



L-R Geoff Cant, Bill Jenkins '70, Tom Moore '54

Geoff had separately sent a note recommending *Unknown Waters*, a new book by retired CAPT **Alfred McLaren '55** about QUEENFISH'S 1970 exploration of the Siberian Continental Shelf. Geoff described it as a fascinating read, and the author regularly expresses the highest praise for his navigator, **Toby Warson (16)**.

With another recommendation, **Walt Wynn (11)** touts cruising the Columbia and Snake Rivers. Starting in Portland, OR COLUMBIA QUEEN made a seven day passage up rivers from the West Coast for about 460 miles, plus another 30 miles into Hell's Canyon on the Snake via jet boats. Walt's summary: Walt has photos and a trip description on <http://topo1959.spaces.live.com/>.

■ "We had a great time, the cruise was wonderful, the weather perfect, and the scenery was beautiful. Walt" ■

Binnacle List:

Dan O'Brien (10) checked in with **Dave Sullivan**. He lives in Miami, FL and has multiple sclerosis. Dan says the combination of age and MS have made it difficult to find work. Classmates in his area may contact Dan at dannyo59@earthlink.net or phone 305-221-6884. He closed with BEAT ARMY!

Change of Contact Information for Class Secretary:

Please note my new address, telephone number and email address in the masthead for this column. The address is for our home now under construction where we will pick up our mail. Our contact information will not change when we move from our temporary address, also in Nellysford, VA, in February.

Rise and Shine. —Tim

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Kudos to **Ray Fitzgerald (21)**: NATA Recognizes 2007 Industry Excellence Award Winner **Raymond N. Fitzgerald (21)**.

Ray lives in Wilmington, Delaware with Alice, his wife of 43 years, and spends his summers on the Connecticut Shore. They have five children and nine grandchildren. (Check out more info on Ray at the Class Web site)

From **Ed Mangan (20)**:

■ "On Wednesday May 21, 2008 I had the pleasure of attending the Naval Academy Division Of Humanities & Social Sciences Prizes and Awards Ceremony. The presentations were made in Memorial Hall to a surprisingly rather large group of impressive young men and women. I had the opportunity to talk with Prof. Eloise Malone the Political Science Department Chair and Dr. William Miller the Academic Dean & Provost and congratulate them on the outstanding performance of their students. The highlight for me was being able to present the "Class of 1960 International Relations Prize & National Security." This award went to **Leland B. Burns '08** the graduating political science major with the highest academic standing emphasizing the study of International Relations. Leland will also be able to further his studies as one of the recipients of post graduate scholarship awards. Thanks for the opportunity. Ed" ■

From Dr. Gale A. Mattox, Professor, Political Science Department:

■ "Ed, many thanks for doing this. I wanted to point out for the class that **Leland Burns '08**, who received the Class of '60 Award for the highest grade point average in International Relations and National Security will go to England on a Marshall scholarship. Very impressive young officer! Gale" ■

From **Ray Taylor (14)**:

■ "Hello Ed, and all: Through twists and turns, this silver tray story has a happy ending. The intervening episodes, especially those emanating from cruiser storerooms, upper magazine handling rooms, and engineering parts lockers,

have been gripping with intrigue, yet, endless confidence.

Our Class of 60 silver commemoration tray is now in good hands aboard the ship. The tray's inscription reads:

Presented to USS NORMANDY
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CLASS OF 1960

December 9, 1989

I plan to bring the tray to one of our monthly Class luncheon events where we can resume planning for that wonderful idea of a joint Anniversary. Huge thanks go to **Ray Burkely (2)** (who bought the tray and shed light on the facts), **Tom Glew (15)** (who found the Commissioning brochure), **Bob Osmon (17)** (who helped figure out the right points of contact) and **Mark Golden (6)** (for shifting gears and providing supporting research) and the ship itself for their collective actions that led to finding our tray. All the best, Ray ■

From **Rod Friedmann (5)**:

■ "Our monthly luncheon was held in April at the Cypress Point Golf Course in Virginia Beach. Twenty classmates (**Ray Taylor (14)**, **Jack Greenhalgh (9)**, **Tom Wishart (22)**, **Bill Manning (14)** [from the Richmond area], **Bob Powers (8)**, **Bob Osmon (17)**, **Jack Brockman (18)**, **Bob Ianucci (16)**, **Henry von Kolnitz (22)**, **Bill Kee (9)**, **George VanHouten (24)**, **Paul Cooper (5)**, **Ed Clexton (10)**, **Wick Parcels (12)**, **Jim Eilertsen (21)**, **Frank Kay (8)**, **Torry Rogers (3)**, **Nick Stasko (1)**, **Moe Moran (2)**, and **Rod Friedmann (5)**), were present, who shared a good meal, generated lots of discussion and some good laughs. **Ray Taylor (14)**, who has been honchoing the recovery and restoration of the Class of 60 gift to the USS Normandy (CG-60) in 1990, brought in three pieces of silver obtained from the ship. We all had a chance to observe the pieces and a chance to recommend what new engraving and what level of restoration should be undertaken. **Bob Ianucci (16)** came up with the best recommendation for re-engraving and restoration of the three pieces.

Later, Jack Greenhalgh (9) wrote: "On the way home from the luncheon yesterday, Bob Osmon (17) remembered that the Shipmate's '60 column had coverage of our original class presentation to the NORMANDY and he suggested we look at it to see what we could learn. It was contained in the May 1990 issue. It was a

really great idea because it shows that our gift was one tray, not three pieces, and it is not included in the three pieces the ship provided to us. As those were not engraved, I presume they simply guessed that they were the sought after gift. The tray we presented appears to have been properly engraved. Whatever we elect to do, we should at least know that the specific pieces we have do not include the tray we actually gave them. At least we now know it was one piece and we know what it looked like. Without a doubt, one of our classmates that was actually present for the original presentation would see the new presentation photos we planned to take and would recognize the disconnect.

The original classmates involved in the presentation included Gary Chew (22), Jack Shaw (2), Ray Burkley (2), Joe Matais (10), T. Taylor (11), Bob McAfee (23), Jim McCusker (14), Bob Powers (14), Thom Moylan (22), Scott Logan (14), George Prebola (23), Porter Lewis (4), Hugh Crow (1), and Bob Eldridge (15). Jack" ■

From **Ben Hallowell (3)** who is coordinating an effort to provide entertainment for wounded vets and their families at San Diego Padre baseball games:

■ **"Dick Pariseau (1)** just joined us with a donation. As we were already fully subscribed (\$2614=62 tickets purchased), I have added a new feature in order to be able to include Dick and any others. In addition to the two tickets to the game, we are now also including 2 Friar Fun refreshment tickets which allow our ticket holders free hot dogs or soft drinks.

Padres Navy Old Goats <http://padresnavyoldgoats.com> launches tomorrow. Our first two tickets have gone to a USMC LCPL and his wife. He is a patient at the hospital. Hospital prefers not to disclose names but the patient received Padres letter with the tickets directing them to the above web site which lists all our names and addresses. The Padres have already received comments that this is a good thing you all are doing! Ben ■

From Ward and Cliff:

■ Hey Bill, **John Anthony (9)** arranged a cruise for a 47 1/2 reunion to the Baltic. The 2 couples who showed were fast living hard partying Class reps. who appropriately left their marks on Scandinavia. Lorry & **Cliff Schumann (2)**, and Barbara & **Ward O'Brien, (22)**, did the honors. First night we put Cliff's years of choral training and hours of Barbershop practice into play by

overcoming a small pub on the ship. By the time they threw us out, we had visited: Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Russia, Finland and Estonia. Cliff's version: they invited us in and encouraged us to stay late. Ward's version: we only danced 'til three. The ladies, Barbara and Lorry, won us a 2nd place in a NAME THAT TUNE CONTEST in the same pub, naming 20 out of 21 tunes correctly. We managed to stand still long enough to get a picture. Ward and Cliff ■



O'Briens & Schumanns at a gala

Heard from **Ben Cote' (24)** following his recuperation from surgery. Recovery was long and tiring, but successful. He had a quadruple bypass in the winter followed by intestinal problems which became a significant aggravation culminating with surgery. It sounds like he was trying to catch up to me, but I recently added a radical prostatectomy to my resume which should keep me one up on him. No fun for either of us, but it does give hope for dealing with medical difficulties and neither of us could have done as well without Janet's and Linda's contribution. Ben looks forward to the fall tailgate activities in Annapolis.

We received word honoring **John F. Groth (10)** as a "Wall of Fame" role model for Wood school. His 42 years work, following graduation from the Naval Academy in Nuclear Power, including submarine service aboard USS Scamp was highlighted. The school highlights distinguished graduates as role models for its students.

Rob Kunkle (10) passed on a note from **Keith "Casey" Jones (10)**: some very interesting information. Casey served two tours in Vietnam flying A4s, was C.O. Blue ANGELS (1976) and Commanding Officer, USS Shreveport (LPD-12). He is currently living with Janice (48 years plus high school plus academy time!) in Albuquerque, NM. Janice has her pilot's license too but is no longer flying. They have two sons (one ex-Navy, Supply Corps) and a daughter (son-in-law ex-Navy pilot!).

■ "Rob, I'll let you be my press agent. I'm not real good at that. As you probably remember, I have been with Eclipse Aviation for two years. Our Eclipse 500 (EA500) is the first of the new category of Very Light Jet (mini business jet). I have been a flight instructor in the EA500 for two years now. Because many of our customers are new to jet aircraft, we give them training in high altitude physiology and how to handle an aircraft if upset by the vortices of a larger airplane or from turbulence. That involves two aerobatic / upset flights, and we do them in a Czech military trainer, the Aero Vodochody L-39. About six months ago the Company asked if I would like to become an instructor in the Upset Recovery Training program...and it took me a nanosecond to say yes. In the picture, see a man who really enjoys his job! ■



"Casey" Jones in the cockpit

From **Jack Shaw (2)**:

■ "For our annual summer event with the ladies, Brenda and **Dave Kalb (19)** hosted the party at their spacious home in Anaheim Hills at lunch. Attending were Margaret & **Tom Curtis (22)**, Janet and **Doc Hand (7)**, Connie and **Bill Lloyd (21)**, Carolyn & **Larry McCullough (9)**, Nancy & **John Pethick (9)**, Pat & **Bob Byrne (22)**, Avery & **Ben Hallowell (3)**, Charlotte & **Bob Stevenson (2)**, Carol & **Denis Crawford (2)**, Glee & **John Schmidt (20)**, **Danny Musselman (5)** (Carolyn was at a sister's party), Joyce & **Chuck Schroeder (23)**, **Peter Dolan (10)** (Jacquie was still on the East Coast), Ruth Calvert, widow of **Bill Calvert (12)** and Jan & **Jack Shaw (2)**. Dave did a great job as chef, Brenda had plenty of wine and sangria and Danny as always, brought the excellent beer from Bayhawk brewery in Irvine. The rest of us provided the extras. It was a fun day and very nice to have Ruthie Calvert attend one of our events for the first time. Jack ■