



L to R; Norm Bednarek, Jim Mintun, Dave Dyke, Steve Burgess and Hank Morgan



L to R; Hank Morgan, Vince Obsitnik, Bob Milner, Skip Yerkes and Jim Lackey.

Hank passed away on Saturday, March 26, 2016. We pray for Sue and his extended family.

**Good Times:  
Suzi and Charlie Pease (10):**

■ *As this class column goes to the Shipmate staff we have just returned home from a great trip to Australia and New Zealand, in a group of 22 senior citizens, none previously known to us, one of the very best groups we have ever joined for travel. It was five hours from Dulles to Los Angeles; then a Qantas flight for the 14 hour trip to Brisbane, in northeast Australia.*

The Great Barrier Reef was a disappointment, because we were there just hours after a major storm stirred up all the sand so the water was cloudy. Other than that one day of bad visibility underwater, the entire trip was without incident. The local folks were very friendly. We were blessed with an extremely professional escort and several outstanding bus drivers who doubled as narrators and professors of whatever history, geology, geography or politics seemed applicable to our locations.

We did considerable flying within Australia, which permitted tours to Alice Springs and Ayers Rock (known as Uluru by the Aboriginal population). And, we spent four days in Sydney, before flying to Christchurch, New Zealand, which has been devastated by a major earthquake, and hundreds of aftershocks.

Again, the populace was very friendly and the scenery was beautiful. We did Mount Cook National Park, Queenstown, and Milford Sound, Rotorua, and Auckland before returning to Los Angeles via Sydney. ■

**Many thanks to the Company Representatives** for assuming the duties to notify the Class of 1959 of events that I would normally broadcast to the two regiments.

Please send me similar tales of trips, golf games and other visits with Classmates. The Class needs to track the good times as well as times of sorrow.

Rise and Shine, Charlie

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From **Rod Friedman (5):**

■ “Bill, we were fortunate to have an April “double header” involving our Hampton Roads, Williamsburg and out-of-town classmates.

The first event (Apr 10-17) was our 10th Annual gathering of classmates and wives at the Outer Banks (OBX) of NC. While the weather was cold, the surf was rough and very windy, the inside activities were warm and friendly. The activities were augmented by some good vintage spirits, tasty home cooked meals and lots of laughter, provided by our Entertainment Committee (Becky & **Dick Pariseau (1)**). Outside activities included a couple of days of challenging golf and multiple shopping treks by the ladies. Participants included: Catherine

& **Ed Clextion (10)**, Prissy & **Wick Parcels (12)**, Joann & **Carl Bruntlett (8)**, Paula & **Rod Friedmann (5)**, & Jane & **Jim Eilertsen (21)**. Joy & **Dick Hamon (8)**, Peggy & **Jim Britell (13)** and Nanette Bell could not make the reunion this year.

The second event was our monthly Class Luncheon held on Apr 12th at Frankie’s Ribs in Virginia Beach. **Bob Ianucci (16)** volunteered to honcho this one for me. Eleven classmates participated in the luncheon, including **Bill Manning (14)** from Richmond. Other participants included: **Torry Rogers (3)**, **Mike McCullough (14)**, **Joel Febel (5)**, **Frank Kay (8)**, **Bert Johnson (3)**, **Bob Ianucci (16)**, **Bill Kee (9)**, **Al Ablowich (16)**, **Bob Osmon (17)**, and **Jack Greenhalgh (9)**. **Henry Von Kolnitz (22)** couldn’t make it due to a pending knee operation. No photos were available.

Bob reported that “Frankie’s was very good to us. [They] set us up in their back room in a square table [configuration] that made conversation easy. Food was good, service was excellent.” “Small group, but a good time was had by all.”

**Update:** “**Mike McCullough (14)** said he is feeling better since finishing chemotherapy recently; **Joel [Febel] (5)** is still his driver. **Frank Kay (8)** is walking straight since his [back] operation and says he is feeling good. **Bill Manning (14)** got lost, but finally made it in.”

New Business: Two events are scheduled for May: The May Luncheon will be held at the new Virginia Beach Top Golf Facility on Tues., 10 May and **Bob Osmon (17)** will host a LPGA Kingsmill Championship party at his home in Williamsburg, VA on Sat. 21 May. Bob mentioned that one of the lady players (Kim) will be staying at his house



‘60: OBX golfers



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'60: Northern California December luncheon

again this year and she is doing well on the circuit. ■

From **John Michalski (6)**:

■ "Hi Bill, the Annapolis area '60 group met on March 18th for lunch at the Eastport Yacht Club. Attending were **Jim Britell (13)**, **Ron Burdge (9)**, **Bud Collicott (2)**, Sheila & **John Chenard (14)**, Ginny & **Don Delude (12)**, **Jim Knorr (20)**, Suzanne & **Ed Mangan (20)**, **Bob Matulka (2)**, Nancy & **John Michalski (6)**, **Merf Moerschel (2)**, Jane & **Jerry Nelson (8)**, and Carolyn & **Willie Taylor (7)**. Merf gave instructions on how to burn your socks to celebrate the end of winter, Fast Eddie Mangan showed up in a tropical shirt that made everyone squint their eyes, and we celebrated the 80th birthday of **Willie Taylor (7)** with a sinful chocolate cake. John ■

From **John Schmidt (20)**:

■ "Attached photo of (almost all) the attendees at our February 26 get-together. After lunch at the Carlsbad Sheraton Twenty/20 restaurant, there was a guided tour of the nearby Museum of Making Music.

In the photo, from left to right: **Doc Hand (7)**, Sue & **Sam Ward (8)**, Charlotte & **Bob Stevenson (2)**, Margaret & **Tom Curtis (22)**, Nancy & **John Pethick (9)**, Joyce & **Chuck Schroeder (23)**, Glee & **John Schmidt (20)**. Not in the photo: Janet Hand, Avery & **Ben Hallowell (3)**. Our next outing is

planned for June 25th, the 60th anniversary of our swearing in. ■

From **Ray Burkley (2)**:

■ "Bill; We have been silent as far as input goes but very active as a Super '60 group here in Northern California, meeting monthly at various restaurants in the San Jose Bay Area. Attached is a picture from our December luncheon, with **Charles Peterson (18)**, **Kevin Ryan (4)**, **Tom Teal (16)**, **Dennis Vied (24)**, **Dan Affourtit (24)**, **Spencer Cleveland (6)**, **Raymond Burkley (2)** and **Dick Shawkey (24)** in attendance. As a testimonial to the value of classmates meeting Tom and Dick, drive about 150 miles one way to attend the luncheons. Jack Newman (6) has an even longer drive when he can make it.

We will endeavor to maintain better contact with the Class and if any classmates are traveling in this area let us know and they are invited to join us for lunch. More individual gossip in future reports. Best Regards, Raymond ■

From **Bob Raymond (20)**:

■ "Good Morning Bill, Just wanted to pass on to a pic of Joan and **Mike Treacy (20)**, and Nancy and Bob Raymond (20) meeting for lunch while in San Diego in January. We were plebe year roommates, so some of time was spent trying to remember the highlights. The pic would be good for SHIPMATE class notes. We are all well and happy, Treacys living in Williamsburg and Raymonds in

Anchorage. Hope all is well with you and thanks, Bob ■



Treacys and Raymonds

From **Ted Parsons (18)**:

■ "Bill, Use this if you see fitting. June 25, 2016! I have no doubt that many of us will be thinking about where we were, and what we did 60 years ago today. It was momentous event in our lives, wherein we pledged to support and defend The Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic, so help me God. Like the rest of you we were young and didn't fully appreciate what we were getting into. We all liked the idea and thus sincerely raised our right hand committed ourselves for life.

That was the easy part. The reality was after you kissed your Mom, and said goodbye. Ted ■

From **John Michalski (6)**:

■ "Hi Bill, Below is a short note for Shipmate. On Friday, April 15th, the Annapolis area '60 group gathered for lunch at the Eastport Yacht Club. Attending were, Carolyn & **Willie Taylor (7)**, **Ron Burdge (9)**, **Jim Britell (13)**, Cathy & **Ben Mercer (12)**, Beth & **Jim Knorr (20)**, Ginny & **Don DeLude (12)** and Nancy & **John Michalski (6)**. As usual there were a lot of laughs as we caught up with our winter activities! John ■

I was spending a month or so in Florida recently and ran into one of our classmates in the area. Former Napster, **Steve Marinak (8)** and his wife Rita live in Palm Beach Gardens and Linda and I had an enjoyable get together.



Lewis's and Marinaks