



1987—USA #4 bobsled pilot Donna McAleer just after loading the sled. Go Army sliding!

Hawaii. As they got their household goods, Tiiiip found a bunch of wooden hangers that bear the names of many of our classmates. "It almost made me want to separate them by a fist distance and cant them to the right. The list of confirmed owners of the borrowed hangars: **Ralph Boeckman, Paul Britton, Tim Clarke, Karl Harrison, Joe Manausa, and Jim Petro.**" Hey Tiiiip, do you have any borrowed white towels? Tiiiip is the branch chief for the U.S. PACOM Theater Information Assurance Support Branch in the PACOM J-6 on USMC Camp Smith (what is up with these titles and unit names?). Tiiiip has run into **Al Seize** in PACOM J-5, **Sean Budke** is in PACOM J-3, and **George Glaze** is the G-3 planner for 25 ID.

Brent Layman married **Mary** on 5 August to in North Carolina. No details, just a photo.

Quick update on **Ted Frederick**. In the last ASSEMBLY, we made fun of his Pentagonesque mile-long signature block. Well, wouldn't you know that Ted actually got sick of it himself and shortened it up two days before ASSEMBLY hit his mailbox. Now, Ted is "just" MAJ Edwin Frederick, Program Analyst, Program Analysis and Evaluation Directorate. I'm sure that doesn't mean that he is doing any less work. Ted, maybe you could give Tiiiip some suggestions to shorten his organization's name. We are hoping that Ted, **Monica**, Sarah, and Jake find time to visit during the Olympics.

In the last "Class Notes," we mentioned that **Donna** was preparing to compete in the U.S. National/World Cup team selection championships for women's bobsled as a pilot. After the two-day competition, Donna and her brakewomen, Carol Lewis (Carl's sister), finished in fourth place. Donna now is officially, USA #4. It was an incredible weekend. **Ted**, our dog Thayer, the **Kent Cheeseman** family, and Dr. Nate Zinsser from the USMA Center for Enhanced Performance cheered her on. "As I was waiting on

the on-deck position before my second run on the second day, I paused for a moment to look around and breathe in all of the energy before focusing on the track. The moment was awesome—the crowd of friends and supporters, Ted, the Cheesemans, and Thayer yelling and barking, the signs, the cheering and the cowbells ringing. This happens rarely in one's lifetime. It was one of those valuable moments and I feel very blessed to have the opportunity to pursue this Olympic dream."

This race determines a team's rank in the country for the upcoming season. Although she finished one spot shy of the World Cup team, Donna will travel to Europe to compete on the Europa Cup circuit in Winterberg, Germany, and Igls, Austria. Following Europa Cup, she will return to Park City for a few weeks of training before the Olympic trials scheduled for 21–22 December. For those interested in finding out more about the sport and Donna's journey, check out <www.slidingdreams.org>. Many thanks to all of you who have provided support and encouragement.

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Hello all. **Greg Graves** is at Ft. Lee, VA, doing ORSA stuff. **Dave Bennett** is XO for a recruiting battalion in Seattle, WA.

A short note from the **Randolphs** to let you know that **Tyler, Tracey**, Addison, Morgan, and dogs have moved. As of 16 July, their new address is: 3225 Merriman Ave., Raleigh NC 27607; 919 832-7340; Fax 877 295-5545. E-mail is still <Centuryman103@cs.com> or <Tyler_Randolph@hotmail.com>. They are excited about the new chapter of their lives as Tyler becomes a civilian.

Jack Amberg sent an update from Ft. Leavenworth. All are doing well. **Kristen** is just as beautiful as ever, if not more so but a bit paranoid about safety these days. Jack's knee is weak, but getting better. Maggie is tap dancing one day a week (with one day still being ballet). Her tap is a big deal because she is underage and requires a note from mom...apparently she has the talent so you know she isn't taking after her proud papa. Maggie is doing great at school as well and is growing like a weed. She loves puzzles, the computer, TV, and drawing...actually as long as she does not have to sit still or eat vegetables, life is good with her. Tessie develops more personality everyday. She is coming into her

own and making some of her own decisions. She wants to start soccer in the spring. Mike is a hoot. He climbs on everything and falls off if Kristen and Jack cannot get to him. He tries to run and leads with his head (just like his old man). Problem is sometimes the head falls forward faster than the legs can run (again, just like his old man). Mike has developed a kind of super hero status with the moniker "Mr. Bruise." He can stop adults from doing what they are doing by issuing high-pitched shrill screams that freeze you in your tracks.

Jerry Kobylski sent this update. He is at the Naval Command and Staff College in Newport, RI. His new e-mail is <kobylski@aiconnect.com>. His home address is 146 Admiral Luce St., Middletown, RI 02842; 401 845-0855. Jerry, **Trudy**, Lauren, and Emily had a wonderful four years at West Point, so much so that Trudy decided to stay there—at least temporarily while Jerry is at school. She works part-time at West Point and commutes back and forth between Newport and West Point once a week. Jerry plays "Mr. Mom" (also known as dad) 3–4 days a week as Lauren and Emily live in Newport with him. They would love to have visitors so drop them a line.

Marilou (Jilbert) Shepard writes that they have lived in Stafford, VA, for six years. She stays at home with her four kids and confirms that being a full-time mom is one of the hardest jobs she has ever had. Marilou spends half of her time at school volunteering with the kid's classes. Brendan (10) is in fifth grade, Rebecca (7) and Holden (7) are in second grade, and Victoria (6) is in first grade. Marilou's parents are still in Cornwall, so every summer the family gets to visit West Point. She lived there for ten years so she still considers it home. Finally, she is training for a half marathon to raise funds for brain cancer research to help a close friend. She has logged more than 200 miles so far in preparation.

Marilou stopped by to see **Greg Louks** and had a nice chat with him. Greg keeps busy with the AOG and fixing up his house with all sorts of renovations. Marilou also reports that **Kevin Kluetz** (was Klutz) was in a terrible car accident and is still recovering with





1988—Donna, Jason, and Sean Patrick Sweeney.

more surgeries to go. Keep Kevin in your prayers.

Scott Snair sent out a letter in response to the 11 September attacks. "It used to be on a clear day, I could stand on the roof of the paper mill where I work in central Jersey and see the twin towers of the World Trade Center. Yesterday, my workmates and I gaped at an endless plume of smoke and ash. My wife, **Mary-Jane**, recently became a licensed mental health clinician in this state. Her first day at her full-time job was yesterday at a hospital preparing for casualties being transported across Newark Bay. I suspect that she, as a professional counselor, will have her work cut out for her in the weeks and years to come.

"Several classmates have suggested that we set up a communication network for class postings regarding the terrorist tragedies in New York, DC, and western Pennsylvania. I see no reason why our class websites personal message center cannot serve as such a site. The message center address is www.west-point.org/class/usma1988/news. Posting a note at this center is very easy.

"At this writing (12 Sep 01), the latest word I have is that all Class of '88 grads who work at the Pentagon and in lower Manhattan have been accounted for. If anyone knows



1988—Chris (Siegwarth), Danielle, and the newest, Nicole Meyer.

of anything that runs contrary to my information, please post it on the message center mentioned above. Also, if anyone knows of a classmate who has been involved in one of the heroic stories of rescue and survival cropping up from this national tragedy, please share it at that message center.

"Let us offer our prayers for families who have shared a loss, for classmates who are currently on a heightened state of alert and combat preparation, and for the Corps — who are also in an unprecedented state of alert."

On 24 October, MAJ **John Thurman** was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received at the Pentagon on 11 Sep 01. God bless, and keep writing.

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Greetings from the banks of the Missouri to all those who Strengthen the Line. Hope this finds you well and keeping the faith. As I write this column, I am still trying to understand the implications of the events in the past few months. I have some short notes this time.

I ran into **James Raymer** while out shopping one day. James is in SAMS this year and plans to go overseas next summer. Some of our classmates also in SAMS include: **Daryle Hernandez, Rich Creed, Ed Bohnemann, Mike Scott, Rob Forte, Leona (Cooper) Knight, Tim Watson, and Mike Price**. Sounds like they are all having fun writing monographs for the "Book of the Night Club."

Had a nice party over **Bill & Lon Harmon's** house recently. Bill is an FA59 (Strategic Planner) which means he gets to stay high and dry while the rest of us enjoy the elements. Anyway, some folks from his small group at CGSC were there. **Cameron & Beth Kramer** came with their daughter, Mellisa, who was born in May 2001. Also, **Chris & Deni Johnson** came with their two children, Karrie and Anna. Bill also related an update on **Bill Padgett**. After getting married in July 2001, Padge lives in Columbus, OH, where he is a plant manager. Apparently, they produce ace bandages and jock straps. (Now, I knew that Padge was an athletic supporter, but...) Thanks for the update, Bill. We still are awaiting your wedding photos ASAP.

Gripes & Rumors. I heard that **Pat Lacho** will soon supersede the current spokesman for

Slim Jim commercials. Stay tuned, folks, we may soon see **Macho Lacho** on TV. Here is a good one for lawyers: **John Seamon** recently ran into **Don Brewster** in the Fairfax County Courthouse in Virginia. John was on leave from The Hague, Netherlands, where he is a paid tourist (Foreign Area Officer, that is) and it seems that they were both "strengthening the bar." Don has a software case ongoing and John had some legal matters to hash out. I also heard that **Garth Horne** has a four handicap halfway through CGSC. I guess he has been making noon tee times, but has been seen sporting a Nike "footwedge" to alleviate some of that dense rough.

That's all for now. As always, see you in the field or at the club. Scouts out. Please keep the updates and tall tales coming. I really enjoy telling our story. WILCO. We Strengthen the Line.

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Want to be in this "Class Notes" column? Send your photos, e-mail, and letters to your scribe. Your classmates want to know what you've been up to.

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Greetings '91! For those who missed it, we had a great turnout at the reunion. Fantastic time for all! It was well organized, and we have **Sue Hennessey** to thank for that. Please send your reunion stories and photos for the next issue. Among the things we learned at the reunion is that all cadets now have phones and TV in their rooms. In fact, they are reportedly begging to be given room tours on weekends! Boodlers is closed, the Plain is still symmetrical, and the Corps has! There was a report of an **Alex Lind** sighting at USMA... can anyone confirm this? We have two reunion photos pictured here, both from **Paul Begalka, C-3**. Paul says that, of the 23 graduates from C-3, ten are still active duty (one in the Guard). I think the class total was