 1980 at the age of 63.

Walter J. Wells, Jr., USMA 1965

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James Mason Shelley

NO. 12198 CLASS OF 1940

Died 9 October 1988 in Bethesda, Maryland, aged 72 years.

Interment: Greenwood Cemetery, Ruston, Louisiana.



James Mason Shelley

JAMES MASON SHELLEY (NAME CHANGED FROM SMELLEY) was born on 7 December 1915 in Arcadia, Louisiana, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Smelley. Jim grew up in a small southern town (population 2,000) during the Depression years, which reinforced his natural tendency toward being a serious-minded, conscientious person, though at times he was a "dreamer," looking ahead

to the future. As a youth he was constantly employed as a newsboy, soda-jerk or lifeguard. He was active in scouting and was the first scout in Arcadia to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. He was devoted to his faith and attended church regularly, a custom he maintained throughout his life. Upon graduating from Arcadia High School he received the coveted American Legion Award and subsequently attended Louisiana Polytechnic Institute during 1933-35. (After World War II he returned to Tech and earned his bachelor of science degree in 1946.)

In 1935 he received a Congressional appointment to USMA, entered in July and was assigned to 5th Company (I-K). In "Beast Barracks" he earned the gratitude of those classmates who stood close to him in ranks because his southern accent and birth name made him the center of attraction for the "Beast Detail." At the end of plebe year, English set him back, but, after mastering the appropriate examination, he joined the Class of 1940. He was meticulous in his appearance and actions. Each September he probably had the "spooniest" room in the Corps—he believed this would encourage the Tacs to bypass him the rest of the year—which they usually did. First class year he was on the "Beast Detail," third Battalion supply officer, manager of the Polo Team and Sunday school teacher.

Upon graduation he was commissioned in the Quartermaster with assignment as assistant post quartermaster, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. On 27 June 1940 in Ruston, Louisiana he married Miss Irene "Renie" Goyne, his O.A.O. from his Louisiana Tech days.

In August 1941 he attended the Junior Officers Course in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and, upon completion, was assigned as assistant post quartermaster, Barksdale Field, Louisiana. Shortly after Pearl Harbor a classmate visited Jim at Barksdale and found him most frustrated. As they toured the post and passed the golf course, Jim pointed to it and said, "Here we are at war, and my most important mission is to keep the sprinkling system running on that."

He entered flight training in June 1942 at Grider Field, Pine Bluff, Arkansas and finished advanced training at Brooks Field, Texas in December 1942. After specialized training he was assigned to the ETO as deputy commander, 10th Photo Reconnaissance Group from February-August 1944. He then became commander, 363rd Tactical Reconnaissance Group, flew 30 missions in P-51s and P-38s and earned the Silver Star Medal, five Air Medals and numerous foreign decorations.

Returning to the U.S., he attended the University of Michigan, taking the Latin-American Training Course. This led to his assignment as the Air Force repre-

sentative on the U.S. Mission to Bogota, Columbia, September 1946-November 1947. His next duty was at Langley Field, Virginia, where he again commanded his World War Unit, the 363rd Tactical Reconnaissance Group, until August 1949. He then matriculated at the University of Texas, earning his MBA in industrial management. This was followed by assignments to Headquarters, USAF, the Pentagon as chief, Office of Industrial Development and to the Air War College as a student. The next three years were spent in Japan as deputy commander, 43rd Air Division, Itazuke AFB and as commander, Chitose AFB. Returning to the U.S., he was assigned to Headquarters Tactical Air Command as director of Operations and Training at Langley Field, Virginia until August 1960. His next assignments were as CO, 4504 Missile Training Command, Orlando AFB, Florida and commander, USAF Air-Ground Operations School, Eglin AFB, Florida, from whence he retired in 1968.

Jim returned to Ruston, Louisiana, where he became active in community activities. He joined the Ruston Kiwanis Club and served as its president. He was also a columnist for the *Shreveport Times* and six other papers, writing about military memories and affairs. His principal and most rewarding activity was as head of the Community Development Department for Ruston, where he was able to obtain federal funds for many worthwhile projects.

After 42 years of marriage, his college sweetheart Renie passed away in 1982. They had a son, James M. Shelley, Jr., Colonel USAF-M.C. (Ret.), who is a pathologist in Morgantown, West Virginia, and a daughter, Renie Shelley Harrison, who is an elementary school teacher in Monroe, Louisiana. In 1983 Jimmy married Mrs. Doris Goyne Purcell, who resides in Ruston.

Jimmy developed a rare form of cancer called mycosis fungoides and was treated locally for several years before being admitted to the National Cancer Institute, Bethesda Naval Hospital, Maryland. He underwent various treatments as doctors searched for more information on this rare disease. Finally, in October 1988, his strength ran out.

Much can be written about Jim's service to his God, country and family, but it can be summed up in his adherence to the "Cadet Prayer" and in these words from the "Alma Mater:"

"And when our work is done, Our Course on earth is run, May it be said 'Well Done,' Be thou at Peace."

C.M.F.

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Arthur Lloyd Meyer

NO. 12430 CLASS OF 1941

Died 27 June 1989 in Bonn, West Germany, aged 72 years.

Interment: Alsace Cemetery, Reading, Pennsylvania.



Arthur Lloyd Meyer

FROM A VERY EARLY AGE IN READING, PENNSYLVANIA, Art had set West Point as his life's goal. He tried year after year to win an appointment to the Academy and finally lucked into a congressional appointment as a first alternate. He waited and waited, and, on the morning of 2 July 1937, a telegram came from the Superintendent, USMA, telling him to report to the Academy at once.

Once in Colonel Thayer's school, he never worried again. He became an academic hive, lettered in fencing, sang in the choir and was the leader of the cadet orchestra.

Art continued this relaxed intensity at his first unit in Camp Hulen, Texas and kept hustling through battery commander and battalion exec assignments with the 459th AAA AW Battalion and ended up in England training for the Normandy Invasion.

One month before D-Day the Provisional Machine Gun Battalion failed its dress rehearsal, and a call came from the Corps for a volunteer to replace the commander and to get the battalion ready to make the Overlord Invasion. Art was that volunteer and had one month to transform the outfit into a fighting unit. That he succeeded was proven by the fact that the battalion landed at H+30 minutes on Omaha Beach and was awarded the distinguished unit badge by the President of the United States for its accomplishments. For his part and valor, Art received the Silver Star. Following the war, there came an assignment at Fort Bliss as a Light Air Defense

instructor and then three years in Sendia, Japan in the G-3 Section of XVI Corps. While in that job he had the honor of assisting in organizing the Japanese Self-Defense Force.

After Japan came a year at Leavenworth, C&GSC as a preliminary step to a job as CO, 66th Missile Battalion, part of the air defense of New York City. Following that we in the Air Defense know well where he went, as he took us round pegs and applied them to his square holes in the Officers Assignment and Schooling Director of TAGO in the Pentagon. Upon completing this tour of duty, Art rubbed his hands and said, "Now for my new assignment, at least Hawaii and probably better." But his kindly boss was wiser and said, "Right, you're off to Korea." Like a good soldier, he spent 14 months in G-3 Eighth Army in Seoul and was rewarded by receiving his eagles.

Two fine assignments followed: G-1 of the Air Defense Center back at Bliss and then IG of the Ryukyus Command for three years.

Being now within two years of retirement, Art was able to come back to his favorite post, Fort Bliss, and finish as director of Personnel and Community Activities until retirement 1 August 1971, SS-LM-MSM-CM.

In 1936 a lovely little brunette, Ruth Angstadt, and Art had fallen in love. Throughout his time at West Point she was his OAO—"a one-girl man," the *Howitzer* reported. They were married immediately after graduation and over the years gained a family of four children, Ann, Jack, James and Susan, who now are all happily married. Son Jack is in the Regular Army and a major in JAGC. Their children's marriages have blessed them with thirteen grandchildren—eight boys and five girls. Art and Ruth spent their time at home supporting every classical music activity in town as well as their Christ-centered church activities.

Art and Ruth were visiting their son Jack and his family in Bonn, Germany when Art was stricken by a heart attack and stroke in the railroad station in Remagen. Art, never regaining consciousness, died 27 June 1989.

Art had four great loves: first for the Lord; then for his wife Ruth and his entire family; the Army; and his music. Finally, Art would have said, "For me to live is Christ but to die is gain."

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Daugherty Mason Smith

NO. 13327 CLASS OF JANUARY 1943

Died 22 November 1990, Fairfax, Virginia, aged 72 years.

Interment: Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia.



Daugherty Mason Smith

DAUGHERTY MASON "SNUFFY" SMITH joined the Class of January 1943 in 1939 as a recognized plebe. A wonderful career followed involving service in both Europe and Japan in World War II, and further service in Southeast Asia before our commitment to Vietnam became as well-known as in the 1960s.

As "K" Company's "shortest flanker," to quote our *Howitzer*, he played an important role in the company, acting as academic coach for those who needed help, serving as a cadet lieutenant, singing four years in the Catholic Chapel Choir and generally impressing everyone with his unselfish nature and his devotion to duty.

Snuffy was born in Denver but spent his youth in Iowa and considered himself an Iowa boy. Before entering USMA he had prepared at the Abraham Lincoln High School in Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he was a cadet colonel, and then two years at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, where his two eldest sons would later graduate to start military careers. He also managed to squeeze in two years in the Iowa National Guard, where he made sergeant.

Right after graduation, Snuffy returned to Council Bluffs to marry Dorothy, a marriage which was to last until his death almost 48 years later. Their marriage was followed by the hectic World War II period, with Snuffy joining the 97th Infantry Division's Signal Company and staying with them in the ETO, through two campaigns, redeployment to Cebu and Japan and a series of high-

level assignments in Japan. His last assignment as Crypto Officer of the Far East Command earned him the first of several Commendation Medals.

The period after World War II included challenging Department of the Army assignments with the Chief Signal Officer, and with the JCEC—a committee he accompanied on trips to Canada, Europe and Africa. He graduated from the Army C&GSC in 1954 after earning a master's in electrical engineering from the University of Wisconsin. Later he also earned a master's in international relations from GWU. From Leavenworth in 1954, Snuffy and Dorothy started a three-year assignment to SHAPE, then located west of Paris. They enjoyed their time in France and the excitement of the international community at SHAPE, where he served for the AC of S (C&E).

That international assignment prepared him well for the next three years on the Joint Staff. The JCS assignment led to PACOM in Hawaii. Once again Snuffy traveled extensively on TDY in the developing theater of operations, particularly in Thailand. That experience led naturally to command of the 125th Signal Battalion of the 25th Division at Schofield, where again he performed with distinction. Chosen for the Army War College, he graduated in 1966. Later he took the family with him to Korea in 1969, where he wore four hats in the communications field (ACofS CE for the UN Forces, US Forces Korea and Eighth Army, as well as Commander, STRATCOM Brigade, Korea). They returned to the US for a final assignment at the Army Materiel Command. In 1973, thirty years after graduation, Snuffy retired from active service.

After enjoying retired life for four years, Snuffy returned to the workforce as a senior scientist, Operations Research Institute/Calculon under contract to the Department of Energy. As principal consultant he advised on radio frequency management and C-E support for emergency planning programs. DOE activities involved development of international and national radio spectrum policy. Eleven years later he retired again.

A classmate who ran into Snuffy during that period described him as "... a totally happy man; happy in his work, with enough compensation to live as he and Dorothy wanted; with happy memories of his service and their life together; and particularly happy with their family." He retired from Calculon in 1987, but life remained centered around family, community and church. Then, on 22 November 1990, Snuffy died of congestive heart failure.

We salute a classmate who never sought publicity, who worked quietly but with dedication and professionalism at everything he did, and whose life exemplified all those virtues which de-

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scribe a Christian gentleman. But no one who stood in Arlington Cemetery that farewell day could fail to be impressed by the family he had nurtured and for whom he had set an example: five sons, two daughters and 19 grandchildren. Mason, an Army colonel, and Gary, an Army lieutenant colonel, both Vietnam veterans, are old enough that some of us served with them. Stephan graduated from West Point when a classmate was Supe and is currently the deputy commander, Chicago District, Corps of Engineers. All continue the military tradition. Bruce, now a civilian, served in an Engineer battalion in Alaska and is presently the Construction and Management Officer, DEH, Vint Hill Farms Station. Christine and Annette, both with teaching degrees, are married and live in Dayton and Norfolk respectively. Mark is a nuclear engineer living in Herndon, Virginia.

It is obvious that Snuffy's life was based on four pillars: Duty, Honor, Country and Family. He did us all proud, and we stand taller in his shadow.

A classmate

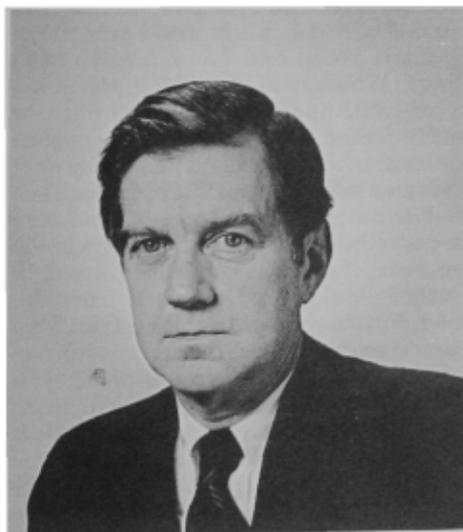
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Munson Hackett Pardee

NO. 14136 CLASS OF 1944

Died 3 December 1984 in Utica, New York, aged 62 years.

Interment: Cremation.



Munson Hackett Pardee

MUNSON PARDEE WAS BORN IN LYNBROOK, LONG ISLAND, New York, on 17 February 1922 to Munson Dowd and Marguerite (Hackett) Pardee. The elder Pardee, an attorney and newspaper writer, died when his son was only twelve, leaving a void that Munson always felt.

After grammar and high school in Lynbrook, Munson entered Colgate Univer-

sity; but this was the fall of 1939 with World War II erupting in Europe. During his next two years at Colgate, as war hung over America, Munson learned to fly with the Civil Air Patrol. For a time he considered leaving school to enlist in the Army Air Corps; instead, he decided on an Air Force career via West Point. He entered the Academy with the Class of 1945 (later redesignated 1944) on 1 July 1941. The high point of his three years there came in the spring of 1943 when he became an air cadet. After graduating on D-Day, Munson took Air Force training at Lockbourne Air Base and McDill Field before being assigned to Great Bend AAFB in Kansas.

In November 1945 Munson was married in the Cadet Chapel to Jeannette de Fau, a girl from his home town of Lynbrook. The following March he was assigned to the Philippines and then to Okinawa as a B-29 pilot; then came brief assignments in Texas and Alabama.

A master's degree in industrial engineering was the next step for Munson, beginning in the fall of 1948, when the Air Force selected him to enroll at Columbia University. He made use of this increased knowledge when assigned to the Quality Control Division of the Air Materiel Command in Dayton, Ohio.

By 1953, when the Pardee family included two daughters, Pamela and Jan, Munson had served nine years in the Air Force; he decided now to pursue a civilian career. The next sixteen years found him at Curtiss Wright Corporation, Liberty Aircraft, Soundscriber Corporation and Univac Corporation. The last job had brought him to Utica, New York, and it was there, in 1969, that Munson made a major move. He founded Hamilton Digital Controls, which manufactured recording heads for computers and supplied all the leading computer makers. This led in 1980 to the forming of a subsidiary firm in Sri Lanka.

These were great years for Munson and Jeannette, watching their daughters grow up and go on to college, careers and marriage. An effective president at work, Munson also enjoyed his leisure time, developing his lifelong hobbies of bridge, chess, backgammon and, above all, flying his twin Cessna. He joined the Fort Schuyler Club in Utica and the Yahnundassis Country Club in nearby New Hartford.

Although he loved his work, Munson retired in May 1984 at age sixty-two. He wanted "to give the younger folks a chance" and, especially, to have more time for family and hobbies. But only a few months later, a cardiovascular problem robbed him of that time. On 3 December 1984 Munson Pardee suddenly died. He left behind his beloved Jeannette, their two daughters and two granddaughters.

Those who knew Munson as husband,

father and friend remember fondly his modest manner, keen wit, loyalty, generosity and integrity. Those who worked with him remember his fairness and the confidence he instilled in them.

Well done, Munson! Be at rest.

Jan Pardee

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John Case Trimmer

NO. 14124 CLASS OF 1944

Died 14 May 1990 in Columbia, Tennessee, aged 70 years.

Interment: Polk Memorial Garden, Columbia, Tennessee.



John Case Trimmer

JOHN CASE TRIMMER WAS BORN ON 29 FEBRUARY 1920 to Florence and Paul Trimmer in Dennison, Ohio. He was well-liked, and his high school classmates elected him class president in both his junior and senior years. As valedictorian of the Class of 1938 at Dennison High School, Jack's ambition was to become a civil engineer.

From 1938-41 Ohio State University was the focus of Jack's life, but during the summers he worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He started as a trackman in 1937 and ended up in 1940 coordinating a major highway grade-crossing elimination project. A bridge from this project is still there today, and his family and hometown friends call it Jack Trimmer's Bridge.

Congressman William Tom of Canton, Ohio awarded Jack an appointment to West Point and Jack set out in July 1941 to meet this new challenge. In the 1944 *Howitzer*, Jack's roommate recalled that "Jack came from firing an iron horse to the pitfalls of West Point's tactical and academic system. His conscientiousness and keen sense of humor enabled him to buffalo the former and outsmart the latter." Jack was a very good student and particularly enjoyed earning his mono-

members of the Offices of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, government agencies and civilian contractors in a classified program of national significance.

In August 1967 Bob was assigned to Headquarters, Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson AFB, where for four years he was assistant to the B-1 System Program director, a stellar performance for which he was awarded his first Legion of Merit.

He then posted three rewarding years at Hanscom AFB, where he was assistant deputy for Surveillance and Control Systems, Electronic Systems Division, Air Force Systems Command. This key assignment saw him responsible for the overall management of three system program offices involved in the acquisition of over twenty complex electronic systems.

Bob's final assignment was to the Directorate of Aeronautical Systems, Air Force Systems Command, where he received his second Legion of Merit and retired in July 1975 following thirty years of faithful service to his country.

Throughout most of their married life, Bob and Jody enjoyed antique collecting, which paid handsome dividends when, in July 1986, they purchased a lovely century-old home in Camden, South Carolina, an unforgettable town renowned for the antebellum character of most of its public and private buildings. After months of painstaking refurbishing, they moved into their retirement home in February 1987.

Bob was not left with much time to savor and truly appreciate this pinnacle of happiness, for in March 1990, after a brief illness, he was diagnosed as having malignant and inoperable cancer. Notwithstanding his avowed determination to overcome the ravages of his illness, he was faced with too formidable an adversary and lost the final battle on 6 August.

Bob Hippert entertained four passionate and abiding loves during his lifetime—his faith, his family, his country and his friends. He devoted virtually all of his adult life to providing lovingly and well for each of them. These entities were what filled and fulfilled the entirety of his life, and so it may justifiably be said that Bob enjoyed to the fullest extent the entirety of his life. In his final days he must have retrospectively relished the memory of a lifetime of love, respect and earned support from his devoted partner Jody, his daughters, as well as his beloved two granddaughters and three grandsons.

As stated earlier, Bob was always happy, even at reveille. It was patently evident that he was also happy, even at taps. And heaven must have become a much brighter place when he arrived.

Good night, Sweet Prince! And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest! (*Hamlet*, W. Shakespeare).

Be thou at peace!

MHB, roommate

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John Stuart Gayle

NO. 16134 CLASS OF 1946

Died 21 July 1951 when a Canadian Pacific Airlines plane on which he was a passenger disappeared somewhere west of Juneau, Alaska, aged 27 years.



John Stuart Gayle

JOHN STUART GAYLE WAS ALWAYS KNOWN to his family and friends as Jack. Born 7 November 1924 in Denver, Colorado, Jack's father was a Virginia Military Institute graduate and had served on active duty in World War I. Jack's parents divorced when he was young, and his mother was remarried to Navy Captain Charles Tozer. Thus, Jack was raised as a Navy "junior." At Coronado High School Jack was a mainstay of the school's athletic programs. He played end on both offense and defense on the 1940 football team, which was unbeaten and allowed only six points all season. He also played basketball, ran track and was sports editor of the school paper. Arriving at Coronado about that time was Mary Lynn Pratt, whose Navy father had wired his family from the Philippines to leave Honolulu immediately and get to CONUS. Thus Mary Lynn met Jack Gayle, a relationship that was to lead to marriage.

A friend and fellow Navy "junior," Jack Shultz, remembered that Jack Gayle had an air of sophistication and class that fit well with Cole Porter lyrics. He had a way with words and listened for well-turned phrases that he could put to good use. He began to write in high school, and *Downbeat* magazine published his letter declaring Artie Shaw a better clarinetist than Benny Goodman. With the war underway, Jack decided to

leave high school after his junior year and prep for the Naval Academy. Upon learning that he could not pass the eye examination for the Navy, Jack joined his friend Jack Shultz at the Sullivan School and prepared for the USMA exams. Jack entered West Point on 1 July 1943 with the Class of 1946.

Cadet life was just one of those things that Jack had to conquer before he could get on to being an Army officer. His *Howitzer* write-up says, in part, "This easy-going Californian fell naturally in step with the flanker tradition, but he always remained a step ahead of the Academic and Tactical Departments. His love for athletics is matched only by his fondness for sleep and sunshine." As one of his flanker classmates recalled, that statement in the *Howitzer* sums up Jack's cadet life—except for his devotion to Mary Lynn. Graduation saw Jack become a second lieutenant of Infantry.

Four days after graduation, Jack and Mary Lynn were married in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware on 8 June 1946. The newlyweds went to Fort Benning, Georgia where Jack attended the Infantry Officers Basic Course. Joe Finley recalled that Jack played on the officers' basketball team sponsored by the Goo Goo Restaurant. The two Jacks shared many rides to training areas, bumming cigarettes from each other and talking about Coronado. The packs of cigarettes would be so mashed that a cigarette would have to be pulled from the ends before it could be lit. Jack Gayle called those rumpled cigarettes "INFANTRY cigarettes," a term that Jack Schultz used many times in the ensuing 43 years. At Fort Benning Jack Gayle began turning serious about a career. His range of interests was broad, and he discussed current events with a global geo-political perspective. In the spring of 1947, the two Jacks split up, with Jack Shultz going to Germany and Jack Gayle to Korea. Neither knew at the time that they would not meet again.

Jack Gayle was assigned as a company commander, K Company, 17th Infantry when he arrived in Korea. Later he commanded C Company and then became assistant G-2 of the 7th Infantry Division. While in Korea, Jack played on the All-Korea All-Star football team in the Rice Bowl in Japan on 1 January 1948. In December 1948, when the 7th Division moved to Japan, Jack became a platoon leader, first in A Company and then in C Company, 32nd Infantry at Camp Haugen, Japan. In March 1949 Jack received a letter of commendation for his efforts in preparing a pictorial history of the Seventh Infantry Division. Mary Lynn was able to join Jack in Japan, but after just a few months she became ill and the Gayles had to leave for CONUS. The Gayles were en route to CONUS when Jack received a cable

orado, Fred had health problems and was sent to William Beaumont General Hospital at Fort Bliss, Texas. He was a patient for six months. Recovered enough for reassignment, Fred was sent to Korea, where he served as Combat Arms Advisor to the ROK V Corps. In July 1965 Fred returned to CONUS for assignment with the Air Defense and Missile Division, Office of the Chief of Research and Development, Department of the Army. In March 1968 Fred was promoted to colonel. On 4 April 1968, Fred Hickey died at the Dewitt Army Hospital at Fort Belvoir, Virginia from complications involving the health problems that had plagued him earlier. He was survived by his wife Jane, son Michael and daughter Kathleen.

Fred's Artillery friends remember him as a brilliant person and a highly-skilled artilleryman. One classmate recalls that it is to Fred's credit that he took a low-profile career path in order to provide the needed support for the family that he loved and cherished. For Fred Hickey was devoted to his family, and his family loved the Army life. He was content with his career; he was totally absorbed with his work in the missile field and enjoyed every aspect of each assignment. As long as he had his work and his family, Fred was happy. It is one of the ironies of fate that such a brilliant, dedicated man, so happy with his life, should be taken away at that point in his career when he had begun to contribute greatly. The Army lost a dedicated, professional soldier. His family lost the cornerstone of their lives. His classmates lost a friend and comrade. Fred is missed by everyone who knew him, but they all are grateful to have had the honor and privilege of knowing and serving with a true son of West Point. To his devotion to "Duty, Honor, Country" must be added his devotion to "Family," for these four precepts were the foundations of his life. It is with pride that his classmates say, "Well Done. Be Thou At Peace."

'46 Memorial Project and his wife
Jane

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Donald Wilson, Jr.

NO. 15719 CLASS OF 1946

Died 3 September 1986 at Fort Walton Beach, Florida, aged 63 years.

Cremated at Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

DONALD WILSON, JR., affectionately known as "the Gromwald" to his cadet friends and roommates, was the son of the late Major General Donald Wilson, USAF and Edna T. Wilson. He was born at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas on 5 July 1923.

As the son of an Army Air Corps officer, Don Jr. spent his youth before



Donald Wilson, Jr.

entering West Point enjoying life at many Army air fields and military installations. These included Kelly Field, Nichols Field in the Philippines, Langley Field, Maxwell Field and Fort Leavenworth.

About age 11, Don's parents encouraged him to learn to play a musical instrument. Not inclined to make matters simple, and impressed by a popular comedian of the time, Harpo Marx, Don selected the harp. A rented harp and lessons showed that Don was quite sincere in this endeavor, and, over the years, he developed into a very proficient harpist.

The outstanding example and encouragement of a successful father and a devoted mother, the similar goals of entering the Military Academy discussed by his companions and the nation's involvement in World War II all served to direct Don toward West Point. Following graduation from Woodrow Wilson High School in Washington, D.C., Don entered Sullivan's Preparatory School, obtained an appointment from Senator Millard E. Tydings of Maryland and reported to USMA with the Class of 1946.

Don's cadet days were not particularly unusual. He was a member of Cadet Company F-2, and his roommates at the Academy described him as "sensitive, kind and considerate with a wry sense of humor" and "one with a true sense of humor, purpose and professionalism. He was a friend to all and was well-liked by everyone."

Don took part in several athletic activities while at West Point, including football, basketball, softball and Corps Squad soccer. He enjoyed chess very much, but his greatest love in the field of sports was golf. He had a very low handicap and enjoyed playing golf well into his retirement years.

Colonel (Retired) Alvan C. "Beano" Hadley, Jr., USA was Don's roommate throughout his years at USMA. He said about him, "Don was a congenial, sensitive, supportive and cooperative person. He was a cultured gentleman with many talents: natural leadership, musicianship, athletic and scholarly ability. He was a man endowed with a great sense of humor who could enjoy fits of laughter and take great delight in his roommates' lousy jokes or high-jinks and yet be mature enough not to join them in their foolish endeavors at the expense of the TAC and the usual resulting punishment tours. He was very conscientious, serious about his responsibilities and overly generous in giving academic help to those who needed it badly. There was no truer friend than Don. He was the brother I never had."

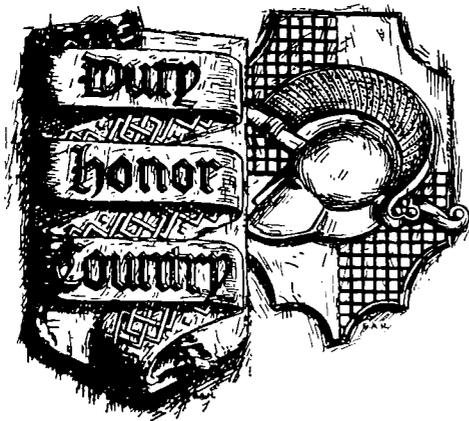
Don graduated with his class on 4 June 1946 and was commissioned in the Army Air Corps. After his Advanced Pilot Training at Enid, Oklahoma, he earned the Air Force specialty title of Education and Training Staff officer. His field was Special Weapons, which he taught at Sandia Base, New Mexico and at the Air Force Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

On 16 September 1950, Don and Emily Bird Linthicum of Baltimore, Maryland were married. Don was stationed at Sandia Base at the time. Then came assignments as student and instructor at the Air Force Command and Staff College, followed by duty with SHAPE, then located near Paris, France. While at SHAPE, Don was able to play golf on many European courses. His biggest thrill came when he was invited to play in the International Invitational Golf Tournament at Luxembourg in 1956. It was during this year that he also was awarded the aeronautical rating of senior pilot.

Don next was assigned to Langley AFB, Virginia, followed by a tour at Lackland AFB, Texas. Don was then assigned to the Graduate School of the University of Chicago, from which he graduated in 1964 with an MBA degree. After two years of duty at Eglin AFB, Florida, Don retired on 30 June 1966 with over 20 years of service.

Emily and Don decided to settle down in Fort Walton Beach, Florida near Eglin AFB after retirement. Don continued to pursue his golf avocation with vigor and became a member of the Gulf Coast Senior Golf Association. He also continued to use his talents as an instructor by teaching in the Fort Walton Beach school system and at Okaloosa-Walton Junior College.

Don is survived by his wife Emily, daughters Mary Catharine Kaszuba and Terry Ann Dickinson, three grandchildren and a sister, Theresa J. Cochran.



Last Roll Call

Reports of death of graduates and former cadets received since the publication of the November 1991 ASSEMBLY.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
Charles A. Haskins	X-1916 ...	13 October1991	White River Junction, Vermont
George B. McReynolds	Nov-1918 ...	28 August1991	Santa Barbara, California
Paul F. Laning	X-1923 ...	30 August1991	Sandusky, Ohio
Paul L. Carroll	1926 ...	27 September1991	San Antonio, Texas
David M. Hackman	1927 ...	24 October1991	Buenos Aires, Argentina
Alvin L. Pachynski	1927 ...	23 September1991	Novato, California
Edgar E. Enger	1928 ...	27 August1991	Portland, Oregon
David X. Angluin	1929 ...	12 November1991	Walnut Creek, California
Hamilton M. Peyton	1931 ...	2 November1991	Carmel, California
Stanley Sawicki	1932 ...	5 November1991	Lawton, Oklahoma
Charles G. Patterson	1933 ...	22 September1991	Maitland, Florida
Travis T. Brown	1934 ...	22 August1991	Palo Alto, California
Harry L. Hillyard	1934 ...	9 October1991	Indialantic, Florida
Richard A. Legg	1934 ...	15 July1991	Denver, Colorado
Yale H. Wolfe	1934 ...	17 October1991	North Andover, Massachusetts
Carl L. Rickenbaugh	1936 ...	1 November1991	Boca Raton, Florida
Winfield L. Martin	1937 ...	9 November1991	Walnut Creek, California
James M. Cochran	1939 ...	19 October1991	Santa Rosa, California
Malcolm F. Gilchrist, Jr.	1939 ...	14 November1991	Columbia, Tennessee
Edwin C. Haggard	1940 ...	12 September1991	Visalia, California
Denis B. Grace	1941 ...	22 September1991	New Orleans, Louisiana
William T. Hamilton, Jr.	1942 ...	21 October1991	Bethesda, Maryland
Raymond L. Miller	1942 ...	5 November1989	Exeter, New Hampshire
James L. Doyle	Jan-1943 ...	7 November1991	Clearwater, Florida
John S. Brady	Jun-1943 ...	8 November1991	Alexandria, Virginia
Richard S. Ware, Jr.	1944 ...	1 October1991	Petersburg, Virginia
Daniel N. Silverman, Jr.	1945 ...	8 October1991	River Ridge, Louisiana
Austin J. Yerks, Jr.	1945 ...	17 October1991	Miami, Florida
Pat W. Crizer	1946 ...	15 November1991	Williamsburg, Virginia
John A. Sadler	1946 ...	8 October1991	San Francisco, California
William S. Volmer	1946 ...	10 October1991	Fort Howard, Maryland
Junius J. Bleiman	1947 ...	31 October1991	Princeton, New Jersey
Alfred J. Anderson	1949 ...	3 November1991	Atlanta, Georgia
Arthur R. Driscoll, Jr.	1949 ...	2 October1991	Beverly, Massachusetts
James A. Check	1951 ...	13 October1991	Lexington, Kentucky
Lewis E. Beasley	1952 ...	13 September1991	Lamar, South Carolina
Albert G. W. Biddle, Jr.	1952 ...	1 October1991	Great Falls, Virginia
William F. Bauman	1953 ...	29 October1991	Roanoke, Virginia
Alfred A. Cini	1955 ...	29 September1991	San Jose, California
Richard F. Emery	1957 ...	25 September1991	St. Petersburg, Florida
Carl W. Lohmann	1957 ...	16 December1989	New Gloucester, Maine
Henry J. Schroeder, III	1969 ...	3 September1991	Alexandria, Virginia
Frederick A. Baldwin	1971 ...	29 September1991	Cornwall, New York
Richard S. Scales	1971 ...	18 November1991	Santa Ana, California
Ioane Keehu, Jr.	1975 ...	17 October1991	Oahu, Hawaii
Daniel M. Gadbois	1988 ...	12 October1991	Oberailsfeld, Germany



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