Bald Eagles Echo

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President s Corner Susan Milstead Murphy 66

St. Louis is a big vibrant midwestern industrial city sitting on the muddy Mississippi. Some of us got to explore just a bit of its uniqueness, others chose to stay inside and cool off with the likes of Dan O'Connor '66 who traveled from far away Australia. Nicki Williams '66 was smart enough to write to the Veterans Administration trying to find Dan. The letter took over two months to travel down under and Mr. O'Connor told me his wife



gave him the choice of a computer or a trip back to the USA for his big 5-0 and this reunion. Mrs. O'C is our



type.

Our hostess was Lorraine Burch Johnson '66, we've all decided to adopt her husband Chris. (Anybody who will humor those men of '65 and laugh at all their jokes...) . Lorraine is confined to a wheel chair due to MS, that didn't stop her from putting together a fun time for all, nor keep her off the dance floor. Someone suggested giving a pint to the Red Cross—blood, not Guiness— as a present to Lorraine. Editor Lorraine has written a column on putting "organ donor" on our drivers license, two simple procedures and we can make the world a better place.

And writing of making things better

It is very important to send in your registration as soon as you receive it. We usually get a free hospitality suite if so many rooms are booked under FAHS's name, this year we just squeaked by and didn't have to pay \$175.00 a day extra. When a person registers and knows one to three other people are rooming with them it is very important that the treasurer, Alice Atkinson '66 knows that. Dinner reservations are being made for the big Saturday night dance and we need to have a head count for the caterer. Bus and restaurant reservations, name tags with your picture from your annual (so we all can figure out who the heck we are), food for the hospitality suite all depend on numbers, please be kind enough to let us know in advance. Go through the right channels, if we ask you to send your registration to the treasurer please do so, each one of you. Please send your check in early rather than pay when you get there.

It takes a great deal of time and effort to organize these events and we who try to run things efficiently would prefer to join in the fun and not be running around trying to accommodate late comers. The more the merrier, of course and everyone is welcome but if we get our act together things can run so much more proficiently. Call, e-mail, write anyone you want but send your registration form and money to Alice.

This year nearly 25 people showed up over the weekend that the organizers didn't know were coming. We paid for an extra 18 meals that weren't even eaten because we had no clue how many to plan for. If you just have to be a surprise guest explain that on your form with your check and information. You can still make a stellar entrance but we'll have a cold beer and a hot meal waiting for you. Jan Surkin is the 1999 hostess in San Diego

and she is adamant about registering early because her town is a year round resort/convention city and they really don't need us. If reservations aren't made early it is very probable there will be no extra rooms available for late comers. We're all grown up, I'd prefer to spend time with those dear friends I only see once a year or sometimes every thirty years rather than trying to figure out numerous problems of the day.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Susan

Memories of St. Louis





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Lost Folks: We Did Have!

Please let me know if you know the whereabouts of the following classmates or teachers. Please send change of address to me if you don't want to get lost.

Charlene Gatewood Moved
Tom Geist Fwd. order expired
Susie Guptill Returned From Holland
Jack Peterson Unit closed
Rich Thompson No such person
Phyllis Mull Burdha Fwd. order expired
Diane Stirling Moved
Rich Tomlin Moved
Joleen Mull Moved
Gerald Martin Moved
Tory Burch Insufficient address
Jim Fuller Moved

Some of our lost sheep have been found! Some are still missing! Some have just been lost. Thanks to all who responded to my cry for help. lbj/ED

In Memory of Classmates:

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Patricia Ann Baird Fields
Cloris Kranich
Ann (Tex) Strumbaugh Philips '63
William Arthur Thompson
Ernie Armstrong
Betty Aves
Jack "Benj" Cooney
James B. Hall
Moustafa (Moose) Zikri
Pat Baird
Steven (Steve) Jones
Jim Malone
Laurence (Larry) J. McDowell
Robert (Tom) Riddle
Abbie Baxter Stern
Sherry Talken
Pat Walters
Patrick (Pat) Wolter
Mary Kay Daniels
Jeffery Lee (Jeff) Fuller
Robert Ernest (Bob) Lord
Rick Price
Naomi Usher

If you know of any others who are gone please let us know. Sometimes the family just forgets us and does not want the newsletter as a reminder. lbj/ED.

Search for Info by Ibj/ED

I have tried everything I know to find out for Sam Rachid to locate anyone with any information about MOUSTAFA (MOOSE) z'KRI '64.

VP/ED Notes

Please forgive me and my MS. We have had a really yucky summer. Since my MS and I am not getting along. I have decided, with permission from Susan, to take Jerry Ulbricht '66 up on his offer to be my new co-editor.

Money Matters				
Income				
Dues	\$ 1,740.00			
Aide	738.00			
Reunion	2,395.00			
Mug	6.00			
Total Income	\$ 4,879.00			
Disbursements				
Reunion	\$ 3,210.86			
Postage	480.20			
Telephone	150.22			
Supplies	275.76			
Printing				
Computer Software	450.00			
Returned Checks	40.00			
Total Disbursements	\$ 5,807.04			
Net Income				
Dues	\$ 1,740.00			
Aide	738.00			
Reunion				
Mug	6.00			
Total Income	\$ 4,879.00			
Checking Account Brought Forward				
6/15/97	. \$4,957.50			
Checking Account Balance 6/17/98 \$4,029.46				

Annual Business Meeting June 27, 1998 St. Louis, Missouri

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am by President Susan Milstead Murphy.

Old Business:

- A roster was passed around to all those present for any additions or corrections to be made.
- Newsletter:
 - ‡ Lorraine Burch Johnson, our Vice President and Newsletter editor reminded everyone of the importance of keeping the rosters current so that postage is not wasted on "returned" rosters.
 - 2. Newsletters will be sent twice a year once in September (deadline for submitted articles is August 15) with an updated roster and preliminary info on the next reunion) and again in January (deadline for submitted articles is December 1) with final info on the upcoming reunion and registration forms for that reunion.

New Business:

• Class representatives will be reimbursed a maximum of \$25 for phone calls made in the quest of finding class members.

Alphabetical listing of those attending this reunion follows (perhaps some of you who haven't ever attended a reunion or haven't been in a while will see someone whose name will encourage you to come):

NAME	CLASS
Alice Atkinson Malton	1966
Dick Bartlet	1965
Kathy Bates Johnson	1966
Laura (friend-Heath [†])Baxter	1966
Bob Begg	1965
Bob Bepko‡	1966
Judy Kellond Bader	1966
Sue Brady Chinnery ‡	1964
Lorraine Burch Johnson	1966
Hal (Leanne- spouse) Corbin	1965
Steve Downs	1965
Bruce Ey ‡	1965
Terry Follas †	1964
Jan Gallaway	1965
Terry Gunn‡	1964
Sue Harlan Alley	1965

Sharon Humphrey Campbell‡ 1966 Karla Knickman Paul 1965 Mary Jean Latenser Brown‡ 1966 Sharon Miller Nilmeier‡ 1964 Sue Murphy Milstead 1966 Barb Motson Leiser 1965 Dan O'Connor[†] 1966 (all the way from Australia) Dave (Bonnie- spouse[†]) Ratcliff 1965 Cindy (Naldo-spouse) Ravitsky 1966 Roger (Lois- spouse) Reaves 1966 George Roman[†] 1964 Gary Sams 1965 Fred Schloss 1964 Terry Skelton‡ 1965 Pat Coffee Smith[‡] 1966 Linda Squitieri Lindquist‡ 1964 **Charlotte Stebbins** (spouse-Charles) Jacques 1966 Hal Stieber 1964 Janet Surkin Heidorn 1965 Gregg Thurman 1965 Rolf von Hellens‡ 1963 Sue Weaver Moenkhaus‡ 1965

- † FIRST TIMERS!!! ... Welcome
- Long time-no see...Welcome Back! You were missed!
- Next reunions:

Gary Word

1999—San Diego (hosted by Janet Surkin Heidorn)

2000—CHICAGO (hosted by Dick Bartelt and Kathy Bates Johnson)

• Note from Janet regarding San Diego:

The date is tentatively June 25 - 27. Because San Diego is a *resort and conference city* it is imperative that I have all of you who are even thinking of attending reply as soon as possible. I will be able to guarantee rooms to those who respond by the dates given in the January newsletter, otherwise there *most likely will be no room at the inn* and I would hate for that to happen. If you are planning to make this a vacation and need help in the planning, please let me know. If there are activities (boating, zoo, Sea World, plays, baseball games, etc. which you might like to do, let me know, I'll be happy to arrange those for you.

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1966

The weather in San Diego at that time usually runs in the mid 70's to mid 80's during the day, but cools down drastically into the 60's, so bring light jackets or sweaters for the evenings and swimsuits and summer clothes for the daytime.

San Diego is casual dress during the day, but I would like to encourage evening dress for the Saturday night "reunion" dinner.

- Cindy Ravitsky is taking your "bios" and stories of how you were "found" for compilation into a book of these stories. If you weren't at the reunion—send them to her, please.
- Fred Schloss is compiling a scrapbook of FHS

memorabilia so please send him anything you don't want to keep or copies of anything you might like to see in it. This will Be *Our History* and should be fun to view at future reunions!

• REMEMBER: There exists a reunion fund to which anyone can contribute (through Alice, our treasurer) which provides assistance to any and all who can provide their own transportation to the reunions but need help with lodging or costs associated with the weekend. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE to make use of this. Those who contribute do so with the hope of seeing you and there is money in the fund available!

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Susan Milstead Murphy 66 On Life



The year 2000 is coming ever closer. Most of us have made it to our 50th year. More and more of our parents are dying. It's that time of our lives. Nobody there to tell us the answers, perhaps there aren't any, or maybe it's time we came up with our own.

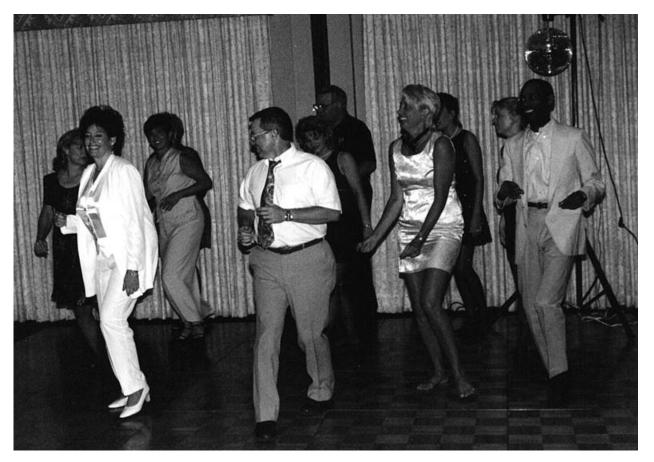
We see life is short and yet we've been here half a century. My Mom died eight years ago, a debilitating stroke tried to control her life for two full years. She fought valiantly. My Dad took care of her except for relatively short hospital stays. They still went out to restaurants, to malls, on trips. She who had always looked great, had to wear a bib, she couldn't speak. She was an inspiration to me. Every morning my parents would work on oral exercises — a spoon dipped in ice water placed at the back of the throat after sipping steaming hot coffee. *It will stimulate the voice box*", said her voice therapist. So they did it every morning. She rode her stationary bike five minutes every day. She had great difficulty walking to it and then getting on, but she rode.

It's been four years since my dad passed away. Lung cancer won again. I was there this time, about eight hours a day for twelve days in his hospital room, mostly talking to him, seldom with him. Three days before he died it seemed like he was already gone, he tried one last wink at a nurse and just didn't come back. My sister, my nephews and I all began to speak louder each time we spoke to him. It was as if he was disappearing and maybe if we yelled he could hear us from afar. *Daddy, it's Susan! I love you!* We all did it. I began to think if Red Milstead could have spoken to us he probably would have said:

Enough! Stop with the yelling! I love you too! My Dad was a kind, gentle, unpretentious man who had a ready smile for all. Oh, lucky me!

Mr. Milstead was a story teller. One of his favorites was over 60 years old. My parents had met in a dance class in '33. Yet I never saw them dance, not ever. Watching him die I kept thinking he would soon be dancing with my Mom, Gladys Cochran Milstead, finally.

The moral of the story is go out and dance.



Come join us one Saturday night a year. Some of us do the twist, some the electric slide, a few the two step, not many the bunny hop, but lots still love to slow dance. That's how I picture my parents, dancing to a marvelous slow dance and getting it just right, for the very first time.

Susan Milstead Murphy

Eagles Are Endangered!

The Species Thrives With Sams!

Gary had some of the neatest shirts with the EAGLE LOGO on them complete with the year you graduated.

- If you are interested please contact directly
- Eagle can be the German eagle or the strutting eagle on the Echo.
- If your year had a different eagle logo...send him a copy.
- Golf shirts with logo on pocket
- T-shirts with large logo
- Sweatshirts with large logo
- All Color Combinations
- Logos large or small

Golf shirt is \$20.00

T-shirt is \$15.00

Sweatshirt is \$22.50 cost covers postage.

Check must accompany order!

Mail to: Gary Sams at 230 East Main Street, Everett, PA 15537.

Phone: 814-652-5658

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Alice Atkinson Malton

2013 Ashburn Lane

Clemmons, NC 27013

Hey guys!!! It's that time of year again. Dues are due for 1998. Please send only checks to Alice at the above address. Your check will serve as your receipt!

This newsletter and roster is expensive to print, mail and costs to locate our missing classmates. All donations to the reunion aide fund are tax deductible! Dues are \$20.00 per year.

Reunions and newsletters are very costly items. \$20.00 really helps!

Name:							
	(Last name)	(First name)		(Maiden name)			
Addres	s:						
Telephone:							
	(Home)		(Work)				
E-mail address:							
Class y	ear graduated:	_					
You may donate to the reunion aide fund.							

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