

tioned at CNTECHTRA, NAS Memphis. They are expecting their second child at the end of May. They miss the nice weather, but like a lot of others are enjoying the shore tour.

**Bill Venohr** wrote with news of his roommate **Tom Thomas** and his November wedding in Beaufort South Carolina. Tom and **Nick Episcopo** are flying F-4s with VMFA-251. Bill is in engineering school while stationed in SNOOK with **Jerry DeMelo**.

**John Achenbach** is stationed on the new construction boat, FLORIDA. **Ron Wood** is at engineers school while in USS GEORGE W. CARVER, and **Bob Hamblin** is on patrol in USS JOHN CALHOUN.

Also received a long letter from **Rande Kessler**. He finished his diving tour in USS RECOVERY where he also picked up a Navy Commendation Medal. Rande is now XO in USS TAKELMA in Long Beach. He sent a picture of himself and this third addition, a son named Cliff. I wonder if three children is a record? Rande saw **Kevin Brock** last Spring when Kevin was on his way to Newport for Department Head School. **Tim DiMenna**, the father of two, is an NFO in S-3 out of Jacksonville and rumors are he is switching to P-3s.

**Mike Wertz** writes again from CONSTELLATION with lots of news. **Frank Cerabino** is PAO in "Connie." Also are **Gar Wright** (S-38), **John Nelson**, **Glenn McCormick** (VF-28), **Bobby Thompson** (VF-28), and **John Sill** an NFO. **Paul Hollich** has been bringing in the mail; he is flying C-2s. Paul is due to rotate in August and will try to get into P-3s. **Kevin Skjei** is back in San Diego as an instructor in the E-2/C-2 RAG. **Calvin Sargent** called me from Norfolk where he is working for *Fathom Magazine*, the Navy's safety publication. He is looking for ideas or stories and can be reached at CODE 73 NAVSAFCEN, Norfolk, VA 23511.

**Greg Sawyer** and **Tom Keeley** recently returned from deployment from the Mediterranean. Both are in A-6 squadrons, Attack Squadron 85 in Virginia Beach. **Dan Kaluzay** has also returned from deployment aboard FORRESTAL. He is in ASW Squadron 30.

**Greg Gullette** has been aboard THORN for a deployment. He is a Lamps maintenance officer in HS-32. **Mike Hamel** was on a Med deployment with Marine Helicopter Squadron 264. **Andy Wilson** is in San Diego in MARVIN SHIELDS. **Mike Blazin** has returned from an around-the-world cruise in CALIFORNIA. His ship became the first nuclear-powered surface ship to circle the globe in 17 years. **Art Horn** has finished a Unitas cruise aboard the Coast Guard Cutter DAHLGREN. **Dave Aland** and **Bill Hartman** returned from a WestPac in KITTY HAWK. **Paul Mazich** is stationed at NETC, Newport. He received the Navy Commendation Medal while serving as first lieutenant and MPA McCANDLESS.

Proud Papa



I get to end on a happy note this month. Received a letter from Betty and **Rick While** to announce the birth of their second daughter, Jennifer, born on 19 November. The Whites have detached from ARKANSAS and are headed to PG school in Monterey. Rick received a Navy Commendation Medal on board ARKANSAS.

Keep the news coming. We also need to know what people want to do for Homecoming '82.

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Percent Members: 77

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Percent Members: 87

Needless to say, it's been a while. We are back in balmy Charleston and do not plan on leaving for a while. Mail has been slim these past two months. If you find the news a bit dated here, apologies . . . A great bit of it via word of mouth.

**Charles Woodward** and Gloria are back in CONUS and are setting up shop in VA Beach. Charles is now working as ADP Support Officer at OPTEV Headquarters. While I was at school in Norfolk, I ran into several long lost pilots at Oceana. **Glen Krummel**, **Al Sharp**, **Mark Lange**, **Bob Solik** (all A-6 types with VA-42) were found to be in the area. From what I was able to gather, all were doing well. Mark did write to pass on that he was to be wed to Cheryl Lockwood in Michigan on December 26.

The following list of marriages was pieced together from a variety of sources: **Ken Barnes** and Julie Jefferson on 28 March, **Mike Beauchamp** and Kathy on 21 June, **Nevin Carr** and Ann Carey on 18 July, **Tom Strader** and Barbara on 26 September, **Steve Voetsch** and Gerri Lynn on 30 May, and **Mark Wilsey** and Linda O'Leary on 29 May. Planned weddings include **Marty Sullivan** and Mary Ellen scheduled for 14 August 1982, and **Steve Gabriele** and Lori Hickey on 1 January. Steve is in USS WHALE in Groton. Another bit assembled from various sources is the list of births within the Class. **Bill Grider** and Cheri gave birth to daughter Christina on 30 May. She was two months early but is doing just fine. Terri and **Nick Mygas** welcomed son Stefan Nickolas on 25 September. **Chris Bentley** and Lyn added another member to the Bentley Bunch in June when Erica Lyn was born on the 7th. Nick is presently fire control officer in USS SEMMES and Bill is the MPA in USS BARBOUR COUNTY (LST-1195). Bill is in the process of changing his designator to engineering duty officer.

Once again, I have to give **Mugs McGrath** a hand for a well penned history of 7th Company (et al). It's so good, I'll quote it in its entirety. Mugs has just completed his tour with the HSL RAG and is now flying SH-3 aircraft with HSL-35 in San Diego. Anne McGrath is continuing her studies at S.D. State. **Chris Armitage** and Patsy are busy re-building their home. Chris is flying H-2s. **Tom Wetherald** is a NUC SWO in USS BAINBRIDGE out of San Diego. **Wyatt Horton**, **Chris Dowd** and **Greg Parker** are under the Pacific in "an" attack sub. **Jerry Deconto** will soon move

from Treasure Island to San Diego aboard an LSD. **Mike Vanhorn** will be completing SWOBC and will join the Wardroom in USS PLUCK. San Diego based H-46 drivers include **Dave Palmer** (and wife Judy), **Rick Reasor**, **Rocky Kropp** and **Dave Sampson**. H-3 drivers out there include **Eddie Francis** (16) with HC-1, **Tom Lewis** (and Mary), and **Scott Bruce** with HS-6 and **Craig Morisette** with HC-3. **Carl Reiling** and **Tim Olivier** are VP NFOs at Moffett, in P-3s. **Bob Leczszynski** is still working his way through flight training at Beeville and **Barry Brocato**, and **Pete Shepard** (8) are in A-6s at Whidbey. **Tom Gherki** is driving tanks at Twenty nine Palms and **Tom Forsythe** and wife are in Norfolk with HM-14. **Wilbur Macht** and **Tom Smith** are on the East Coast or were lost at sea. No one has heard from them since SWOS. For those of you who would care to write, Mugs' address is 4929 Collwood Blvd., Apt. A13, San Diego CA 92115. Thanks again, Mugs.

That's all I have. Next time I go travelling, I'll remember to bring a pencil and my note pad! Hope all had a nice Holiday Season and certainly the very best of the New Year. See you soon, *OMNES VIRI*.

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Percent Members: 95

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

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Percent Members: 93

Hello Again, Gang!

How does that old saying go about the best laid plans going astray? I deliberately delayed writing this column, in order to be able to recount to you another glorious victory over Army. Well, it is now Sunday night, I'm exhausted from three days of parties in Philly, and I am still trying to figure out how we managed not to BEAT ARMY! By the time this reaches you, maybe I'll have recovered and will have some explanation.

At least it was an excellent month for correspondence. I have received letters from many of you, and there is a great deal of new news and developments to pass on. Before I start with the Class News, I have an announcement to make. I received a letter from **Jason Kessel** requesting my help. It seems that during our graduation, Jason's wife (fiancé at the time) lost his "class crest" on the field near the enclosed end of the stadium. If you found it, and did not know what to do with it, here is Jason's address: 3535 Madison Ave. Apt. #244, San Diego CA 92116. Cathy and Jason would greatly appreciate it.

I received a long list from the Alumni Association of our Classmates who have graduated from the Aviation Indoctrination Course (AIC). The list of AIC grads includes: Joel Dorgan, Dave Hill, Mike Geoghegan, David Wagner, Steve Eastburg, Jim Speirs, Mark Ashley, Tom Gallo, Patrick Smith, Ned Fuchs, Christopher Willy, Raymond Davis, John Barron, Eddy Schneider, Scott Billington, John Hafey, William Taylor, Joseph Adan, Michael Hamele, and William Evans. Congratulations, and Good Luck to ail of you. I also