

up her work with Johnson & Johnson and plans to brush up on her Visual Basic skills and do some subcontracting while she raises James (1).

**Steve Myers** married **Julia Rich** (an avid mountain climber, fly fisherwoman, and Ph.D. candidate) at the Catholic Chapel at WP in June. A great reception followed in a beautifully renovated '49er Lodge. Some partygoers in attendance included **Fred & Laura Kaehler, Bill & Melissa Leady, Pat Mathes, Chris (Voisinet) & Mike Bender, Mark & May Toy, Cathy & Tim** (BTW: great shirt) **Whalen, Tim Mitchell, Sean Buck,** and the **McAleers**.

Just before we had to go to press, we got some news from the G-4 Guppies newsletter (courtesy of **Mark Migaledi**), so with their permission, we'll update you on some of their activities.

According to the newsletter, **Matt Petrocelli** was on his way to California this summer to join the faculty at Cal State (Hayward campus) in the San Francisco area. After Petro got out of the military, he did a year in the private sector and decided to go back to graduate school. He earned a master's in criminal justice from the University of Colorado and then a Ph.D. at Arizona State. For the past year, he has been a professor at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island.

**Guy Binegar** is the manager of technical information at Morrison cafeterias. When Guy got out of the Army, he worked at EDS until August 1997. He lives in Mobile, AL, with his wife **Kristina** and two children, **Trey** (3) and **Harrison** (1).

**Kevin Arrata** checked in from West Point, where he is in the Department of Military Instruction and teaches the public speaking elective. He & **Mary Anne** have two children—**Patrick** (3) and **Katherine** (1). Like a good infantryman, he took the kids camping, however, not without the comforts of home in the "big camping trailer."

**Andee Hildago** made another career change. This time from sales with Johnson & Johnson to investment banking. With the career change, came a move from Tampa to Minneapolis. She is an institutional salesperson with Piper Jaffray. Andee said she received a great surprise call from **Will Weathersby** (out in California) just as she was beginning the new venture.

**Baby Announcements.** The **Pollheims** are making a charge for the biggest '87 family. On 30 May, Gillian Dolores was born to **Terri & Joe**. Their official words at the birth were, "a daughter (finally!)." That makes five kids as Gillian joins her brothers **Joey** (7), **Ben** (5), **James** (4½), and **Matthew** (2). "Now that we finally have our girl, we can stop this silliness!"

**John William Meisinger** was born in May in Stillwater, OK. His brother **Steven** (4) and

**Sarah** (2½) are looking forward to babysitting duties.

**Sammie McGriff II** came up on the net for the first time in eleven years to announce that **Mary** (his wife since 1988) had given birth to their third child and third son **Samuel Adam McGriff** on 8 May. He was a big 8 lbs. 11 ozs. and he took 11 hours to decide to enter the world. He promised to follow up this baby announcement with a newsier letter. Where is it Sammie? Go D-2 Ducks!

The **Comstock** hockey team got a new addition on a snowy summer day in Kiruna, Sweden, on 29 May when **Mica & Ann-Christine** Comstock welcomed Maximilian Mackenzie Comstock into the world. The little guy was 2950 grams (according to my HP15C about 6½ lbs.). Maximilian will be the right wing for his brother, **Oliver**, who is playing center. The **Lynch** families are growing as well. **John & Darcy Lynch** had twins, **Jack** and **Jennifer Colleen**, on 13 Jun at Ft. Bragg. On 18 Jun, **Joe & Karen Lynch** gave birth to their first child, **Ryan Joseph**.

**Joe & Tip Baldelli** gave birth to **Jonathon** (their first) on 28 Jun. **Chris & Meribeth Rigoni** celebrated their anniversary (how many?) with the birth of their second child, **Melanie Anne**. **Melanie's** older sister, **Tessa**, still doesn't know what to make of the new addition but she is trying to adapt to her sibling role.

Before we sign off, wanted to pass along a few kudos. It appears that the Class of '87 is leading the Corps in terms of people that have responded to WP's call for volunteers. Hope everyone who signed up and wants to help has been contacted by WP. If not, zap us an e-mail and we'll get you in touch with the right folks. Until next time, Beat Navy!

## 1988

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Lots of photos this time around. **Jennifer (Donnelly) Taft** sent a letter from Ft. Lewis, where her husband **Pete** is assigned as a CE in a training and evaluation brigade for NG and AR units. Jennifer got out in April 1996 after the geographic separation from Pete got a little too much to sustain. She is now a stay at home mom with two wonderful kids, **Charlie** and **Maggie** (1). She has run into several classmates in the Washington State area. **Dave & Monica Chapman** are in Seattle, while **Dave** finishes up a master's in



◀ 1988—Jeff & Nancy Morgan—Tri Cities FD.

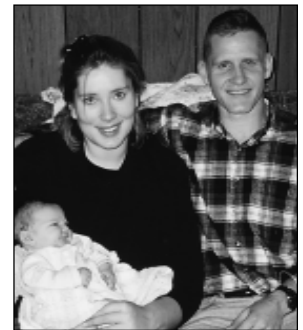
chemistry before heading back to WP to be a P. **Michael & Liz Henry** also are at UW, where **Mike** is completing a master's in IR for

continuing on his FAO trek. **Steve & Suzie (Nelson) Burk** are in Turkey, tearing up the sun and sites. While on vacation, Jennifer ran into **Anthony '87 & Lisa (Heveri) Cariello** at WP. They have two daughters, **Clare** and **Emily**. Jennifer sends a rousing BEAT NAVY and hope to see all at the reunion this year.

Got a letter from an old, old grad, **Jim Rodgers '82**, who sent photos of **Greg**

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during a mountain climbing expedition in Ecuador. Seems Greg was the mountain guide for **Jim & his wife** during their vacation in December-January of this year. Greg has become an accomplished climber and published correspondent for *Rock and Ice Magazine*. His latest article is in the March/April 1998 edition. Jim touted Greg's guide abilities and seriously doubts that anyone will be able to beat Greg's stories at the reunion. Contact Greg at <GregCouch@aol.com>.



▲ 1988—Lizzy, Mike, and Isaac Michael Hawn—"E-Hawnicus Familiarus Rex."

**Donna (Miller) Sweeney** dropped a note from WP, where she is going to SUNY New



▲ 1988—Jennifer, Pete, Charlie, and Maggie Taft.



◀ 1988—Greg Crouch—the ascent.

▼ 1988—The summit.



Paltz and **Brian** is a P. She thought she would keep us up-to-date on our beloved Corps. It seems that all of the regiments have deactivated the "I" companies, so now only companies A through H remain. So, to put it bluntly, for all of you former I-Rocks, Moose, Polar Bears, and I-Beamers, the Corps has completed the entire conjugation of the verb "To have." I-BEAM dammit!

**Greg Graves** dropped a note from Texas A&M. **Annabeth Hope Graves** was born on 25 Oct 97. Greg is finishing a master's in math (ugh) and will be joining **Jerry Kobylski** and **John Shupenus** in the WP Math department. Don't worry about it Greg, someone has to do it. **Gene & Tara Piskator** are finishing up an OR degree at AFIT and will head off to USAREC at Ft. Knox. **Al & Kerri Johnson** finished at A&M and head off to



▲ 1988—Annabeth, Way, Abigail, Greg, and Sarah Graves at home in Texas.

PERSCOM to be the computer geeks of Info Systems Management. **Brother & Kristi Ratliff** are en route to the WP System Engineering Dept, go figure.

Keep writing and God bless.

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Greetings to all who Strengthen The Line. I hope that this column finds all of you doing well and enjoying life.

**Darius & Theresa Powell** send their best from Cincinnati, OH. Their daughter, Chazz Alise, was born on 2 Jan. Darius works for Frito-Lay. He is in a general manager-training program that he will complete in FY99. In the meantime, Darius looks forward to Army Football in Conference USA. The Black Knights will take on the likes of Louisville, Cincinnati, and Notre Dame. Darius, along with **Andy Stone** and **Alex Rodgers**, plan to go out to the game as the 13th man.

I received e-mail from **Rob Forte** who now works up at Infantry Branch. Rob says that **Tim Brooks** and **Jon Neumann** are currently in the Old Guard and are both getting second commands. **Doug Delancy** works in the Pentagon on a Joint Internship and **John Lange** works at INSCOM at Ft. Belvoir. Rob also corrected me about a class statistic—as of 20 May, they were 328 members of the Class of '89 on active duty. That is almost exactly 30% of the 1066 who graduated in our class. Thanks for the update, Rob. See if you can get those of us left some plum assignments!

**Greg & Susan Mellinger** checked in from Scarborough, NY. They have lived there since 1992, when Greg got out, and have two daughters, Morgan and Heather. Greg works in a software engineering consulting firm called PRT Group, Inc. Fellow classmates **H. Dave Silverman** and **Dennis O'Keefe** also work in the same company. Greg reports a great time at **Dave Harville's** wedding in Millidgeville, GA, where Greg and Dennis ran into **Frank Nocerito**. Other updates include **Paul Mayer** is an ER doctor in Texas. **Steve & Emma Svoboda** were married in May 1997 in Savannah, GA. Steve is now an orthopedic surgeon at Walter Reed AMC. **Lee Sornson** is a manager for Outward Bound in Pennsylvania.

Like most of you know, our class web site is <[www.west-point.org/class/usma1989/](http://www.west-point.org/class/usma1989/)>. **Warren Hearnes** does an outstanding job of designing and updating our electronic billboard. On 4 Apr, Warren married **Dominique Rofrano** in Atlanta. Classmates attending were **John Tonra**, **Dave Biersach**, and **Lou**



▲ 1989—Ft. Lewis FD—Mickie & Fran Williams and Cindy & Garth Horne.

**Giammateo**. Warren works for Lucent Technologies as an industrial engineer while finishing a Ph.D. in IE at Georgia Tech.

**Gripes & Rumors**. I hear that the Corps Has so much, that Fourth Classmen may only get hazed on-line as part of their introduction to the Army's virtual training program. . . Rumors abound that **Scott Graves** will make a triumphant return to the Hudson Highlands as a Math P. Scott would not confirm or deny, but a source close to him has said that he now understands all the questions he got wrong in Plebe Math. . . **Tom Mukri** has been enjoying life in Michigan, and has made inroads into directing several episodes of a pilot TV show about lifeguards on the Great Lakes. . . **Stu Goldsmith** was appalled by the news that the Corps does not have weekly double-Regimental reviews anymore. Rumor has it that Stu asserted that those parades made him the man he is and has begun a call to action campaign among grads "to bring the parades back."

That's all for now. Time for a tired cavalryman to hit the hay. Best wishes to all of you from **Marna & me**. See you on the high ground or in the club. We Strengthen The Line.

## 1990

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Greetings '90! I hope everyone is well. To start off, here is the class e-mail I received.

**Matt Martin** wrote in from Charlotte, NC, where he works for a software company called Parametric Technology Corporation. He & **Jenifer** were scheduled to have a baby girl in late June, but no photos yet.

He also wrote in with news of **Tom Schermerhorn** (A-2), who graduated from medical school and will do his residency in neurosurgery at the Mayo Clinic. He got mar-