

Mike Keeney (l.) and Harry Rouse

don after a three-year overhaul. Chris is leaving for another boat this month. Mike Brock and wife Linda are expecting another child this month as are Al Stuart and his wife Jeanine. Mary and Chris are also looking for the rest of the 3rd Co. contingent. Their address is Qtrs. #68, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth NH 03801.

A few months ago, I told the Class about Mike Brown's death. Mary Stathos was roommate with Mike's wife Kathy during our first class year. Mary wrote that Kathy would love to hear from those in the Class who knew Mike and can be reached at 4 Dover Rd., Sandwich MA 02563.

Rick Marcantonio dropped me a copy of the 22nd company newsletter with the following updates; Larry Peruffo and his wife Sharon are at Moffett Field but are leaving the Navy soon. Mark Tucker and Russ Armentrout were last seen at MCRD in San Diego but have moved on since then. Bob Holman and Mike Mair are back at USNA as Company Officers and Clint Pagano is working at Candidate Guidance. Rick McGraw was married in May and is teaching at the Air Force Academy. Rick Knowski and his wife Karen have left VP-23 and are now at NADC in Warminster, Pennsylvania. Tom Osseck is off to Los Angeles on recruiting duty and Al Hochevar and Joel Wilson are up the coast at PG school at Monterey. John Steinmuller is flying P-3Cs with VP-47 and Gary Waldron and wife Cheryl are at NAS Lemoore where Gary is flying A-7s.



Colin, his wife, and Colin Jr.

Rick also sent a nice picture of Colin Sargent and his wife Nancy (former lieutenant commander, doctor) and little Colin Jr. Colin is presently managing editor for *Approach* magazine.

Bob Barnes has left surface line for the supply corps and is stationed in Washington. Mark Snow is still flying A-4s at Cubi Pt.

Randy Wood left the Navy and is working for Westinghouse in Baltimore. Thanks for the news, Rick. If any other companies have a newsletter, please drop one my way.

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Happy 1983. First of all I would like to personally thank all of you for the very positive response I have received; I am just grateful for the opportunity to contribute to our Class.

The letters have begun to come in and they are written quite enthusiastically. Back in October, Karen and I attended Homecoming. I have to be honest and admit that the attendance by '79 was a bit on the low side. Those that I saw were Tom Rychlik and his wife Lynne, Fred Gerheiser and his wife Val, Mr. and Mrs. David Wyatt, Scott Morrison, and Artie Johnson. Everyone was in high spirits and the supper Friday night in the wardroom was quite an experience. Yes, there is a food fight, but most people are not willing to soil their clothes in its quest.

On the way up to Annapolis, we stayed at Phil McConkey's and were really impressed with his live-in maid. She kept his place spotless, and not only that but she is so mild-mannered. He told me to tell both his other friends to stop in anytime for a gourmet meal. Seriously, I definitely appreciate your hosting us for a couple days, Phil. I have yet to figure out why the Marine Corps has not made an amphibious assault on Virginia Beach. It is definitely worth taking.

And now for more news, Mary and John Kaiser are living in Virginia Beach and have a son. Melinda and Pete Parsons just moved into a new house in Chesapeake. Pete is in NIMITZ and is heading out on his second Med cruise. Neil Larimer and Katie will be reporting to Athens, Georgia, sometime this month. Neil just finished duty aboard George Marshall. Grant Thornton recently received the Navy Achievement Medal. He is stationed in Newport News. Sandy and Dave Emerling are presently in Kingsville, Texas. They are awaiting a move to Jacksonville, Florida. Ellen and Richard Reynolds are the proud parents of a brand new baby boy. This newly enlarged family is enjoying the sunshine in Mayport, Florida. Heide and Robin Needman are living in Warner Robbins, Georgia, and they also have had a son, by name Ryan and born Valentine's Day of last year. We are becoming the family men very quickly

Carey Butler was married to Susan Hartley this past August in Charleston, West Virginia. Keith Anderson was the best man and Gary Thornton was also in attendance. Carey is aboard USS TULLIBEE along with John Pasco. Louise and Mark Schreiber are still up in the Portsmouth area where Mark is presently in USS TREPANG. Al Drake has also joined the ranks of the married; about a year now, but I was not informed of his wife's name.

Al, drop a line and let us know how you are doing. I have heard that Al was finishing his medical schooling at Duke and continuing on to an internship. Al, we are proud of you.

Ruth and Roger Royston have much to be thankful for in the form of a healthy son, Joseph Ryan Royston. I'm told he is called J.R. but that it has nothing to do with the television show. Rog's father is a J.R., too. Little J.R. showed his future Marine toughness by fighting off a very serious childhood ailment, spinal meningitis. The Royston clan is now stationed up at Ft. Meade, Maryland. In other Marine news, Ken Russell is at Camp Lejeune at the New River Air Station. He has taken up pottery as a viable career option.

Greg Hutto is finally going to college to Stanford University and making Debbie proud. Some people have all the luck. He could be out here studying advanced swamp. Anyway, Jacquie and Greg Balestrieri are making a home down in Charleston, South Carolina. Jack Eggleston and Harvey Lyon are stationed in Jacksonville (FL) on board USS Morrison; Rob Needman ran into them when he was down there and they gave him a super tour even though he turned zoomie on us. I hear Jim Fothergill was a star attraction of a past issue of Surface Warfare. Jim is in CORAL SEA. Another convert to zoomland, Don Brummett, is an instructor pilot at Sheppard AFB. His kid brother is a member of the Class of '83. I hope he has the talent of his older brothers. Chad Sain is an NFO for P-3s and was last seen heading for Scotland

I have an urgent message for **Dennis Fox** from his mates in 21. They wish to hear from him if it is at all possible. Now who says I can't give subtle hints? I would like to pause now for a brief commercial. Have any of you considered becoming Blue and Gold officers? I have been told that it is a very rewarding undertaking. I myself have been talking to outstanding athletes in the area. Let's keep our school filled with quality young people now that we derelicts have been kicked out. I now return to my regularly scheduled column.



Tammy and Bruce Prutzman

Some of this month's letters overlap in the people that are mentioned, so if I appear redundant at times, please bear with me. Actually I don't care if you bear with me or not: my manners are impeccable. I had intended to mail this column today but I was just hit with a barrage of new letters. Way to go, guys. I should say ladies too as I have received letters from some wives too. Now that is what I like about this job. Nothing like perfumed letters. . . just kidding Prutz. Speaking of the newly house-trained **Bruce Prutzman**, as you can tell from the photo Bruce has done very well for himself. The new Mrs. Prutzman's first name is Tammy and they were married in June of 1982. In attendance at the Coronado wedding were