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The time is passing quickly, when you read this our 15th reunion will be upon us; I hope that as many of you as possible are making plans to attend. I've received a few letters this month and had the chance to talk with some folks on the phone. The day after I mailed the last column, I heard from Stephanie Papak; she told me that Dave had just returned from Southwest Asia. His Reserve unit was activated, and Dave spent five and a half months over there. They were tasked with the organization, care and feeding of the Iraqi POWs. Stephanie also passed on that **Randy Hutcherson** was over there aboard USS OKINAWA for nine months.

I had the pleasure of speaking with **Keith Champion** and **Pat Bole** on the phone. Pat was in Hawaii doing some work with Keith's squadron, and they gave me a call. Keith's squadron was due to deploy to Iwakuni in August, and Pat has orders to be on the staff at MAG-12 in Iwakuni right around the same time. Both just returned from SWA a few months earlier.

I got a letter from **Buddy Hingle** just a few weeks ago. At the time he wrote, he and his family were enjoying leave in Louisiana. They had just spent three years in Okinawa where, during the past year, Buddy was the CO of Intelligence Company at 3d SRI Group. Buddy was on his way to Washington, D.C. for a tour at the Pentagon.

I also heard from Lidija Ortloff this month; she and Ric are living in Westwood, Massachusetts with their twin daughters, Kristina Lana and Alexander Antun who were born 11 November 1990. Ric left the Navy last January and is now the chief financial officer of a battery manufacturing company in Boston; he is still flying as a Reservist with HSL-74 in South Weymouth and is also a Blue and Gold Officer in the area. Lidija said that last April they had a small reunion with some other 1st Company Classmates at Paula and Jack Kelley's house in Washington; Jack is out of the Navy but still drilling with the Reserves. **Rich O'Hanlon** and his wife Eileen were there with their three kids, Dara, Brynn, and Caitlin. Rich just took command of an F-18 squadron in Jacksonville. **John Jolicuer** and his wife Renee were supposed to attend, but were unable to make it; John is out of the Navy, and he and his family are living in Maryland. Also in attendance were Suzanne and Dave Maresh '74.

I spoke with **William Brown** on the phone a few weeks ago; Duke is the Protestant Chaplain at Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey. He finished up his tour in Hawaii after spending several months in the Persian Gulf with his destroyer squadron.

I got a short note from **John Drerup**; he and Jill have moved to Norfolk. John is on the staff at ComNavAirLant.

Just a few final notes from press releases that I received—**Gary Stark** recently returned from the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Storm while serving with HS-3 out of NAS Jacksonville. **Tom Zelibor** also recently returned from SWA; he was over there with VF-32 out of NAS Oceana. Congratulations to **John Kruse** who was presented the General Holland M. Smith award for Operational Competence. During Operation Desert Shield John helped to prepare his battalion for combat operations both in North Carolina before deployment and in Saudi Arabia. As Desert Storm began, his battalion was instrumental in providing artillery support vital to liberating Kuwait.

I hope to see many of you at the Reunion 25-27 October. I've spoken with Nancy and **Chuck Gorum**,



Calvin H. Cobb congratulates John Kruse on being named the winner of the 1991 Gen. Holland M. Smith Award



O'Hanlons, Kelley, more O'Hanlons, Ortloffs, and the Mareshs '74



Ric, Alexander, Kristina, and Lidija Ortloff

Mike Prendergast, Blaine Pearsall, and Don Bringle, and everything is falling into place for a great get together. The bookings at Loew's are filled, but you may still be able to arrange accommodations through the Historic Inns of Annapolis; call 1-800-847-8882 for information. You should have received a second flier with all of the details by the time this appears; if you haven't, contact me or give Nancy Gorum a call at the Alumni House, and we'll pass on the gouge. We have achieved our initial goal for the Class project; however, there are still some outstanding pledges—keep up the good work! We are still looking for volunteers or nominations to run for Class office—please specify which office. Let me hear from you. Joe.

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Shipmates, the first thing that I would like to start off with this month is a note of appreciation for my wife, Jane, who carried the banner of this column (by power of attorney) while I was deployed. She did a great job working with the various items of news that came in, which isn't as easy as one might expect if not stepped in Navy lingo. All this and great reading, too!

The summer months have traditionally been slow as far as news is concerned, so I end up making a bunch of stuff up which may or may not be of any value. Like the trip I just took to Ohio for the occasion of my wife's high school reunion. Well, as the Gods usually decree when you take a trip like this (600 miles in 10 hrs), the car decides to blow a radiator hose just past Fancy Gap, Virginia. Yes, I was one of those idiots that you see backing up on the freeway in order to take the missed off-ramp. But it was either that or go through the hassle of hiking to a phone and arranging for a tow truck, etc. . . . Anyway, there weren't any cars coming. As you might expect, Fancy Gap is not that big of a town. In fact, I didn't see much of the town other than a Citgo gas station that had a small garage nearby where the mechanic and I fashioned a temporary hose out of three different pieces. While we were working on this hose, the mechanic and I naturally started to shoot the breeze about nothing in particular. He mentioned that the town had had a great Fourth of July celebration the night before and that he had somewhat of a hangover. I commented how the family enjoyed the fireworks in Charleston and how great it was to be back home from the Gulf. This led us to the topic of Saddam Hussein, how everyone thinks he's a lunatic and other patriotic topics. By this time the car was ready to go. I packed up the wife, son and dog and then asked him how much for the fix. He says, "Five bucks for the hose, nothing for labor." I ask him if he is sure and he responds, "Yes, I'm sure . . . thanks for going over there and doing your part." That to me was worth three months in the Gulf.

I could go on with a couple other stories like when fourteen friends drive down from Norfolk and surprise me on the pier as the ship pulls in and say, "We're here for the weekend. Let's party!" or how we rent a MWR tent to go camping, it rains and naturally the tent has several holes in it . . . Enough! Maybe next month there will be mail!! Don't forget the new address.

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Take care, and until next month, happy trails, **Bill**.

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September is here, another Ac year begins for our Naval fledgelings, and we get closer to respectability. Well, at least the first two issues are not in question.

When we last left our good ship and crew I was just telling you about **Marty Drake**'s letter. Marty is enjoying life as the CO of the PEGASUS, ported down in Margaritaville (aka—Key West, Florida). As you'll

recall from Reef Points, that's one of those Naval vessels that has an identity crisis and can't quite seem to figure out if it is really a ship that tries to fly or is a seaplane that can't quite get out of ground affect. (I mean even Marty refers to a cruise someplace as a "flight"!)

Being CO isn't wholly fun as Marty was sweating out whether or not the ship was going to be nice and let them get through an inspection without any of her "ailments." While enroute through to Annapolis as the "Ship in the Yard" for June—I mean Commissioning Week—they encountered one of those "Can't see the hand in front of their face" thunder bumpers out of Charleston and broke the forward strut steering actuators. This meant for a 45 knot Mr. Toads Wild Ride at Disneyland. Marty said they should've sold tickets. The end result was only a little bent metal, fortunately no injuries, and a front row seat, tied up along the Sailing Center for the best view of the Blue Angels Show!! As bad as things get sometimes being CO is a kick in the pants and he has to keep pinching himself to make sure he's not dreaming!! His limp into Charleston did allow him some unexpected visitors—**Rusty Cone's** folks were in town riding their son-in-laws ship for a dependents cruise. They passed on that Rusty and his family are still doing well in Allen, Texas.

Prentiss Hall on the other hand may not be doing so well . . . In fact, his graying temples may get a little grayer as Mona is expecting their third child. Marty says he keeps trying to explain to him what the cause is, but says Prentiss was never really good at understanding complex problems. The Halls are hoping for a girl. For Mona's sake we hope she gets her wish as that'll even up the gender imbalance in the household. Mom needs an ally! By the way, they're now living in Florence, Kentucky. (Ahh Prentiss, you can run but you cannot hide! Vee have vays of findink you!)

This summer 78ers were reaching critical mass down in Key West when Marty, **Bill Landay** (CO, USS AQUILA) and **Chris Nichols** (CO, USS ARIES) were joined by some "Greyhounds of the Severn" led by **Dan Holloway** (OTC) and **Spence Witten** (AOTC). The dynamic duo were whipping the YP Armada into shape and looking good enroute to a Gulf of Mexico tour. Marty's time in Key West should be up in November. A relief has been named but he didn't know where he would next be assigned. Wherever he goes it'll definitely be less isolated (The nearest Mall is 162.7 miles away and the closest K-Mart is several keys up!!). But for a Boat Driver (in his case pseudo-airdale) it won't be as much fun, after all, a penance tour is probably in order. Anyway good luck "Poodle" . . .

I got a GREAT ship commissioning package, complete with bumper sticker, decals and "I Love My Boat" Commissioning Book from the USS SCOUT (MCM-8). The book was even autographed by the skipper—our own **Andy Karakos**. Andy and his new "baby" are homeported in Mayport, Florida. Of course he's enjoying this job MUCH more than he did his detailer tour in Washington (See the trend Marty?). He sums up the feeling of being a sub-deity like this . . . "Having people listen to your every word and being provided preferred parking spots at the base, exchange, O'Club, Commissary, etc. are great but you come back to earth everyday when you get home and see the wife and kids. That's right—you're just old dad!!" Reality . . . what a concept!

Speaking of CO's . . . It's getting that time of life when we're becoming CO's, XO's and Commanders. It's good seeing friends achieve such stature in life, but tell me we're not getting THAT old are we? Naaahh . . . they're just making CO's and XO's younger these days.

I got a postcard all the way from Okinawa from **Jock Maloney**. He's flying with HMH-772, still among the few reservist remaining on active duty. The note was in phonetic Japanese and I dare not re-



The Goree family



The Wadzita family

print it for fear it really says something about my parentage, height, or recounts a last liberty outing . . . I'll just interpret it as saying I'm doing great at this job; I'm the best Marine and sub-five and a half foot b-ball player he's ever known!! What was in English was a query on what was happening in the real world and a report of "Golf course every Sunday at one! Low score 52 for nine." Drop him a line if you get the chance via FPO San Francisco.

Michael Schumaker is halfway through his tour on the ENTERPRISE. He's the Reactor Controls Assistant and claims to be the only '78 grad on board. The Big "E" was beginning her Complex Overhaul & Refueling, and spent the war in dry dock and is currently sweating out the +90 degree Virginia summer without air conditioning. On June 25th Donna gave birth to their third child, Gregory Thomas. Mike's brief note said that **Sean Donovan** is a radiology resident. Sean came down from Bethesda to visit while his wife Jenny and two daughters were in Chicago. He also added a postscript that Shirley and **Joe Brittain** live in Yuma, Ariz. Joe's working as a GS-12 at the Marine corps Air Station in Yuma. Meanwhile, **Ernie Sanchez** is doing social work in San Diego.

Suzette and **Bill Timme** have settled in San Diego for his tour as XO of a LOS ANGELES class SSN, the USS CHICAGO. Meg and **Joe Leidig** are also in San Diego. Joe was the Squadron Engineer for Submarine Squadron Eleven but was enroute to his XO tour on the USS POGY. He'll still be homeported in San Diego. **Mel Williams** is assigned to the USS LOUISVILLE and will finish up his tour in December. Mel was one of our deep selected Cdrs. and either put on his Commander stripes in August or will this month. Bill attended Prospective Executive Officer (PXO) course from January-February 91. Other 78ers completing the course were **Eric Nelson** (XO of USS BREMERTON), **George Kourcheravy** (XO of USS PENNSYLVANIA), **Tony Quatroche** (XO of USS WHALLEE) and **Mark Nault** (XO of ???—his orders were changed several times during the course and we're not sure where he ended up!) [An aside on George—it appears I just missed seeing him while he was in Newport for the PXO course. But I did bump into his sister, Julia. You know me and name

tags. During one of my authorized happy hours (Elizabeth gives me my liberty card once in a while for good behavior, not to mention to get me out of the house!) I happened to notice the name tag of the Lounge Manager at the local Marriot. Anyway, I took a chance and asked her if she was any relation to the famous George the "K." After all, Kouchervy is about as common as Balderrama. Needless to say, just like last year's meeting with Linda Ives, another '78 sister is spotted and responds to my question of relation with an excited—"THAT'S MY BROTHER!!"]

Bill enclosed in his letter a copy of the 31st Company newsletter as an update. I'll try to keep it pretty much true to form as it appeared most the company wrote their own min-bio in response to a questionnaire from Bill. Missing respondents were **Vic Camargo**, **Steve Jacoby**, and **Pfunandre Redvict**. (You three are now on the milk carton until you fess up as to your whereabouts or somebody writes in about you.) Anyway, Bill's letter was pretty long but I'll try to get as much of it in as possible. I may have to resort to making it a "two-parter." Some of the news is quite dated but here goes—

Cindi and Rich Polek—Employed by Combustion Engineering as the Resident Site service Manager at Zion Nuclear Generating Station. I am the on site interface between CE and the power plant operator, Commonwealth Edison. I am still running distance and work out with Cindi, who is a physical therapist. No kids yet, maybe sometime soon though.

Patty and Charlie Pangburn—I left active duty in the Marine Corps in July 1990, one month after being promoted, finally, to Major. I'm still active in the Reserves as Commanding Officer of Communications Company, Headquarters Battalion, 4th Marine Division. I now work as an Environmental Lawyer in the Cincinnati office of Taft, Stettinius & Hollister which has 160 lawyers. We own a hillside home on the Kentucky side of the Ohio River. Reds and Bengals games are great! Goals are to make partner in the firm, complete at least twenty years in the reserves, and live life as a Kentucky gentleman with occasional trips to Hawaii. Kimberly (11) and Charles (4).

Mary Jo and Scott Pihlaja—I am employed by Honeywell as a Production Engineering Supervisor. I supervise work on developing processes to assemble and solder circuit card assemblies for cruise missile altimeters, flight controls (F-14, CH-47, H-46, C-5B, etc.) and targeting systems for the Apache helicopter. Winter was basketball for Beau and Stephen, piano for all the kids and Mary Jo is teaching childbirth classes. I am still working part time on my masters in theological studies at Bethel Seminary. Goals are to (1) teach at the undergraduate level and (2) see every one at a Class reunion! Beau (11), Stephen (8), and Mandy (7).

Becky and Dan Barnd—I am presently at the Marine Corps Logistics Base in Albany, Georgia. I am section head for Logistics Systems Development Section where I perform maintenance data analysis on all types of equipment and am heavily involved in new acquisition and establishment of reliability and maintainability parameters. Becky and I have been married for nine years in March. After five years in the Fleet Marine Force we decided to take a break and obtain a Masters in Management at Naval Post Graduate School, completed in 1989. My current assignment is a payback tour and I am learning about the big picture in logistics. So far the tour has been good and the area is conducive to a stable family oriented tour. Eventually I'd like to return to Camp Lejeune and obtain a command billet. Danielle (4) and Joseph (2).

Cindy and Jay Goree—"Ops Officer on the USS DETROIT (AOE 4). My son is walking and talking since I left home in July for Desert Shield/Storm. My AOE is staying very busy over here, Unreppung 300 times and off-loading 60 million gallons of fuel, 4000 tons of bombs to the carriers (AMERICA, JFK, and

SARATOGA. Cindy and I spent Christmas together in Haifa, Israel. She was able to leave Haifa just before commercial carriers quit flying out of Tel Aviv. My oldest (step) daughter is president of her Jr. High National Honor Society. Ashley is a cheerleader. My goals are to (1) CO/XO, (2) be home sometime to work on my backyard and (3) get grass to grow in my backyard!! Stephanie (13), Ashley (10) and Brennar (15 mos).

Annette and Bill Henderson—Currently in Kuwait City. I married Annette on St. Patrick's Day in 1984. Nearly lost her and son Patrick due to a horrible pregnancy. We hope to adopt someday. If I don't stay in the Corps, I hope to succeed in a job search!! Patrick (5).

Paula and Gerry Goodwin—I work for General Motors (B-O-C Division) maintaining industrial electrical equipment, including computer system controls and automatic guided vehicles. I have 14 years seniority and we just bought a house in December 1990. I'm working for my Business Management Degree at the Univ. of Michigan in Flint. Long term goals—Retirement!! Sherrise (20), Damian (18) and Ricky (13).

Jack Christensen—I'm the XO of USS ALEXANDRIA, a new construction 688 class submarine at Electric Boat in Groton, CT. The boat goes on sea trials on 16 April 91 and commissions 29 June 91. XO is the best job in the Navy. My long term goals is to be CNO.

Denise Knoebel and Mark Koepke—I am an Assistant Professor of Physics at West Virginia University. I received my PH.D in Physics at the University of Maryland in '84. Besides teaching, I'm the Principal Investigator for a research program in experimental plasma physics. I've moved away from fusion research and now work on the Earth's ionosphere and magnetosphere. Denise has been Director of Social Services at Preston Memorial Hospital since Oct 89. My goal is to continue developing the WVA plasma physics laboratory from scratch into an established research program with stable funding; also to (1) run faster than my kids when they are 20 years old, (2) to never see another "cannonball" as long as I live and (3) to convince my wife to let me paint her nude (I promised not to show anybody). Jason (12), Daniel (8), and the twins Matthew and Andrew (6).

Mary and Bill Burke—"I am the XO of USS CAVALLA (SSN 6884) stationed in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. I received my MBA from Marymount University while I was stationed in D.C. in '85. Jacqueline (8) and William (5)."

Vicky and Ron Brownley—"I am a pilot for American Airlines currently transitioning to Boeing 767's. My new route will be to South America and Europe out of Miami, but I will still live in Raleigh, N.C. I'm going to 767 school this summer for six weeks. Holly (8).

Janeen and George Wadzita—"I am XO of USS OHIO (SSBN 726)(GOLD) (second in command, all other duties are collateral!) I've been married to Janeen since October 1984. Member of Silverdale, Wash. Lutheran Church. My PRD is June 1993, may request War College before PCO training and CO tour. My goal is to command a nuclear submarine. I'll probably stay in until the Navy asks me to retire, then I will get my masters (if I don't have one by then) and live in Washington State (Silverdale area). Kerri (4), Brent (3) and Timothy (1).

Suzanne and Tom Algeo—I opened my own law practice in January and I've been very busy. I have a general practice, but my top two areas are personal injury and domestic relations. Sue is in a two physician rheumatology (arthritis) practice in Philadelphia. My long term goals are to hire lawyers to work for me as my practice grows so I can spend more time with my children and get a house in the country. I am still in the reserves and just finished two weeks in Sigonella, Sicily with the Sixth Fleet. Megan (4) and Jonathan (4 mos).

Betty and Gary Eisenmann—I completed masters in Operations Research at Naval Postgraduate School in 1984. Betty and I are now stationed in Japan at Yokota AFB responsible for all land-lease issues in Okinawa. I will negotiate and resolve all problems with land leases between US forces and the Japanese. Unfortunately, we lost a child when Betty was pregnant, but she is pregnant again and we're expecting at Christmas 1991. My long term goals are to stay in until I die, then look for another job. Karl (7), Brian (6), Alex (2) and ? in December.

That's about all the room I can spare for your volume Bill. Thanks loads for all the information. Remember sports fans to stay tuned to Part 2 of the Adventures of "Fun 31."

A couple of quick items before I put the last period to this months tome. Many of you have been inquiring about the GI Bill benefits and about filing for a claim. I am putting together a blurb on the how to's for you. I understand that '77 has already put something together so until I can get you the word next month, make sure you look at their column too! In the meantime, here's some poop on a different twist on the law, courtesy of our barrister-in-training, **Chris Jensen**:

Section 207 of Public Law 101-366 enabled us to receive VA benefits under the Vietnam Era GI Bill (Title 34), which expired 31 December 1989. [To be eligible to claim under our reinstated benefit you had to have already used benefits or completed additional education before 31 Dec 89.] Benefits for school attended after 31 December 89 came under the Montgomery GI Bill (Title 30) which replaced Title 34. Although there is a conversion provision in the new bill for Vietnam-era veterans, post 1976 Academy graduates are specifically excluded from converting. Only by removing the exclusion, or by changing the exclusionary date from 31 Dec 1976 to 31 December 1978, can our classmates with at least three years active duty service after 30 June 1985 (or two active and four reserve) get benefits under the new GI Bill. Anyone who fails to meet the active duty requirement is ineligible for conversion to Montgomery GI Bill Benefits in any event. This could be an avenue for many of us who fall into the category of not having acquired any additional education prior to '89 and who were release from active service before '85.; You may want to write your local representatives about this, as well as the members of the Veterans Affairs Committees (Senate and House), especially Mr. Sonny Montgomery, Chairman of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs. Though a staffer with whom Chris spoke was not especially encouraging, he wasn't discouraging either. Who knows? There may be a chance while we're all riding high on this post Southwest Asia veteran support wave! Chris even provided me a sample letter for you to use. Let me know if you want a copy.

One last note, football and tailgater season is upon us. Remember to look for that 78 Banner by the Elks Club corner of the Visitor parking side. Just follow the empty beer cans . . . I'm in the Chocks!

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Break out the bandaids this month kids because you're in for some pain. Yeah due to the recession, Mr. Mailbox has been empty, so you're gonna have to suffer through, you guessed it, my plethora of comedy. Ooh, kinda makes you want to start dialing 911, huh? Don't worry, I do take life seriously in a few areas; like when I'm watching a Dodger's game or flying at night. All those other times . . . life's just too darned short (and so is this column). With that in mind and the standard intro filler out of the way, let's

move along smartly.

Julie and Ed Francis just had a brand spankin' new bambino last June. his name is Andrew and Dad can't stop talking about him. No pictures yet, but Ed's gonna bring one in next drill weekend, right Dad? Congratulations to you two!

Prez and 36th Company rep, **Mike Finley** sent a company newsletter. Mari and **Emilio Abordo** plus the two kids are doing well in New Orleans. Emilio (and you other 36 guys) send the bio sheet back and Mike promises an additional valuable prize that the whole family will enjoy. Otherwise, you're stuck with stuff that I make up (Enter: scary music). **Dave Andrews** is working for Michelin in Albany, New York. Dave and Mrs. Dave have two young'ns: Sarah 5 and Paul 2. Dave has traveled a little for the company, having gone to Akron, Ohio and Nova Scotia, Canada. Julie and **Ken Barnes** live in Grangeville, Idaho. Their son Tyler Jordan is a year old. Kathy and **Mike Beauchamp** had number three last summer. Jordan joins his twin sisters in the never ending task of bugging mom and dad for that trip to Disney World. Mike started flying 727's last March and spent an all expenses paid vacation on Okinawa for two weeks, courtesy of our eccentric uncle back east. Renee and **Rich Bosco** recently moved into their new house in the Ghent area of Norfolk. Yeah, sure but is Ghent as exclusive as Quartz Hill, where my house is only three short miles from the new Mira Loma Federal Prison and Antelope Valley Dog Pound? I don't think so. Rich is the ship doctor for USS PONCE and will be going to a staff job soon. Renee just gave birth to Mary Elizabeth. Congrats, Mom and Dad. **Nevin Carr** is working in the five sided puzzle palace in the office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense. Nevin works in procurement in OSD/PA&E and is expected to head on to Norfolk in June '92 for an XO tour. The Carr's have three kids; Nevin III 7, Jim 5, and Adam 2. Michelle and **Jim Chimiak** and son Michael I are living in Panama City, Florida where Jim is inducing all kinds of torture upon himself and others. He's doing experiments that induce hypothermia on divers just to see what happens. Color me Doctor Kildare, but I think getting real cold may have been one reaction. Woolly and the gang will be going to Duke where Jim will do a residency in anesthesiology and practicing phrases like "DEEEEEEEEP BREATH." Jim, if any of this is experimental, successful results will be evident when patients appear to be driving to la-la land, acting like hunks of broccoli on a gurney or dancing in the dark to the radio of love. I checked my Time/Life books on Complete Home Medical Care (just love that handsome, combination phone/clock radio/microwave oven I received with my paid subscription) and those were terms used in the anesthesiology section. **Rich Fitzpatrick**, last seen at Nevin's Christmas party, is working on the Harpoon program. After a quick school in Newport, Rich will be the XO of COMTE de GRASSE. Mary Ann and **Paul Hatch** are brokers at Shearson, earning money the hard way. Lauren Elizabeth 2, is the light of their lives. Mike called Paul and Mary Ann "Robin Hoods in Reverse." So does that mean that brokers are also like used car dealers, lawyers, real estate agents and politicians? I'm confused. **Bill Resser** and wife Mrs. Resser live in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania where Mom volunteers at daughter Megan's school and also substitute teaches at other daughter Jenna's school. **Marty Sullivan** was in my neck of the woods at Edwards Air Force Base from '89 until last January (okay, I use "woods" as an exaggeration, but they do call those giant, arthritic looking plants, Joshua trees). Marty was at the Air Force's Test Pilot School and also won the Outstanding Pilot Award but then does that surprise you? I mean, come on, the Zoomies need land based runways or they can't play. Marty and family are now at Pax River. Congrats to ya Marty. **Eric Sweigard** was on USS THOMAS S. GATES during the Gulf War providing interdiction to