I received a letter from Rich O’Hanlon this past month; he has just returned from the Med after 7 months aboard KENNEDY. He and George Standridge were aboard with VA-46 flying A-7s with VA-83, soon to go aboard FORRES-TAL for a Med deployment. Bruce Stutsman is in the A-7 RAG, VA-174. Also finishing the RAG are Mark Moore and Joe Cantu, Dave Renaud is in the Med with VA-12 aboard Eisenhower. Bill Loeffler is flying A-7s with VA-27 off Coral Sea; congratulations are in order for him and Audrey who are expecting their second child during this month of May. A few final notes from Rich—Ken Sichau is a P-3 NFO out of NAS Jacksonville and Jack Kelly is aboard Charles F. Adams in Mayport. Thelma Nevitt sent me some news. Pat is aboard Ranger with VF-21; he’s an F-4 RIO. Along with Pat in Ranger are Junior Tuppola and Bob Kenny. Junior and his wife have a little girl and Bob and Eileen are expecting their second—congratulations to both couples. Thelma also says that Mary and Ray Pect have bought a home in Gautier, Mississippi, and Linda and John Titworth are in the process of restoring a house in Maine.

I heard from Debbie Pearsall this week too. Blaine has just left for a 4-month cruise; he’ll be flying CH-46s off USS SAN DIEGO. Roy Show is upgrading his deployment in the Med aboard SARATOGA; Roy is an F-4 RIO. John Virden, who is also an F-4 RIO stationed at NAS Oceana, recently tied the knot with a hometown girl.

This morning I found a letter from Chris and Len Mokan in my mailbox. They passed on word that they are going to Point Loma. Len is the Marine Corps Property Officer for HAMS-32; Mike Marriott and Curt Shaffer are in the RAG, VMA-202; and Larry Astyk is in VMA-533. Chris and Len had a baby boy, Steven, in November; Nancy and Curt Shaffer had a baby girl, Amanda. In January: Anna and Mike Marriott’s little girl, Lea, was a year old in May; and Karen and Curt Astyk will become parents in November. Congratulations to all of them.

As always, I have some news to pass on from the Navy Hometown News Release Program. Steve Andrusdadian, Pete Harris, and Joe Cantu have all completed the non-lawyer course at the Naval Justice School, Newport. Joe Medina reported to 1st Marine Division at Camp Pendleton. Tim Harris, who is assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines based at Camp Pendleton, recently completed cold weather training at the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, California. Jeff Maydosz, aboard USS JOHN KING, and Jim Thompson, aboard USS SARATOGA with Helicopter Squadron Seven, recently took part in National Week XXVI/Sardinia 79 while deployed in the Med. Dan Galik and Andy Bushak recently returned from a WestPac deployment aboard USS Somers homeported in Pearl Harbor. Lyn Robertson recently returned from a Med Deployment aboard USS Enterprise homeported in Norfolk.

A few final notes before I close—I attended Nannette and Chuck Litz’s wedding a few weeks ago. At the wedding I saw Pete Harris, Steve Gray, and Leigh and John Maciejczyk. Congratulations to John who was the recipient of a Navy Achievement Medal. Vic Thoms was the godfather for Jennifer Cathy McNa- mara; she was christened at the Little Creek Chapel the last week end in April. Congratulations to Cathy and Kevin McNamara. Carl Sharpsong, Dave Kerrick, and Rick Dupato are all leaving on a Med deployment with HMM-264. Tommy Guerrero is leaving New River to fly Hueys in Hawaii. Also, congratulations to Bob Bauman who was presented the William A. Gary Memorial Alumnum Award as an outstanding alumnus of the Marine Military Academy at Hartington, Texas. And William Brown is leaving New River with me in September to go overseas.

That’s it for now—best wishes to all.

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Our Class made a strong showing in the Fiesta of Five Flags 10,000 meter run. Charlie Haunm surprised all the race officials when he finished 3rd. Other runners included Craig Diff- nie, Glen Ives, Gary Simpson, Ray Bracy, Jeff Carpenter, Terry O’Reilly, Jim Fox, Mark Rolin, Ray Baltera, Don Beverlin, Doug Meyer, Jim Lippard, and Steve Padawitz. Not to brag or anything, but Bill Yeager was chasing my wife through the race (she crossed the line first!). Congratulations to all those who ran and finished.

Post-race celebrations were held at Mike Galpin’s, John Skogsborg’s, Dave Jenkins’s and John O’Neill’s party. Rumor has it that they are still cleaning up.

Kevin and Debbie Ryan and Others

Pictured are the newweds from Idaho: Debbie and Kevin “Ragman” Ryan, soon-to-be wed Dave Wilson and his fiancee, Cindy Hurt, Pat “ALICE” Dowler and some unidentified nukes.

Shipmate, July/August 1979

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I started to write this column last week end but I didn’t have much news to pass on to you. I decided to wait a few days and see if I would hear from anyone else and I received three additional letters in the past few days. Let’s try and keep the news coming—I leave New River in September to go to Norfolk and may become hard-pressed for news to pass on to you.
From 3rd Company: Bill Cook, Matt Leavitt, Bruce Lord, Laff, Norton, Clark Orzalli, John Painter, John Rogers, and Don Yancey are in prototype schools and Tim Dowd, Tom Hamilton, Al Robredo, Kevin Walter, and Jim Warren are serving aboard various ships. Charlie Dawson, Bill Duggan, Mike Galpin, Steve Podawitz, Chris Powers, John Skogsberg, and Bill Thorne are in various phases of flight training. Howard Seeger decided the air was to breathe, not try, and now is awaiting SWOS in San Diego.

John Day wrote to tell John about Supply Schools. "I am at NAVSUP in DC. Schaun Bradley is in the COMNAVSAILANT staff and Bob Schwanke is in the CINCLANTFLT Staff in Norfolk. Scott Burns is in the Norfolk Naval Shipyards. Steve Perreca and Drew Neimhais are aboard ships out of San Diego. John Day is in the Operations Analysis Staff at the Naval Supply Center in Charleston. John is still awaiting the return of Scott Eckert and Lee Price to clean up all their empty beer cans that they left at their apartment.

From Ken "WALDO" Waldie: Ken Hefren, John McCourt and Doug Grau are in Sacramento as P-3 NFOs attending Naval School. Bish Nichols went "F" out of TBS. John Gardiner is on his way to Supply School. Daryl Hutton is surface-line-bounded after medical problems. Tim McGee is still coaching sailing at USNA after knee surgery. Rumor has it that Jimmy Degree is going to be made a company officer. Jim was operated on in May for the third time. Hang in there. Jim, they say Three is a charm plus I'm sure Tracy loves Annapolis!

The Walter Browns had an 8 lb. 10 oz. baby boy in March. Shelley and Ted Null had a 9 lb. 11 oz. baby girl in March. Congratulations on the little additions! Are there any more out there?

Please see the Class of 1975 news for a picture of young Earl Connolly and why he is found in that area. And congratulations to Thomas!!

Well, that's it for now. If anyone has any ideas on getting us GI Benefits, let us know. Gerry Cory wants everyone to know he loves PORK!!!

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Chapter News

DEADLINE: For October—10 August; for November—11 September

ANnapolis

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The final meeting of the academic year for the Annapolis Chapter was held at the social area of Chauvenet Hall in the Naval Academy on 11 May with a gourmet buffet and the introduction of the new officers for the coming year. Heading the home group for the new year will be: president, Mike C. Colley '80; vice president, John R. Wales, '51; secretary, Kevin Moore '68; treasurer, David Ward '72; and council members Henry W. Buse '34, Roy S. Benson '29, A. F. Richardson '31, Jerry L. Harken '63, and Daniel Traxel '59.

An even more interesting and lively program for the Chapter is being laid down for the coming season beginning in September. All Alumni in the Annapolis area are always welcome at these functions. Please call the secretary at the Department of Applied Science, Naval Academy, or Shipmate at Alumni House for further information.

ATLANTA
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A spring tradition with the Atlanta Chapter has become the annual welcome of new appointees, along with their parents and dates, by the Atlanta Alumni. This year's event was marked by the attendance of VADM. Bob Baldwin '45, Deputy CNO, and his wife, June. Admiral Baldwin delivered some enthusiastically received remarks which were most relevant for the occasion. He spoke about the satisfactions of a naval career, then concluded with a stirring reminder that, while the demands of service might not in every instance be in one's individual liking, the naval officer was expected to do his duty in those assignments as well.

Additional inspiration for the gathering of nearly 100 was provided by the film, The Tom Harper Story, followed by some words of encouragement to new appointees by Ens. Tom Harper '78, who had also come to Atlanta from Washington for the party. As many alumni have heard by now, Tom Harper was a plebe and a promising football player when he learned that he had cancer and was given only months to live. His movie accounting of his determined recovery is an outstanding Naval Academy as well as Cancer Society public relations production.

Officers for the 1979-1980 year were elected: Ian Barmiack '46 president; Marc Farris '70, vice-president; Ted Verdery '67, secretary; and Paul Smith '42, treasurer. Chapter members elected to the Advisory Council were Mac McPherson '39, Jim Ravenel '43, Wave Graham '53, Carl McCullum '60, Steve McDonald '65, and Woody Woodruff '69.

HUNTSVILLE
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The Spring Banquet brought the '78-'79 season of the Huntsville Chapter to a memorable climax on May 11 at the Redstone Arsenal Officers' Club. Highlighting the evening was guest speaker Navy head football coach George Welsh '56, who flew down from Annapolis especially for the Chapter banquet at the invitation of Chapter President Frank Tatmon '56. Coach Welsh brought along a film of the highlights of the 1978 Navy football season which made a real impression on all present. Among those Alumni in attendance were: Harold and Lili Harnly '37, Ed and Jo Donley '40, Don and Dottie Blue '42, Ray Davis '45, John Duff '45, Al and Annabel Morris '50, Tony Torrella '51, Mike and Marty Stroop '54, Kim and Bunny Hovater '56, Frank and Roberta Tatmon '56, and Ed and Meritta Jackson '58. A number of supporters of the

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The fall schedule of events for the Chicago Chapter is as follows:

6 September: Luncheon at the Como Inn
29 September: bus to the Illinois-Navy Football Game
19 October: Evening Oktoberfest
3 November: bus to the Navy-Notre Dame Football Game.

Please plan to be with us.