

family is headed for Monterey. John will go to DLI for Arabic study followed by a year's additional study in Morocco. Denise also said that **Bob Guild** and his wife are living in the Annapolis area.

Fred Johnson wrote from Orange Park, Florida. Fred is stationed at Cecil Field flying Hornets with VFA-82. He and Sharron celebrated the New Year in Charleston with Maggie and **Vic Thombs** and Pat and **John Myers**. Both Vic and John are flying helos out of New River and are currently on deployment.



Happy New Year

I received a short note from **Tom Price's** family in Wyoming. Tom is still a bachelor and is flying A-7s with VA-94 out of NAS Lemoore. He is currently deployed aboard USS ENTERPRISE

There is not much else to report this month. I did have the good fortune to run into **Steve Soules** at the gym at Henderson Hall. Steve is currently at the Navy Annex. Steve asked me if I knew where **Oz Paulding** was, and I wasn't able to tell him. Does anyone know what Oz is doing and where he is living? I was flipping through the *Register* again and saw a few more names of Classmates that we haven't heard from in awhile; does anyone know where **Bill Craighill**, **Jim Gustafson**, **Larry Davis**, **Randy Parman**, **Burce Ingham**, **Dennis Stockwell**, **Bill Shepard**, **Roger Wendt**, **Bruce Hinkley**, or **Art Nalls** are? Take a few minutes to drop me a line.

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Shipmates,

I don't know how else to say this but the well has run dry! For the first time in the three years I've run out of correspondence. I don't even have a Fleet Home Town News release to print. My last letter is from **Marcie** and **Bob Dawson**. Actually, it's from **Marcie** telling about Bob's accomplishments on USS NIMITZ where he received the Navy Achievement Medal for his work as Ops-Admin Officer. Well done, Bob. They are off in June to NAS Moffett Field.

Shipmate has implemented several changes over the last year in order to shorten the lead time between your letters and their actual printing. They have changed typesetting forms, added automatic processing equipment and in general streamlined their operation in order to improve our publication. I have seen a dramatic improvement in their service and capability—all to make your news everyone's news sooner. So there's no more excuse! The Dark Ages are over. Until then . . . Happy Trails. **Bill**.

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First day of Spring in Washington . . . and it's snowing. Brings back fond memories of Spring formal in Dahlgren Hall with beautiful ladies in their Spring gowns, freezing their tootsies off dancing in the romantic aura of what once was a weapons museum. Ah, the way we were . . . where are **Streisand** and **Redford** now? Certainly not with **Tim Sprague** on USS CALLAGHAN. Timbo finished his tour on board USS KINCAID last Fall and relieved **Tim Hanley** as Combat Systems Officer on CALLAGHAN. Tim also reports that **John "Face" Casey** reported as Ops in DAVID R. RAY A SPRUANCE out of San Diego. On the civilian side, **Dave Balestrieri** is flying for American Airlines and just finished co-pilot school. Tim says the Sprague clan is well with wife **Anne Marie** trying to keep **Duke** and **Bridget** out of trouble, unlike their father. Tim hopes to see the gang at Homecoming. A short commercial from **Hank "Kareem" Kuzma** reports that Hank's Development Basketball Camp will be held again this Summer during 10-15 July at Washington College in Chestertown on the Eastern Shore. For those of you with future David Robinsons in grades 5-12, or who know of any who might be interested, call Hank at (301) 721-9067. This has been a Public Service announcement ("Alright Kuzma, where's my piece of the action?"). Seein' as we just finished celebrating St. Paddy's day (as of this writing) it only seems fittin' that we hear from a long lost sheep from the Old Sod **Kevin Carmody**. Kevin gave me a call out of the blue, well actually it was on the phone but that's not important, and reported that he is working for a firm called **Leget & Platt** in Milwaukee. I'm not surprised he's in Milwaukee, but I am surprised he's not working for Schlitz.

Anyway, during his Marine recruiting tour in the area, about six years ago, Kevin got married to **Linda**. They now have a four-year-old son, **Eric**, and a new born daughter, **Caitlin**. Carms sounds great and hopes to see many long lost 15th companymates and other '78ers in October. After a 10-year sabbatical **Drum McNaughton** checked in from Guam where he is attached to VQ-1 (Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron One). Thanks for the translation Drum, most of your brethren think I actually know what all that gibberish stands for . . . I don't. Anyway, Drum has been out there since November and thus far has deployed to **Atsugi, Japan**, but expects to visit the **Persian Gulf** and the wonders of **Cubi Pt.** in the Philippines sometime during his tour. Drum says that he's in a great squadron and reports that there are a number of USNA boys in VQ-1 including '85ers **Hank Murphy**, **Chong Yi**, **Scott Nasson**, **Shawn Jenkins** and **Dave Whalen**; 84's **Greg Thomas**, **Dan Dosier**, **Bucky Di Andrea**, **Chuck Rainey** and **Jimmy Wasko**; 83's **Steve Fielder** and **Steve Claps**; 82's **Rick Bohner** and **Randy Hauke**; 81's **Syd Abernathy** and 73's **Jim Russell** and **Ron Provencher (VQ-1's XO)**. During his five-week tough duty tour in Monterey for Aviation Safety Officer School, Drum spent some time with another high flyer, **Hank Van Oss**. Apparently the curriculum was pretty tough, but both Drum and Hank passed the final exam; they both shot 79's at **Pebble Beach**. Way to go guys. Drum would like to hear from old 22nd Company chums and can be reached at **LCdr. R.D. McNaughton, VQ-1, FP0 San Francisco, 96601-6550**. A note from 31st Company's **Charlie Pangburn** in sunny Hawaii reports that he is doing well as the chief prosecutor with the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force. Charlie hopes to



Bobby, Bob and Bill McMasters



Having Fun With VQ-1



Hank Van Oss and Drum McNaughton



Charlie Pangburn, Ron Brownley

parlay this job into a guest shot with **Steve McGarrett** if Hawaii 5-0 ever returns to the air . . . "Book 'em Charlie, Murder One."

In the meantime, however, **Charlie**, wife **Patty**.

daughter Kimberley (8) and son Charles, IV (1) are returning to the East Coast where Charlie will become Adjutant at 8th & I Marine Barracks here in D.C. In fact they should be arriving just as you're reading this. During his stay in Hawaii, Charlie ran into his old roomie **Ron Brownley** who is flying for American Airlines out of the Big Apple. Ron is enjoying civilian life with wife Vicki and daughter Holly in the Garden State of New Jersey (as a Jersey boy I can say that with sincerity). From the far reaches of the northern Midwest, **Bob McMasters** checks in from Marquette, Michigan. Bob is still employed as a mechanical engineer at K.I. Sawyer AFB and met up with brother Bill '84, who was on a hop from Norfolk to San Diego. (What's that about the shortest distance between two points is a straight line?) Anyway, being a real pilot (Navy air) Bill, who is an F-14 jock, showed some of those Air Force B-52 bus drivers what real flying is all about. I believe some of their blue uniforms turned slightly green after Bill did a 12,000-foot vertical climb right off the deck. Bob also reports that the McMasters family has grown again with the adoption of two little boys from Korea; David, 5 and Luke, 3. The McMasters now have four boys ages 3 thru 7. You guys are either saints or insane, or a little of both. Congratulations! Bob also mentioned that he was going to be at Wright-Patterson AFB in June for two weeks, so if any USNA boys are in that area contact Bob at 110 Maple Rd., Marquette, Mich. 49885. Moving east, **Jumpin' Joe Fitzgerald** checked in from Norfolk where he is Ops on board USS TICONDEROGA. Joe has been Mr. Surface Warfare since graduation, starting out as ASW and CIC officer on USS PAUL then to recruiting duty out of Albany, New York. After Department Head School, Joe reported to USS W.S. SIMS as Ops followed by his current tour on TICO.

During those years, Joe made four deployments. And while he liked all of his tours, he readily admits the recruiting tour was the most rewarding. Not only did he do a great job for the Enlisted Programs shop, but he also met his real recruiting goal, wife Diane, whom he married on 5 July 1986. Joe even enlisted the services of **Fred Butterfield** and **Roger Kaplan** for the big day. Now he and Diane are enjoying Norfolk, where hopefully Joe will get a little shore time before the next deployment. On a deployment of a different sort is our resident political pundit **Steve Sutton** who checks in from the *Grand Ol' Opry* in Nashville. Somehow I don't see Steve as a Charlie Daniels groupie, Jack Daniels maybe, but not Charlie. Anyway, Steve really is in Nashville, but he's working for Mobil Oil, not *Hee Haw*. After graduation Steve went surface warfare making three West Pacs, followed by a year at the Pentagon and a year at NavSea. Leaving the Navy in '86, Steve managed a Congressional campaign in New York's 3rd district and then did some political consulting. Understanding the mysteries of politics (and the lack of jobs that pay in U.S. dollars) Steve got a real job with Mobil as a sales engineer. But don't be surprised if you see him on the next episode of "You Can Be a Star," live from Nashville. Moving farther south to the sun country of Florida. Mr. Joe Cabanillas reports that son **Jose Cabanillas** (3rd Company) is alive and well in Cocoa Beach. Mr. C reports that since leaving the Academy during our Youngster Year, Jose has hooked up with Rockwell, first in L.A. and now in Florida as an engineer on their aerospace and space projects. For you 3rd Company mates and other folks who would like to get in touch with Jose, he can be reached at 202 South Brevard Ave., Cocoa Beach, Fla. 32931 or phone (305) 783-2342. Thanks for the update Mr. Cabanillas.

Another Dad reporting in is the father of **Richard Mooney** who reports that after making a bunch of deployments, most recently to the Persian Gulf, Rich is heading East to the Academy as a company officer.

Another one returns to the hallowed halls of Mother B. Speaking of which (Nice segue, don't you think?), time is marching on for the big 10th. As of this writing there are less than 20 rooms left at the Holiday Inn. However, we have managed to secure another 50 rooms right next door at the Thrift Inn. If you're interested please call the T-h-h-h rift Inn directly at 1-800-638-6323. Tell them you are with the class of '78. In the meantime, we are working on more details for the various events and should have a schedule out to you sometime in May. As of now I can tell you the following info: There will be a Class meeting sometime Thursday 29 September so keep that in mind, if you can make it. The Academy dinner and reception is Friday night and we will be providing bus transportation to and from the Holiday Inn to the Academy. There will be a major league tailgater on Saturday starting at approximately 1100 and there will be transportation to and from the game from the Holiday Inn. There grand hoo-haa will be Saturday night at the Holiday Inn. It will be a stand-up, heavy hordouvres/open bar *NOT* a sit-down dinner to allow for more people, more mingling, more dancing and, we hope, more fun. We're movin' along, so any help, suggestions, etc., are encouraged. In the meantime, keep the cards and letters comin' in or June's column will be dedicated to Fleet Home Town News Releases, and if you think my column is bad wait until you read 50 FHTNR's (it's about as exciting as a Saturday Plebe chemistry class Z-Z-Z-z-z-z-z-z). Until next time this is Ralph Kramden saying. "Bang Zoom, right to the moon Alice. right to the moon." I understand Ralph, I used to think I was the king of my castle, too . . .

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Hello 80



Jamison-Gallant wedding

I realize that it seems like forever since I wrote my last column, but I have some good excuses. In December, I tore my knee up playing basketball in an over-30 league. Dr. **Jay Cox** was around to do the repair. If anyone needs him, he is now at the Anderson Clinic in a private practice; you can reach Dr. Cox at 703-892-6500. For that I get 30 percent off my bill. The only consolation was that I beat **Babe McCarthy** on the move. Some things never change. I've had a lot of mail stacked up while I was out so I'll try to stick to the facts and knock this article out.

Dan Hinz is out of the Navy and is looking for a job as is **Dan Quattrini**. Dan is getting married in upstate New York in May and Quatts sold his bar in Sandy Eggo to move back east. **Dad Wellesley** dropped a short (!) note along with a picture he received in a Christmas card. Picture was taken at the Pt. Mugu air show last Oct. (L-R: **Bert Ferguson**, **Fred Cleveland**, Mark Mykityshin '81, and Dad) Nice ears on Freddy . . .



Pt. Mugu Air Show

I also received a short note from **Jim Jamison** to let everyone know that he married the former Jamie Gallant last Summer at Coronado. Jim only included the names of the '80 guys in his wedding. **Steve Benson** and **Vic See** are pictured to the right of Jim. **Booby Lynch** was also to be in the wedding but instead decided it would be more fun to on the "tip of the sword" floating with HMM-166 in WestPac. **Ed Dempsey's** wife again writes for Ed to send a toga party picture from Ed's 29th b'day. Ed ought to consider a transfer out of the Navy to the Corps, he has to have his wife write. Pictured l-r: Laurie and **Steve Mcshane**, Ed and Kathy, and Brad and Diane Weiner '82.

Bob Miller wrote and demanded equal attention for the sewer pipe Navy. Since all he did was list the names and boats, I'll do the same: Doug Biesel, TRIDENT; Ken Hall, GATO; Fred Dimitrew, BANCROFT; Mark Tomb, CHICAGO; Brad Gehrke, BEN FRANKLIN; Brad Taylor, PENNSYLVANIA; Dan Secor, JAMES POLK; Doug Ray, CORPUS CHRISTI; Woody Stanley, WILL ROGERS; Mike Browne, MIAMI; Bill Gieri,