

Monterey gang

F-4s for VMFA-531. After the F-4s were phased out he ended up being Aide to El Toro's Commanding General. In 1983 he resigned from the Marine Corps and went to UCLA and recently completed an MBA and Law degree.

His is now working as a attorney in Orange County. They would like to hear from old friends at 2871 Rancho Grande, Laguna Niguel, Calif. 92667; work (714) 641-5100.

Dave Saunders dropped a line with news about our Classmates at PG School in Monterey. Pictured below are kneeling (r to l) Doug Hovland (7), Craig Turley (36), Jeff Warrington (27), Marty Klijn (24), Mike Tyron (3), standing (r to l) Dave Sanders (24), Charlie Racoosin (19), Ron Brinkley (12), Dan Ryan (16), Greg Reuss (3), and Pete Ayotte (30).

Others attending NPS but not pictured include Eric Wright (2), Bill Goodwin (5), Chris Gunderson (a), Beau Mabrey (1) and Les Carr (23). Don Stewart (16) recently graduated and should be in Charleston Naval Shipyard. Others that Dave has run into during his 2½-year stay are John Kellog (34) and Paul Ring (24). After graduation in December, Dave and family will attend EDO school and then head to Norfolk. Thanks for the news!

Tom Lindner, who is finishing his tour as CSO in COONTZ sent a super post Persian Gulf "Critique" that I'll include in its entirety.

It's great to be home . . . even the battle of Norfolk is tolerable when you look back on the 'fun' of the Mideast deployment. I saw a couple of our Classmates in the gulf when COONTZ turned over to KIDD and WORDEN. Andy Tamayo was serving as WEPS in Worden, and Dan Beach was leaving his job as CSO in Kidd, on his way to a job in Washington for his joint duty tour with JCS J-3. He left Dan Thompson on KIDD, who had lots of nice things to say about the short fuse tasking to come to the gulf instead of becoming one of the 'pleasure cruisers' in the Med. (I wouldn't mind being assigned to some building moored in Palma for a few weeks . . . you know?) Before leaving the gulf, I went to Jim Kelly's farewell party when he left the CMEF staff. He's now in Ottawa in a FOREX billet at MARCOM HO or some such command . . . and glad to be out of the Mideast and on dry land again. I also saw Mark Worrilow, who is a TAR officer assigned as an augmentee to the CMEF Staff involved with the tanker escort ops. Jim, Bob Droppa, Mark Miles and I celebrated our 10-year USNA anniversary at the Bahrain Hash by running six miles in the desert and then having a few 'tinnies' of Foster's after the run. I also talked to Dan Lamberty, CSO in Reeves, on a radio circuit one night . . . just before we got relieved. **Phil Wisecup**, my old roomie, stopped by to see me the other day. He now has three little girls, and is preparing for a Mideast trip as the Ops officer on the CDS-22 Staff. he's looking to go to Washington next.



John, Jason, Bob, Michael

Bob Danson's wife Marcie dropped a short note notifying us of the birth of their son, Michael Patrick, born 23 August at a whopping 8 lbs. 10 oz. They also have two other sons John-6 and Jason-2. Bob is the Ops Admin. Officer in NIMITZ (CVN-68) in Bremerton. Three boys! I guess if you can handle living in a city with an airport over your head and two nuclear reactors under your feet you can handle three boys.

Finally, hot from the Fleet Home Town News Center we hear that Capt. **Douglas Isleib** reported for duty to Marine Corps Development and Education Command, Quantico, and that LCdr. **Edward Rogers** recently participated in Exercise Open Gate 87 with Commander-in-Chief Iberia, Atlantic Area, Detachment 106, Oerras, Portugal. Well done!!

All for now, okay, so I said last issue that this issue was going to be jamming. So I lost control. Stay tuned to next month!! Happy trails. **Bill**

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Membership: 80%

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Let me start off by saying we had a grand ol' time at Homecoming '87 (with the unfortunate exception of the game). This was due in large part to the unselfish efforts of Gail and Pat Curtis, Lee Price and Dave Surgent. These four deserve some major-league kudos for setting up one of the best tailgaters of any Class at Homecoming. (I know, I sampled all of them.) It was super, guys. Once again, the initiative of a few, served to benefit all. We really appreciate it folks, especially to you Gail who not only peeled the shrimp and did a yeoman's share of the cooking, but had to put up with Pat the whole time too! Just kidding big guy. The turnout was good for an off year, but we'll expect a whole bunch more come next year at our 10th. Speaking of which, let me fill you in on the details as they now stand.

As of this writing you should have received, or should soon be receiving, a reservation card from the Holiday Inn in Annapolis (Near the Thrrrrift Inn). We have booked 180 rooms for Friday, 30 September 1988 and Saturday, 1 October. We have locked-in the room rates at \$57/night for a single and \$62/night for a double. It's important to note that we are having the '78 banquet at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, so obviously for convenience sake alone, this is where you want to stay. Simply return the reservation card directly to the Holiday Inn. If you haven't received a card, or simply want to make reservations by phone, please call B.J. Hiscott at (301) 224-3900 from outside the area; 841-6955 from Baltimore or 261-8298 from the Washington area. DON'T FORGET: Ask for USNA '78 when you're making reservations. The details of the banquet and other events will be forthcoming, but we are looking for ideas and people who are willing to volunteer. We'll need help with the tailgater, fund raising, etc. Please give me or Janet a call. Only a year away folks, I'm gettin' old before my time.

On to the mailbag. Mike Shumaker reports that Sean Donovan visited Mike and his wife Donna Lynn in Monterey this past August. Sean is in his second year as a med student at Bethesda's U.S.U.H.S. Mike also reports that Ernie Sanchez (13th) is stationed in Gitmo, while companymate Joe Britain is contracting officer in Columbus, Ohio. Jonathan Will is out in Monterey with Mike, with both boys battling their way through the Ops Research curriculum. What little free time Mike had, has now evaporated thanks to the birth of his first child, Rachael, on 28 July. Congrats to Ma and Pa Shumaker as they return to Newport where Mike will be attending Dept. Head School. Kevin Liddy dropped a brief note attached to a letter written by our resident PhD Sam Tangredi which appeared in the July issue of Proceedings. If you haven't had a chance to read it, I encourage you to do so. Sam really does an excellent job voicing his concerns about viewing the DoD reorganization plan as a panacea for all the ills of the Defense Department. It's a thought provoking piece. Another '78er whose in the limelight these days is Art Athens who was named a White House Fellow. To show you what the competition was like, Art was one of 12 selectees out of 850 applicants. That's about a 1-in-70 ratio folks. I saw Art at the recent Board of Trustees meeting (Art is serving his final year on the Board and I was on the nominating committee for new nominees). He, Misty and the thre Athens children are doing great. Art's fellowship is with Dr. Fletcher at NASA and he really loves it. A unique and well-deserved opportunity Art. Congrats.

In my own recent travels, I bumped into **Steve Jones** (27th) in New York City. Steve received his MBA from Pace University in New York and is living in Brooklyn. He's still in the Reserve, however, with Cargo Handling Battalion Six, located in the area. Several other long lost war-

riors were seen at the aforementioned Homecoming. Scott McKee won the Barry Manilow lookalike contest and sang Mandy for us at halftime. He and John O'Neil are flying for Northwest. John-boy showed up with his much better half Donna, who also brought along her much lesser relative, none other than brother fast Eddie Reid. Ed looks great, he still has a perm, and is scamming for Harris Industries in Florida. He and Mo Tose won the award for the most business cards passed out at the tailgater.

While it's impossible for me to list everyone at the tailgater, particularly in the condition I was in, let me add that also in attendance were Glen Wheless, Tim Benson, Ben Harris, Leon Miller, Michelle and Don Berenato with child #4, 4-week old Michelle (Should that be Michelle, Jr.?); Barb and Scott Eckert with newly-arrived Elizabeth and Becka and Ray Kwong with signs of a new arrival on the way. Also in the same condition were Abby and Howard Seeger (well actually it was just Abby who was that way). The Virginia contingent included Cherie and Drew Mulhare, Denise and Dennis Reilly, Maura and John Rudder and Mary Jane and Jock Maloney (and their addition). Also along was the furthest traveler, Bobby "Bubba" Destafney, who's on duty with the Marine Corps in Scotland. Only Bubba would get duty at a Dewar's distillery. Well the list goes on with John Gardner, Otto Bulich, Dave Williams and their lovely wives. Let me end the list here and simply say we had the usual great '78 turnout, but we expect a whole lot more folks next year, and a Navy victory.

As I mentioned last column, Matt Elias sent in an 11th company newsletter so here goes.

On his way to Yokosuka and duty on board Midway as TAO, Matt stopped in Norfolk and saw Pam and Terray Wood and Kathy and Scott Laser. Terray and Pam have two children Sarah and Joey while Kathy and Scott have a son, Jared. Terray is flying RH-53's as a TAR. Matt also spoke with Holly and Gay Lovgren, but unfortunately didn't get a chance to see them. Rumor has it Gary may be returning to the NAV, as a TAR supply type. Matt also visited right here in beautiful Bowie, not to see me of course, but Jennifer and Phil Winters and Phil's folks. Phil has also found the joys of the TAR world, though I won't relate the "veritable license to steal" line attributed to him by Matt . . . oops. Anyway, Phil should be on his way home now from a Med deployment.

Allison and Rodger Welch had their first child, David Keenan, and are residing in SoCal. I believe Rodger is at Miramar. Apparantly there are more than a few guys who have left the Navy and then returned. Jim Vanderkamp is flying F-18's off MIDWAY after being an airline pilot (sometimes I think landing on an aircraft carier is safer than JFK and LAX). Unfortunately Jim's wife, Marty, had to remain behind recruiting in Scotia, New York (boyhood home of the inimitable Chris "Sleaze Dance" May). another 11'er who apparently is returning to the Big Blue is former leader of THE Big Blue, ex-QB John Kurowski. Too bad they didn't have the wishbone back then Johnny. John is coming back on duty as an Intell type (I could take a cheap shot, but I won't). John should now be at FICEurLant (not to be confused with FLICEURBIC) in Norfolk. Interestingly enough, prior to this season, John had been working part-time as a graduate assistant-coach at Florida with Heisman Trophy candidate Kerwin Bell. Most important of all for you young ladies out there, John is still battling with Tom Crowley as 11th Company's last two bachelors . . . I think I just heard a bunch of guys from the Class of '70 lock their teenage daughters in the house. Matt also

'78 Tailgate









reports from Paula and Mike Lewis who live in the Norfolk area where Mike was stationed on board JFK. By this time, Mike has probably left JFK for parts unknown as he was about to experience the well known and often feared "pay back tour" from PG School. Hey Mike, I understand Thanksgiving in Adak is an inspirational experience, or was that an irrational experience? I hope you won't have to find out. Mike it turns out, had recently seen Marty Drake at sea during an unrep. Marty's on board USS O'BANNON. Mike also reported that Dave Dwyer is out of the Navy and working at the shipyard in Norfolk. He and wife Nancy live near the Lewises in Salem Woods. Finishing up, we find that Trina and Mike Kreyenhagen should be in Monterey with baby Steven. Mike is studying oceanography and may go that route. Rumor has it that Kathy and Steve Brashear may still be at Pease AFB with Steve flying F-111's, but no confirmation on that. Well folks, with the exception of a somewhat dated 32nd company newsletter (sorry J.D., how about an updated one for next column) I am literally down to the infamous Fleet Home Town News Releases.

Folks, if you haven't read about it by now, your letter's been lost in the mail or eaten by my one-year-old son because "ze mailbox, she's empty." So deliver de letters de sooner de better so we can have a merry and newsy Holiday issue. Until then, this is Bill Murray singin' "FEEL GOOD (feel good), FEEL GREAT (feel great), ONE NINE (one nine), SEVEN EIGHT (seven eight). And that's the facts JACK!!!"

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Membership: 91%

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Things are really great now that football (tailgate) season is upon us. The only thing that could make it better would be for Navy to win some games. This year Homecoming was a bit early but the Class had a tremendous turnout. I'll try to list everyone in attendance that I can remember and pass on some dirt, but if I miss someone—please write and I'll catch you in the next article.

Joyce and Frank McAllister came to the game and brought Roy Bott with them from Chicago. Roy and Frank split the driving and pulled an all nighter just to make it to the game. I couldn't tell who was having the best time, but I think this will be a game that Frank and Roy remember for a long time. The Tailgater seemed like it was for all the football players as Carl and Marion Hendershot, John Taylor and his wife, Dr. John Merrill, Mikeal Lortangelie, Bart Nixon, Chuck and Zelli Zingler, Tom Feldman, Monte Burke, Frank and Roy all showed up. Hendy and Angel both fly for Delta.