



A Little Summer Action

We tried to get everyone in the Class in the area together in August for a cookout at **Jeff Holloway's** and **Ed Abner's** houses. Seems Jeff and Ed bought houses right next to each other. First shot shows Teri Hertwig and Denise Acton with their daughters talking to **Dan Acton** (partially hidden) and **Bob Bender**. In the background is me trying to lift my linebacker son, J.D. Next picture is **Bruce Buck** and **Ed Abner** trying to get the fires going. In the background, **Bob Nichols** and **Sherryl** and **Skip Wagner**. In the group shot: (left to right, bottom row) Ron Hertwig, Ed Abner with daughter Katie, Job Bender with son Dave, Guy Cofield, Denise Acton with daughter, Dan Acton, Teri Hertwig and my wife Mindy. (left to right, second row) Rich and Cathy Ann Frank, Tom White, Pete and Nancy Stromann, Eric and Mary Ann Johnson, Bob Nichols and wife Deb (hidden), Sam and Pam Locklear, Bob Bender, Skip and Sherryl Wagner, Stratton Hicky, Bruce Buck, Bonnie Abner, Jeff and Deb Holloway and me and daughter Amy. We all had a great time and most of us on shore duty tried to convince each other how hard we were working.

From the hometown news releases I have: **Keith Rouse** and **Robert Coburn** deployed with the 31st Marine Amphibious Unit in September. They are both stationed in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. **Steve Young** and **Bob Olsen** spent some time down in the Caribbean last fall. They are stationed with the 2nd Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company in Camp Lejeune. **Steve Burley** and **Lawton Deane** are with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 163 in Tustin, California.

Glenn Elliot has joined **Phil Wisecup** as a recipient of an Olmsted Foundation Scholarship. It is a two-year study program at a foreign university to study world affairs. They must pursue their studies in the language of the host country. Phil is already in France and Glenn will be at the University of Zurich in Switzerland.

Also saw a piece in the Annapolis paper on **Steve Eshman**. He received his degree at Georgetown Medical School. His wife Rosemary also received her degree of doctor of medicine at the same time. Both are doing their intern work at the Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia.

Congratulations to Theresa and **Greg Foster** on the birth of a baby girl, Emily Elizabeth, on November 13. Greg is stationed at the Academy in the Seamanship and Navigation Department.

Hope to receive more mail for the next column. My autovon number is the same (281-3870) although my office has been moved to Lejeune Hall, the new physical education center. The building sports a new wrestling area, 50 X 25 meter pool, and a diving pool. Really a fantastic addition to the athletic facilities. Hope to hear from you all soon.

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Hope everyone got what they wanted for Christmas. I asked Santa to cancel my deployment; needless to say he didn't. He did fill my mail bag though, so here goes:

Charlie Bell has finished his tour in NASSAU and with Lynn, their two horses, cat and two dogs is headed for the Navy Finance Center in Cleveland. **Mike Saddler** of the 13th Company is still on board the ship. Charlie would like to hear from all his old buddies, especially Carol and **Larry McCabe**.

Tim Dowding broke a three-year moratorium on writing and sent the following information: Three '78ers are stationed on board AYLWIN. **Fred Brink** is currently the navigator after spending a year as the boiler division officer. Fred is still single and looking. **Tom Eldridge** reported from SAGINAW and is now the ASW Officer. Tom was recently married and along with Cathy is glad to be out of the Gator Navy for the time being. Tim has just finished his sea tour as the DCA and is now an instructor at SWOS. Lynn and Tim are looking forward to buying their first house. Tim is also trying to find out where **Albert Robredo** is. To close, he sent info that **Bart Buechner** is about to cross-deck to public affairs restricted line in March.

Mac Hardaway wrote to brag about his bride, the former **Debbie Hazell** of Marblehead, Massachusetts. They were married in Marblehead on 17 July 81, **Chip (Bear) Jones** was the best man, **John (Loon) Cochoon**, **Rudy Costanzo** and **Fred Lucci** were the swordbearers. Mac is currently the navigator in DAVIS.

Bruce Geary wrote from ROBINSON and will be heading for SWOS Coronado as an instructor shortly. Bruce, Sally and little Shawn Preston (March 81) would like to hear from all the old company mates.

Barb and **Rick Paulsen** wrote from Newport News where Rick is in LAFAYETTE. Rick just recently received the Navy Achievement Medal for his performance as refueling officer during overhaul. Not to be outdone, Barb presented Rick with Donna Joy on the 25th of August. Others in LAFAYETTE are Gary and Lois Chasco, Bill and Mary Burke and Tom Lauzon. Tom and Kathy Bond opted for an instant family when Jennifer Autumn and Diane Nicole were born on the 22nd of September.

Things seem to be going good for **Kiel Norris**; he is now flying F-14s out of Oceana. Now that everyone knows about Kiel's wedding, he wants everyone to see how good he made out. Pictured at the Norris wedding are: Marty Gillan Lt. (jg) USCG, Alex Hnarakis, John Rudziz, Kiel, Laura Beth (the only good-looking one in the picture) Craig Diffie, Glen Ives, Bob Crumpler, Pat Quigley, Bob Richards, and Scott Snively 1st Lt. USAF Alex is finished with the F-14 RAG on the West Coast. John R. is flying 53s in Tustin and is now married to the former Antonia Hall, Craig is now in HSL-32, Glenn is flying with HSL-30 aboard USNS HARKNESS, Pat Q is flying P-3s out of Hawaii, and Bob R. is with VC-10 in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Sue and **John Wissler** are the two proud parents of Thomas John, born in August. Becky is now two and getting into everything. John is the BSSG legal officer, which has convinced him not to become a lawyer. Why not, John???

From now on the lag time will increase as Linda forwards all mail to me while I'm on cruise. Until later, I'll take shore duty anytime.

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