

Department. He'll pick up the ship in Philadelphia, following a yard period, in time to participate in her around-the-world cruise. Sheri, pack those bags and start preparing those shopping lists. The Kerns will be doing some extensive traveling while crossing the States. Lud mentions stops at numerous National Forests, major amusement parks, sunning in Pensacola and a brief rest for schooling in Norfolk prior to setting up camp in Philly. Have fun and safe trip, Lud, and drop by if you come through the D.C. area.

This is the time of year to pledge a few dollars to support Ole Mother "B". Like everything else, the budgets are rising and the funds are receding. Take some time and consider contributing to the Alumni Association. It would be gratifying to see "100% MEMBERS" next to our Class numerals.

It appears someone recommended burgers for supper and now seven "starving kids are banging at my door screaming for Dad to get off the computer and get the car. I'll bet my mother-in-law put them up to it! Best be going! BEAT ARMY

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The mail continues to be sparse; MaryK, Tawna and I just moved into our house in Fairfax and are still in the process of unpacking boxes, so I hope that there is more news in the next go around. I heard from **Dennis DiLucente** just before I left Monterey; he was attending WTI at MCAS Yuma. **Vic Thombs** was also in the same class. Dennis and Beth are doing well in Hawaii.

John Sarao sent a letter from Newport, R.I. where he was attending Department Head School; he was due to finish in June and head for USS RATHBURNE (FF-1057) homeported in Pearl Harbor. John came back on active duty after working for Texas Instruments in Dallas for nearly two years. He and Betsy have two children, Krista who is seven, and Mark who is three. John asks that any Classmates from 30th Company that he hasn't heard from lately to please send a note to 606 Dupont St., Portsmouth, R.I. 02871. While he was in Newport, John ran into several Classmates. **Pete Varsanyi** and **Ty Woolridge** are instructors at Department Head School. **Keith Weaver** recently finished up at the Naval War College; he and Susan were buying a home in Brunswick, Maine, where Keith will be flying P-3's again. **Ramm Phillips** recently left the Navy and is working in

Bryan Dolan



the Norfolk area; he and Jennifer bought a house in Chesapeake. **Frank Rodrick** is still flying with American Airlines and was just transferred to San Diego.

In one final note from Duke Power in Charlotte, North Carolina, I found out that **Bryan Dolan** has been named supervising design engineer for Duke Power Company's probabilistic risk assessment group. Bryan is a registered professional engineer in North Carolina and South Carolina. I hope to hear from more of you soon.

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Shipmates, where did April and May go? So much for Spring, on to Summer! I have some outstanding shorts this month. . . some are from the Fleet Home Town News Center (FHTNC), but beggars can't be choosers.

Rich Gooner has a job to beat jobs: Marketing Manager for EJ Gallo Winery! I can see him sitting on his porch in Modesto or in his Tahoe ski cabin sipping on his Bartlett and James wine cooler. Go Rich! How about **Derek Favila**, one of three foreign nationals that graduated with us? Derek returned to the Philippines after graduation and served with the Philippine Navy until he resigned in January. He has since immigrated to the U.S. for good and wants to get in touch with former company-mates like **Wodo Wolowiarz**, **Glen Elliot**, **John Bernard III**, and **Mark Piscidneri**. Derek can be reached at 1751 Sundance Dr., Herdon Va. 22070 (703) 4353684.

Dave Williams writes from HML/A-167, MAG-26 MCAS New River, N.C. where he and his wife Martha are stationed with their four children (get this— Jenni-7, Jasson-5, Jessica-4, and Julia-2) Talking about having your hands full! He just finished a two-year Foreign Area Officer Language Program where he and his family spent the second of the two years in Tunis, Tunisia. He said that they were glad to be back.

Ron Wood dropped a line on very official looking stationery. He works for Booz-Allen and is involved, in his spare time, with playwriting. He has produced his first full-length play, *Four Men From Annapolis*, currently running at the Touchstone Theatre in Arlington. The play revolves around the friendship of four roommates, and ultimate graduates of the Academy. These four men meet 11 years after graduation and discover some unsettling secrets about each other. In the midst of a controversy which threatens friendships, individual goals and careers, as well as national security, each man must come to terms with his own sense of personal honor. The play opened 16 May and runs through June. Hmmm, do we have another James Webb in the making?

Now for the FHTNC releases. . . **Dirk Debbink** assumed command of the Naval Reserve Ship USS DALE, Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Center, Madison, Wisconsin. **Eugene McCarty** completed Replacement Aircrew Training at Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, **Gary Kollmorgen**, **Jeff Potts**, and **Dennis Antonio** received their Master's of Science Degrees from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey. **BZ!**

Colin Mackenzie, the Chairman of the Ring and Crest Committee, informs me that if any of you need Rings, Crests or Miniatures please get in

touch with him. Colin lives at 530 W. Surf, Apt. 214, Chicago, Ill. 60657. What better way to say I love you to your wife for our 10th Reunion? Speaking of our 10th, September is just around the corner. Hotel accommodations are going fast, make your reservations today!

If there is any more news to report, send it on over. I'm down to the bottom of the news barrel, other than FHTNC releases! Until then. . .happy trails. **Bill**

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Membership: 80%

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Two months in a row; I'm on a roll! For starters, the initial "Boondoggle Open" was held at the PGA Sheraton in West Palm Beach, Florida with myself, **John Young**, **Kevin Lynch** and his dad, Joe, operating as the "Fearsome Foursome" on the championship layout course. Home of the 1987 PGA tournament, this course was easy pickings for the likes of John-boy, Grinch and me. We really tore the course up. . . in the true sense of the word. Anyway it was a great trip, which just happened to come together because all three of us had "business" trips in the area at the same time.



Nicklaus, Player, Palmer

We tried not to let business interfere with the real reason we were there, to hit those little white balls. . . along with some little gray pigeons and a few little ol' ladies — hey, it was windy. On to the not-so-overflowing mailbox. Starting this month, the Schmermund version of Tidal Trivia begins. Each month I'll ask you about a seafaring scenario or a newsworthy nautical note and the person responding with the right answer will win a valuable, if not extremely cheap gift. This month's brain burner is provided by **Marcus Fisk** who asks the musical question, "What are the lyrics to 'The SWOS Team Song' otherwise known as the '78 Coronado Swoskateer Song?" Needless to say, author and many-time swoskateer **Aaron Watts** is disqualified from this question, but anyone else who can even come close to remembering this inspirational hit from the summer of '78 should drop me a line ASAP. Thanks for the note Marcus and memories of "Just One Beer" nights, "Mack-the-Knife" and the XO's memorable speech to us, "those Naval Academy derelicts." Those were the days.

Back to the Future, as Michael J. Fox would say. For those of you interested in having your children support you in your later years, **Hank Kuzma** is running his own basketball camp out of Frostburg State College in Frostburg, Md. Ph: (301) 689-4000. It might be a tad early for my two-year old, but for many of you with older children

or younger brothers or sisters 6th-12th grades who are student-athletes like myself, you should give Kooz a call and get them started on an NBA big buck \$\$\$ program . . . it's better than social security. Navy Fleet Home Town News Release (FHTNR) reports that **Don Owen** reported to NAS Marietta, Georgia, earlier this year. Don graduated with a Master of Arts degree from Webster University in Charleston, South Carolina. Another FHTNR reports that long heard from **John "Face" Casey** received his Master's of Science from Monterey earlier this year. No report as to his new duty station, however. **Scott Hoffman** also got his MS from Monterey. Congrats to both! Another Monterey grad, **Dave Jenkins**, has since reported to HSL-30 out of Norfolk where he has been flying helos for about 10 months. And finally on the FHTNR scene, Capt. **Anthony "Tony C." Cardoza** assumed command of Marine Wing Headquarters Squadron-4 out of New Orleans last Summer. Tony earned his wings in P-cola in '81, and then was assigned to duties in Tustin, California, with a Marine Helo training squadron and then to an MCAS out of Fuetenma, Okinawa, where he was in charge of the flight line. Now Tony is in charge of the drinking line on Bourbon Street. Way to go you Mardi Gras kinda guy.

On to First Company news with your host **Jim Reilly**. Jim reports that **Karen and Bernie Baetzel** have a boy name Chapman. Bernie is a recruiter and wife Karen is also in the Navy. Jim reports that **Bruce "Hangin' Loose" Carter** has been promoted early to LCdr. Jim says he's on an FF out of Mayport, after serving tough duty in Belgium, but I heard B.C. had switched designers to intel and was somewhere around D.C. We'll see. Cindy and **John Day** are at the University of Alabama where John is an intern and Cindy is a physical therapist. They have a baby girl, Jenna, born in '86. **Lauri and Doug Grau** have left Monterey and I imagine are on the East Coast since Doug is EWO on board USS EISENHOWER. The only baby they have is a 'Vette. Paula and **Ken Hefferan** also left Monterey for the East Coast where Ken is CIC (0) on board USS SARATOGA. Ken received not one, but two masters while in Monterey. The Hefferans have two daughters, Stephanie and Whitney. Amy and **Mark Hubal** and daughter are in northern Virginia where Mark is working for TRW. Speaking of Mark, he and **Dennis Reilly** have done a magnificent job putting together the '78 Washington Area Club. We've been holding quarterly meetings, with the next one being 4 June, just about the time this comes out. Anyone interested should contact Mark at 703-476-0427. Last meeting was a real trip with our former Supe, Admiral Kinnard McKee '51 as guest speaker. He was great! As usual, he didn't mince words and we had a lively discussion, thanks to questions by **Tom Harper, Carl Jordan** and others. Any '78ers and spouses in the area should definitely contact Mark. They're great get-togethers. Speaking of Dennis, he and Denise have added number two to the family to join Cailyn. Little brother Brandon was born in December. . . another tax deduction for '86!

Returning to First Company news for this month, I'll close with two notes. Debby and "Kinky" **Frank Hunt**, along with daughter Kaitlin are getting used to a new life as Frank is now flying with VAW-122 off FORRESTAL. Frank was formerly in the Gator navy. **Jim Reilly** is still trying to locate **Carl Garvin**, Barb and **Richie Link**, **Bill McAlpine** and Norma and **Jimmy McClean**. Any help out there? More First Company news next month. With all the hub-bub about the Iran/Contra affair and the Tower Commission Report, you may not realize that one of our very



The Kempistys

own, **Ray Kempisty**, was involved as the deputy PR man for the Tower Commission. Ray is now a 1650 (Public Affairs-type) and is working for Navy Broadcasting in Washington, D.C. Ray even got quoted in *The New York Times*. And I thought I was the media heavy in '78. Congratulations are in order for Ray, not only on that note, but also for his marriage to Annette at the USNA Chapel on 8 November 1986. Happy days to you both. Former mystery guest of the month, and 15th Company-mate "**Bad**" **Ben Harris** reports (with resume in hand), that he is leaving the Corps and looking elsewhere to be an intel type (that's a straight line if I ever heard one). Anyway, Ben and wife Denise live in Glen Burnie and are anxiously awaiting Ben to make some serious Beltway bucks. . . any guy who can sing like Luther Vandross and speaks Chinese has got to find a niche somewhere. Well gang, I'm sure there's more to write, but I'm off on a trip to New Orleans for some serious Cajun' food. Next month I'll be on vacation at Myrtle Beach, hopefully I'll run into Dr. Dwarf **Chris Nichols** who rumor has it may be the next Ops boss on TICONDEROGA relieving Classmate **Warren Krull**. It's a small world boys.

Unfortunately it's also a sad world sometimes, too. I regret to report, if you haven't already seen it, that Capt. Jack Darby, a former Commandant during our later years at USNA, died of a heart attack last January. Jack Darby was a great naval officer and a helluva nice guy. If I recall correctly, he was also one of the first, if not *the* first 'dant who was not a USNA grad. You'd never had known by the way he melded into the Academy scene and became part of the goings on at USNA. I know there are a few damn good officers out in the Fleet today because of Jack Darby and his common sense approach to leadership. Our sincere condolences to his family. He'll be missed.

On a lighter note, all is well with Homecoming '88. The banquet room is booked, along with 180 individual rooms at the Holiday Inn, Annapolis. Because we accomplished this so early, the Holiday Inn asked us to hold off on people calling in, because they were afraid their employees would think we were calling for '87. Not to worry. Reservation cards will be sent out later this year along with a copy of the Class charter which is just about in its final form. The charter has essentially been

approved, but all comments good and bad will be taken under consideration for future action. The charter explains a number of things about Class elections, budgets, etc. We hope to have it to you soon. I know, famous last words. Well we're working on it. Well, that's about it for now sportsfans. Until next time this is James Brown saying, "I got ants in my pants, and I wanna dance."

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I trust that everyone is having a wonderful Summer and are making plans for the Fall football season. Navy has six home games this year and as usual, '80 will have gatens before, during, and after every game at the quonset hut. Speaking of home football games, **Tim Kobosko** is trying to organize a "Touchdown Jesus" road trip to the Navy-Notre Dame game in South Bend this year. Kobo has reserved 40 seats on an airplane from the D.C. area, hotel rooms, game tix, and limo rides to/from the game. Seating for this gater of the century is limited to first come, first served and Kobo is handling all interested at 301-261-1222(W). Total cost is estimated at NMT \$500 for the entire Touchdown Jesus weekend.

I have a picture to print from Suzy and **Joe Heils** wedding that showed up without details. I'm still waiting for pixs from Bogarts wedding that was a real scream.

Suzy and Joe Heils

