

has left PARSONS and had orders to duty in the San Francisco area. **Steve Katcher** is 1st Lt. aboard PREBLE in Pearl Harbor; congratulations to him and Mary—they had a baby boy in October.

Steve Kelly has left Charleston and BLAKELY and is now aboard FLORIKAN out of San Diego. He has been married for a year now to the former Allison Blandford. Congratulations are due to Steve and Allison—they're expecting in May. Best wishes also go to **Rick Parks** and his wife who had a baby girl. Rick is aboard PRATT, which is now in the yards. Steve mentioned that he ran into **Mike Freeman** and **Jeff Petit** who were aboard J. A. FURER out of Charleston. **Fred Yarger** was aboard ABE LINCOLN out of Hawaii but moved to Bangor, Washington, where the boat is now homeported; he has bought a home there. **Ed Gilmore** is aboard REASONER in San Diego. **Jed Grayson** will be the CIC officer aboard one of the soon to be commissioned FFG-7s—he was married on 26 November. Steve also heard that **Cy Large** went through Seal training and is now in the San Diego area.

Diane Jacobs wrote a letter from Jacksonville, Florida, where she and Pat have built a home in Indian Trails. Pat is a pilot with VS-30 FORRESTAL. Also aboard are **Joe Haggerty** with VS-30, **Ken Gray** with HS-3, and **Gary Freeman** with VF-11. Kim and **Dave Renaud** have built a home on the same street as Diane and Pat; Dave is a pilot with VA-12 in EISENHOWER. **Rick Snow** returned from a cruise aboard SAMPSON; he and Kim had orders back to USNA where Rick will be an instructor.

I received several short letters and postcards from various people. **Steve Gray** is doing well—he's still aboard RICHARD E. BYRD. **Bill Hawn** is aboard CALIFORNIA now in the Med. Bill heard that **Bob Deal** finally tied the knot—congratulations! Joan and **John Carter** and the twins will be headed for Brunswick, Maine, once John finishes the RAG in Jacksonville. **Alex Cobble** has returned to Hawaii after spending time on Diego Garcia. **Mark Mula** sends regards to everyone from DANIEL WEBSTER [SSBN-626]. He's on board with **Mike Golden**, **Greg Queen**, **Frank Inzirillo**, **John Sundquist**, and **Bruce Leonard**—DANIEL WEBSTER is in good hands!

John Brown wrote from Annapolis where he is now working in the Leadership and Law Department. After finishing his tour aboard ROBISON in July, he got married and reported to USNA for duty. He passed on that **Mike Cregge** is aboard DRUM in San Diego; best wishes to Mike and Sandy who were expecting in December. I heard from **Debbie** and **Blaine Pearsall** over the holidays—congratulations are in order for an expected addition to the Pearsall household in May. Congratulations also to **Karen** and **Larry Astyk** on the birth of their daughter **Betsy** on 30 October.

Dennis Dilucente flew down to Kadena recently and got some word from Classmates on the island. **Rich Eisloeffel** and **Chuck Mehalic** are with HMM-164 at Futema. **Jeff Tomlin** is with VMGR-152 flying C-130s. Also on "the rock" are **Tim Hesketh**, **Al Gambone**, and **Mark Miller**. **Dennis**, **William Brown**, and I had dinner together on Christmas Eve and **Dennis** left two days later for six weeks in Korea.

I have some final word to pass on which is not a pleasant task. We have recently lost two Classmates in aircraft accidents. **Steve Hastings** died on 23 November 1979 in an F-4 accident

at sea near San Diego. **Mark Gontkovic** died on 6 December 1979 when his A-6 crashed in the Med. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and their families.

Some final word from Chris—**Dave Fleishman** is with TUNNY out of Pearl Harbor. **Dave's** wife, **Joyce**, went through OCS and is now CINCPACFLT CMS custodian. **Steve Wynne** is also aboard TUNNEY. **Chuck Dirienzo** took his NFO option and is with VT-10 at Pensacola. Best wishes are in order for **Walt Sparks** who married the former **Karen Brimer** in October. **Jack Williams** is in the construction business in Georgia. As a parting request, Chris asked me to ask 11th Company Classmates to drop him a line.

Scott Moore sent his letter from USS Iwo JIMA where he is on deployment with BLT 2/8 as the personnel officer. **John Allen** is F Company commander and **John Sparks** is G Company XO. **Vince Smith** is also aboard, flying Cobras with HMM-261. Others that Scott has heard of are **Jack Suter**, **Tim Dennis**, and **Tom Colella**. Jack participated in relief operations in the Caribbean after Hurricane David and Tim is Comm Officer with 4th MAB. Scott ran into **Tom Colella** during Exercise Display Determination 79 at Saros Bay, Turkey; Tom is the aide for BGen. Ernest C. Cheatham USMC, CG 4th MAB. **Blaise Miller** is now at Guantanamo Bay, as the barracks supply officer and **Frank Wysocki** is the motor-t officer for 3/6 at Camp Lejeune. Scott also received word from **Bill Glenn** who's on an FBU out of Pearl Harbor; congratulations to Bill and wife **Joan** who had a baby boy, **William G. Glenn** the V.

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Shipmate time again and the mailbox hasn't been overly stuffed, but here is what we've heard. **Glen Wheles** and **Dirk Berry** are at VF-101 in Norfolk for the F-14 RAG. **Dave Buss**, **Dave Owen** and **Dave Brown** are getting more than enough flight time in VA-42 flying A-6s. **Andy Moeller** is flying E-2s

Tom McElwee was married on 22 December (sorry Mrs. M, they forget to include your name). **Mary Jane** and **Steve Maloney** also said "I Do" on the same day. **Leon Miller** is the EE officer in USS Coontz, sailing with **Mark Munson**.

Steve Stamos wrote (while enjoying the sun in San Diego) with news from 35th CO. **Juli** and **Dave Owen** are in Virginia Beach. **Mark Lindstrom** is the gunnery assistant in USS MOUNT WHITNEY out of Norfolk. **Joanne** and **Bob Blandford** are in Pensacola flying helos. **Kim** and **Joe Gattuso** are in Texas flying jets. **Carol** and **Tim Golden** are aboard the USS EDSON out of Newport. **Sause** and **Gary Gordon** are in South Carolina; **Gary** is the ASW

officer in USS SELLERS. **Richard Mooney** is doing his best to improve Japanese-American relations while aboard USS WHITE PLAINS. **Dennis Pricolo** in in USS PREBLE out of Hawaii. **Nukes: Corey Eskew** is in Idaho finishing prototype. **Dana** and **Marty Bushika** and **Roger Watkins** are finishing up in New York. **Steve Stamos** is the NTDS officer aboard USS GRIDLEY. Steve, enjoy the sun, the blonde, and the Miller, and thanks for the news.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fanelli have a new baby boy, **Dan Jr.** Dan is in advanced props in Corpus Christi. **Rosemary** and **Edgar Vaughan** have a baby boy, **Ryan Edgar**. **Debbie** and **Mark Broome** have a baby girl, **Julie Elizabeth**. **Karen** and **Ray Fritsch** have a baby boy, **Noel Wesely**. Congratulations to all the New Moms and Dads!!!



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Doug Ray wrote to say "Aloha" from Hawaii and SAM HOUSTON. Doug says the patrols aren't all that bad. Well, Mary, what do you think? Some more Classmates stationed in Hawaii include **Debbie** and **Steve Petri** aboard TOM JEFFERSON. **Lynne** and **Don Schneider** are aboard ROBERT E. LEE, **Karen** and **Dave Williams** aboard PAT HENRY, **Faith** and **Dave McCready** aboard GEORGE WASHINGTON. **George Ball** is aboard JOHN MARSHALL. **Judy** and **Tom McLeod** are due to report next month; Tom will be aboard USS PUFFER.

Ship assignments from the last New York prototype class: **Tim Curry** and **Larry Newby** are in USS ATLANTA (new construction) out of Newport News. **Michael Johnson** is in ULYSSES GRANT out of New London. **Ralph Schwartzback** is in GREENLING out of New London.

Pictured are **Earl Mosely**, **Scot Provow**, **John Whatley**, **Jim Koslow**, **Bill Larimore**, **Al Hammond**, and **Mike Crisp**. They are celebrating **Mike** receiving his NFO Wings. **Bill** is at Meridian, **Jim** and **John** are in Corpus, flying props, **Scot** is in VT-4 flying jets in P-cola, **Al** is in HT-18 at Whiting Field, and **Earle** is in the NFO pipeline.

Tracy and **Jim Degree** spent a rough Christmas touring Europe. Tell us, **Jim**, how do you do it on 0-1 pay? **Tom "Luca" Sudbeck** has been selected for the Ford Motor Company Test Pilot School after performing the first successful barrel roll done in a Ford Fiesta. **Tom** is doing fine and driving a station wagon again. Some future plans, **Tom**? **Mur** and **Roy Bookmiller** will be staying in P-Cola as **Roy** selected helos.

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