

SIXTY-FIFTH REUNION STALWARTS

Bob Keidel

Most of the following photos were taken May 29th and 30th at Reunion. Although current, unfortunately they are not all flattering (fault the photographer), but they give us a photographic record of the enthusiastic and cheerful bunch who made it back.

Josh Billings.

Retired only a few years ago from active practice and teaching, Josh remains busy teaching illiterates to read, writing memoirs, attending medical meetings, chairing the Southeast Rhodes Scholarship Committee, and now, at least temporarily, 1933 Class Secretary.



Ernie Chamberlin. Mary & Ernie moved several years ago to a retirement community in Lansdale, PA. called Meadowood. But they have another life in Antigua, British West Indies where they used to spend over half the year in a house they built over 30 years ago on a bluff overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. A few of us had a lovely mini-reunion there in 1994. That house was sold in 1996, but they kept enough land to build a smaller one into which they moved early this winter.



Norm Brassler. Pictured here with wife Carolyn, Photog (& Prexy) Marsh hitching a ride. The consummate banker, Norm's interesting life story is published in this issue. (See Page 16).



Chick Doak. Chick has given us several stories for the Newsletter over the years—Battle of the Bulge, trekking in the Wind River Valley of Wyoming, glacier travel and rafting in Alaska—plus some good poetry. Today his walking is more local; he continues to write on various subjects; and he paints—a true renaissance man.

Bob Clifford. Always active in community life and politics, Bob reports that he is gradually disengaging, tho' still attending local meetings. One cause is to slow development in the Williamsburg area, another to update his stamp collection which was started in 1918. Is very enthusiastic about our recent reunion.



Chet Fisher. While driving back and forth from Connecticut to Florida every year, Chet and Grace visited numerous lifetime care communities looking for the perfect one. They finally chose Williamsburg Landing on the James River outside of Williamsburg, VA., where they are now ensconced, and where Virginia Koren, Barney's widow also lives. Chet rides his bicycle and plays golf several times per week



Jack Bishop. No longer practicing law, Jack still responds to requests for help from old clients. At the Waverly Heights Life Care Community in Gladwyne, PA., he serves on the Board, is a volunteer driver and shopper for others. Still maintains his interest in improving the breed of Jersey dairy cattle at his farm in

New Jersey and through an interest in a breeding operation in Southwestern Virginia.



Herb Cragin. Herb and Cyn have settled in Tennessee in the foothills of the Great Smokies where they found a golf course they liked. Recovering from a hip replacement early this winter, Herb shot a birdie his first time out. He's tough!

Burt Etherington. Along with Jack Bishop, Burt lives at Waverly Heights, Gladwyne, PA. He was one of its founding directors, and Jack has now taken his place on the board. But, as Chairman of the Food committee, Burt has his share of Community involvement. Unfortunately, because of severe back problems, his physical activities have become quite restricted.



Miller Gaffney. Still in Binghamton, N.Y., Miller and Mary winter at Long Boat Key, Sarasota, FL. and summer at Clayton, N.Y. on the St. Lawrence River, Thousand Islands, where they have had a house for many years. His hobby is antique boats, having already given four to the museum there, and readying another vintage 1895 launch for the same. This last he



received as a gift from Brewster Smith's father, his then father-in-law, much to Brewster's chagrin who had had his eye on it for some time.

Maddy Haythe. Now retired, Maddy has spent his life in the investment world and still does some consulting. He says he keeps up by speculating in the market, but didn't offer any hot tips. His golf is temporarily suspended due to knee replacement surgery this past winter.



John Kemmerer. Still working in the company business. John and Mary Liz have moved to a lifetime care community, Fellowship Village in Basking Ridge, N.J. Unfortunately, Mary Liz's bad fall has left her without the use of her legs and she is therefore wheelchair-bound. So they are accommodating to a new life style.

Bill Lafean. With his wife a semi-invalid, Bill has found out what it takes to keep the home fires burning. What with marketing, cooking, cleaning, bill paying, etcetera he finds little time for outside activities. Although a Wellesley address, they actually live in Needham on top of a hill, surrounded by land dedicated to conservation, although only minutes from the center of things.



Bob Keidel. Apart from putting together the Summer Newsletter, helping with the new class directory



and with annual giving, most of my spare time is spent struggling with my golf game and just living. Justine & I spend 5 months at the Ocean Reef Club, Key Largo, FL., the

month of August on an island in Maine, and the rest of the time at our Brightwood Community home in Baltimore, where we see John and Ruth Renneburg.

Jack MacDonald. Lives in Monroe, New York, near the foothills of the Catskills. Since the death of his wife he has lived alone, though with family nearby. Spends some time in church work, but mostly looks after his place and catches an occasional bass in the pond behind his house.



Ferd Roebling. Largely crippled with a pair of bum knees, Ferd has great difficulty getting around, so his pursuits are mostly sedentary. He spends time on his fabulous gun collection; reads a lot; and works on family matters.



Kate's activities include golf and gardening.

Curly Marsh. Following the death of his lovely wife, Mavis, Curly married Minsi Vogel, whose deceased



husband Marty was P'40, and they now live in Mendham, N.J., still an easy drive to the Somerset Hills golf course. Minsi is a good golfer. She may even be giving

Curly strokes. Our new Class President, Curly also does a great job as Annual Giving Chmn., helps edit the Summer Newsletter, writes an annual family newsletter and still finds time to do volunteer work in the Morristown Hospital. Shown here with Minsi and son, Rocky.



Dubie Morris. Dubie and Bootsie live in Weston, CT., though they are selling their house and moving to a retirement community in 1999. He is busy marrying grandchildren and working on the place, which is to be on the historical house tour. His 75 poems, one of which is included

in this issue, are being published by the Weston Kiwanis Club under the title "Vocal Paintings".

Oscar Mertz. Lives in Philadelphia with his wife Martha, where he is very active in his church, at one time President of its Board of Trustees. He is also an active gardener. Last year they visited the Galapagos Islands, this summer it will be California to a granddaughter's wedding. Martha is a designer and in the business of designing and making jewelry.



John Renneberg. Although John spent his life carrying on the family business manufacturing heavy machinery used to produce fertilizer from fish, music has been a lifelong avocation. He played violin in the University Symphony Orchestra while at college; has been active as a player and now President of the York (Pa.)



Symphony. His wife Ruth, also pictured here, is a graduate in piano from the Peabody Conservatory of Music.

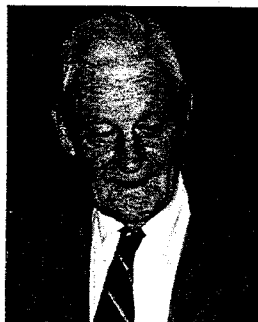


George Perera. Those of you who read George's piece in the '94 Summer Newsletter can picture him at the Kendall Retirement Community at Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, Pa., indulging in his favorite pastimes such as Medical counseling, reading, music, birdwatching and meteorology—and coining new aphorisms.

Sedge Snedeker. Sedge lives in Syosset, Long Island in the summer, where he golfs at Piping Rock, but spends a good part of the year in Palm Beach, where he golfs at The Everglades Club and attends the meetings of a select lecture and discussion group known as "The Pundits".



Frank Townend. Lawyers not only never die, but they never seem to retire. Frank still slaves at the office every day in Wilkes Barre, Pa. mostly in tax and estate work.



Fife Symington. Fife showed up for his first major reunion ever and we were all delighted to see him. No longer riding, he is still active in the doings of The Green Spring Valley Hunt. Also involved with the Maryland Wildlife Association and The Maryland Historical Society, plus a lot of good travel.

Joe Upson. From the looks of Joe and his wife Bobbie, life in Sandwich, N.H. must have magical qualities. See P. 31 in this issue for a story of Joe's interesting and productive life since graduation.



Bud Wilson. Bud is a master of many trades. He has been in the greenhouse business, into boat yards, into gardening, into poetry and helps David Greenberg '58 put on his special Dixieland jazz festival every August in the Essex. Ct. area. He also manages the Essex Boat-Yard for the owners on weekends. Moving from Long Island to Essex the box containing his 100 poems was lost in transit! Winters finds him with his daughter in Fort Lauderdale, FL.



Doc (Prentiss) Ward. Doc has now retired from his practice of pediatrics. At 88, he still serves as assistant organist in the Nutley Lutheran Church; spends time gardening and with another hobby—astronomy.

