

donkey around the base in honor of Army's defeat.

I heard from Gregg Smith '77; he told me that our Classmate and his brother, Tom, was seriously injured in a car accident in Jacksonville, Florida, back in January 1982 while he was an instructor in VP-30. Tom was retired and has been in rehabilitation since. His address is: **Tom Smith**, Cedarbrook Center, 1400 Nashville Pike, Gallatin, Tenn. 37066.



Audrey Beth and Dennis Dilucete

I have one final bit of good news to report; congratulations to **Dennis Dilucete** and Audrey Beth Nally who will be married on 20 February 1986 in Sundance, Utah (Audrey Beth is a Ltjg. in the Naval Reserve). They will be moving to Kanehoe after the wedding where Dennis will be going back to a fleet squadron after his extended tour with TOPGUN. That's it for now — stay in touch.

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Shipmates, going to sea may be our bread and butter but it sure is nice to come home and get reacquainted with the wife and son. Couldn't stay away from all those Caribbean ports of St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. Maartin, Roosie Roads, Montego Bay, and Maracaibo, Venezuela. Oh, can't forget Guantanamo Bay because RefTra was rough! Back to the future . . . Christmas and New Year's were great with the usual food and cheer plus super news from our Classmates. I first need to finish up old business that has almost fallen through the cracks.

Greg Cooper writes from VS-30 (USS SARATOGA, FPO Miami — warmth, hurricanes) with news from 32nd Company. **John Wilson** is the Ops officer in SYLWIN (FF-1081) who was found by Greg in a casino in Nassau. Of all places! **Jeff Holloway** rode with SARATOGA, while en route to the Med/IO. Former Surface Warrior Jeff, recently joined the Intel community and is now stationed in Rota. Hawkeye pilot **Mike Wertz** was in San Diego with his wife Catie and two daughters Maureen and Megan. He has orders to USS MIDWAY, surprise! **George Herning** is serving as Supply Officer in TRIPOLI (LPH-10). Before TRIPOLI, he was at Miramar where he claimed to have nothing

to do with \$600 ashtrays! **Rick Marcantonio**, wife Cindy and new daughter Whitney Denise are in Pax River where Rick is the aide to VAdm. Dunn. **John Geary** with wife Kathye and family are still up in Alexandria, Virginia, where John is an EDO. **John Read** and his wife Janet are living in San Diego — from Greg, sorry John, I can't remember the name of your ship. Greg's wife Dayna and their two boys, "G" and "MOK," say hello. Received word from Joan and **John Thorp** regarding the birth in September of their second daughter, Erin Stephanie. All is fine with John. He's enjoying work as a senior engineer with Calvert Cliffs, the Naval Reserve, and sinking money into the still unfinished basement. Good luck Joan. **Doug Briganti** dropped a short line mentioning that he has just finished over a year of diving and explosive ordnance disposal school and will be heading to EOD Mobile Unit One in Barber's Point, Hawaii, with his wife Joni and two children, Aston and Chelsea.

Stratton Hicky (35th) writes from his new supply job as Material Division Director, NAS North Island, where he and his wife Bonnie are enjoying the great climate . . . not hard to do when one comes from New London. (San Diegans go into a deep depression during the winter when it gets down to 55° for maybe a week) Stratton left **Sam Fox** behind as ENG in TREPANG (How was the North Pole with the CNO?). En route to S.D., they stopped in Athens, Georgia for school and a visit with **Thom McKee**, wife Jenny and two children. Thom is out and enjoying work in Atlanta. Others that Stratton runs into from time to time in S.D. are Dr. **Gregory Gray**, 32nd St. Clinic; **Scott Murphy**, wife Ann and child (Scott works for Mobil Oil and may soon be transferred to New Orleans); and **Ray Higgins** who is a stockbroker with Merrill Lynch. All Ray would say was bulky, bulky. Other news from S.D. comes from **Dave Evensen**, wife Joan and son Ken. Dave recently finished off a tour as CBSO in FIFE (DD-991) and is in the Pre Com pipeline for BUNKER HILL (CG-52) where he has been assigned as Ops.

George Manaskie's wife, Sue, dropped a line from New London where she talked about a nice house in Gales Ferry, chopping wood for the winter, her audiology business, their daughter (with one on the way in May), and, oh yes, George's job as ENG in LAFAYETTE (SSBN-616) Blue. she even shamed George into adding a short note about sealing driveways and that he shares a similar rotation out of Holy Loch with **Mike Mair** who is ENG in ANDREW JACKSON (SSBN-617). Hang in there George! Other news from the New London/Gales Ferry area comes from **Joe Walsh**, wife Cindy, daughter Megan, and one to be announced (due in April). Joe has about a year left as Engineer in CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI. He enclosed a picture of his crew plus **Mike Canders**, wife Mary, and daughter Mary Beth. Mike works for Hartman Industries on Long Island. Other news from 10th Company includes **Mike Vieten**, and wife Brooke stationed down at Andros Island in the Autac Range. **Gary Holst** is Ops in LEFTWICH where he has moved to his new home port of Pearl Harbor. **Roger Mitchell** is working out in Silicon Valley and **Tom Keeley** is with Grumman on Long Island. In the New London area, **Glenn Elliot** is ENG and **Mike Cohn** is Weapons in ALBUQUERQUE; **Joe Barnes** is ENG in SCAMP, **Charlie Tuzzolo** is at DevRon 12; and **Paul Coleman** is Navigator in GROTON. Also in town are **Joe Kovalchek**, Navigator in ALEXANDER HAMILTON; **Joce Galvan** as Weapons in GRANT; **Tom Stevenson** as ENG in SNOOK; **Spike Souders** as ENG; and **Dan O'Lone** as Navigator in GREENLING. **Dave Allsopp** and **Rob Burnette** are

at Sub school. Sounds as if I'm presenting the latest lineup for a Broadway play! Thanks Joe.

Heard from **Larry Peruffo** who is a Production Engineering Manager for Applied Materials. He and his wife Sharon (she works for IBM) live in San Jose, California, where he keeps in touch with the Navy through VP-91. Larry reports that several other Classmates are active in the same Moffett Field squadron. **Steve Horbiak** works for Lockheed in Palmdale, currently training the Portuguese Navy on the P-3B mod. **Paul Labossiere** recently changed jobs and is now with Bank of America as a Bonds Trader. **John Herr** is in his second year at Stanford, working on an MBA. **Dan Jerabek** recently left the Navy and is working on his MBA at the University of Chicago. **Rob Mulloy** and wife Jessica are proud parents of son Benjamin, born 29 August. Rob recently moved to West Palm Beach where he drills with VP-62 and works for Peery Offshore. **Steve Young** and wife Kathy are busy with children Bryan 3, and Lauren 1. Steve is in the construction business and drills with VP-67 in Memphis. **Pete Engel** visited Larry in June. Pete has since joined one of the Beltway Bandits and lives in Alexandria, Virginia. **Garry Waldron** and wife Cheryl are proud parents of son Kyle (June) and are living in Beeville, Texas, where Kyle is an instructor. Other news came from **Tim Jenks** who was spending time touring Europe before starting work at Shearson-Lehman American Express in New York. **John Steinmuller** is with VP-47 at Moffett, while his roommate, **Paul Hollich**, enjoys the "warm weather" in Adak while with VP-9. Great news Larry!



Cindy, Joe and Megan Walsh, Mike, Mary and Mary Beth Canders

A final note before I close, **Julius Caesar's** wife Karen gave birth to their first child, Christopher Justin on 24 December. Karen and C.J. are fine. Way to go J.C.! As you can see the last couple of months has been great with the mail. Others have written — so why don't you? The April issue is already shaping up, so until then . . . happy trails.

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As one of many New Year's resolutions I'm actually submitting this column on time, well only a week late. Though the info is somewhat dated because of mailbox backlog, let us move onward.

Kinky **Frank Hunt** reports that after five years as a black shoe he took the air option in '83 and

is flying E-2C's with VAW-122 out of Norfolk. Frank completed a Caribbean tour last summer and is back home with wife Debby and 18-month old daughter Kaitlin Jean. Frank and Deb are in good company in Norfolk with Roberta and **Warren Krull** living in the area. Warren should have just completed Department Head school by now, and rumor has it that there is another addition to the Krull household, and I don't mean a rec room with a fireplace.

Also in the Virginia Beach area is Kay and **John McCort** along with baby boy Devin Patrick. John is assigned in ASW onboard USS NMITZ. Another '78er in the area is **Don Brutzman** who was married last July at NAB Little Creek Chapel. In attendance were Barb and **Glenn Ives**, Cassie and **Don Hamblin** and **John Rudder**, who apparently has joined **Ed Key** and **John Kutler** as a financial mogul on Wall Street. Frank forgot to mention one little item, Mrs. Brutzman's name . . . some things never change.

Speaking of never changing, **Tim "Knees" Sprague** reports that once again he has screwed his knee up and instead of being in Pearl Harbor onboard USS SAMPLE he is TAD in Newport. He, Anne Marie, Duke and Bridget are all doing well and hope to be leaving the cold Northeast for the sun of Hawaii in the not too distant future. In the interim, Tim sent me a list of the Newport Department Head School classes 87 & 88 which include a number of '78 Surface Warriors. Here is the list including ship, homeport and duty station: Corey Bickmore, USS JOHN YOUNG, WEPS, San Diego; Nelson Cayabyab, USS TISDALE, ENG, San Diego; Mark Ferguson, USS FIFE, OPS, San Diego; Joe Fitzgerald, USS W.S. SIMS, OPS, New York; Vic Guillory, USS LEWIS B. PULLER, OPS, San Diego; Gene O'Brien, USS McCLOY, ENG, Norfolk; John Stalnaker, USS MOBILE BAY, WCO, NHPA; Paul Susalla, USS SCOTT, OPS, Norfolk; Tom Whitehouse, USS MONOGOHELA, ENG, Norfolk; Joe Martin, USS ELMER MONTGOMERY, OPS, Mayport; Joe Peterson, USS CONOLLY, OPS, Norfolk; Bill Landay, USS NICHOLAS, OPS, Charleston; Thomas McKeon, USS RADFORD, ENG, Norfolk; and Spence Witten, USS RICKETTS, WEPS, Norfolk.

Thanks for the skinny Tim, and fair winds and following seas to all of you "real" Navy types. 13th Company ace **Mike Shumaker** reports that on none other than the 13th of April he was married to the former Donna Lynn Chalk of Norfolk, Virginia. Attending the wedding in Norfolk were **Joe Britain**, **Mike Saddler**, 13th company-mate **Ernie Sanchez**, and best man **Sean Donovan**. After a Charleston honeymoon (he just couldn't stay away from the Nav) Mike and Donna Lynn went to Monterey where Mike is in Ops Analysis at PG school. Donna Lynn works as a nurse for a plastic surgeon and is active in the local wife's club. Hey Mike, do you think Donna Lynn could arrange for me to get a discount tummy-tuck? Oh, the trials of being over 30! Anyway, Mike reports that Joe Britain is at the U. of Florida working on a master's degree in concrete and earth moving. Ultimately, Joe hopes to return to the Academy as Diggers & Fillers Officer.

Mike Saddler and his family planned to abandon the soft life at FCTU Dam Neck, Virginia, for an even softer life in CivLant, possibly in D.C. Ernie Sanchez is the Admin officer with a Sea Bee unit currently deployed in Puerto Rico. Rumor has it that Ernie may appear in a Spanish language remake of Fighting Seabees. Lastly, Mike reports that Sean Donovan has abandoned the high seas, for an even higher calling, and is at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda as a med student. Good luck Sean and thanks for the poop Mike.

Kevin Foley reports from Newport that he survived PG school with the standard master's in physics, new car and two children. The most recent addition, Meghan, really brought some excitement to the Foley family as Kevin's wife, Lorie, had a rather short labor — 30 minutes. Talk about someone who couldn't wait to see Mom and Dad, Meghan was definitely in a hurry. Along with three-year-old Erin, the Foley's are in Newport following in the footsteps of the aforementioned Surface Warriors.

Fuzz also reports that **Steve Brady** is still in NAS Norfolk, **Steve Koronka** is pork-choppin' in Willow Grove, Pennsylvania and **Gary Herrault** has signed on to Civlant studying for a masters in EE (my favorite subject). **John Rosa** was last seen studying feverishly his Aero Engineering for PG school. Fuzz concludes that all is well in Newport, and that he **Chuck Stephenson** and **Eric Rosenlof** are representing '78 well, or at least as well as can be expected from those characters. Thanks Fuzz.

Ray "the Milkman" Milton reports that all is well except that **Bob McMasters** may have a contract out on me for calling his wife by the wrong name. I wasn't that concerned by Ray's note until I recently received a letter from Bob McMasters. So far, the EOD boys say there doesn't appear to be a problem, but I'm not taking any chances. Anyway, Ray reports that **MARY LYNN** helped Ray's wife Pat through her first delivery and that the Milton clan now consists of Jonathan, 4, Benjamin, 2, and Nathaniel, almost 1. Ray is Rad-Con officer onboard USS HOLLAND having relieved **John Weidner** over a year ago. Apparently John found an Air Force project (that's boondoggle with a big "B") called the Air Force Institute of Technology in Ohio. I understand that John was tutoring the Cleveland Browns in seamanship and tactics. Ray also reports that **Joe Leidig** is an LEEOW onboard USS SAM RAYBURN which is heading into the yards.

Chuck Wendt just had a baby girl, but Ray is fairly certain that, "it was actually Chuck's wife who had the baby." The Wendts are in New London where Chuck is at SOAC, which should not be confused with POAC or HAYMAC. **Cecil Haney** was onboard USS CABLE as RCO but has since moved onward. **Chris Davidson** was at SubLant, but has probably moved on, as of this writing.

On the civilian side, **Lafayette Norton** is working for a defense firm out of New Mexico and apparently is working with subs, but not in a blue suit. And speaking of the aforementioned "higher callings," not to be outdone by **Al "Blues" Baker**, **Mike Murphy** is going to the seminary in Texas. Ray wants **George "the Kooch" Koucheravy** to call him for a game of B-ball and added this one last, but critical note. Ray has in fact answered **Ray Luevano's** question about the second line of the pencil neck cheer which, according to expert source **Bob Ferensik**, goes "*Quid me anxious sum*" which as we all know is the motto of '78, "What, me worry?"

Thanks to both Rays for their dumb question and even dumber answer. And speaking of dumb . . . nah, even I can't use that as a lead-in . . . Moving right along my 15th company-mate **Larry "Magic" Galvin** reports from the infamous SOAC, but at least he told me what it meant, Submarine Officer Advanced Course.

There are/were a veritable cast of thousands there including the following: Darrell Cofsky, USS NEWPORT NEWS, NAV; Steve Dowell, USS MEMPHIS, NAV; Pat Dowler, USS HADDO, NAV; Mike Duncan, SOAC instructor; Dewain Forbis, USS HENRY CLAY, ENG; Jeff Fowler, USS NEVADA, ENG; Larry Galvin, USS WHALE (not to be con-

fused with USS Bonvolour); Al Gonzales, USS HENRY M. JACKSON, ENG; Tim Hardin, USS FLORIDA, NAV; Mike Holden, USS U.S. GRANT (say that three times fast . . .); Ned Kamradt, USS COLORADO, NAV; George Koucheravy, Free agent (how appropos); Mark Nault, SOBC instructor; Clarke Orzalli, USS Unnamed (better to be unnamed than unmanned); John Painter, USS ASPRO, NAV; Jim Reilly, USS ASPRO, ENG; Tom Rubenstein, USS RICHARD B. RUSSELL, Special Projects; Mike Shinengo, USS AUGUSTA, WEPS; Bill Timme, USS COLORADO, ENG; Don Vance, USS PERMIT, ENG; George Wadzita, USS SALT LAKE CITY, NAV; Chuck Wendt, USS NEWPORT NEWS, ENG; and Bob Zalaskus, USS SEAHORSE, ENG.

Larry also reports that '78 15th company all-stars also present were **Jeff Caufield James**, **Henry Gonzales**, and **Walt Yourstone**. Thanks "Magic."

Well folks, I'm almost caught up to my incoming mail, but as the Navy B-ball team continues its inexorable march to the NCAA Final Four, and I get a year older, please stay tuned next month for tasty tidbits from **Bruce Geary**, **Mo** and **Kevin White**, and a cast of thousands. Until then, this is your detailer saying, "I hate bureaucracies as much as you do, but since we already have one, let's use it."

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Greetings Gang:

Carol and I have just returned from a terrific two weeks of Christmas leave in the northeast, so bear with me if this column is a little disjointed. I'll start this month off with the latest baby and wedding news.

Received a baby announcement reporting that **Holly** and **Paul Hankins** became the parents of **Keith Stevenson Hankins** on 6 November. Paul is the Navigation Officer on USS KIDD in Norfolk. **Frank Voler** was married last summer to the former **Kelly Ann Reddick** of Charleston, South Carolina at the Naval Academy Chapel. Frank is on **WOODROW WILSON** in Charleston. **Joe Zurlo's** dad sent a quick note announcing that Joe will be married on 15 February at the Naval Academy Chapel to **Terri Townsend**. Joe's best man will be