

ing as an engineer in Pennsylvania. Janet and **Wayne Rogers** are living in Annapolis; he is out of the Navy and is involved in his own electronics business. **Bob Moll** is out of the Navy and working as a nuclear instructor for a firm in Illinois. **Al Hee** married Wendy late last year and is now working as an electrical engineer in Oahu. **Larry Doong** finished up at Monterey and is currently at Department Head School in Newport. Leslie and **Pat Brady** are in Annapolis; Pat has changed designators to CEC. **Brad Mason** recently married Pam in Chicago; he is an EDO assigned to the propulsion examining board out of Norfolk. Anna and **Mike Marriott** and their two children are still at Cherry Point and doing well; Mike has finished work on his master's in management. **Chuck O'Neill** is now flying helicopters for the Corps. **Kent Kochsmeier** is also out of the Navy. He, Suzie and their two children are in San Diego where Kent is an engineer and working on a master's at National City University after hours.



WestPac Aboard the CONNIE

**Don Bringle** sent a letter from CONSTELLATION as he was completing his third cruise aboard her to WestPac and the IO. Don said that he and **Rick Neidlinger** were in celebration of their 10th high school graduation anniversary this Summer; they both graduated from a DOD school in England. Don has been together with **Dave Bealer** in VF-211 for nearly a year; they have been crewed together most of that time. **Brian Edington** recently checked out of VS-38 and is back at North Island with VS-21. **Craig Thomas** is with VA-147 on a four-month det to Cubi Point. **Jack Coverick** is flying as a pilot with VAW-112, the E-2C squadron aboard CONSTELLATION, and **Kevin Cheatham** is also aboard with VS-38. Don said that it was a good cruise. They visited Mombasa, Kenya, Perth, Australia, and Singapore. Don recorded his 400th trap aboard CONSTELLATION. He will be stationed at the Navy Fighter Weapons School as a TOPGUN instructor.

Don had some other news to pass on from people he has corresponded with. **Skip Zobel** is in the F-14 RAG at Oceana as an instructor, and he and his wife had a son, Justin, last July. **Harriet and Pete Harris** are in DC; Pete is going through a master's program at George Washington University. **Chris Grazel** was recently married to JoAnne — Congratulations! Terri and **Jeff Scott** are still in Jacksonville where Jeff is flying A-7s with VA-83. **Cal Felte** is on cruise with KENNEDY, flying F-14s. **Tom Wood** was safe and sound following an ejection from an EA6B. He's still in Japan flying off MIDWAY. Congratulations to him and Sally who are expecting their third child in July.

Just a few days ago I heard from **Bill Bigham**. He was finishing up at the Naval Aerospace Medical Institute in Pensacola where he earned his flight surgeon's wings. Bill graduated from the University of Virginia School of Medicine in May 1980 and completed an internship at Bethesda Naval Hospital. Congratulations are in order for all of these accomplishments and especially appropriate for his recent marriage to Patricia Ryan



Bill Bigham Ties the Knot

in December 1981. Bill and Patti will be moving to Iwakuni, Japan, where he'll be a flight surgeon with 1st MAW.

**Bert Bowden, Mike Smith, and John Wilckens** also earned their flight surgeon's wings. Bert and Theresa Bowden are going to San Diego for a tour with VS-41. Mike Smith is also going to San Diego and VF-124. John and Peggy Wilckens are headed for Barbers Point and VP-17. They have a one-year-old son, Christopher, and are expecting their second child in October — congratulations! While in Pensacola Bill also ran across **Dave Venlet** and **Keith Champion** who are both undergoing pilot training. **Rich Daprato** is an instructor in VT-6, and **Skip Wood** is an instructor in VT-4.

Bill had still more news to pass on. **Dave Manners** is now working for the Foreign Service; he and Anne will be moving to Warsaw, Poland, in September. Kathy and **Craig McDonald** are living in Virginia Beach where Craig is an instructor in the E-2C RAG. Kathy and **George Rector** and their daughters Kelly and Katie are preparing for a move to VMI in Lexington, Virginia, where George will be teaching military science. Congratulations to George and Kathy who are expecting their third child in August. **Jim Janosek** is presently teaching navigation at USNA.

Just a few final notes — I saw **Andy Yates** in Dallas several weeks ago; he was planning on leaving the Corps. Mary K and I went to Cleveland on the 17th of April for **Lou Sposato's** wedding to Roberta Woodlock. Diana and **Bill Hawn** were also there. We all had a great time — best wishes to Lou and Roberta! I also heard that Lynn and **Milt Mays** are presently at Camp Lejeune. That's all for now — keep in touch.

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Sec'y, Lt. **Daniel F. Busch** USN  
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Heard first from my old shipmate, **Don Steward**, and his wife Kim. Don has left our old ship, USS CONE, in Charleston and is teaching NROTC at the University of Mississippi. Kim is expecting in the Fall, which is also good news. I ran into three other Classmates at a recent Navy baseball game. **Ed Abner** is the JV coach and in the phys ed department with me was there with his family. So was **Jeff Holloway** and **Bob Nichols**. Jeff and Bob became fathers this Spring. Jeff's wife Deb gave birth to Jason Lee on 15 April. That was no small order at 9 pounds, 8 ounces! **Skip Wagner** and his wife Cheryl are also the proud parents of David Robert Wagner born 28 January. I saw them at a lacrosse game so it seems the sons don't have a choice of what sport they will be in!

Lots of moves expected this Summer for those re-entering the civilian world. There really seems to be an amazing variety of career changes. **Bob Bender** is going to stay in this area. He has landed a job with Westinghouse in Crystal City. **Steve O'Leary** called on is on his way to Harvard

Business School in August. Please drop me a line with your plans and addresses. The mail has been slow at best.

Not much response about a get-together at Homecoming this Fall (our fifth year reunion), but I imagine that there will be more interest as the time grows closer. The only problem is we need to plan this Summer if we want to do anything substantial. Look in next month's issue for our plans, formal or informal. **Rich Frank** over in Seamanship and Navigation is going to help spearhead whatever we come up with. It just seems that if we have a few things planned, the people from out of town may be more apt to come in.

**Shelton Lee** is stationed at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego. **Mike Bain** is MPA in USS INGERSOLL, an FFG out of San Diego. **Brian Holl** is flying A-7s with VA-27 out of Lemoore, California, and **Jim Beaver** is in USS MOUNT VERNON homeported in San Diego.

Please send me some mail and watch for the September issue with our Homecoming plans included.

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Corr. Sec'y, 1st Lt. **Michael J. Conklin** USMC  
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Life at sea could be almost bearable if mail continues to come on a regular basis; however, we are about to enter the Suez Canal on our way to Mombasa, Kenya, so I'm sure things will change.



Sale and Karen Lilly

Karen Lilly wrote to inform us that **Sale "Bubba" Lilly** was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for his performance during BLAKELY'S INSURV inspection. Congratulations, Sale and Karen, and let us know when junior arrives.

**David Rodriques** wrote from another Westpac deployment on board DUBUQUE. He is the auxiliary and electrical officer and looking forward to liberty in the Phillipines.

**Craig "Arch alias the Snow-Beast" Griffin** and Erin are the proud parents of Jeffery Thomas (10 lbs. 14 oz. — how did a guy that size do it?). **Kevin Liddy** wrote from the cold Northeast where he is the comm officer on board USS CAPODANNO. **Ken Roey** was the MPA and received the Navy Achievement Medal for a job well done while serving in CAPODANNO. **Kevin Lynch** was the XO of a minesweeper in Newport and should be the navigator on the CAPODANNO by now. **Sam Tangredi** has left PAUL and is now aboard RANGER as part of the Carrier Improvement Program. Thanks for the news, Kevin.

Matt "Paz" Pasztalaniec wrote from VA-146 on board CONSTELLATION. He enclosed a picture of some '78ers in Connie; back row, **Brian McCormick**, HS-8, **Tom Johnston**, VS-38, **Al Kuntz**, VA-165, **Bob Lamont**, XO of Marine det; front row, **Ron McNiel**, VG-211, **Matt Pasztalaniec**,





'78 on Gonzo Station

VA-146, **Dave Philman**, VA-146, and **Steve Hollman**, VA-165. **Joe Gattuso** with VA-147 was not available for the picture.

Back in Lemoore, **Roger Welch** is with VA-113. **John O'Neil** is at NAS Cecil Field flying S-3s with VS-24. **Eddie Ried** is on a frigate out of San Diego. **Sylvia** and **Dave Philman** and **Karen** and **Matt Pasztalaniec** are living in Lemoore and have a cold one for anyone who will stop by. Thanks, PAZ.

I received a letter from **Vince** "The Midget" **Balderamma**. He is flying 46s out of New River with HMM-365. He is living at the Chiefs Club with **Brad Richardson**, one horse, a cat, a goat, and of course the infamous **Randy "Dunc" Duncan**. Their parties are legendary; just ask anyone of North Carolina's State Patrol!!! **Brad** is with HMH-362 and **Dunc** is with HMA-269.

**Ginger** and **Doug Meyer** are roughing in in Pensacola. **Doug** is with HC-16, complaining about the rough life but realizing somebody has to grin and bear it. **Robyn** and **Ed Ziligowski** were married in New London in October. **Steve Kinney** is with HSL-32 out of Norfolk, flying H-2s.

**John "Newk" Newcomb** is flying H-3s out of Rosie Roads. **John Woodward** is flying H-3s out of Jacksonville. **Ken Bowersox** is going through the A-7 RAG at Lemoore, and will stay there for duty.



Midget, Joe Martin, Glen Ives, and Tim Hanifen at Gtmo in July 1981 (r. to l.)

Vince enclosed a picture of **Tim Hanifen**, **Glen Ives**, **Joe Martin**, and The Midget. The picture was taken in beautiful Gitmo. **Tim** and **Vince** were aboard GUAM with HMH-365, and **Joe Martin** is the legal officer in GUAM. **Glen Ives** was in Gitmo aboard HARKNESS, flying H-2s.

**Matt Elias** is with VP-10, serving in sunny Keflavik, Iceland. **Matt** is a P-3 navigator. **Mike Kreyenhagen** is also in Brunswick, transitioning from P-3Bs to P-3Cs. San Diego is home for **Nancy** and **Prentice Hall** and **Lori** and **Marty Drake**. **Scott Rodgers** is with VAW-112, flying E-2Cs and hoping to run into his wife **Pam** (**Pam's** an '80 grad aboard HADDOCK). **Ted Placetz** is a disbursing officer at Camp Pendleton. **Ted** and **Melitz** live in Vista, California. **Patti** and **Rusty Cone** are living in Washington state while **Rusty's** ship is in the yards. **Kathie** and **Bob Gillett** are in

Coronado where **Bob** is aboard KITTY HAWK. **John Kurowski** is aboard SARATOGA. **Laura** and **Dean Marzetta** are at NAS Norfolk. **Dean** is flying 53s. **Jennifer** and **Phil Winters** were at Moffett Field. The **Winters** should now be with VP-4 in Barbers Point. **Jonell** and **Bart Buechner** are homeported in Charleston, South Carolina. **Bart** is aboard FORREST SHERMAN where he is the admin/PAOfficer. **Bart's** hoping for a designator change to restricted line special duty as a career public affairs officer. Thanks for the info and picture **Vince** (smart move not standing next to **Tim** so you look taller!!!).



The Wisslers in Hawaii, 1981

**Mike Gasapo** married the former **Sara Lynn Hendrickson** on 14 Nov 81 in Syracuse. **Mike** is on recruiting duty with the 4th Marine district in Philadelphia. **Sue** and **John Wissler** are now at Wright-Patt AFB in Ohio. **John** was accepted for the industrial engineering program at the Air Force Institute of Technology. **John** is pictured with **Sue**, **Becky** and **Thomas** while still in Hawaii.

Well, that's all for now and hopefully by the time this is printed **Linda** and I will have had our second child and I'll be much closer to getting back home. One last note; congratulations to **Annette** and **Tom "Luca" Sudbeck**. They are the proud parents of **Joshua Luke**, 10 lbs. 3 oz. Obviously the baby takes after **Luca**, who is flying 53Es with HMH-464 out of New River.

SPECIAL NOTE: "Book you owe me one. Some people will do anything not to float, even fly 53s!!!!"

## 79

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## 80

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## Homecoming Notice

The annual Homecoming mailers, complete with reservation forms, will be included as an insert in the September *Shipmate*. Wait and watch for it, for there will be no separate mailing as in past years. Postage is prohibitive.

September will also include the full Homecoming schedule for 22-24 October.

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Sec'y, Ens. **Peter Sciabarra** USN

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Hello again, Classmates!

Greetings from "the Sparkling City by the Sea" . . . Corpus Christi, Texas. I'm down here in "Boomer Country" for primary flight training in the beautiful and spacious T-28 Trojan. This is the fourth state that I have lived in in less than a year, so please forgive me if this column is a bit disjointed. I'm still trying to get hold of mail that is at three different addresses. There are many '81ers down here and I already have a good network for gossip set up. So far I've already run into **Bob Begley**, **John McCandlish**, **Tom Sullivan**, **K.C. O'Connor**, **Gary Wittman**, **Luke Siddall**, **Mike Christopher**, **Don Logar**, **Jim King**, **Ned Fuchs**, **Ron Sandoval**, **Dave Gulling**, **Roger White**, and many, many more. I'm rooming with **Chip Cravaack**, and you can reach me at 3929 Montego Drive, Apt. B, Corpus Christi TX 78415. To be honest, Corpus is really beautiful and I'm thoroughly enjoying flight training. Hope to hear from many of you now that I'm at my new address.

This was a good month for correspondence despite the move from Pensacola to here and all the resulting confusion. I received a wedding announcement that **Mark Patton** was married to the former **Ellen Curren** in Bowling Green, Ohio, on 15 May. **Mark** has completed nuke school in Orlando, and will now be in Connecticut for the next six months attending prototype school in Windsor. Congratulations to **Ellen** and **Mark**.

**Kevin Hopkins** sent a note from Pebble Beach to report that he is at cryptology school in Monterey, thanks to his flight physical in Pensacola. **Kevin** is studying Russian and working hard on his golf game. He reports that **Mark Landers** is completing his study of Russian and will be going to Fort Meade, Maryland to work for NSA. **Mark** has an addition to his family on the way. Also in Monterey is **Fred Tettelbach**, who is working at the Hopkins Oceanography Station.

Received a note from **Mike Rascona**, who is now at strategic weapons school in Dam Neck. **Mike** updated me on the latest news from 29th Company. **Joe Arango**, **Brad Gawboy**, **Matt Gallegos**, and **Joe Lawrence** have all finished nuke school in Orlando and are headed to prototype training. **Mike** also informed me of the weddings of **Judy** and **Mark Schanvel**, and **Jenette** and **Chris Vagts**; and announcing their engagement are **Bob Grabarek** and **Sue Harper**.

**Patty Carlquist** (Crandlemire) wrote from Charleston, South Carolina to pass on the following: **Peggy Metzger** is stationed in USS FRANK CABLE. **Debby Baversfeld** and **Vicki Garrold** (DeFiore) are both working at the Charleston Naval Shipyard. **Mark Donahue** was in Charleston for a while and won the "Cooper River Run" during his stay there. Sounds like the "fat man" is still running and in good shape. **Karen** and **Barry Hubbard** are now also in Charleston. **Patty** reports that she was married in December and she is presently stationed on board USS HOLLAND.

**Bill Nesselt** filled me in on the thrilling life at sea in USS JOHN F. KENNEDY. **Bill** is the SAM Division Officer and is currently on an Indian Ocean deployment. **Bill** sounds like he's been real busy. Beside the job, he has been to Australia, spent 45 consecutive days at sea, and become a "shellback" during the crossing of the equator.