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A Letter from the Editor

In the last newsletter I forgot to thank all of you who responded to my plea for newsletter funds. Our account is out of the red with a little bit of a surplus to carry us from issue to issue. Please remember to send in your alumni dues for 1995 so we can stay on track. Thanks also to all of you who included me on your Christmas Greetings/Holiday Newsletter mailing lists. I have taken the liberty of paraphrasing your messages below.

I'm sorry it has been so long between newsletters but I've continued to wander the country since the last edition. I went to Gettysburg the first weekend in October. I was there when I was a kid, but I really enjoyed being there now that I understand the strategy and importance of the battle. I spent Columbus Day weekend driving Skyline Drive and hiking in Shenandoah National Forest in central Virginia. I came back through Charlottesville, VA where I stopped to see Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home.

The first Saturday in November I went to a show of Baltimore Album Quilts at the Maryland Historical Society in Baltimore. They also have the original manuscript of Francis Scott Key's Star Spangled Banner. On Nov. 12, I was in New York to see the show "Origins of Impressionism" at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. On Nov. 19, I went back to Gettysburg to see the re-enactment of the Gettysburg Address. This time the town was filled with Civil War re-enactor groups to re-create the Grand Army of the Republic Parade. It was really something to see the streets and battlefield filled with soldiers. I spent Thanksgiving in Pittsburgh with my friends Warren and Diana Fitting We went to see the new Andy Warhol Museum. Artistically, Andy was a very strange man, but it was fun to see his silk screens of the famous.

The first weekend of December I was back in New York City. Friday night I had dinner with David Williams at Tavern on the Green, I know it's a tourist trap, but it's a lot of fun decked out in it's holiday splendor. On Saturday we did some shopping in the city then spent the rest of the weekend wandering around Long Island. Sunday morning I went up to Oyster Bay to see Teddy Roosevelt's home, Sagamore Hill. On Dec. 10, my brother, sister-in-law, niece, nephew, cousins and their kids, aunts, uncles, etc. took the train to Philadelphia to see the "The Magic of Christmas" lights display at John Wanamaker. It was so much fun to take a new generation of Eves' and their cousins to see the show, and the kids had a blast on the train. The rest of December I spent getting ready for Christmas and the Rose Bowl.

I flew into Phoenix on Dec. 30, and spent the night catching up with brother Tony Gaertner (who graciously provided my ticket to the Rose Bowl) and brother Bob Costagliola. On Saturday morning, New Year's Eve, I drove into California. My friend David Williams drove up from Tucson and we played car tag from Phoenix to his house in Temecula, CA. On the way we drove through the Joshua Tree National Park. I love the differences between the upper and lower Mojave and the upper and lower Sonora, I'm becoming a connoisseur of the deserts of the southwest.

Monday morning, Jan. 2, I was off to Santa Monica to meet Tony and Bob and go to the Rose Bowl. Good time, good game! I went back to Temecula after the game to help David pack, he was moving to Tucson. This is when the first big rains came to southern California, perfect weather to stay in and pack. On Friday, Jan. 6, the moving van came and I resumed my vacation. I drove south to San Diego, made a left, and headed east to Arizona.

I crossed the Colorado River and stopped in Yuma to see the old Yuma Territorial Prison. Built in 1875 it housed over 3,000 inmates until it became too small and was replaced in 1909 by a larger prison, frontier justice was harsh. I also stopped at the Yuma Crossing Living History Museum. This is a work in progress which will eventually cover a five mile strip along the Colorado River up to the prison. They are hoping to be designated a National Park The part now open is the restored US Army Quartermaster

Depot. The “Yuma Crossing” comes from the shallowness of the Colorado at this part of the river. The prehistoric Hohokum Indians crossed here, then the Quechan and Yuma Indians. They showed the crossing to the Spanish explorers from Mexico and later to the North American mountain men and fur trappers. The flood tide started when gold was discovered in California and the 49’ers came through, Yuma became a boom town. The Army put a Quartermaster Depot there in 1850 to supply the forts in Southern California, Nevada, Arizona, Utah and Colorado. From 1850 to 1870 Yuma Crossing became the main immigrant trail to California, the Donner party discouraged taking the northern route to the Golden State. The death of Yuma Crossing came in 1877 when the tracks of Southern Pacific Railroad crossed the Colorado and went on to Los Angeles.

Next it was on to Tucson. On Saturday I went to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, part regional zoo, part botanical garden. On Sunday I went to the Biosphere 2 in Oracle, about 30 miles north of Tucson. No one lives in Biosphere 2 anymore but they are still conducting experiments. The tour takes you inside the experimental greenhouses and then around the exterior of Biosphere 2. It’s really something to see. On Monday morning I headed north to Phoenix to catch the plane back east. On the way I stopped at the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument and then went to the Pueblo Grande Ruins in Phoenix.

On Jan. 18, I took a lunch-time tour of the Thomas Eakins paintings at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. This year is the 150th anniversary of Eakin’s birth so his works are receiving a lot of attention. On Feb. 11, I’m going to The Metropolitan Museum of Art to see their show on Eakins. On Jan. 29, I took advantage of the member’s preview days at the Philadelphia Museum of Art to see “From Cezanne to Matisse: Great French Paintings from the Barnes Foundation.” An excellent show and a wonderful follow up to last fall’s “origins of Impressionism.”

I’ll be back in Phoenix for President’s Day weekend. I’m definitely sure I want to make my home in the southwest, I’m just not sure when I’ll make the move. In the meantime, I’ve signed up for Introductory Spanish this spring at Delaware County Community College. On the list for the rest of spring and summer is a trip to Chicago and Wisconsin to see several Frank Lloyd Wright buildings, a trip to Thomas Edison’s lab in Menlo Park NJ, and a visit to Boston, and tours of as many Civil War battlefields as I can get to. In between I’ll keep cranking out the newsletter.

SteveO: Glad you got tickets to the Rose Bowl, sorry we didn’t hook up. Pick a weekend in April or May, I’m coming to see Erie. Call me. **Duke:** What’s up with Dead Solid? When do I get the tour of the corporate HQ? **JohnO & Jackie:** I am so happy for you. Let me know when you are ready for some company, or a babysitter. **Joanne McLaughlin:** Wish I had longer to see you at the Rose Bowl. Are you moving back east? **Michael Leeper:** Return my damn phone calls you weasel! Nancy Igo wants to know if I hear from you. **Jim Phillips:** Topanga! If the fires don’t get you the mud slides will. Bullets may have been safer. But I must admit, it’s paradise when the sun shines.

Alumni News

Christian Appleman -1 Sage Hill Drive, Williamsburg PA 16693,814-832-3463 -I am back at PSU and loving life! I am currently the Head Teaching Pro at the Penn State Tennis Center and assistant men’s and women’s tennis coach at PSU. I had just resigned from the US Military Academy at West Point as assistant women’s basketball coach in early August to take a similar position at the University of Akron. The week I was to move to Akron I was called by the tennis staff about this “joint position”. Fortunately things worked out great for me, and this is a tremendous opportunity. It’s great to be back in the area. and if anyone needs lessons, stop by! **B. Blake:** You still have that lefty J? **B. Allen:** Nice radio spot. We’ll go to dinner with John Greene but we won’t invite him. **J. Leous:** Do you still look like Letterman? Your jokes were always bitter...er, better than his anyway. **Luke:** How is your new position? Stop by or call.

Paula Berardinelli Hunter -1923 Myron Drive, Raleigh NC 27006 - I’ve been racking up the frequent flyer miles in 1994, being self employed had it’s advantages, but there is always the challenge of balancing a career and a family. Last fall Jeff was accepted into the Doctoral Program in Educational Administration at NC State, I’m not sure if I can make it through another dissertation! In August we were “blessed, delighted and saved” when our Uncle Danny Berardinelli joined our household. In addition to his superb child care skills, we all benefit from his culinary delights. Zachary at 18 months is still a delight, he never fails to amaze us on a daily basis.

Kevin Cripanuk - 2120-106 Brentwood Road, Raleigh NC 27604,919-954-9807 - Well, I finally decided to take a chance, things weren’t happening at home in Boston. I moved last month to where I can get what I need. I found a coach, Trevor Graham, Silver 1988; many training partners including the #1 400 meter runner in the US; and sponsorship from Adidas. For the next two years the focus is Atlanta. **Mike Gillespie:** More school? **Joe Jorzak:** I lost it too, we’ll get there. **Jennifer Eggers:** Well ? **Adam D.:** What’s up? If you still have that picture can you send it? **Erich May:** Go Prez!

Steve Cummins - 9437 Farewell Road, Columbia MD 21045, 410-992-5826 - Santa brought us a home computer in Dec. 1993 and in August 1994 I started a PC based business making and selling children's books and other personalized products.. I chose a Best Books franchise because of the high quality licensed products they offer from Disney, Mattel and the NFL. The kids are doing great. Liam, at three, is in daycare. He spend his days doing art projects (when he feels like it), wandering through the other classes (frequently), an sitting in the office when he gets into trouble (most of the time). He is 100% boy and those blue eyes and that grin get him out of more trouble than you can imagine. Shannon is in second grade and doing great. She is reading far above the second grade level. Her taste in books varies widely, she goes through so many books and is often in the middle of reading several at one time (this baffles Nancy; I have been known to do the same thing).

Mary Ann Deno Brock - 4140 Huntington Avenue #3, Lincoln NE 68504, 402-466-3872 -There have been some changes in 1994, I now work for Herb Friedman, the personal injury lawyer everyone in Nebraska see on TV. I used to work for one of his associates, the work is similar, but there is more of it. Herb takes on only the biggest, most tragic, and most hotly contested cases. Our daughter Sara is just shy of two and is developing into a young lady. She likes to run (like her dad), can count to ten and almost to twenty, and is now working on her ABC's.

Laurie Dieffenbach Schunck - 287 Daleview Drive, Yardley PA 19067, 215-428-9443 -The biggest news for 1994 is that I've finished my Ph. D. I'm very happy it's over and my husband Erik is very happy that his wife isn't going to school anymore I guess it will be his turn next, but first I'll have to find a permanent position.

Jeff Dooling - 612 Highland Avenue, Naperville IL 60540, 708-527-9316 -I began '94 as a full time Mr. Mom looking for full time employment. In March I became a part time Mom and a part time employee with Argonne National Lab. In June I got a full time position with the Department of Energy. My official title is Nuclear Scientist and I'm responsible for accelerator safety at the Chicago Operations Office, we oversee Fermilab, Argonne, Brookhaven and Notre Dame. I am still doing a bit of research on the side with the man who hired me in March. Together we are hammering out a paper for eventual submission to a journal. My wife Robi works 6-7 hours a day, 5 days/week "part time". Most of her extra time she spends with Caleb. He's 15 months now a truly a joy. He started daycare near my work, I can visit him during my lunch break.

Sue Ferrell Troller - 515 Amherst Avenue, Terrace Park OH 45174, 513-248-4150 -My husband David, daughter Katie (8), son Drew (4), and I moved into a 100 year old Victorian house in November and learned days later that baby # 3 will be arriving in July 1995. We're happy, if shocked. **Mary Spyridakis:** Hello and best wishes!

Lisa Goodison Faden - 615 Launfall Road, Plymouth Meeting PA 19462, 610-941-7091 -I have a new job since Aug. 1994. I am working 3 days a week for a small law firm in Philadelphia practicing plaintiffs P.I. and defense liquor liability work. When I'm not at work I'm with our daughter Danielle (born 10-6-93). Parenthood agrees with us. Danielle is a delight! I am fortunate to be able to work pan-time. This summer Paula Berardinelli, Cindy Huslin Andrews and I got together with our husbands and children. It was great!! **Hi to Everyone!**

John Hook & Jackie Naginey - 8044 Lesia Circle, Orlando FL 32835, 407-290-8159 - Jessica Constance Naginey Hook arrived at 2:38 p.m. on Thursday, December 29, just in time to provide that extra tax deduction for 1994. John is now an account exec for POA. the leader in outdoor advertising (billboards) here in Orlando. Jackie is still with the Center for Organizational Health, a consulting business formed by three good friends.

Cindy Huslin Andrews - 12550 Strathmore Drive, Valley View OH 44125, 216-524-0818 - I went back to work at IBM on September 1, the same day our au pair, Emma Anderson, arrived to take care of Michael. Emma, who is from near Manchester, England, has been a wonderful addition to our family. Michael and Emma spend their days singing, playing and reading. At 8 months Michael will make his theatrical debut playing the baby Jesus in the First Church Nativity production on Christmas Eve.

Nancy & Bob Igo - 4616 Saxon Drive, New Smyrna Beach FL 32169, 904-423-2767 - Worked hard trying to help Jeb Bush & **Tom Feeney** (S&B Fall 1979) in their bid for Governor & Lt. Gov. here in Florida. We were so sad, but Jeb is a super person and a brain! He'll be back. I'm glad my PSU friend Rick Santorum won in FA. Our daughter **Pat Igo Keefer** (S&B Spring 1978) is still teaching in Hanover, MD. Her husband Tony is still with IBM, and they have two cute little boys. **Any S&B's on Prodigy:** Send us some E-mail. **Ever hear from Mike Leeper?**

Michael Imm - 915 E. Slayton Drive, Palatine IL 60067, 708-359-9520 - I am working at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange dealing with S&P futures. I work on a headset all day, quoting the market and placing orders. It's a very stressful and pressure-packed day, but I love it. I'm living at home, saving money to eventually move downtown. I am a die-hard Penn State fan and

everyone thinks I'm crazy, which I am, however they just don't understand what "Happy Valley" is like. **Serg & Durant:** You guys got to get out here to see some Chicago blues. Talk to you soon. **Dorenfeld:** The midwest is great, call me if you come down to Chicago. **Waldo & Shiner:** I'll be at U of I on Nov 12th for the PSU game! **Gerard:** Please, give me a call. **Ms. Ness:** As Japanese reads, "Sushi like you hope." **Erich May:** How's everything? I want to buy a Harley in the spring.

Bill & Mary (Pickens) Landis - 17675 Locust Street, Fountain Valley CA 92708, 714-968-1597 - If we make it to the Rose Bowl call us to plan a party!

Jeannette Morris Smith - 3703 Merrimac Trail, Annandale VA 22003, 703-560-5108 - Last year was full of changes, I was one of the 10,000 laid off by Xerox in their corporate downsizing. I decided to take a year off to be a full time Mom and work on starting my own non-profit business called Enterprise for Education (E4E). E4E will work to make the resources on businesses available to public and private school teachers in the Northern VA area. E4E will provide services to teachers who want to make their classroom lessons more real to students by arranging reverse "field trips" in which business people would come to the classroom to talk about how they use math, English, history, and other skills in their daily work. E4E will be targeted directly to teachers, rather than the school district, and will be free. E4E's expenses (including my salary, we hope) will be paid for by grants.

Jim Phillips - 1279 Oakwood Drive, Topanga CA 90290, 310-455-0498, james@isis.aero.org - In October 1993 Teresa and I moved into a wonderful house in what appeared to be a nice, quite neighborhood in Venice, CA. Two weeks later there was a driveby shooting while kids were out trick-or-treating. No one was hurt. The day after Christmas we were awakened by volleys of semiautomatic gun fire. We found out that there had been gang war raging in Venice between the Shoreline Crips (a black gang) and the Venice 13 (Latino). By this time it had escalated into a minor race war. We literally had bullets striking our house and people were being shot. Needless to say this no way to live, so we started earnestly to look for employment outside of Southern CA. Unfortunately we are both very particular about where we live. Teresa had her heart set on Seattle and eventually Alaska. Subsequently, the relationship suffered. It wasn't strong enough to keep her in LA and I wasn't willing to give up a good position without finding something better. Teresa moved to Seattle at the end of June 1994. We still talk regularly and are waiting to see where things take us from here. In the meantime, I moved to Topanga, a small town nestled in the nooks and crannies of the Santa Monica Mountains. Topanga's citizens are an interesting blend of hippies and yuppies with a rare sense of community that is steeped with history and tradition. I'm living in a one bedroom apartment which is really the upper half of a house. The house is built into the side of the hill and is surrounded by trees, friend's call it "Jim's Treehouse" I have a great deck and a secluded yard where I plan to plant a vegetable garden this spring. There is a state park just across the road with plenty of trails for hiking and biking. I'm still doing the rocket scientist bit for the Air Force as a civilian at the Aerospace Corporation. So far, the work remains challenging though frustrating at times when I don't have the time to do a job as well as I would like. Despite some serious trauma and set backs in 1994, the coming year is full of promise.

Sherri Rutolo - 626 A Palmer Lane, Yardley PA 19067, 215-493-8641 - I am working as a cook/trainer for the Outback Steakhouse in Bensalem, PA. I'm loving cooking every day - my first love. I'm setting up a small at-home catering business for the holidays, appetizers and desserts only. Wish me luck! I recently moved into a house with my boyfriend. We've been together for almost 3 years and we are still having fun. **Tony K.:** Where are you? What are you doing? You were right, I got burned out. Give me a call. **JoAnn:** Is the wedding planning finished?

Dena Tarshis - new address: 5562 Hobart Street #615, Pittsburgh PA 15217.

Mary Weaver Bennett - 4252 North Vacation Lane, Arlington VA 22207, 703-243-1995 - I'm a professional staff member with the House Banking Committee and perpetual campaign volunteer. Notice the new address and married name. For those of you who have been confused by my itinerant nature; I should be staying put here for a while. **Doug Popovich:** Are you still in NYC with Kinko's? In case you're wondering, I suggested that my friend Manny contact you about a business prospect. **Mike O'Connell, Gail & Andy Rusnak:** It was great seeing you in September. Thanks so much for coming down to D.C., I hope you had as much fun as I did. Andy, take it easy on the cigars and Pipe-O's.

ATTENTION ARHSers AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: I just heard from Tammy Ferguson (NHAS Pres '93-94), she is chairing the ARHS 25th Year Reunion. It is planned for April 7, 1995. You should be receiving a notice from Tammy very soon followed by registration and information forms. Any questions call Tammy at ARHS.