

with the DEA in the military's involvement/ with drug interdiction. **Scott Jenkins** is living in Rosemont, Pennsylvania, and working with Goldman, Sachs and Company in Philadelphia. **John Lovasz** and his wife adopted twins this year; they are living in Massachusetts where John works for Balfour Corporate Jewelry. **Mark McKinley** works with Southern California Edison at the San Onofre Nuclear Power Station. **Bob Miller** is with Merrill Lynch in Annapolis. **Kip Nicely** was elected to the new Mexico State Legislature. **Steve Stroebel** is with Arthur Anderson & Company in Los Angeles and living in Marina Del Ray. **Dave Tribout** is with American Airlines out of Arlington, Texas. **Mike Weltsch** is at school in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. **Jerry Willet** is with Egghead Software in Cincinnati, Ohio. **Tim Traaen** is in Saudi Arabia; he made an appearance during half-time of the Navy-Army game. **Derwood Curtis** is the XO of the USS SCOTT (DDG-995). **John Stamos** is living in Monrovia, Maryland. **Tony Violante** is living in Stratford, Connecticut. **Rick Weldon** is living in Castro Valley, California. In addition to that update of his company mates, Tim had news of other Classmates to pass on. **Dan O'Brian** is with Fleet Training Group in San Diego. **Mark Nesselrode** is the XO of USS HORNE and **Paul Wrigley** is the Chaplain aboard her. **Howard Aschwald** is Vice President, Investments for Dean Witter Reynolds Inc., Corte Madera, California.

In his fine style, **Dennis DiLucente** sent me a 2nd Company update and told me that he has passed on the responsibility of company rep to **Jeff Neufeld**. Jeff and his wife, Gayle, are now settled into their new home in Syracuse. **Mark Anthony** has screened for command; he reports to VP-56 in the Fall of 1991 and should take command in October 1992. Mark, Margie, and their children, Marcus and Marcia extend a welcome to anyone visiting the JAX area. **Milt Fusselman** is now a Reserve Cdr. and newly assigned as OIC of a Seabee detachment. The Fusselmans are living in Maine. **Lee Buckley** has been in business with his Dad since 1979, and has pretty much taken over daily operations since his father's recent retirement. **Joe Paquette** is working for BDM Corporation. He and his wife Leslie stay busy with their two children, Kellee and Jason. **Rollie Whallen** is working out of the Navy Department's Resource Allocations (SORTS data) and CasRep office in Washington, D.C. Congratulations to Maryann and **Larry Piano** whose second child, Nicholas was born on 24 October 1990; they have another son, St. John. **Hugh Neighbour**, his wife Inger, and their daughter Kristina have been in Germany for over two years now and expect to be there until June 1992. Hugh is in the Political Section at the embassy in Bonn. Since he has been with the State Department, Hugh has served at posts in Canberra, London, and Panama.

I also heard from **Steve Clark** during the holidays. Steve told me that he had the opportunity to go to Homecoming this year. He was able to celebrate Mass in St. Andrew's Chapel at the Academy on Friday and Saturday, and also had the opportunity to have dinner with **Vic Thombs** and **John Myers**.

I talked to **Don Bringle** the other day and he told me that the letter detailing reunion plans would be in the mail soon—keep an eye out for it and make your plans early. In a final note, Don asked me to pass on the details of the annual Bringle vs Harris sports competition—an event that rivals the Olympic games with competition in golf, tennis, basketball, water-skiing, ping-pong and others. The golf event is the most hotly contested, and Peter was this year's victor by a narrow margin coming down to the 18th hole. Don says he won't be so easy on you next year, Peter.

That's it for this issue; I hope to hear from more of you in the months ahead, **Joe**.

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Shipmates, as I sit here in mid-January, it is hard to imagine what will be occurring in the world situation as you read this in March. Let us all pray that there is a peaceful solution on the horizon. Enough said . . . on with the news as I have it.

Jane and I received a birth announcement from Sue and **Pete Knoetgen**. Philip James joined the family on 1 October and big brother Petey is quite pleased with his new playmate. The Knoetgen family lives in Alpharetta, Georgia. Many congratulations!

Jim Miller sent a great letter updating us on Classmates who have been through the PXO course in Newport over the past year. Jim is stationed in Newport as the DD-963 engineering course coordinator and later as the Gas Turbine Training Division Officer. Sounds like there are lots of changes occurring in the basic engineering training model up there. The XO's that Jim visited with are: **Dan Beach** (KIDD—DDG-993), **Jim Beaver** (BARBOUR COUNTY—LST-1195), **Bill Garland** (COMTE DE GRASSE—DD-974), **Dan Lambert** (GRIDLEY—CG-21), **Paul Mazich** (AUSTIN—LPD-4), **Jim McIsaac** (BELKNAP—CG-26), **Tom Behrle** (SIMPSON—FFG-56), **Phil Wisecup** (VALLEY FORGE—CG-50), **Frank Greco** (SEATTLE—ADE-3), **Jim Kear** (PRINCETON—CG-59), **Craig Langman** (STERETT—CG-31), **Gary Holst** (CALLAGHAN—DDG-994), **Tom Lindner** (TRUETT—FF-1095), **Dean Podracky** (McCANDLESS—FF-1084), and **Craig Turley** (FORD—FFG-54). Jim, wife Robin and daughters Jennie, 11, and Nancy, 7, have enjoyed living in Newport, but are looking forward to a move to Charleston in 1991 when Jim takes over as XO in USS KLAKRING (FFG-42). Thanks for writing, Jim . . . see you in Charleston.

Stan Gray wrote from Fairfax, Virginia, where he's been living for about six months. He is still working for Mobil and passed along news of other Mobilites. **Joe Harrington** has just been reassigned to Minneapolis and **Steve Adair** has a new assignment that has him spending a lot of time in Europe. **Charles** (not-so-cool) **Ivey** just received a promotion and is on his way to being "big time." Stan ran into another 12th Company Classmate at a movie. **Scott Fontaine** is now working as a Beltway bandit and he and his wife are enjoying the D.C. area. **Jim George**, Stan's roommate, is also new to the area and is commuting in from Baltimore to his D.C. job with another bandit. **Everet McNair** just left the Washington area and is on his way back to North Carolina. He is quite a trainer of dogs. **Hank Donigan** and his family are reportedly living in Morocco where Hank is "serving in a fine and exemplary mode of being." As usual, it was terrific to hear from Stan.

We received a Christmas card from **Bonnie and Stratton Hickey**. The enclosed holiday greetings were written by Stratton as he was deployed on board the USS JOUETT as Supply Officer. Hopefully by now, he is home with Bonnie after serving as one of the first units involved with Operation Desert Shield. He was anxious to get home to Bonnie (of course!) and their "his and her Ferraris." He also mentioned something about a 1975 Jensen Interceptor convertible. I hope he has a BIG garage. Thanks, Bonnie, for putting us on your Christmas card list! Oh, by the way, Bonnie has been a flight attendant for American Airlines for 13 years and was able to fly over to meet Stratton during deployment . . . she even paid full fare so that she didn't have to depend on stand-by. Now that is love!

Just enough time and space to include a few Home Town News releases. **Jim Warren** reported for duty with Commander, Naval Air Force, Pacific, Naval Air Station, North Island, San Diego. **Jim Walsh** was promoted to Commander while serving aboard fleet ballistic missile submarine USS OHIO, homeported in Bangor, Washington. **Bill Venohr** has returned from a six-month deterrent patrol aboard USS ALABAMA which is also homeported in Bangor. Lastly, **Bret Marriam** reported for duty with Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 129, Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Oak Harbor, Washington.

Stay tuned next month for news from **French Caldwell**, **Kevin Brock** (and the 10th Company Newsletter) and **Dave Aland**. Above all, our thoughts and prayers go with all who serve. Happy trails, **Bill** (by Power of Attorney!).

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Kids! Don't expect the usual thrill-a-minute intro 'cause there's just too much info and, darn the luck, not enough space here to get you transmogrified into the usual "Bermuda Triangle o' Comedy." One thing though; ever notice that guy before me always takes up about half the magazine? Is there a payola deal I'm supposed to know about to get more pages? Films at eleven. Now kick off those high heeled sneakers and let's get going.

If you remember last month's episode of "25th Company Something," the Moon-man left off with Patti Taggart giving Larry the envelope containing a picture of his family that needed to be mailed to some knucklehead in California. With the background data out of the way, **Drew Brugal** is once again flying F-14's off USS KENNEDY near Sand Land. Carol and **Mark Kuharik** along with Aaron, Melissa, and Brad are now living in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Mark is an Engineering Duty Officer somewhere inside the Beltway's Land of Make Believe. **Eric Christenson** and his wife are competing in triathalons. I assume Eric is still in Guam. Eric, please confirm. Amy and **Pete Carrier** live in Anaheim Hills, California. Pete is the MK48 ADCAP Marketing Manager for Hughes Aircraft. **Bruce Martin** works for Pepsi-Cola and lives in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Sylvia and **Jim Hillan** along with their son John live in Virginia Beach. Ann and **Tim Nagle** and daughter Allison, 4, live in Chesapeake, Virginia. Sheila and **Tom Gibson** and their two kids live in the D.C. area. Tom quit Raytheon and enrolled in Georgetown to get a law degree. How does that story end? Oh yeah, there's no skid marks in front of the dead lawyer but there are skid marks in front of the dead skunk. Tom, there's no relationship between those last three sentences; for some kookie reason, I'm just remembering out loud. Honest. Jackie and Lee Bond are expecting their third little one in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Lee is the technical director for the surveillance radar branch at NavSea. **Brad Zell** is still holding off on that "I do" thing while working for Raytheon Signal Division in Portsmouth, Rhode Island. **Anneva** and **Jerry DeConto** are living in the D.C. area. Jerry is VAdm. Nyquist's Aide and Administrative Assistant at OP-03. Tim Moon, on behalf of Easy 25 extends