

A lifetime of bragging rights

“Once teammates, always teammates” by Charlie Christian.

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ANNIVERSARIES

Chick & Jennie Cicio	60 years, 61 in April, 11	Terri & Cheri Morris	45 years, in 2011
Don & Connie Holder	60 years, 61 in August 11	Bill & Carol Beavers	42 years, 43 in July, 11
Benny & Carolyn Wallace	58 years, 59 in May 11	Dick & Susie Gutting	43 years, 44 in June, 11
Ed & Jean Fernald	58 years, 59 in June 11	Steven & Adriane Zindell	41 years, 42 in August 11
Don & Patsy Rapp	56 years, 57 in May 11	Wayne & Heather Thompson	40 years, 41 in January 11
Carmine & Daneen Regna	56 years, 57 in August 11	Derek & Nancy Lawler	38 years, 38 in 2011
Jim & Marlene Jackson	55 years, 56 in July, 11	Gail & Bill Whitney	38 years, 39 in August 11
Sam & Topsi Bailie	54 years, 55 in June 11	Harmer & Magdalena Weichel	38 years, 38 in December 11
Roger & Tamara Tucker Webb	53 years, 54 in November 11	Andy Anderson & Curtiss Long	36 years, 37 in December 11
Beverley & Bill Beaton	50 years, 51 in Sept. 11	Joe & Dottie Taylor	34 years, 35 in September 11
Yoshi & Haruyo Hatano	46 Years, 47 in Oct. 11	Jimmy & Janie Hanks	33 years, 34 in November 11
Nancy Lamb & Bob Durocher	46 years, 45 in Dec. 11	Thom & Linda O'Conner	31 Years, 32 in May 11
		Carrie Englert & Curtis Zimmermann	32 Years, 32 in 2011
Jay (& Ellie) Schwarzman	Were married 50 years	Karsthin (& Lennart) Malmlin	Were married 47 years
Almira (& Jack) Sharp	Were married 48 years	Claire Essig (& Dick) Traynor	Were married 43 years
Jon & Boots Culbertson	Were married 53 years		

Merik & Anna Ceska | 55-60 | The highest and the greatest “I know you all like my grandsons. They graduated last Saturday from FSU Engineering School (December 11, 2010). If you all have the time and interest you may watch the Commencement Ceremony on :

<http://learningforlife.fsu.edu/graduation/>

The Commencement speech is wonderful to listen to ! And then there is something special about my grandsons (forward the video to the *24th minute and let it play for about a minute : "graduating in honors".

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you. Hoping to see you all next year ! Love Mirek and Ann <mceska@aon.at> {One Ceska son graduated “**Magna Sum Laude**”(3:80-3:89) and the other “**Summa Cum Laude**”(Highest) in Engineering.....*They can be seen at the 46:35 mark on the films clock below the screen.....My goodness, it doesn't get any better than that... Huge honors to the Ceska family}{Thanks to modern technology It is wonderful to watch what the FSU Graduations have become....jmm}

Steve Zindell | 66-68 | The International Family “Hi Jack, How are you? Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Thanks for keeping me in the loop. Adriane and I (41 years in August) just gave our youngest daughter (3 daughters) a wedding here in Chicago and she surprised us by telling us they are moving to Rome in June (they live in DC currently). Our daughter, Jana and her husband, Jordan, have lived in South Africa for the last 7 years...so we will have 2 out of the country. Stay healthy and I hope to hear from you soon. Steve”

Carmine & Daneen Regna | 50-55 | Our Gymnastics Heritage "Heritage Protocol at FSU is an initiative to maintain and celebrate FSU's proud history. FSU started a Heritage Museum located in the Werkmeister Reading Room in Dodd Hall.

Daneen and I recently visited FSU and with Eddie Woodward visited the Heritage Museum location. It is in the oldest building on campus. The renovation has turned out to be very beautiful. Stained glass windows and antique lamps hanging from the ceiling.

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I had donated artifacts to the museum; i.e. 3 letter awards (red sweater, white sweater, and jacket). Also many gymnastic pictures and trophies. It would be a great idea if all of the gymnasts and Gymkana personnel would donate, or loan, memorabilia that they may have stashed away. If anyone still owns a fourth year letter blanket, it will complete the four year letter awards. As you know, the FSU gymnasts were the first athletes to receive the fourth year award.

Eddie Woodward can be reached at 1-850-645-7988, or FAX him at 1-850-644-5016
Eddie is the Heritage Protocol Archivist.".....Carmine

Mike Mann & Fran Millians | 57-67 | Adding to Carmine's letter above “Jack, I would like folks to know that anything that they send to me for the web site automatically is passed on to Eddie at Strozier Library's Heritage Protocol project. It goes there it two different formats; if whatever is actually used

on the web site then he gets a copy of the web site, as it is at the time I do the back up. Photos on the web site are at a low resolution so that they download to people's computers faster. In an area of my computer separate from what is contained on the web site I keep all the original photos and documents. These are all full resolution and Eddie also gets a copy of this area with my monthly backups.

2. Everyone should also be aware that the Heritage Protocol has it's own web site with many interesting things to peruse (<http://heritage.fsu.edu/>). These items have come from a large variety of sources, individuals as in Carmine's case, some have given extremely large and well organized scrapbooks of their college experiences. They even have Katie Warren's mortarboard!

3. In a separate but related issue Eddie is involved with a Oral History project with the History Department. He brought down a graduate student a couple of years ago and picked up some items, like all of your stuff you had sent. That is still being scanned and cataloged. The graduate student later returned with tape recorder to interview for the project and some of the gymnastics history.

That was typed up, reviewed and edited by me, and is now a part of that oral history project.

I have been waiting for Pam Tschiemer to send me some of "Beans" stuff. Under her directions, I will deliver it all to Eddie. He is to scan it also and return it to me so that I can return the originals to Pam. Pam just wrote yesterday apologizing for not getting the material to me. She said they had family illness recently, and her mother in law is in the "end stages" and all of this has taken up her time. Mike”

Jon Culbertson 64-66 Christmas Letter

“ This is not my usual style, but I have undergone a lot of life changes in the past year; and I do not think I mailed any cards out last year as well. So I am attempting to

perhaps reconnect as well as inform some of my friends and family herein.

A little over a year ago I was diagnosed with a case of advanced prostate cancer.

In fact, the cancer had spread to the seminal vesicles as well. Nearly a year later after three phases of radiation treatment at the Dattoli Cancer Institute in Sarasota (convenient) I was evaluated as cancer free (for now anyway). Radiation was accompanied with aggressive drug/hormone treatments as well. Although my usual energetic lifestyle was somewhat curtailed; I did manage to continue my teaching, tutorials and judging. The summer was more leisurely, but much less remunerative. Time was spent reading, getting organized for leaving Sarasota, and having a mediated divorce. I spent three months in New Port Richey, Florida living with a very good friend after the divorce while I finished up some treatment, teaching and judging obligations. Unfortunately, right before I left Florida for California I had a collision on my bike with a car. Fortunately, the most damage was to my teeth; and I walked away from the accident which by all rights should have finished me off. I am not sure how many of my nine lives I have used up; but I am one lucky guy.

My good fortunes continue in having been welcomed into the family of my daughter, Carla, and my son-in-law, Scott. I am to be house-sitting for them in the California residence during the winter (Thanksgiving through April), and likewise during the summer (late May through early November) in St. Thomas, USVI. I have already integrated myself into the Northern California Judges Association; but I have yet to have any work with Princeton Review out here. Although I am still recovering from some of the side effects of radiation and drugs; I have been doing a good deal of hiking in the mountains/hills around here.

So I felt very grateful for celebrating Thanksgiving with family in California this year as well as my new healthy (for a 75-year old) status. I also wish to extend hearty greetings to all for a great Holiday Season and New Year. Love to all, Jon”

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Jamile & Barbara Ashmore 55-58 Re: His comment on the latest Newsletter

“Jack: A lot of information. One of these days I will write something. Happy Day....Jay”

{ Reiterating the promise he made six years ago...that one line is better than Joe Gusic's...I even sent him stamps...No luck...jmm }

Howard “Beans” Stephens 50-54 From Mike Mann responding to “ Beans” Stephens Daughter, Tschiemer, Pam

“Have one

beautiful pic of Scotty Stanton doing a hand stand on some wooden thing at least 5' in air. This is in FSU's gym. Dad said Scotty was killed in a scuba diving accident some years back. Pam”

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“Pam, As I understand it, it was NOT a SCUBA accident. Scotty use to put on shows on the weekends at Wakulla Springs and I don't believe he even used the air hoses that they had available then, he just held his breath. He did lots of things but at one point he swam down to and underneath the "ledge" at Wakulla Springs and came back up through a hole in the ledge. (I have a photo somewhere of someone coming through that hole but doubt that I can find it right now. I do know it shows up occasionally as either my computer "Wallpaper" or "Screen saver." These come from two different sources and the next time it show up I will track it down and send you a copy.) He had done that, was sitting on one of the boats and just fell off over the side. Everyone thought it was just a part of the act until he just fell to the bottom and did not come up. I'll cc Jack Miles and Don Holder that were friends of Scotty and they can correct me if I have misstated anything.

{Mike is correct, Scotty had just performed underwater by swimming thru the hole in the cliff as part of his underwater show and then rose to the side of the Glass Bottom spectator's boat. He grabbed the boat with one hand but then let go and slide down to the bottom. Prior to that day Scotty was worried because he had broken the chain on his St. Christopher's Medal, which he always wore as he was a devote Catholic. He put it in the jewelers to be repaired and was not wearing it that faithful day...We watched the Hard Hat divers bring him up the next morning on that faithful day in 1951.... jmm}

Jack, Bill Beavers and I did do a lot of both skin and SCUBA diving and studied all the physics and physiology necessary to try and stay alive. With that knowledge we theorize that Scotty passed out from a CO2 build up from holding his breath too long. I was a Wakulla Springs life guard for awhile and "rescued" a guy that had that happen. I wanted to "skin" down to the bottom which is about 60 to 80 feet depending on where you do it. He made it down all right but passed out on the way back up. His buddy yelled for help, when I got to him he was still in the "headed for the surface" mode head back, kicking his fins for all he was worth. All I had to do was just point him toward the shore. When he was in shallow water with other peoples help we got him on the beach, gave him some "mouth to mouth" and got him breathing again. Mike"

Benny & Carolyn Wallace	51-55	Benny & Carolyn Wallace sent this nice Christmas letter	. "Their letter reminds me of when my number 1 son David
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(The little kid you knew from FSU in 1951 who is now 59 years old), David wrote, "I'm not getting old I'm just wearing down."

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Yoshiro & Haruyo Hatano	60-61	Yoshi also sent a wonderful Christmas letter from Japan	Attached pleased find our Christmas
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Family Newsletter.

At this juncture I thank you for your great friendship for me during the past year and let me hope you have a happy holiday season soon.

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Jack Miles & Nancy Dye	50-58	Have a Merry and a Happy
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There were these few emails that arrived and I thought they were too late for inclusion in a January edition hence this 60th edition of the Newsletter. My family and I wish you the very best that can be with lots of laughs or "Chuckles". With the arrival of this New Year I hope you are making plans on attending the next reunion. This next decade is arriving like an Iceberg and we have safely sailed this far so keep in touch as often as you can and try to attend the 2011 reunion. Plus, I personally love that you are sharing your everyday experiences with your life long friends and the Newsletter.....

As Barbara and Bev would say, "Love & Hugs to you all".....Jack

MAY THE HOLIDAY SEASON FILL YOUR HOME WITH PEACE

YOUR HEART WITH LOVE

AND YOUR LIFE WITH PEACE