

Kent State, and the NAAA is expecting a large crowd if not a sell-out, so please **ORDER EARLY!**

Sign up for the reunion itself is through the USNAAA website. The Alumni Association is still in the process of updating their website, consequently on-line registration for the may be unavailable until the end of March. Info concerning the reunion is currently available at our class website, www.usna1977.org, and will continue to be updated.

In the meantime, hotel reservations can be made at the Marriott Waterfront (410-268-7555) or the Annapolis Sheraton (410-266-3131). Please ensure you mention you're with '77, or you may be told the hotels are booked. Our blocks of rooms are good thru 8/14/2007. After that date all unused rooms will mad available to the general public, so make your reservations now. The reunion costs are as follows:

Weekend Package Couple (Dinner Dance & Tailgate)—\$450.00

Weekend Package Single (Dinner Dance & Tailgate)—\$250.00

Tailgate ONLY Couple—\$250.00

Tailgate ONLY Single—\$175.00

Tailgate ONLY Child (12-18)
—\$65.00

Tailgate ONLY Child (6-12)—\$35.00

Tailgate ONLY Child (Under 6)
—Free

Yours truly is handling the golf registration and dinner separately. The final cost per person is not yet final, but interested parties should contact me via magoo1310@comcast.net. We're handling the golf event separately not to enable us to skim a certain amount of vig off the top to pay for our drug and gambling habits, but also, and perhaps more importantly, because we may be the only party capable of ensuring **Joe Camacho, Joe Christofferson, Tom Behrle, Mark Troiani, Denny Haines, Dan Beach, Dave Ziemba, Craig Turley** and **Terry Mahoney** actually observe the sacred rules of the game! And while we're on the subject of this rather salty group, here's what we've heard through the grapevine regarding the relative merits of their golf games:

-Ziemba's game, while still strong, suffers from occasional incidents of on-the-course incontinence.

-Turley's short game is past its prime....if it ever had one.

-Christofferson, while still a bigger-hitter than the Dalai Lama, has started to get the yips.

-Beach...what an appropriate name for someone who's logged more hours in the sand than Lawrence of Arabia

-Mahoney's drives are shorter than an Irishman's....well, you know.

-Camacho's short game couldn't be worse if he tried chipping with a wedge of lettuce

-Troiani, while still a gamer, doesn't have the back strength to carry the rest of this motley crew

-Haines has a decent game, but doesn't function well with distractions; which mean's Dave's bouts of on-the-course incontinence may well do him in.

-Behrle's only problem is he counts every stroke...and the total always seems to have three digits.

Still, if any one of these duffers has a pencil with an eraser, they're NEVER out of the prize money!

We recently heard from **Al Stuart** and **Mike Brock**. Seems the Stuarts and Brocks have been busily engaged in dueling marriage ceremonies. Mike and Linda, currently residing on Oak Hill, VA were able to attend the wedding of Al and Jeanine's daughter Allison to Paul Herbert near the Stuart's home in Lancaster, PA back in August 2005. Al and Jeanine were then able to repay the honor by traveling down to Virginia to attend Pam Brock's marriage to Joe Dooley this past November. The Stuart's oldest son Al wed Mary Weldon in Philly last October, and the Brock's became official empty-nesters in January '07 when their daughter Kim became Mrs. Joe Kantor. Anyone needing wedding tips, or wishing to just catch up with either Mike or Al, can drop either of them a line at lhbmf@cox.net or aestuart77@comcast.net.

Congratulations to both families!



Al & Jeanine Stuart, Allison (nee Stuart) & Paul Herbert, Linda & Michael Brock—August 2005



Michael & Linda Brock, Pam (nee Brock) & Joe Dooley, Jeanine & Al Stuart—November 2006

A final note regarding the passing of Herb Bracewell. By the time of this publication, Herb will have been laid to rest February 21st in Arlington National Cemetery, and his family requests that any memorial contributions be made to either the Union Baptist Cemetery Fund or the American Heart Association. Again, our thoughts and prayers are with Herb's wife Cheryle, his daughter Lexie and his mother Marie, as well as the rest of his extended family.

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Greetings, 79ers!

You know, I thought of opening the column with some sort of April Fool's joke. Maybe it would be that one of our astronaut classmates had become president of the Flat Earth Society. Or maybe that there was a rumor suggesting that we were NOT the last all-male class to graduate from Canoe U., that one of our classmates was actually a woman in disguise. Or maybe something even more outlandish—that congress was going to close down the Boat School to save money. In the end, though, I had to refrain. What if someone missed the joke? What if a whole email campaign erupted based on my intentional misinformation? What if—GASP—I was relieved of my position, and all future articles had to be written by **Fred Gerheiser**? I decided the risk was just too great. So, now that you're all relieved to hear that (especially Fred), let's get on with the show!

We begin the April reporting with an item that just missed last month's deadline. The Emory University Woodruff Health Sciences Center in Atlanta, GA recently issued a press release announcing that **Dr. Peter Johnstone MD** had been elected President of the Society for Integrative Oncology (SIO) at the Society's Third Annual International Conference. A Fellow