

Ken Herberger - Class Grandchildren

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Jack Downing has sent along from **Ken Herberger** a note telling us about his grandson, **Christian Herberger'14** and what he's been doing. Ken wrote, "Captain Christian P Herberger is currently assigned to Ft. Carson. He had a Command prior to this assignment, at Ft. Benning.

Has been married to his wife Joy since 2013.

Currently TDY at the National Training Center, Ft.

Irwin CA as an evaluator. He is an Assistant S_3 at Carson. Is supposed to get another command of a line troop." The pictures below are Chris with General Milley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Chris with his wife, Joy.



Jim Bishop - Class Grandchildren

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Jim Bishop passed on a message from his grandson, **Logan Comer'18** telling about his career so far. "Since graduation in 2018, 1LT Logan Comer has gone on to graduate Armor Basic Officer Leadership Course, Army Reconnaissance Course, and Ranger School. He has since been stationed in Fort Richardson, Alaska with the 1-40th Cavalry Squadron (Airborne), 4-25 ID. There, he served as a Mounted Reconnaissance Platoon Leader, where he led his Paratroopers through a successful JRTC

rotation in January 2020. He currently serves as Chief of Operations for 1-40 CAV Squadron, until he becomes Executive Officer for Blackhawk Troop." Here's Logan with his grandfather, Jim.

John Devens - Class Grandchildren

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Jack Downing also forwarded a note and picture from **John Devens** about his grandson, **Michael Devens'13** "He was medically discharged after a tour with a signal unit in Afghanistan. He transferred to the Cyber Branch and developed a reaction to fire ants that was very severe. He made Captain before being discharged. He married in 2014 at the cadet catholic chapel and now has two baby boys --the



oldest is 18 months and the youngest is seven months. He works with an IT firm in Colorado and stays away from fire ants! His first assignment was with a Signal Bn at Ft Hood--lots of fire ants live there I'm told. His wife's name is Alaina and they are both doing well, and his job is management of a small firm that needed organization and leadership. He has provided that and moved up quickly." You'll see John with Michael below at Michael's commissioning ceremony at West Point.

Bob Grete - Class Grandchildren

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Last month I had written about **Rob**

Grete'09 "Served on active duty as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal officer for 7.5yrs. Stationed at Eglin AFB, Ft Riley, Ft Lee, and Ft Stewart.

Deployed to Afghanistan twice; the second time as a trainer/advisor to the Afghan 201st Corps.

Transitioned to DA Civilian in DEC 2016. Currently working at the Supercomputing Research Center, US Army Corps of Engineers."

I didn't have a picture then, but **Bob Grete** sent a couple and here Rob is with his wife, Suzannah, his son, Liam and his daughter, Willow.

From Texas, The Gonzos

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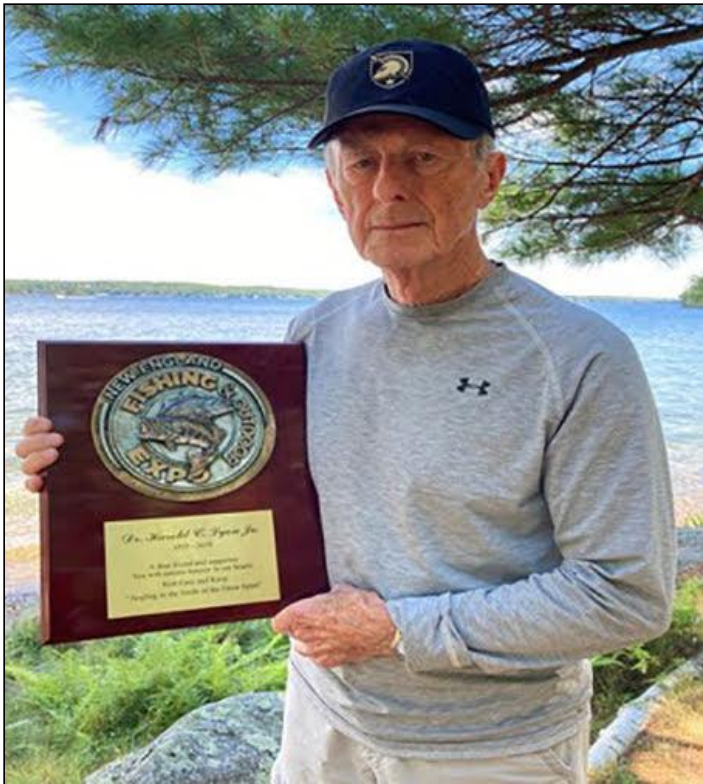
The Gonzos (**Chuck Densford, Stan Bacon & Sam Myers**) came out of retirement briefly at Sam's house to sing songs and exercise their vocal chords. Stan said, "Still no evidence of their having any talent."

Here they are.



From New Hampshire

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Lenny and Carol McCormack spent a few days recently at **Hal Lyon's** place on Bear Island in Lake Winnepesaukee visiting with Hal's widow, Karin, who took this picture of Lenny holding a plaque he had received on behalf of Hal from the NE Fishing and Outdoor Expo. As Lenny said, "Hal spent several years attending these Expos at various locations in MA and NY. Hal was an outdoorsman, himself, with an accomplished fishing and hunting record and developed many friends at these trade shows. He looked forward each year to these exhibitions."

The National Vietnam War Museum

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Roger Waddell wrote asking me if I were "familiar with "The National Vietnam War Museum" located at Weatherford, TX (Mailing address. Perhaps closer to Mineral Wells and the former Fort Wolters-home of helicopter training for many years)?

Their 2021 calendar includes January 2022. The photo shows the Three Soldiers statue at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and has a quote from: **CPT Ramone "Tony" Nadal**, A Co, 1st Bn, 7th Cavalry-

"Somehow I am different than people who haven't been through that. I am different in a variety of ways. I know I met the test of fire. I've been there, and I did the right things. I am different because there is a pain that

doesn't go away."

The Museum's website is at <https://www.nationalvnwarmuseum.org/>

From Williamsburg, VA: Small World

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It is a small world, indeed! **Dale Hruby** wrote this really "small world" story.

Last weekend, our two Hruby Grandsons, Nate (USAFA '15) and Nick (USAFA '18) returned from California to their hometown of Coppell, a suburb of Dallas to serve as groomsmen of one of their high school pals. Our son, **Dale II (USMA '83)** and daughter in law, Kristan were also invited. After the wedding, at the reception, Dale and Kristan sat at a table with one of the bridesmaids and her husband. While getting to know them, they both said that neither of them had ever had any military experience or associations. But then the husband asked his wife if he didn't recall that one of her grandfathers had been in the military. She allowed that that was, in fact, the case. Dale II got the name and did a search on his cell phone and her grandfather turned out to be **Rex Mason**, USMA Class of 1958! Dale and Kristan were further amazed when I told them that Rex was one of my Beast Barracks roommates! (Our third roommate was **Kevin Brown!**) Rex, who had been in the Air Force for a few years, kept Kevin and me from hundreds of demerits and helped us to keep things in perspective. Small world, indeed!