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Hello Classmates,

How about that Army Navy game! What a great win! We have a huge column this month thanks to a record number of contributors.

**Scott Herbener** kicks off the column with news of our 35th reunion.

✉ "Greetings Classmates! As I write this in the Dark Ages of January, your Reunion Committee is hard at work planning a memorable 35th Reunion. We all need to buy them a beer (or a bourbon... or both) when you see them next. Shipmate, Class Blast emails, and our class website ([www.usna87.com](http://www.usna87.com)) are the best places to find the latest news, SOE, ordering info on class SWAG, and on 01 May, we will launch the registration website at: ([signupnow.events/usna1987](http://signupnow.events/usna1987)).

Also, watch email for a **Zoom invite for Friday evening, 20 May 2022** for a quick hoist of your favorite beverage, a live update on reunion plans and an update on

by-law adoption, class officer nominations and election preparations. If interested, please consider running for class office. In any case, please take part and VOTE when the time comes. We will be sharing more details as we get closer to each event.

If you are not receiving class blast emails from the Alumni Association or MailChimp, please update your email with the Alumni Association or contact one of us for help. Looking forward to seeing everyone "on the Yard" in early September! Cheers!" ~ **Scott Herbener**

For a quick flashback to the Notre Dame game, we go back to Scott.

✉ "This past November, USNA '87 invaded South Bend. Thanks to **TJ Clark** who hosted a great tailgater where the bratwurst flowed like water and the beer flowed, well..., like water, too. There was even a **George Ganahl** sighting and we found a few other classmates inside the stadium (including **Greg Gephart**, sitting in our row). The day was bright and warm enough, the Irish put on a terrific Veterans Day themed show, and the game was especially promising for the first 20 mins. Go Navy!" ~ Scott Herbener

Kelly Rapadas caught this excellent picture of her husband, **Alex Rapadas**, celebrating with **Rob Goodbody** and **Ben Griffith** at the September wedding of their

daughter, Alexandra, in Montana. Congratulations to Kelly and **Alex**!



(L to R) Ben Griffith, Alex Rapadas and Rob Goodbody

Congrats to Wes Huey on his new role as Executive Director Strategic Communications for the Alumni Association and Foundation!

✉ "I wanted to pass some news from our most recent Board of Trustees meeting in Annapolis. '87 is well represented at the Alumni Association. I am enjoying my new role working closely with Tim Wolf, who is both a Trustee and Chairman of the BOT Communications Committee. Congratulations to Fred Latrash (Greater DC), George Lipscomb (North Carolina) and Steve Swift (Tampa Bay) for earning Distinguished Chapter Awards!" ~ Wes Huey



87 Group Photo at Board of Trustees meeting: (L to R) Steve Swift, Tim Wolf, Wes Huey, George Lipscomb and Fred Latrash

✉ Hiya '87! **Nick Campbell** here!

"The 30th Reunion was my only one, so I figured I was overdue to see my first Army-Navy game since Philly 1986 (and its frigid weather).

**Craig Perri** has done an amazing Phoenix imitation rising from the COVID ashes. Keeping his Times Square restaurant, Da Marino, viable after two years of COVID is a testament to his fortitude and McGuyver-like ability. If you have not been to Da Marino yet... my condolences.



L to R: Craig Perri and Nick Campbell

Game Day turned out nicely. **Scott Herbener** and **Gabe Gomez** did some serious back-alley dealing on the accommodations...and **Tim Wolf** won the prize for best pants.



Tim Wolf going all in for style



(L to R) Scott Herbener, Nick Campbell and Gabe Gomez

I hunted down MIDN 4/C Bowen Shuttleworth, he is chomping at the bit for the outdoor track season to arrive, as the lad has some serious wheels and will possibly set a Navy record or two before he throws his cover skyward.



MIDN Bowen Shuttleworth and Nick Campbell



87: L to R: The swag bag with John Fitzwilliam, Scott Herbener, George Ganahl, TJ Clark, Ty Sawyer, and David Berman

Great game, great 4th down stops to seal the victory. Later that night, Craig locked the front door to all but the wretched refuse celebrating within. **Dave Berman, Pat Sims, Ron Harris...**I cannot believe police weren't involved...or at least a restriction muster!



(L to R) Pat Sims, Nick Campbell and Dave Berman



Ron Harris at Da Marino

After returning home to Seattle, I caught dinner with an '87 progeny. Any guesses?



After returning home to Seattle, I ran into an '87 progeny. Any guesses?

Way too easy! John Douglass, son of my great roommate **Rob Douglass**. John is an Ops Officer on the NIMITZ over in Bremerton. We met for dinner in downtown Seattle, where I regaled him with all the salacious stories of his miscreant father (if you know Rob, which was a truly short conversation). Fine young man, courtesy of his family

bloodlines." Great trip. Go Navy!  
-Nick Campbell

Please join me in thanking **Kelly, Wes, Nick**, and **Scott** for sharing so much great news!

Please send your news to [rpintaro87@gmail.com](mailto:rpintaro87@gmail.com) with "SHIPMATE" in the subject line.

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'88 "In Harm's Way", USS JOHN PAUL JONES (DDG-53) r/ Sara

**Laura Stroman Lee** - Join us for the '88 Wardroom Meetings! There's always a lively discussion, plenty of tales both old and new and great connections. If you haven't yet participated in one of these virtual class meet-ups, find a date that works for you and join in! They are very casual, and we always break out into small groups so that everyone gets a chance to meet and speak if you want to. Topics are wildly varied, but truly it's just fun to see faces again and get reacquainted. '88 Wardroom Meetings provide a safe-space to share memories, ask questions, discuss the past and the future, ask for help, show support, connect with an old friend, or meet classmates for the first time. These virtual gatherings might be one of the few actually positive results of the covid pandemic. The Zoom link meeting number and time (1700 Pacific/ 2000 Eastern) will remain the same from month to month, although the theme may change - as well as the day of the week - to help accommodate everyone's schedules. Mark your calendars and invite your company mates and roommates to join in as '88 works towards connecting again before our milestone 35th reunion coming up in the fall of 2023. The exact

dates will be announced in February 2023 once the official football schedule is released. UPCOMING 2022 ZOOM WARDROOM MEETINGS: Wednesday, 16 Mar, Thursday, 21 Apr, Thursday, 26 May / honoring Memorial Day, June, July, and August - break for the summer, Wednesday, 14 Sept / welcome back, planning of "real" tailgaters and 2023 reunion, Thursday, 13 Oct, Thursday, 10 Nov / honoring Veteran's Day, Saturday 10 Dec / Army Navy Game back in Philly and Virtual Tailgater. The actual Zoom link can be found on our '88 Facebook group and on the '88 LinkedIn group. Please help our classmates who are not on social media get the word. You can also email: [88pledge@gmail.com](mailto:88pledge@gmail.com) and we will email you the link and/or the passcode if you're manually logging in with the meeting ID. Meeting ID: 591 151 9003.

Kind regards, stay safe,  
Laura Stroman Lee

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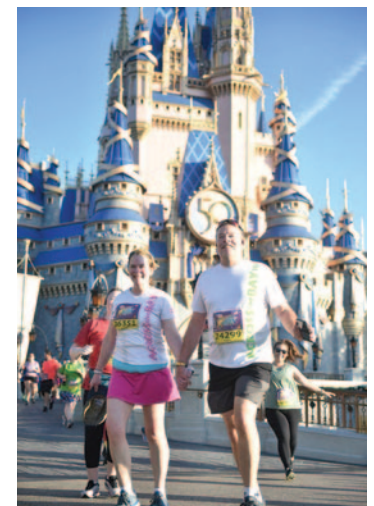
Happy Spring!

My wife, Joanne, and I successfully completed the Disney World Dopey Challenge in January. The Dopey Challenge consists of running four races in four consecutive days; a 5k, a 10k, a half-marathon and a full marathon. Joanne speed-walked, while I jogged alongside her. If you're into

long-distance running, I highly recommend putting the Dopey Challenge on your bucket list. It was a lot of fun and afterwards, we spent two days in the parks before we flew home. During the marathon, we started talking to another racer who turned out to be Karen Breslauer, the wife of our classmate **Mike Breslauer**. Karen's dad, **Bill Kraus**, class of 1961, is a classmate of **Virgil Hill**. With a field of over 10,000 people, randomly meeting someone you have a connection with is pretty cool. Mike ran the 5k with Karen. Karen sent me some post-race pics, including one with **Tony Blankenship** (who ran the 10K), and his wife, Haley.



Me and Joanne at Cinderella's Castle during the Half-Marathon



Me and Joanne at Cinderella's Castle during the Marathon