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Hi group. A few pieces of postal have passed my perch as of late. I and the Dinosaur 34 are presently (as of this reading) enroute to the MED and points East. . . . One more long one away from Ma 'n Pa and it's off to Pepsicola for a new experience. As of this writing (Jan.), I am in possession of my OOD quals and should soon sport my own official "Man From SWO" water wings.

I'll take the liberty of starting off with the bad news . . . We have recently lost two more of our stalwart men. My ex-roomie **John Byrnes** perished in an auto accident in October and **John C. Kennedy** was lost with his aircraft when it went down in the Gulf of Mexico. Our collective condolences go to the families of these two fine young naval officers. Those of '79 who stood with Byrnesie and John Kennedy are always available, should you ever need us.

I'll go directly to page nine here, with a missive from Tammy Ratte (espoused to our very own Jim). **Mike Marciano** and Anne Marie held an impromptu reunion at their wedding ceremony in October. Witnessing the betrothal were Paul Price, John McCloskey, Hugh and Amy Reese, Bill Toti, Steve Phillipow and Mark and Terese Shell. The rest of the Ratte papers were largely ship/sub assignments, so here goes: **Bill Toti**, OMAHA; Beth and **Scott Pursley**, STONEWALL JACKSON; **Cliff Jacobs**, SKIPJACK; Mark and Terese, MISSISSIPPI; Jim and Tammy, MICHIGAN. **Mark Statler** and **Roger Vanderwerken** are in SAN JOSE; Rog as the DCA and Mark as Guns. **Doug Patten**, running the first division in SACRAMENTO, recently returned from a very wet canoe ride in upstate Washington. Terry and **Sean Stackley** are in JOHN YOUNG. Sean was accepted into the EDO community and will soon enter MIT for further grad work. Additionally, **Tim Giardina**, GEORGIA; **George Wilson**, MICHIGAN; **Tim Boone**, BIRMINGHAM; **Gary Fleshman**, BURGALL; **Al Urrutia**, SOUTH CAROLINA; **Chuck Vinson**, VINCENT; **Bobby Ray Eaton**, LONG BEACH; **Steve Phillipow**, NIMITZ; **Dick Tobey**, ENTERPRISE. Bobby Ray and Gina are expecting a little math major via stork later this Summer.

Bob Kovac wrote from his desk at MCAS Kanehoe. Bob is the disbursing officer and is presently working on his master's at U of Hi. With him are **Justin Aschenbrenner**, **Mike Channechuck**, **Mike Wangler** and **John Byzewski**. I had to chortle a bit when Vacs made mention of his upcoming 4 month "Float" in the #@*% - ! I.O.

Bruce Hanson and Lisa sent a nice note from GITMO. The big guy is the ADP Officer down there in the sunshine. Another man from 20th, **Tom Fisher** wrote with the news that he will soon begin duties as Commo aboard KING. I also just received my invitation to **Frank Hudiks'** wedding in March.

From 19th: **Larry Maguire** is off enjoying the Med scenery for the next six or so months. **Jeff Niner** is in San Diego, **Chuck Dixon** is soon to be wed (May) and **Dave Green** was designated NFO and is now in Washington (not D.C.). **Ted Griffith** earned his wings and will enter the LAMPS pipeline. The Griffith bunch are looking forward to a long stay at NAS Barbers Point. Finally, **J. D. Withers** and Debbie are soon to tie the knot or 'Do the Waltz' as it were. John will soon finish up at Pepsi what-chamacallit and be off to bigger things.

Tom McPhillips took time from his duties with HM-12 to send the news of the men from 12. **Jeff Klingensmith** is enjoying the surf in Okinawa, **Scott Griffith** is presently with VT-4 and **Matt Decker** will soon leave VP-30 for points unknown. **Joe Ungar** is flying it up with VT-4 and **Bob Graham** is with VA-128 as is Classmate **Don Quinn**. Bob will soon join in marriage with x-MID Maria Birnkammer ('82/11th).

Rather cryptic info pieced together after a nite of duty places the following: **Ray Agilar** recently fell off the Earth, **John Ballard** was recently married, **Joe Boland** was a hit at Quantico and is now at P-cola, **Andy Brower** is beaching on the helo deck in the I.O., and **Chris Cable** married Linda. **Mike Foreman** is out of Basic and flying props at Corpus. Finally, **Bill Granger** was married and **Fred Griffith** selected helos. *Magne tak*, Tom.

Received a swell note from once Classmate **Kevin O'Sullivan**. Sully gravitated from U of Missouri and is happily married to another petro-engineer. Both are gainfully employed by the Phillips folks and reside in Oklahoma City, I've got his address. All is well and he sends his best to all, 'specially us NAPSTERS!!

From **Ricky Warner**, newly designated B-52 driver out at Carswell, comes the news from 29th. **Frank Dumbrowski** and **Keith Luker** are in San Diego along with **Keith Tindall** and his wife Debbie. **Dick Yokum** and Diane are doing subs in NLON and looking forward to doing the same in CHSTN, soon. **Rich Peck** was assigned to BIRMINGHAM, **Rick Lanning** landed a tube out of Pearl and **Mac Silvester** is toying with helos as NAS Whiting. After doing battle at Quantico, **George McMullen** and Cathey are

at Pepsi-whosiewhatsie preparing for USMC air. **Jim Barnes** and Judy remained at Corpus after school, Jim as an instructor. **Stan Clark** and Michelle are in Kingsville and **Dale Jensen** is in Beeville, both for jets. **Chad Sain** sent along the first printable photo yet received.



Flyboys

You will note the happy faces of these new aviators (l to r): **Mike Kennedy**, **Eric Haas**, **Chad**, **Sam Pratten** and **Mike Williamson**. All VP types, Eric and Chad are in Brunswick and Sam and Mike are at JAX. Mike Kennedy is sunning himself at NAS Barbers Point.

That's the story for this past two. Mail usually accumulates enough over two months for me to justify whipping out my new typing machine and blasting out a lengthy missive on the doings of our male mob. Those of you who send those neat nastygrams are simply wasting paper. I only thank those who write with some degree of regularity and legibility. Please bear in mind that some of you guys have yet to write. . . . I can't print what I don't get. As the apple farmer said, "Let us spray . . .".
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