"Man the bars. . . heave 'round"

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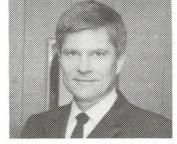
## "Here beneath the towering pines By the river blue . . ."



## To: All My Fellow Alumni and Friends of Farragut Topic: LINKUP 1991

As we near the end of our 1991 'LINKUP" campaign, I urge you to contribute NOW. I know your interest is sincere in supporting your Alma Mater; however, support means financial support as well. It is important to know what your donations achieve and

where the money is spent. Did you know that one out of every 3 cadets receives some sort of financial assistance? Are you aware that our modern computer lab is the result of the generosity of an Alumnus? There is not a building, a classroom or even the grounds themselves that have not been subsidized in some manner by your gifts... and they are truly appreciated.



To date, we have received \$175,344 for AFA North and \$23,604 for AFA South. These are substantial amounts, but well below our total of last year. **Now** is the time to make out that check and get your tax credit for this year before it is too late.

In a few weeks "LINKUP" will sponsor a phonathon for those who are not on the '91 list, a final push for this year's campaign. When your classmate, a cadet, a parent, or a member of the Academy calls, we trust you will respond positively.

A final statement on giving, today, by Roger Craver — "Alumni support is a financial way of showing love — the greatest motivation for giving".

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CAPT Robert W. Matthies, Jr. '67 Superinentdent

## OCC ALUMNI ASSOC. HONORS MATTHIES

Capt. Robert Matthies, Jr., Superintendent of Admiral Farragut Academy was among those honored for their service and contributions to the OCC Alumni Association and Ocean County College community.

Capt. Matthies received his bachelor's degree from Monmouth College in 1971 and served as president of Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity. He taught at Brick High School until 1979, when he was offered the Headmaster position at Admiral Farragut Academy. He was the first alumnus of the Academy to serve in that position.

Capt. Matthies is the past president of the Republican Organization of Seaside Park, the Seaside Park Board of Education, and the Ocean County Secondary Principals Association. He is a life member of the Tri-Boro First Aid Squad, and was named one of N.J.'s ten outstanding young citizens by the N.J. Jaycees.



CAPT Matthies with members of the OCC Alumni Assoc.

### **FARRAGUT ACADEMY GIFTED WITH \$100,000 DONATION**

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John J. Pomerantz '51, Chairman of the Board at the corporate headquarters of Leslie Fay Companies, N.Y. City, and a Farragut alumnus, presented a certificate for 5,100 shares of the Leslie Fay Company stock, currently valued at over \$100,000, to AFA Superintendent Captain Robert W. Matthies, Jr. and Director of Academy Advancement, Commander Michael A. Pitch.

Mr. Pomerantz has specifically requested his donation be used for programs to benefit the female cadets at Admiral Farragut Academy.

This fall, the female dormitory on campus was renamed Pomerantz Hall in ceremonies as part of the annual Homecoming. Mr. Pomerantz was invited as the honored guest to assist with the dedication.

"We are extremely grateful to John Pomerantz for his contribution to Admiral Farragut Academy," Capt. Matthies said. "He has consistently been a loyal supporter, and we thank him for this leadership gift to the annual fund."

In 1990, female applicants were admitted to the academy for the first time. Farragut officials have been pleased with their success and at the present time 11 female cadets are enrolled.

John Pomerantz graduated in 1951, and received Farragut's Distinguished Alumnus Award. He is currently serving as the 1991 Chairman of LINKUP, Farragut's annual fundraising campaign.

He has been Chairman of the Board of the Leslie Fay Companies since 1986. The Leslie Fay Companies, with women's wear sales of over \$680 million per year, include Albert Nipon, Head, Breckenridge sportswear and designs by Mary Ann Restivo.



Mr. and Mrs. John J. Pomerantz (right), New York, on steps of Pomerantz Hall at Admiral Farragut Academy, Pine Beach, with Captain Robert W. Matthies Jr. (left), school superintendent and Franklin H. Berry Jr., Toms River, chairman of the academy's board of trustees.

### DAVID YOHO '68 — CONVOCATION 1990

After an embarrassingly long introduction outlining my accomplishments at AFA and afterwards, I ask you all would you like to have someone say all those wonderful things about you someday?

There were three items left out of the intro and they were the worst 3 incidents which took place at AFA, and 3 of which I was not proud. But, I learned more from those 3 mistakes than all my accomplishments.

I wanted to become Battalion Commander. I had everything going for me as a Staff Ensign in my Junior year. They gave the position to my friend, Geoff Rabila, because Geoff was a better role model; I didn't always set a good example.

I learned that great leaders aren't always those with the most talent but are always positive examples of what they ask others to do. Following this lesson has earned me the right to be held up as a role model Today, I earn a living being a successful example for others.

The second incident seemed cataclysmic at the time. I was a first team All State Lineman for Stan Slaby. I became quite ill in August 1967 and, one day before football camp started, I learned I had mononucleosis, and would not play my senior year. This was devastating. I can plainly say even now, 23 years later, that except for my wife and children, playing football for Stan Slaby, Bob Hunt and Admiral Farragut this was next in importance. I allowed this to affect me negatively in many ways. After all, it wasn't my grades, my relationships, and my zest for life. I learned that life isn't fair and that bad things happen to everyone.

What counts is your attitude toward the negatives and how you choose to deal with them. Today, I earn a living solving other people's problems. But what's more important, I've realized happiness doensn't come to you, it's something you create everyday. And you never "get there", it's not a goal.

The third incident was my taking advantage, physically, of other cadets. I allowed my frustration from not playing football to manifest in pushing, shoving and confronting others. The Academy sent me a strong signal by taking away my command of the Second Company and reducing me to Battalion Adj. Without football, my goals revolved around the Second Company's winning the colors.

No Battalion Commander, no football, no Second Company Commander. I was not only frustrated, I had a relapse of mononucleosis and I felt humiliated. I learned that great leaders used things and loved people. Great leaders don't take advantage of others, physically, mentally or emotionally.

Those were the worst 3 incidents at Farragut but they became the best learning experiences of my life. I used those lessons to build a successful career and a happy life. I remind each of you that our value isn't measured by the sum total of our mistakes, but how we deal with them. I continue to make mistakes, so will you. I asked you to evaluate negative incidents and mistakes to determine how you would act next time. Perhaps my story will help.

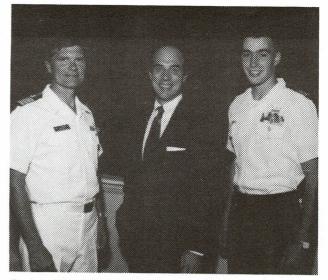
Remember! Great leaders are positive role models, they don't dwell on bad luck, they adapt. And great leaders trust and respect others at all times.

In closing, I say perhaps you won't make the same mistakes I did but remember; people who avoid mistakes rarely attempt anything worthwhile.

Please learn from my story. And someday, you'll stand right here or someplace like this and you'll tell your story. And you'll understand when I say "this moment is one of the highlights of my life."



LT(jg) Jomo Maple '91, CPO Christopher Thompson '91 and CPO Kurt Well '92 stand proud awaiting the awarding of rank.



Captain Robert W. Matthies, Jr., convocation speaker David Yoho '68, and newly appointed Battalion Commander Bradley D. Moses '91.



Captain Matthies congratulates Brian Fullerton '92 on his rank of Ensign, Band Company while David Yoho '68 and Colonle Harrington look on.



Battalion Commander Bradley D. Moses '91 shakes hands with Cadet Christopher Henderson '92.

#### **COMMENCEMENT 1991**

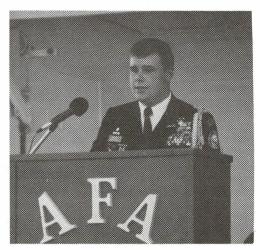
46 Cadets said good-bye to Farragut at the fifty-eighth annual Graduation ceremony, held on Saturday, 1 June 1991. Valedictorian Erich Latchford (left) and Salutatorian Sang Won Ha (right) each gave inspirational speeches to a saddened corps of classmates. All agreed that the Class of 1991 was definitely "A Cut Above the Rest".







Alumni Assoc. Board President, Bruce Kreeger '74 presents Edmund Bennett '51 South, Vice-President of Bennett Development in Lakewood, NJ with the Distinguished Alumnus Award (left). Directly following was the introduction of 1991 Class Trustee, Albert T. Balk of Forked River, NJ (right).





Headmaster COL Charles F. Harrington, Jr. (left), Superintendent CAPT Robert W. Matthies, Jr. '67 (right), and Commencement Speaker CAPT Elizabeth G. Wylie, USN, Dean of Academics, U.S. Naval War College (center).



At approximately 11:00 a.m., 46 teary eyed graduating Cadets sang the Alma Mater and gave a a last salute to the American Flag. Good luck and God Bless the Class of 1991.

### YOUNG WOMEN AT AFA: A NEW TRADITION BEGINS

"Last year they decided to open the doors to young women, and the school will never be the same."

Those are the words of Megan McClung 91', who will go down in the history of the Admiral Farragut Academy as the first female cadet ever to be enrolled and graduate from Farragut.

Megan, now 19 and a first-year student at the U.S. Naval Academy, came to AFA last September after graduating from high school in her home town of Mission Viejo, CA, for a year of preparation for Annapolis. She shared her thoughts with fellow students at AFA in a letter to *THE GALLEON* which was published last May.

"Girls," she wrote, "were a big change," but one she believes "the entire school handled very well."

"The one thing I would now like to thank you all for is that you gave us a fair shot . . . you gave us a fighting chance and that is all we asked for."

Megan was the first, but not the only, female to enroll at AFA last year. By the time school started there were two more: Erin Boyd, then 13, a day student from Lakewood, and Charisa Judkins, then 11, from Parsippany-Troy Hills.

Erin and Charisa are both back this fall, and AFA now has a second Judkins — Charisa's sister Janeane, age 10. Somebody must be saying some good things about Admiral Farragut Academy around Parsippany-Troy Hills.

In January, 1991, the school's first three girls were joined by three more: Jo Ann Houser, 16, of Lambertville; Michelle Taylor, 14, of West Cardiff; and Donna Tanis, 14, of West Paterson.

Jo Ann and Michelle are also back this fall. They have been joined by new girls. In addition to Janean Judkins, who has returned; they are Amy Carson, 17, of Flanders; Olivia Schmeltzer, 14, Philadelphia. Katherine Watson, 17, of Mt. Holly and Dawn Burton, 18, of Forked River, Theresa Rekus, 15, of Toms River and Melissa Rathgeher, 15, of Pt. Pleasant.

According to CDR Michael A. Pitch, Director of Academy Advancement, the aim is to enroll about 15 percent young women, and for this purpose the second floor of Pomerantz Hall is being remodeled to accommodate 30 cadets.

How did all this come to pass?

Pitch says: "In today's workforce, boys need to be able to compete with girls. We felt we would be remiss in not giving the boys exposure to girls."

A careful two-year study preceded an October, 1989, decision by the Board of Trustees to open AFA to young women. At the time, according to Pitch, some alumni were shocked. Now, however, most are accepting of the concept because, by providing equal opportunity, AFA — like all the service academies and many other military prep schools — has become truly a school of the 90's.

There seems little doubt that more young women will opt for AFA once the word gets around.

The young women here already chose to come for a variety of reasons. For Megan McClung '91, who wants to be a Navy pilot, it offered a chance to do some advanced high school work before entering Annapolis. She was assured of admission to the U.S. Naval Academy if she received all A's and B's here and did not violate the honor code. Erin Boyd says she wanted "a jump start" on a military career, and that her friends back home want to come "now that they know (there are so many) boys." Erin herself says she was frightened at first at being the only girl in her class, but it wasn't long before she began to enjoy the challenges at AFA.

"I'd like to show that boys and girls are equal and can do the same things."

Charisa Judkins saw coming to AFA as a chance to experience boarding school life and, at the same time, acquire a background that would be useful if she were to become a nurse some day.

In Megan's letter to *The Galleon*, she writes that the girls "had to get used to being a minority." She herself had to adjust to not having any girl her own age to talk to or study with.

"Judkins (age 11) is not really good at calculus," she noted.



Cadet Megan McClung, Cadet Erin Boyd, Cadet Charisa Judkins, LT Grace Williamson, Female Cadet Counselor.



AFA has their complete attention!

What do the boys think of all this?

Last year's Cadet Commander, Bradley D. Moses 91', said he heard no negative reactions, and that having girls will benefit the school by helping "to keep the guys in line." (Megan wrote that she saw this happening when boys would hold their tongues half way through some comments when they saw that a girl was present.)

Most of the boys, according to Moses, were excited when they first heard there would be girls at AFA. Although visiting one another's dorms is not allowed, there is no restriction on dating, and one AFA boy and girl attended last year's Winter Formal as a couple.

And so time — and with it, social change — has caught up with AFA. The young women have caused a few ripples, but the Academy though not the same, is still Farragut. Only, many believe, better!

#### SLABY'S RETIREMENT GIVES WAY TO NEW GOLF CLASSIC

After 39 years of distinguished service to Admiral Farragut Academy, Athletic Director Stanley "Coach" Slaby has retired, his ears ringing with the plaudits and good wishes of professional associates and generations of former cadets.

AFA's Alumni Association honored the Academy's beloved and respected sports leader at a banquet held June 20 at the Woodlake Country Club, Lakewood, following the inaugural Stan Slaby Golf and Tennis Classic.

The Classic, which was the fourth annual event of its kind for Admiral Farragut alumni, parents and friends, was renamed this year in recognition of the exemplary character and outstanding achievements of the greatly admired athletic director.

Slaby, now 67, spoke of those flocking into the Country Club last June as "the kids," while noting in semi-wonderment that some in the group were the same "youngsters" he had encountered at the Academy, and they had by now reached the surprisingly advanced age of 53. He is still in contact with many who left Farragut as long as 35 years ago.

"It's quite an experience," he said before the banquet, "watching so many grow up and become successful."

Whether they are 53 or 23, his former students can all look back upon significant relationships with "the coach".

Slaby, of course, is remembered as the man who led the Middies to three Prep School "A" football titles, as well as through an undefeated campaign in 1979. He is also fondly recalled for piloting AFA's basketball team to the Prep "A" title in 1975. But it was always apparent that Slaby saw "the kids" themselves — and not the games — as the most important part of his job.

"I hate to see him retire," said Kurt Peterson 80', AFA's new Athletic Director. "He's been such an influence on my life, and he's just a great guy to be around."

Stan Slaby began his career as a teacher and coach at his alma mater, Ware High School, in Ware, Massachusetts. He first came to Pine Beach in the summer of 1951, travelling down by bus in search of a job as summer swimming instructor. Fortunately for the subsequent course of events at AFA, a coaching position was also available, and so he stayed, to become a greatly revered figure in the lives of thousands of the Academy's students.

Although his days as AFA Athletic Director are now over, Slaby continues, characteristically, to be busy and to be involved with young people. He is now employed with Operation GOOD, an anti-drug-abuse program of the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office, and also serves as a boxing inspector for the New Jersey Boxing Commission.

The boxing job has taken him to major fights in Atlantic City, including some of Mike Tyson's bouts. He also worked some of the fights on the undercard at the Evander-Holyfield-George Foreman bout last March. But Operation GOOD (Greater Ocean Opposes Drugs) is what puts him right back where he belongs —up to his neck, all over again, in sports, coaches and kids.

His job is to contact the athletic directors, coaches and team captains at high schools throughout the county and ask their assistance in spreading the bad word about drugs — a task for which his area-wide reputation clearly has made him ideal.

"A coach is a very, very important part of the life of a young athlete," says Slaby. "A kid will go to his coach before he goes anywhere else if he has a problem."

This fall, Slaby will be using some unaccustomed free time to see some college football games.

"I want to see some of the boys I coached in the All-State game in 1989," he explains.

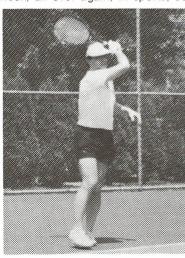
It's a safe bet they'll want to see him too!



CDR Michael Pitch (center) with (left to right) Jarod Varra '89, Edward DeSeta '67, Chris Roden '81, and John Wnek '83, strike a pose.



Left to right: Phil Carrozza '80, Coach Slaby and Kurt Peterson '80, Athletic Director of AFA, enjoying the day.



David A. Yoho '68, returning his famous backhand.



Carol Lubeck, Alumni Parent, preparing to sink that putt.



Barbara McNultry, Chairman of the Alumni Parents Committee; Barbara Millington, Alumni House Office Manager; CDR Michael Pitch, Alumni Secretary; Jere Schelberg, wife of Dick '45, and Brenda Sharo, Alumni House Secretary, enjoy registering the players.

## 5th ANNUAL CRAIG C. PIATT '87 MEMORIAL

NORTH VS SOUTH BASKETBALL GAME 2 FEBRUARY 1991

The fifth annual Craig C. Piatt Memorial North vs. South Basketball weekend was a great success with a large turnout of alumni from both campuses. The main event was a match-up between AFA South and AFA North on the Moyer Gymnasium floor in St. Petersburg, FL.

AFA South was victorious for a second year in a row, winning by 22 points.

After the AFA game, both teams met in the Parrott library for a cheese and punch reception where the Sword of Admiral Farragut was officially passed to the winning team. It was here that the Tom Tyler '65 MVP Memorial Award was also given to the one player of the Northern Campus ,Erich Latchford, and two players, Dan Habibe and Chad Schwarm of the southern team.

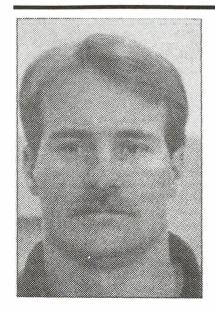
The events concluded with an alumni dinner at the Treasure Island Tennis and Yacht Club, where the directors of alumni from both the northern and southren campuses spoke.

"We are all pleased with the turnout of our 5th annual North vs. South weekend. It was great fun for all." CDR Mike Pitch said. Parents, and alumni for both campuses in attendence were cheering the Farragut Cadets on to victory. The familiy of Farragut is a pleasure to behold, because in this competition, AFA always comes out a winner.

## REMEMBER FARRAGUT IN YOUR WILL!







## KURT PETERSON '80 TAKES OVER AS AFA ATHLETIC DIRECTOR AND COACH

For Kurt Peterson 80' it was coming home to a dream of the last five years. For AFA it was the passing of the torch from the old to the new! Kurt Peterson'80, replaced Stan Slaby in the AD's chair and takes over the football program at AFA.

"To come back to the school that I attended is quite an honor," said Peterson, who graduated from the University of Maine in 1985. "The athletic director's job is something I wanted all my life. It was a real honor for Coach Slaby to call me up and recommend me to fill his shoes. I don't think I can replace the man . . . I don't think anyone can, but I'll try my hardest. He's been a great influence in my life."

One of Kurt's main goals with the Middies' athletic programs is to properly shape the youngsters' attitudes and to try to build a good work ethic in all the students. "That may be one of the weaknesses that we have in the program; however, our strengths are that we have kids who want to excel." Kurt is looking forward to adding more prep schools to play against, in addition to the same prep schools AFA has been playing over the years.

Another aspect of the Farragut programs that Kurt is looking forward to will be to develop the girls' athletic programs. In the summer months, Kurt has coordinated and supervised the various sports camps which utilize Farragut's fine facilities. This past summer he introduced many potential candidates to Farragut during the summer programs.

## A Note From The Editor-9n-Chief

#### Trident Yearbooks...

are the history of Cadet Life at Farragut. If you are interested in purchasing a copy of the 1992 TRIDENT yearbook, you can reserve your copy by calling the Alumni Office at 908-349-0957. Please send in your check in the amount of \$55.00 and make it payable to the "TRIDENT."

The AFA archives are in need of older TRIDENT yearbooks, particularly the years 1934-1940. If you would like to donate your yearbook, please send it to us today. All mail should be addressed to AFA Alumni House, 601 Riverside Drive, Pine Beach, NJ 08741-1299. Thank you for assisting your Alma Mater.

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## "PARENTS WEEKEND '90" A NEW EVENT COMES TO AFA

The Parents Association of AFA sponsored its first live and Chinese auction October 1990. What excitement! Jack Wootton '52, the professional auctioneer, brought in more than \$19,000 in bids on a variety of items. An impressive handcrafted model of the sail sloop, 'Sovereign of the Seas,' which took Ed Riche '41, some 2,400 hours to make, was included in the auction, which was sold for \$1,000.

Along with the auction items was a 14-month-old standardbred horse donated by Royale Casino Farms, Mays Landing. Christina Wnek, wife of the President of the Parents Association, Paul Wnek, always wanted a horse and she's now the proud owner of a black pacer, thanks to the successful bid of her husband.

Money raised from the auction was earmarked for the following objectives for 1990-91:

- 1. Computer Room Maintenance
- 2. Rifle Range Equipment —

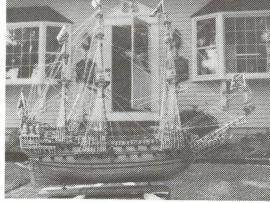
10 Jackets at \$275 = \$2,750

Equipment and Ventilation System

- 3. Athletic Facility Support Program
- 4. Academy Cadet Activity Program Game Room, Cotillion Cub, Bus Trip expenses Middle School Program
- 5. Music Program Support
- 6. Science Laboratory Equipment

The second fundraiser called 50/50 Cash Raffle, held in Spring '91 raised money for financial assistance to present cadets, enabling several families to continue their sons/daughters education at Farragut.

The success of the auction has resulted in the parent's approval for another exciting auction scheduled for October 1991.



This model of Sovereign of the Seas was hand-made by Ed Riche '41 of Toms River for the Admiral's Auction.

Christina Wnek, wife of Parents Association President Paul Wnek was delighted when her husband was the successful bidder for this 14-month-old standardbred donated by Royal Casino Farms of Mays Landing.



## Alumni In Review A

#### CLASS OF '34



**Robert Osborne** has always enjoyed "being where everything happens."

Osborne's boredom at home turned out to be a boon for the United Way of Ocean County, where he's been a volunteer for almost two years.

Osborne works for the non-profit agency 40 hours a week and considers himself a "regular employee," except for one thing — he doesn't get paid.

"I wanted to give a little back to the community," Osborne said of his desire to volunteer.

"When I volunteered I said I'd do anything but solicit. Now I'm doing everything 'but,' " he said.

"I guess you could say I'm Executive Director of Doing Things," Osborne added.

Good job, Bob. Keep up the hard work!

#### CLASS OF '37

We heard recently that **Bud Ifill'** stopped by the Alumni Office in St. Petersburg, FL to share his Trident yearbook with **LCDR Roy Wheeler**, Alumni Secretary. Bud enjoyed the red carpet treatment he received and sends his regards to all of us in Pine Beach. Bud resides at 2324 Cass St., Sarasota, FL 34231 and is enjoying his retirement.

Thanks, Roy, for the information.

#### CLASS OF '40

During the Homecoming '90 reunion weekend, CDR Thomas A. Bush, Jr. USN (RET.) toured the Farragut Museum and suddenly remembered a few plagues he had been awarded while in the Navy. CDR Bush then decided to donate them to the Farragut Museum so that they may be enjoyed by everyone who passes through it. The first two are different ones of the USS Epperson, which he commanded from 1961 to 1964. He also sent his commission pennant which is traditionally presented to the departing Commanding Officer when he is relieved. The third plaque was that of OP-06C, the War Gaming activity of the Chief of Naval Operations. At the time, he was Officer-inCharge of an OPNAV field activity called the Strategic Analysis support Group.

CDR Bush told us that both he and his wife Mary enjoyed the Homecoming reunion immensely as they were able to get their group together and recall old times and experiences.

Thanks, Tom for your fine donation, we will be proud to display your plaques in our Museum.

#### CLASS OF '42

Bill Daugherty of 331 Green Manor Court, Sun City Center, FL 33571, visited Farragut South in St. Petersburg last month. He is interested in organizing a Florida Golf Classic for all interested Alumni North and South. He is discussing the details with CAPT Dick Wheeler, Superintendent of the Southern Campus. Bill feels April would be a great month. The fees and prices in the Tampa-Naples area are low and he is interested in setting up a two or three day tournament. Anyone interested can contact Bill directly at home 813-634-4794.



Frank P. Wendy '42 is preparing to display AFA decal on his car.

#### CLASS OF '43

Frank P. Wendt '42, let us know he had lunch with **John Turnier '43** — their first "reunion in 50 years!" John played a mean trumpet in the band during their days as cadets, so they had much to hash over.

Thanks, Frank, for keeping us updated.

#### CLASS OF '44

Capt. William D. Harkens, P.E., USN (Ret.) '44 has been working for Syscon Corporation since 1975. He has over thirty-five years of diversified experience in production/project management, research and development, and contract administration. Upon graduating from

AFA in 1944, William went on to the U.S. Naval Academy and got a Bachelor of Science degree in 1947.

Hope to see you soon, William, and keep up the good work!

#### CLASS OF '45



Bill Balaban '45 sends his greetings.



**Dick Schelberg** with wife Jere and their new grandchild. Dick and Jere toured the country in their new motor home.

#### CLASS OF '46

We heard recently from Jerry Benstock that while he was passing through St. Petersburg, FL on a business trip, he misplaced his wallet. It seems that Dr. John Ross, a teacher at Farragut South, found it and returned it to Mrs. Benstock. Jerry called Dr. Ross to thank him personally and was so pleased that a member of the Farragut Family found it. (Jerry said it was a tribute to Farragut.) The wallet contained a lot of cash and credit cards.

We are so very proud of our Farragut Family. Well done, Dr. Ross!

Just heard recently from John A. Nellis and he has informed us that he is starting his last year of teaching A.P.U.S. and P.P. European this year. His wife Barb, a high school librarian, will also retire in June 1991. Their three youngsters are living and working in Cincinnati and their five grandchildren and two "granddogs" are the delight of their lives. John and Barb enjoy sailing and they have a boat on Seneca Lake in NY. John stated that sailing in the Mediterranean and Carib-

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bean Seas was successful thanks to his Farragut training. Their three children enjoy telling their friends about John "getting in irons and hitting the sub chaser at AFA".

#### CLASS OF '49

Nick Cusano, class trustee, has informed our office that he has written, (more than once), and placed many phone calls to everyone in his class regarding the Class of'49 Bob Cameron Memorial Fund and to date, (2 years later), the class has reach \$10,000 toward an endowment for a \$1,000 per year scholarship, preferably a female cadet. Hopefully, they will build on this and be able to do better. If any other classes are interested in the way this class accomplished this, please call Nick at home at 215-793-3199: he'll be pleased to discuss it with you. It's not easy, but determination does win out particularly when you all work together.

Well done, Nick, from everyone at AFA and the Class of '49.

We heard recently from Larry Johnson of Tempe, Arizona, that his most recent vacation was great! The weather was excellent, his contacts were in place, and he moved around more than he thought possible — a rough sketch follows: East Coast — Connecticut to Maine, touring sailing, fishing, whale watching, etc. In addition, Larry traveled through Spain, Canary Islands and London, Scotland and on to Amsterdam, Germany and Austria and finally down to Santa Barbara, California and home to Arizona.



Larry Johnson welcomes class mate Ted Bigelow and wife Ann (Ann took the picture), during a recent visit to Larry's place in Tempe, Arizona. They hope to go to the Air races in the fall together.

#### CLASS OF '57

John Klopstock, vice president of refining and marketing at Cibro Petroleum, Albany, NY, announced that a \$20 million loan from the State Job Development Authority was the key needed to add 119 new employees to the 100-person complement at the plant.

We are proud of these accomplishments, John, keep us posted on this project.

#### CLASS OF '59



CDR John Gardella '41 of the Development office, thanking Herbert Hoffman and wife, Rosemarie, for their donation to AFA by remembering Farragut in their will.

#### **CLASS OF '60**

We received word from **John Nelson** that he has relocated to 221 S. Oak Knoll Ave., Pasadena, CA 91101-4307.

Thanks for keeping us informed, John, you set a good example. Hope to see you soon!

#### CLASS OF '62

Just received a nice letter from **Erling D. Benson** who is presently a Regional Vice-President with Health Care and Retirement Corp of America, the 6th largest provider of long term health care facilities in the nation. He has enjoyed the last Capstan and enjoys hearing about accomplishments of its alumni. Erling is making every effort to be back at Farragut for his 30th reunion in 1992. He wants his classmates to start planning now, so it will be one of the best ever.

How about the rest of you guys getting started now!

#### **CLASS OF '63**

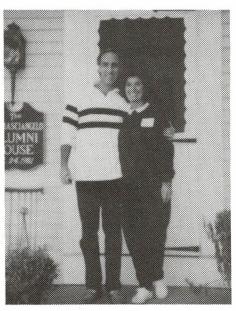
We recently heard from **Dennis Hillman** who tells us he has moved, again! After spending the past year in New London, CT, he has made his nest at Box 1103 in Glen Burnie, MD 21060-1103. Dennis has been very busy in the Coast Guard as chief electrician mate. He has been on four ships during his twelve years of sea duty, and excitedly, Dennis informs us that he has only three years before retirement. He plans on settling down in Rockland, Maine.

Thanks for the info, Dennis. Good luck in your new home!

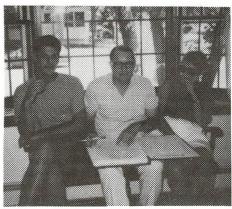
#### CLASS OF '64

CAPT Fred Leeder, USN sent word to us that the article concerning our visit from General Gray which appeared in the October 8 edition of The Star-Ledger, and is included in this issue of the Capstan, made it into the "Early Bird" newspaper. This paper, we understand, is distributed throughout the Defense Department everyday. Also, Fred informed us that he was recently named Deputy Chief of Information for the NAvy Department and will be moving back to Washington next summer.

Thanks for keeping us informed, Fred.



Paul Black and wife Carla stopped by the Alumni House to visit the campus. Paul is Vice President of the Appraisal and Real Estate Economics Associates, Inc. in Miama, FL. They enjoyed their visit including dinner in the Mess Hall with the



Steve Cibley (cousin), Alumnus **Bob Joslin '64** and Judy Cibley on visit to Farragut this past summer.

## Alumni In Review A

#### CLASS OF '65

Jospeh V. (Jay) Ferry, Jr. has been included in the twenty-second edition 1991-1992 of Who's Who in the South and Southwest.

Congratulations, Jay.

#### CLASS OF '67

Cradall Dimock was selected for a prestigious Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching. As a recipient of the award from South Kingston High School in Wakefield, Rhode Island, he was honored at a White House ceremony in Washington, DC. He received a signed Presidential Citation, attended a Capital Hill briefing, and other receptions. Crandall resides in West Kingston, Rhode Island.

Excellent job, Crandall! The Academy is quite proud of your recognition in the field of Science. Keep up the good work!

We heard recently from Larry Kennedy who was involved in the Desert Storm operation serving with the unit assigned to supporting the forward air support station, which moved people, cargo and mail to the front lines.

Glad you are home safe and sound. We congratulate you and the men and women who served our country well.

Stephone J. Jelinek, after being recalled to active naval duty in January '88 for duty in Brazil . . . 1 year at the Brazilian Naval War College and nearly 2 years as a Professional Exchange Program officer working with the Brazilian Navy, decided to remain and was fortunate to be selected as the Director for international Trade for the State of Florida's new representational office in San Paulo, Brazil. Steve also informs us that he and Ron Bramson '68 are still very good friends.

#### CLASS OF '68

Just received a nice donation from Frank O'Barski to establish the George and Ellen O'Barski Scholarship Fund. This is a wonderful fund for a cadet in need. Thank you for this most needed scholarship.

Frank is presently residing at 458 28th Ave., San Francisio, CA 94121. He has informed us that since receiving the title of class pessimist, he has mellowed somewhat, retaining a few of those pessimistic traits. After 10 years as a newspaper reporter and editor in Florida, he has just completed his Juris Doctor at the University of San Francisco.

We wish you good luck as you move forward in your career and look forward to an expanded relationship as Farragut moves into the 90's. Keep in touch!



The happy group from AFA are (left to right) Ron Rose '68, David, Coach Stan Slaby, Capt Robert Matthies '67 and Gary Amstardam '68, at a surprise birthday brunch honoring Dave Yoho '68.

Congratulations, David.



Howard B. Reich, Esq. sent us a Christmas greeting and informed us that he and wife Kathy (center) were wed on 14 October 1990. Also attending the wedding was Robert Helfand '68 and his wife Rhonda.

Thanks for the info and picture, Howard, and good luck.

#### CLASS OF '73



Better known to the class of 73 as "Barbell Bob". Robert Nani has filled his high school ambition to be a physical education instructor and coach by becoming head football coach at Toms River North 2 years ago. Upon

graduating from Bethany College, Bob returned in 1978 as a Graduate Assistant to coach football. In 1979 he started his teaching career at High School North and the rest is history.

#### CLASS OF '77



LT Jeffrey Charron was pleasantly surprised while on visit aboard the USS Aubrey Fitch (FFG-34) in Rhode Island in August, he met another Farragut Alumnus, LCDR Roy Wheeler '76S, Alumni Secretary in St. Petersburg, FL. The picture was taken in the Fitch's Wardroom. It's great to hear he is doing well and he sends his best wishes to everyone at AFA and to his classmates. Jeff is a Department Head at Combat Systems in Swascorcom, Newport, Rhode Island.

Keep in touch, Jeff. Special thanks to Roy for sending the picture up North.



Mark McGrath '77 has informed our office that he is presently working for United Engineering and Constructors and is a special project manager at Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal System on Johnston Island (1000 miles SW of Hawaii). He is working on the destruction of America's aging chemical weapons stock piles.

After graduating from AFA, Mark enlisted in the Navy's Nuclear Power Program. He served on two sumbarines as a nuclear plant operator and then spent 4 years teaching electronics and attending the University of Hawaii. After receiving his MBA last April, Mark went to work for UE&C. Mark would like to hear from his classmates from Farragut and get the guys back to AFA Homecoming. His new home address is 15511 Wild Ridge, Markerheights, TX 76543. Phone number is 817-698-4521.

## Alumni In Review A

**Timothy Shannon Harlan** is a 1991 graduate of the Emory University School of Medicine with a degree of Doctorate of Medicine.

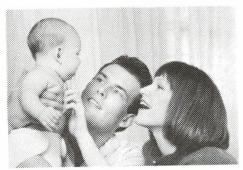
Dr. Harlan, please keep us informed of your whereabouts.

#### CLASS OF '78

Special congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Michael Sans on their recent marriage in Seattle, WA. Best of luck, Stephen and Carla.

#### CLASS OF '79

Ron Rubin is currently living in Los Angeles, CA. Ron received his MBA from the University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business in '85 and his JD from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in May '91. He is currently employed as Deputy District Attorney in the LA District Attorney's office.



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ross Aue and son Mark Ross Aue, Jr., born Sept. 20, 1990, celebrating his first birthday. Congratulations baby Mark.

#### CLASS OF '80

Congratulations and best wishes to **Kurt Peterson** and his wife Kimberly on the birth of a baby boy, Kurt, Jr. Kurt is currently the Athletic Director at AFA.

#### CLASS OF '81

We recently received word that **Eric Willner** was wed to Shaldonna Dancer of New Egypt in December '90. Eric, who is a comptroller for a regional construction firm, is now pursuing his Master of Business Administration degree at Florida Atlantic University. Shaldonna is the daughter of Harness Racing Hall of Famer Stanley Dancer and a graduate of Zion Lutheran Academy in Deerfield, FL.

Congratulations Eric and good luck! Hope to see you and your new wife soon.

#### CLASS OF '83

Congratulations to **John Wnek** for the successful year he has recently concluded as Assistant Football and Baseball Coach for AFA. John has recently been hired to teach at Farragut starting this year. Good luck, John!

#### CLASS OF '87

Midshipman Brian E. Crane of the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD 21412 wrote to us recently and informed us that the Academy keeps him very busy. He has a 3.17 grade point average and is looking forward to visiting us soon. Keep up the good work, Brian.

Barry Dorsey came with his younger brother Brandon, to visit their youngest brother, Brian who is a Junior at AFA. Brian is now attending the Citadel and is looking forward to graduating and beginning his military career. Keep us up-to-date on what's going on, Barry.

#### CLASS OF '88



We were recently visited by Quarter Master 3 NOBERTO JIMENEZ, JR. He informed us that he and his wife Elaine, have a 9 month old daughter, Crista, and have moved to BEQ Bldg. 2300, P.O. Box 275, Silverdale, WA 98315. Many thanks for the update!

Sal Abbracciamento stopped by the Alumni House with his friend Lisa Merceron to give us his new address: 1 Fulton Walk, Breezy Point, NY 11696. Sal has informed us that **Tim Hyland** is now in the Marine Reserves after being in boot camp at Parris Island. Glad to see you, Sal and keep up the good work as class trustee.

#### CLASS OF '89

The Alumni Office has recently heard from class trustee Al Nicolosi, III regarding Craig Paisley who graduated AFA summer of '89. Craig is now attending Temple University and is presently Al's roomate. Well done, Al, and many thanks for the LINKUP '90 donation to the Farragut Fund. It's great to see you leading the way for the class of 1989.

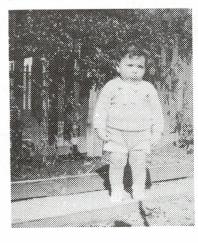
#### **CLASS OF '90**

We have heard recently from Jan and Ed Leaton that **Richard Leaton** is doing well at Worchester Polytech and enjoying college life. His Navy ROTC unit at the college of Holy Cross is an outstanding one and highly recognized. Richard is a member of the varsity drill team and we wish him continued good fortune throughout the coming year. Keep in touch with your Alma Mater Richard, we expect big things for you.



Anthony Joseph J. Uzzolino was awarded his diploma in August 1990 from Headmaster COL Charles Harrington Jr. USAF (Ret.) after fulfilling his credits for an AFA diploma. Welcome to the ranks of Alumni.

#### NAME THAT BABY?



### EDMUND BENNETT, JR. '51 RECEIVES ANNUAL CITIZEN AWARD

Edmund Bennett, Jr. Vice President of Bennett Development Corp., received the 16th Annual Distinguished Citizen Award from the Boy Scouts of America, Ocean County Chapter.



CDR Michael A Pitch, Director of Adademy Advancement, congratulates Ed Bennett, Jr. on his appointment during the installation ceremonies in Toms River, NJ. Mike is Farragut's representative to the Ocean County Council and was instrumental in establishing the AFA Explorers Post #348 and the AFA Boy Scout Troop #348 on the Pine Beach Campus. Both organizations meet regularly.

## AFA HONORED BY VISIT FROM GENERAL GRAY

A highlight of last year's Fall Parents Weekend was the visit to Admiral Farragut Academy by General Alfred M. Gray, Jr., Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps. While at the Academy, Gen. Gray reviewed AFA's Annual Retreat Parade and also addressed the cadets, their parents and friends.

Gray called the cadets "young leaders in the process of acquiring education, training, instincts and experiences that will stand them in good stead in the coming years."



Gen. Alfred M. Gray, USMC, and Brian Fullerton, 1991-92 Cadet Battalion Commander.

## FAX MACHINE DONATED TO ALUMNI OFFICE

Joel H. Jacobs '49 read in a column in the Capstan that the Alumni Office had a FAX machine on its Wish List. He granted the wish by donating a new Cannon FAXPHONE which has a suggested list price of \$1195.

Along with his generous donation, Joel sent us a letter informing us of his return to motor racing. In the late 50s to mid-60s he was seriously involved in national and international sports car racing. Among others, he was a member of the winning team at the Nassau Trophy Races in 1961

About four years ago he started driving again as a hobby. Joel finished second in the Sports Car Club of America's South Atlantic road Racing Championships in Class "A" Sports Racing in 1989 and 1990. He has been a member of the SCCA since 1957 and is planning to travel with his wife throughout the Mid-West racing on tracks that he ran on years ago and some of the new ones that are now in operation.

Joel's son, Peter, is the owner and manager of Baci Motorsports, a CART team running in the Indy Lights series. Some of his drivers have been Jeff Andretti, Hunter Jones and E. J. Lenzi. He formerly worked for Barry Green who is now Little Al Unser's crew chief at Gracco — Galles Racing. Peter and his wife Susan have one daughter, Courtney, Joel's only grandchild.

Thanks, Joel, for the FAX and also for keeping us up-to-date on what's happening in your life.



Joel Jacobs, Road Atlanta, September 1989.

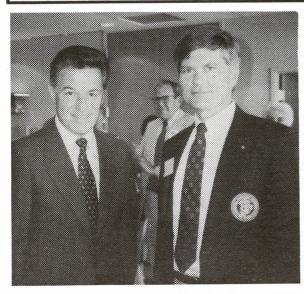


Joel Jacobs '49 and granddaugher Courtney at Milwaukee Indy Race a few years ago

### ALUMNI REUNION IN SANTO DOMINGO 10 AUGUST 1991



Pictured with CAPT Matthies, at the reception, hosted by Julio Vidal '81 are: (left to right, top): Bernardo Fernandez '81, Armando Reyes '84, Rafael Vidal '85, Juan Gasso '84, Virgilio Vidal '87. Left to right, bottom: Miguel Payano '84, Robert Matthies ,67, Julio Vidal '81. Not pictured but attending were: Carlos Perez '81 and Laurentino Genao '91.



CAPT Robert Matthies discusses the advantages of AFA's location in Ocean County as a prestigous college prep school, with Governor Florio at a Monmouth Ocean Developmental Council luncheon recently.



Captain Paul C. Crosley USN (Ret) with Captain Frederick N. Klein USN (Ret) at the Patrick AFB Club, 1 February 1991. Paul was Director of Naval Science at AFA from June '56 to September '66 when he was relieved by Captain Klein.

## 9 FEBRUARY 1991



Back: Thomas Miller '48, William Gabrielsen '55, Coach Stan Slaby, Kenneth Woltz '61. Front: David Cook '59, William Olinger '65.



William Gabrielsen '55, wife and Coach Slaby.



David Cook 59 and Dr. Rocco Tutela '60.

## ACADEMY PRESENTS MacARTHUR AWARD

Admiral Farragut Academy is proud to announce that The Douglas MacArthur Award was presented to SEAMAN MICHAEL DAVIS LINTON by Col Donald Irving Bernsteain, USA of the Military Academy. Linton has been active in Varsity Sailing 2, 3, 4 (Capt.); Secretary of Cadet Council 3; Inter Company Soccer 2; Cotillion Club 2; recipient of Coast Guard Award; Weldon Room Committee 4; M.V.P. Sailing 2; Foreign Language Club 2; Explorer Club 2; DCM 300 Marksman Sharpshooter; Mini Bootcamp.

As a recipient of this most-prestigious award, Seaman Linton received an engraved full scale replica of the medal struck by Congress in 1962 honoring General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, a MacArthur cadet uniform emblem, a U.S. Savings Bond, and "Reminiscences" by Douglas Mac Arthur.

The Douglas MacArthur Award is given to an outstanding cadet of the Association of Military Colleges and Schools. The criterion for the award is the most soldierly performance by a senior class cadet, including academics, athletics, and leadership in accordance with detailed standards developed by each institution.



COL Donald Irving Bemsteain presenting Mac-Arthur Award to Seaman Michael Davis Linton '91.

## FARRAGUT CADETS PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



The AFA Explorer Post 348 and the AFA Boy Scout Troop 348 have joined together with the Pine Beach Amvets Auxiliary No. 89 and Ciba Geigy of Toms River for two community projects.



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### 1991

#### Saturday, November 9, 2 p.m. Varsity Football (H) St. James Annual AFA Athletic Hall of Fame

Annual AFA Athletic Hall of Fan Induction Ceremonies

Friday, November 22, 7:30 p.m. Alumni/Cadet Basketball Game

Friday, December 13, 7:30 p.m.
Christmas Tree Lighting
Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 14, 8 p.m.
Parents & Alumni Parents
Christmas Ball

#### 1992

#### Saturday, February 1, 1 p.m. Craig C. Piatt '87 Memorial

North vs South Basketball Game
St. Petersburg, Florida
Plan to be with us at the
Southern Campus

### Thursday, February 13, 11 a.m. George Theobald Golf Classic &

Alumni Reunion

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