

REUNION BULLETIN

Before I begin with the news, here's the latest word on our scheduled 10th-year reunion, still set for June 23-25, at Darrow.

Through the letter I sent out, and Frank Rosenberg's efforts on the telephone, we have been able to contact about half of you out there. It's already obvious that the reunion will draw a good turnout; a list of those who are planning to come is below. Take a look at the list; isn't there someone on it you'd really like to see again? Now's your chance. If you're one of the many who haven't replied yet, or if you haven't decided whether you can make it back in June, let me urge you again to be there! It is sure to be a good reunion, and it can easily be a great one--especially if you're part of it!

There is a coupon at the end of the last page that you can clip and mail to Frank Rosenberg if you've just recently made up your mind to come to the reunion. But it isn't necessary to register in advance to attend--all you have to do is be there! Don't forget, there will be rooms provided in dorms for anyone who wants to stay overnight at the school. We hope that'll be a big group!

Here's the list of people planning to attend, as of May 8, 1972. (* = plus wife; ** = plus wife and kid(s).) The following say they are definitely coming: Bill Anthony*, Scott Leake*, Bob Lang**, Denny Hopper**, John Castellani**, Joe Coffee**, Frank Rosenberg*, Ned Groth*, (I'm gonna drive 3,000 miles just to see you meatheads; how about that?); John Joline*, Ron Emery, and Coach Harry Mahnken. These people say they probably will be there: Jim Mithoefer*, Jim "Rabbi" Wright**, Dick Numley**, Des McCracken. In addition, a number of people may be there if they can: Huib Soutendijk, John Prentiss*, Gib Manchester**, John Ho, and Dave Benson*.

This list already totals up to quite a crowd. And I know there are many others who live within an easy day's drive of Darrow who may drop over, even though they have not replied to the notice that was sent out. Hope between now and then, if you haven't already done so, you'll make plans to be there too. See you on the 23rd of June!!

NEWSLETTER

This was the fifth straight year of this endeavor, and the number of responses to my request for news declined somewhat; maybe people are running out of news after five years, or perhaps it was because I didn't have a chance to send out "reminders" this time. However, I did get second-hand news on a large number of people this year, which I'm gladly passing on. (If I say something inaccurate about you, it's your own fault for not writing directly to give me the facts.)

The news is presented in order of arrival, faculty & students integrated. The first few are left over from last spring, letters that got in too late for the previous edition. Better late than never!

DIANA SPENCER wrote last spring to say that JOHN (no longer known as Klondike, if he's lucky) was teaching at Dana Hall School in Wellesley, Mass., where he was enjoying innovative teaching opportunities at the all-girls school. Pupils included Mayor Lindsay's daughter, John, Di, and their two daughters, Abby (now 8) and Kimberley (4), live off-campus at 20 Oxbow Rd., Wellesley Hills.

Last spring, they were planning to visit Di's parents in Switzerland over the Christ-

mas vacation (her father is ambassador there.) They usually spend the summers at a farm they own near Sturbridge; perhaps they'll be close enough to drop in at Darrow for our reunion this year.

STEVE and SALLY SWENSON have two sons now: Peter, 4½, and Carl, just turned 2. Steve finished his dissertation and got his Ed.D. from B.U. in May of 1970; in addition to his full-time job as psychologist for the Corvallis, Oregon, school system, he taught a course at Oregon State University last year. He says he'd love to teach more, and has the urge to do someski coaching again, but has only a finite amount of time. In non-working intervals, Steve and Sally have been taking advantage of the abundant out-

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door recreation opportunities that Oregon has to offer, car-camping in summer, skiing the Cascades in the winter, and leading cross-country ski outings for a local Sierra Club chapter. They are looking forward to the day when the boys will be old enough to go along on more rugged back-pack and x-c ski trips.

Steve, Sally & family live at 1230 N.W. 13th St., Corvallis, Ore. 97334

DON SUTHERLAND wrote last May to say that he and MARIE had had a busy and fulfilling year. Don described daughter Janet (now 6) as a bundle of energy, likely to grow up to be a ballet dancer; in son Mark (3), he saw a future tackle. Don quit his job with the Navy Department in the summer of 1970, and went to work for the National Civil Service League, a non-profit private organization that works for reform in government. His work involved travelling to various cities in the southeastern U.S. to help local governments set up manpower training programs.

Don & Marie reported running into Mike Fach '63 and his wife. Mike is executive director of a management consulting firm in Washington D.C. The Sutherlands usually travel up to Darrow each spring, but they've missed the trip the last two years. Our reunion may be an attraction they can't pass up, this time. Meanwhile, if you are in the D.C. area, you can look up Don & Marie at 810 Blossom Dr., Rockville, Md. 20850.

Rev. T. GUTHRIE SPEERS was associated with a news event last summer, which should interest all old-time Darrow Boys. Dr. Speers' daughter-in-law, Susan Savage Speers (Mrs. T.G.S. Jr.), was elected a trustee of Princeton University; she and another lady chosen at the same time are the first women ever to serve on the Princeton Board. If any of you are wondering, Susan is from the same family of Savages who have served Darrow for many years. Her father (William L. Savage) and her brother (Arthur Savage) are, respectively, a former Darrow Trustee and a present Darrow Trustee. Susan is a niece of Mrs. Heyniger, and a cousin or an aunt (I'm not sure which) of Harry L. Savage, who was a senior at Darrow when some of us were there as freshmen. To round out the story, Dr. Speers himself, once chaplain at Darrow, was also a Princeton Trustee at one time.

In other news, Dr. Speers is still active as a minister, preaching to congregations as a substitute or guest pastor. He and Mrs. Speers deliver meals to shut-ins for a program known as Meals-on-Wheels. They maintain two residences, at 6 Olmstead Green in Baltimore, and in Center Sandwich, N.H. They travel to the Albany area occasionally to visit their daughter, who is head of counselling at Emma Willard School in Troy; this lets them keep up on Darrow events. Dr. Speers regrets that he won't be able to attend our reunion; one reunion is enough this year, and just for contrast, he'll be going to his 60th reunion at Princeton.

Along about Christmas-card time, I heard from CARL and FRANCIE SHARPE, who have a new address: Box 183, Queechylake Dr., Canaan, N.Y. 12029. I have not been enlightened as to what they are doing there. Their card said they had run into CARL BRAUN and DES McCRACKEN in a restaurant near Darrow. That Carl also has a new address, 199H King's Park Dr., Liverpool, N.Y. 13088. Des is still at Darrow. With luck, we should see all three of them at the reunion this spring, although we haven't heard from any of them since the Christmas card.

LARZ and MARYLOU ANDERSON sent a card saying "We're all fine and the children doing nicely in school." The Andersons still live at 4006 Mendenhall Dr., Dallas, Tex. 75234

The WRIGHTS--JIM, SARAH, and their three daughters--sent out a newsletter of their own at Christmastime. 1971 for Jim was filled with painting and modernizing various rooms of their house, and teaching and doing administrative chores at Old Trail School. This year he's teaching English and Latin. He's had a couple of job interviews for headmasterships, but nothing has yet lured him away from his present situation. Sarah has been busy with church and community affairs, setting up a day-care center, and serving as a newly-appointed ruling elder of their church. Debby (11), Becky (9), and Anne (5) had a happy, active, healthy year, except for a predictable bout with chicken pox last winter.

The Wrights had a vacation in Nantucket a year ago, and this year they plan to try to include our reunion in their summer trip. Sarah was scheduled for surgery this month; if she's back on her feet in time, they'll see us in June. Meantime, they still live at 775 Greenwood Ave, Akron, Ohio, 44320.

The first actual response to the news solicitation I sent out came from PIERRE LOOMIS, who is working as an electrician for his father-in-law's company. Pierre informed us that his father-in-law died suddenly in December, and when he wrote, Pete said things were in quite a turmoil. He felt he would be too busy to make it to the reunion. Pierre says he is "taking a good look at my future now," and considering going to law school. If you want to contact them, Pete, Lynn & family get their mail at Box 167, Route 2, Elgin, Illinois, 60120.

BILL GOFF sent a short note that said "Sorry, no news," and regretted that they could not attend the reunion, muttering something about "the economic situation." Bill, Beverley, kids, & dogs occupy 93 The Maine, First Colony, Williamsburg, Va. 23185.

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CHARLES BRODHEAD wrote from Beirut, Lebanon, where he is still teaching at International College. He says he wishes he could join us for our reunion, and he really misses Darrow, the Berkshires, and their home in Vermont; but he will not be able to come; it's just too far.

Charles reports that life in Beirut is very interesting. He is teaching History, Geography, and English. Last winter, he took a group of boys on a six-day trip to a ski resort, where they spent half their time studying lessons and half their time out on the slopes. He says ski conditions there are wonderful, although it's hard to get used to the totally deforested mountains.

Charles found that the Lebanese people had little concern for conservation or ecology, so he and Sue have started a P.O.P. Club ("Protect Our Planet"). But he says it isn't easy; "The education of the masses is a massive task!"

You can write the Brodheads c/o International College, P.O. Box 236, Beirut, Lebanon.

JOHN O'BRIEN has gone through some changes in life-style since we last heard from him two years ago. At that point, he was in the Army, stationed in Asmara, Ethiopia. He was discharged in August, 1970, and spent several months studying flamenco guitar in Madrid. He returned to the U.S.A., and worked for a while as a classical guitarist, in Connecticut, but when that started to get him down, he packed up and hitched his way west. Eventually he ended up at Jackson Hole, Wyoming, where he worked all summer stacking hay for elk, while living in a geodesic dome he had built. After recovering from a bout with mononucleosis and hepatitis, John moved into an isolated farmhouse and began to set himself up in business; he is now President, Chairman of the Board, salesman, flunky, etc. of a company that sells and builds geodesic domes. "The big key to making it here is shelter," John says. For those of you who are uninitiated, the geodesic dome is just about the most efficient and economical form of shelter there is.

John is thinking about buying a farm near Victor, Idaho--"In sight of the Grand Tetons"--which would tie him down to that area for a few years. He won't be able to make it to the reunion, but he is eager to hear word of his Darrow roommate, Don Walsh. "Since it's unlikely Don survived adolescence, I would like to hear from anyone who has information about how he died," John says. If you've got such information, send it to John c/o Eugene Linn, Rural Route 1, Wilson, Wyoming, 83014.

JOE and LAURIE COFFEE "made a little Coffee," as they put it in the birth announcement for Geoffrey Scott, their first child, who arrived on March 2. He weighed in at a hefty 8 lbs, 11 oz.

The Coffees have moved to Falls Church, Va., where, by pure coincidence, they bought a house just around the corner from my brother-in-law. Joe finished his master's at U. of Va. last summer, and is now working for the Voice of America in Washington, as a personnel officer. He indicated when he wrote that he was struggling to overcome the bureaucracy, and not getting very far. (If Senator Fullbright has his way, there may be less bureaucracy for Joe to struggle with!) Before the baby came, Laurie was working at the Speech and Hearing Clinic of Fairfax County.

Joe, Laurie, and Junior will be at the reunion. If you pass through the D.C. area, you may want to drop in on them at 3316 Holly Ct, Falls Church, Va. 22042.

Early in March, I got a phone call from HUIB SOUTENDIJK, who was in San Francisco on a quick business trip. Huib said his employer (Bank of America) might possibly transfer him out here, a move he'd be happy to make. Huib said he was separated from his wife, and getting divorced, but he felt it was all for the best. He has a new address in New York, 249 Waverly Pl., NYC, 10014; by the time this gets out, he may have been transferred somewhere else. If he's still in New York in June, Huib is certain to be at the reunion; if the Bank moves him out here, he says he'll have to try to arrange a business trip to New York that week!

Huib reported running into LLEW HADEN for the first time since we left Darrow. He says Llew is "In great shape...he has two kids now...He hasn't changed a bit; he looks exactly the same, hasn't lost a single hair off his head..." Huib also said he had seen BOB SHERWOOD and DAMON VAN VLIET in the course of his travels for the bank during the past year.

COACH HARRY MAHNKEN wrote to say that he'll make every effort to attend our reunion. He is living in Pittsfield, where he has been substitute teaching, golfing when the weather permits, and visiting his children. Coach has been invited to Princeton reunions again this year, where he'll be guest speaker at the first annual meeting of the Princeton 150-lb Football Association. He says it will be a great thrill for him, and I might add it's quite an honor, too, and one richly deserved.

Coach's address is Colonial Gardens, Pittsfield, Mass. 01201.

The biggest news from SCOTT LEAKE is that he was released from the Army in April, and he and NANCY are driving back to Vermont with their two collies, planning to get in a little spring skiing in the Rockies en route. Scott and Nancy have been in Alaska for the past two years, where Scott was stationed at Ft. Richardson. He spent most of the two years assigned to the army biathlon team, and training for the Olympic Trials. Much of the training took place in Colorado and Wyoming, so Scott was away from Nancy

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for long stretches. He also got to travel to Lebanon, where he competed in the military championships of the NATO countries. His major goal--to make the Olympic team--eluded him, as Scott placed 16th in the National Championship race. However, he was very pleased that he shot a perfect score in the marksmanship portion of the contest, a feat that had never been done before in the championship race.

While Scott was out skiing and pushing himself to his best, Nancy was working long hours in a bank in Anchorage. When they get back to Vermont this month, they will be living at Scott's old address, Woodford Rd., Bennington, Vt., 05201, and have made definite plans to come to the class reunion.

This year's Prodigal Award goes to JIM MITHOEFER, who is checking in with the News-letter for the first time, and has quite an odyssey to report. After leaving Darrow, Jim was graduated from Manter Hall School in Cambridge, Mass., and entered Hartwick College. He left there after a year, and worked for a while as a runner on Wall St., then beat the Draft by enlisting for 4 years in the Army Security Agency. After he finished basic training, Jim and the former Peggy Kerr were married. They spent some time at Ft. Gordon, Ga., two years on Okinawa, and the rest of his hitch in the Washington D.C. area. Their first child, Jimmy, was born while he was in the army. Jim was discharged early to go to school, and spent a summer at Hartwick, then enrolled at Cornell, where he studied Animal Science, and was graduated in June 1971. He had planned to go to Veterinary School, but says he changed that plan after encountering organic chemistry. After graduation, Jim spent several fruitless weeks job-hunting, then decided to forget it for a while and take a ski-break in Vermont. While he was there, he stumbled into employment, and is now teaching Biology and Ecology and coaching soccer at the local high school in Manchester. Jim, Peggy, Jimmy, and Kirsten, who was born while they were at Cornell, live at Box 345, Manchester, Vt. 05254. They are planning to come down for the reunion.

DAVE BENSON sent a rather vague letter indicating that nothing much is new in Colorado Springs. He is still working for I.S.I., selling insurance and mutual funds. He and Linda have been doing a lot of work on the house they bought last year. Their family consists of two dogs and a cat. Dave said they have hopes of making it east this summer, but aren't sure they'll be able to get away. The address is 1422 Alamo Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo. 80907

DENNY and JOAN HOPPER became parents again last June 6, with the arrival of Kimberly Caldwell. Denny says in his latest letter that Kimberly has reached the search-and-destroy age, but "The second one is easier than the first," largely because Tammy can help keep baby sister busy. Denny and Joan have finished up most of the refurbishing of their home; in the past, when they got to that point, it was time to move again. But Hops did not seem to be planning any moves this time. He was quite busy with and interested in his job, where they had just come out with a new plan for the development of the city. (He's senior planner for the city of West Hartford.)

Denny say he's "looking forward to the reunion already," and he and Joan were among the first to sign up to be there. They live at 4 Crestwood Rd., West Hartford, Conn., 06107.

Denny said that The GORDAYS "now live in Catskill, N.Y.," but I think he meant P.J.'s parents, not P.J. and his wife. I have heard from other sources that Pete is still at Vanderbilt Divinity School, where he was hard at work on a doctorate in New Testament, and had been awarded a scholarship. Rumor had it that P.J. wouldn't be able to make it to the reunion, but I haven't heard that from P.J. himself yet. I believe last year's address is still good: 406 Avoca Ave, Apt. A-9., Nashville, Tenn. 37203

RON EMERY flew out to San Francisco during spring vacation to visit LESTER HENDERSON, who is still teaching and living at the Athenian School in Danville, Calif. The two of them came down to see us for an evening of dinner, wine, and sparkling conversation. Ron is very enthusiastic about the changes in Darrow--girls, an almost totally new curriculum, new programs, and much more. He is still teaching English, coaching the dramatic productions, and serving as advisor to the Yearbook, while living in palatial splendor in Ann Lee Cottage. Ron volunteered to serve as our "official" host for the reunion, and I immediately took him up on it.

Lester recently became, through the untimely death of a close friend, the bachelor father of two teen-age children. Both are old enough to be virtually independent, but Lester's life has grown a bit more complicated. At Athenian, he is housemaster for a boys' dorm, and is still teaching math with the same enthusiasm. Looking at him, I'd swear he hasn't changed a bit in ten years.

Ron also informed me that DICK BETHARDS is now located in San Antonio, Texas, where he is working for the U.S. government in some unspecified capacity. Ron didn't have a more precise address, but says he's in the phone book if anybody happens to pass through the area.

FRANK ROSENBERG has had a busy year. He got an M.B.A. from Adelphi in January, and is still with his father's company, which is presently being reorganized, calling for much work. Frank also has been in charge of arrangements for our reunion, and he took part in a Darrow telethon last month, and probably talked to many of you. Meanwhile,

Ellie has been working as a computer programmer at Grumman. As usual, Frank and Ellie have put a lot of their spare time into skiing, but Rosy says he got stuck doing so much planning and organizational work for the ski clubs and racing league that he didn't have much time to enjoy ski season; so next year, he's going to let somebody else do the work, and he'll have fun instead.

Frank and Ellie are still living at 24 Link Lane, Hicksville, N.Y. 11801

The following items have been passed on by little birds, grapevines, etc.; forgive me if there are inaccuracies or incomplete information. As I said above, best way to make sure I've got it straight is to write yourself!

JOHN HO is reported to be finishing his doctorate at Bowling Green University in Ohio. He hopes to be at the reunion, if he can fit it in among job interviews.

MICHAEL H. TERRY is living in Hialeah, Florida, at 6765 West 2nd St. It doesn't take much intuition to guess that Mike is probably working in some capacity related to training race horses at the track at Hialeah. Mike has said he won't make the reunion.

DAVE GRISWOLD is also in Florida, still teaching phys. ed. at Largo High School, near Clearwater. Dave also does not plan to travel north in June.

CHUCK ROMACK and DAVE UNDERWOOD are both living in Tucson, Arizona; Chuck is at 2432 N. Balboa Ave., and Dave's address is 1301 E. Elm St. I don't know what either of them is doing there, but recall that Dave once attended the U. of Arizona, and may have gone back to finish up. Would like to hear from both of 'em.

DAVE HOON also has a new address, Cottonwood Motel, 92 East Colfax Ave., Aurora, Colorado, 80010. Similarly at a loss to explain his presence there; anybody know?

JOHN CASTELLANI, his wife and children, live at 301 N. Washington St., Alexandria, Va., 22314. Don't know what he does there, but sounds like he's doing O.K. John has indicated that he will be at the reunion.

JOHN PRENTISS is rumored to have quit his job as a shopping-center developer and is now working as a musician, playing his banjo, which sounds like a lot more fun! John and Kris still live in the Baltimore area, but own some land in upstate N.Y., and may be planning to take up farming soon. They hope to be able to attend the reunion, but weren't sure at last contact that they could make it.

Also reported to be playing in a band now is STEVE FOOTE, who said he wasn't planning to come to the reunion. The only word I have (indirectly) from GENE COOK, TOWNER LAPP, BOB WILLOCK, and ALAN WRIGHT, is that none of them can make it back in June. Likewise, the only news from BILL ANTHONY and BOB LANG is that they will be there, and GIB MAN-CHESTER is down as a "maybe" for the reunion.

Information of a negative sort from PETER DERI and ANSON PERINA: both appear to have moved, leaving no forwarding address, as my letters to them came back. This is the first time Anson has missed a newsletter; he must be far, far away--like South America, maybe?

That brings it 'round to me. NED GROTH has had a busy year, making progress toward the PH.D., but not as fast as I'd have liked to. All that I have left is the dissertation, and with luck I will be done late this year. But I have found the work load I voluntarily assumed as a member of the Advisory Council of the local air pollution control agency is very time-consuming and distracting. This community work has set me back close to a year, I estimate. However, I'm making some useful contributions toward solving some environmental problems, although progress is always too slow, and politics so often gets in the way of policy-making. When I do get the degree, I am not certain what direction I'll take; on alternate days, I lean toward an academic or a government job. Time and opportunity will solve that. Alice is still teaching at the same Jr. Hi school; this year she's got math, history, social studies, and typing. She prepared for all this with a degree in biology and a high-school credential. Oh well, it's a job. At home, we have acquired a third cat--nothing else is new.

We are getting a new car this week, and at present plan to break it in by driving back for the reunion, our second cross-continent vacation trip in three years. I think I'd make the trip even if I had to hitch-hike; somehow I've managed to convince myself that it will be worthwhile seeing you characters again!!

One final reminder, let's have a whopping big turnout for the reunion. If you haven't sent in a slip yet to let us know you're coming, use the one below. But even if you don't pre-register, I hope all of you will make a maximum effort to come back and see us!!

CLIP AND SEND TO FRANK ROSENBERG, 24 LINK LANE, HICKSVILLE, N.Y., 11801

Dear Frank:

Yes, I will be coming to the class reunion, June 23-25, at Darrow. I plan to bring my wife (yes/no) and (number)_____children. We will need a place to stay for _____night(s).

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

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P.S. Below is a list of people who have not responded to the notice about the reunion. If your name is on the list, make a special effort to contact Frank Rosenberg or me; we do want to hear from all of you! If you can't make it to the reunion but would like to pass on some news to the people who will be there, send me a letter now and I can put together a supplemental newsletter before I head back east.

If your name appears below, let us hear from you:

CARL BRAUN	ANDY DUVALL	JOE MacLAREN	BOB SHERWOOD
SKIP BRANDES	BILL GETTE	DICK McELROY	JAY TANNER
JOHN CAVALLO	DAVE HOON	ANSON PERINA	DAVE UNDERWOOD
HOWDY DAVIS	DUANE LEHMANN	FRANK PHILLIPS	DAMON VAN VLIET
PETER DERI	JACK LOVELAND	CHUCK ROMACK	ROLAND WRIGHT

Faculty

LARZ ANDERSON	PHIL CLOUGH	STEVE JONES	DICK NUNLEY
BILL AIKEN	HORTON DURFEE	WALTER LEHMANN	JACK VAN VORST
DON BEAVER	PATRICK EVANS	DES McCRACKEN	FREDERIC WHELOCK
DICK BETHARDS			