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Beta Alumni Profiles

ANDRES DUARTE '65, ROLL #1090

By Thomas J. Tatham '56

Born in 1943, schooled in Venezuela, Andres Duarte '65 was more than just a citizen of that country, his roots were deep in the United States as well.

THE EARLY YEARS

In 1909 his fraternal grandfather Andrew Duarte-Level left Venezuela for the states where he married an English/ Welsh immigrant Blodwen Jones, and set out to raise his fortune and family. His first job was as a Singer Sewing Machine salesman. Later, after moving to New Jersey, he became the mayor of East Orange in 1941.

Andres' father, Andre Duarte Level II, was born in 1913 with full US citizenship. He worked in the Lincoln Tunnel project as a "ground hog" for nine months and graduated from Cornell University in 1936. When oil was discovered in Venezuela in 1928-29, he returned to a country which, as a result of his parentage, also recognized him as a citizen. At that point, the young Duarte could not speak



Andres Duarte '65

Spanish, having been raised and schooled in the U.S. He soon began work in road construction supporting the rapidly expanding oil fields. Soon after WWII broke out, he was drafted by the U.S. Navy. He joined the Seabees to use his skills in road building and construction and was sent to build airports in Trinidad, Puerto Rico and Brazil to support the U.S. air traffic movements through South America and Africa.

On Andres' maternal side of the family, strong U.S. ties were also much in evidence as his grandfather Eliseo Vivas-Perez had left Venezuela for the U.S. in 1914 as a political outcast having challenged the authority of a dictator named Gomez. After the move to the U.S., Andre's mother and her five brothers were all educated in colleges throughout the U.S. while the parents moved to Philadelphia. They remained there until 1936 when, with the fall of Gomez, the family returned to

Venezuela. Soon after returning to Venezuela, Andre's parents-to-be attended a social event at the U.S. Embassy where they met for the first time and, as the saying goes, the rest is history.

Andres Duarte was born in 1943 in Caracas and was educated in the local Jesuit schools for 12 years. Upon graduation in 1961, and with a significant family history of education in the U.S., the die was cast for Andres to follow the same path.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Initially Andres applied to both Cornell and Northwestern, and was accepted by the latter where his uncle was on the faculty at the time. He visited his uncle who told him about a small college in mid-Ohio (OWU) where he had previously taught and recommended it as more suitable for Andres than Northwestern. He felt that OWU, with its small campus and its excellent academic program would better fit the culture and school life to which Andres had been accustomed. So with that advise, although never having visited the OWU campus, Andres applied and was accepted by OWU at the last minute.

BETA MEMORIES

Arriving at OWU (his first time to the campus) to register for classes in August, 1961, Andres moved into the "low rent" district at the Selby Stadium dorms. Soon thereafter, he was introduced to freshman rush and was attracted to Beta through his meetings with Clark Dove '63 ... and Jim Tennison '62. He later met other Beta campus leaders ... George Conrades '61 (who was visiting campus to see his future bride, who was still attending OWU...), and who had been student body president and Mel Trumble '62, class president and member of the football team. These outstanding Betas were among the most

FRATERNAL FIFTIES REUNION PLANNED

March 31, 2001, is the date set for the next Fraternal Fifties celebration for those brothers initiated in 1951. Plans for the day include a House Corporation meeting at 10 a.m., initiation ceremonies at 2 p.m., the Fraternal '50s recognition ceremony at 4 p.m. to be followed by a reception at 5 and dinner at 6.

This year's recipients include the following brothers: Hank Baldwin, **Buz Christensen**, **Bob Corey**, **Bob Cotner**, **Dick DeVos**, **Paul Kisseberth**, George Kocher, Bob Marten, Jack Mathews, **Jim Merideth**, Clint Miller, **John Reaney**, Mike Schwartz, Morg Shrader, **Dee Simpson**, Nolan Smith, **Keith Thomas**, **Sherry Treis**, **Dick Draz**, Jim Compton, Tom Goodrich and Russ Shanely. (Bolded names indicate plans to attend.)

Wives and guests are invited for the ceremonies, reception and dinner beginning at 4 p.m. Cost of the dinner is \$20 per person payable at the door or to one of the following contacts.

Please RSVP your reservations to:

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Plan on coming to be with brothers who you have not seen for many years and to enjoy the fraternal friendship of undergrads and alumni.

January 7, 2001

Sometimes the true meaning of brotherhood and friendship is not completely apparent until after you have left school. Such is the case for myself in the past year. Last August, my father lost his battle with cancer, dying at the age of 53. The emotional turmoil for our family was indescribable; it is an experience impossible to comprehend unless you have been through it.

Two of the first people I contacted with the horrible news were pledge brothers Ramsy Mahjoub '98 and Mike Dowgiewicz '98. I would have liked to talk to more people but was simply not up to it.

My father's memorial service was two weeks after his death. I knew of numerous family and friends (including Betas) that planned to attend the service, but I was overwhelmed by the turnout. I would never expect people to go out of their way on my behalf, but that is exactly what happened. I have to assume that Ramsy and Mike initiated the contact with other Betas across the country, because sure enough, Betas from Arizona, Florida, Indiana, Maryland, New York and Ohio either attended the service or contacted me to express their love and support in a difficult time. I had not conversed with many of these people for months. It was a touching display to say the least.

I want to again take the time to thank you all for your thoughts and prayers — they meant a lot then and they still do today. My family and I will never forget the support you showed; it helped immensely, more than you could ever know.

Brad Chelton '98

AN UPDATE FROM NEW HOUSE CORP PRESIDENT DICK DEVOS '54

The active chapter, while overcoming some of the problems that caused sanctions by both the General Fraternity and OWU, still has a barrier to deal with in the person of their grade point average. They once more face rulings by Beta Theta Pi which might require additional reorganization efforts. After convention last summer the men had little choice but to direct their energies to making key changes. A "dry house" and "dry rush" brought concerns to the remaining actives that they would not be able to have successful rushes at all, but that has not been the case. Six men were initiated in April, 2000 and four more upperclassmen were initiated this past November. These men all joined Beta with the full knowledge of the status of the chapter and the responsible direction that Theta is moving toward the Men of Principle initiatives.



Dick DeVos '54

Believe me when I say that these are different times for the Greeks, not only at OWU, but elsewhere. It's tempting for me and other alumni to say "when we were here, it was this way, etc." The things that are the same at Theta however, are the high ideals of Beta Theta Pi and the brotherhood we all benefited from during our time at OWU. Alumni can offer a guiding hand but the current actives must direct the chapter and lead it on to success.

Universities like Ohio Wesleyan, who have Greek social fraternities (& sororities) face daily dilemmas about values these organizations provide. Other nationals besides Beta are adopting new guidelines and rules for their chapters which will strengthen the overall movement. Most of this is driven by "risk analysis" as well as moral consciousness.

OWU, as you know, owns the physical fraternity houses while the House Corporation operates the "inside the walls" of the house within university guidelines. There is current conflict between the Greeks and OWU concerning occupancy ratios inside each house. The university position is driven by needing more "beds" for students while the fraternity position is related to the individual Greek societies claim to fraternal privacy. This issue is currently being debated, but is not finding easy common ground as yet. More comment on this will follow spring initiation when the total count of Greek men is clear for 2001.

Those of us active in the House Corps continue to solicit both your moral support and input as well as your generous financial help. I look forward to seeing each of you on campus in the future. Your comments would be welcome at any time at devos367@mediaone.net.



Brothers All the Way
Frank '58 and Mike
"Bo" Dove '55



Jack '55 and Judy Hahn
vacationing in 2000.



Old Friends
Dan Rich '55
and
Bob Marten '55

ALUMNI PROFILE: ANDRES DUARTE '65

important influences attracting Andres to Beta Theta Pi.

Although Andres was supported for membership by brothers Dove, Tennison, Conrades and Trumble, controversy stirred within the house as a result of the prejudices which existed at that time. The controversy over the pledging of a foreign student was quite heated and divisive. Alumni were asked for their advice. Brothers Dove, Tennison, Conrades and Trumble were adamant in their support of Andres, and were soon joined in support by Hal Fausnaugh '48 and Jim Wyant '50, from the alumni ranks. Ultimately, through the advocacy of these brothers, Andres was pledged Beta. [Note: This was not the first time for such a controversy at Theta chapter. The editor remembers well a similar incident in the mid '50s....one which ended with the student being denied membership, to the deep dismay of many of the brothers.]

Pledging memories for Andres include his being awarded "the cow bell" ... an honor bestowed on the one pledge identified as the "most outstanding goof off." It was passed down to Andres from the previous recipient, John Duvall '64. Whenever and wherever the bell rang, the wearer was required to recite from memory passages from "For Whom the Bell Tolls."

After being driven to pulling his hair out from the "ringing bell," Andres was clued in by brother Bruce Jarvis '60 to "put some paper in the bell and don't worry about it any more." Upper classmen always had ways of solving freshmen problems! The following year, Andres passed along this unique tradition by awarding the bell to "Rip" van Winkle '66.

OWU

Andres noted several key memories of his days at OWU. First, the campus curiosity toward foreign students; Second, the "teamwork" displayed in both the classroom and the fraternity house; Third, the immaturity of students in using alcohol. In contrast, in Venezuela you grew up exposed to it and learned to cope with it in moderation, with wine served at home. But for the American students, it was altogether new and cause for "trying out" new limits in acts of immaturity. Fourth, it was the first time Andres could date anyone of his own choosing, and not have a chaperone — either a sister or a mother —!

Following graduation from OWU in 1965 having majored in Geology/Economics,

Andres continued his education with an MS in Geology from the University of Oklahoma in 1967 and an MBA from both Northwestern (where he started) and IESA in Venezuela (where he finished) in 1969. While in Chicago in 1968, Andres had a memorable and forgettable experience during the McGovern political convention riots. A fire resulting from the riots forced him to make an emergency escape from his apartment which was located above a liquor store — a lucky escape! Also at that time, he again ran into George Conrades, in the streets of Chicago, and renewed old ties.

CAREER

Returning to Venezuela in 1969, Andres began his career working for the government for one year in oil/gas production. This was followed by seven years working for a conglomerate in construction work.

By 1975, he started his own consulting business which later evolved into equity interest in various ventures in commodity trading, transportation and port development in Venezuela.

In September 1992 Brother Duarte was offered the C.E.O. position of Linea Aeropostal Venezolana, a government

operated airline, with the mandate to privatize the airline. At the time the national airline was losing \$25 million / year. During his struggle to make the airline profitable, Andres became "persona non grata" as he had to make drastic changes to the company, including selling aircraft, eliminating 180 pilots and downsizing the airline, that only had 19 planes, but over 4000 employees. These changes caused major trauma throughout Venezuela. As a result of his implementation of necessary operational efficiency changes, Andres became the scorn of many and the center of attention in what was considered a national scandal. The airline was the first state-owned institution that was being "privatized." Following the changes instituted by Andres, the government divested itself of the airline which was bought by Cuban nationals residing in Miami ... and by 2000 had the company flying again under private ownership. Unfortunately for Andy, it was two hard years of traumas and difficulties ... but he did that as a service to the country.

Following this period with the government, Brother Duarte returned to the active management of his own company, Duarte Vivas & Asociados C.A. (DVA). Its

initial activities included the operation of companies related to the petroleum sector as well as consulting for engineering firms and commodity trading companies. Products include oil, agriculture, chemical and metallurgical products.

DVA began expanding into shipping and related services, with the establishment of two shipping companies, and a customs, stevedoring and ship agency business. DVA consolidated its presence in this area with the purchase of the Victor H. Selinger shipping agency in 1992.

DVA employs over 30 people for its trading/commodity activities and is currently the largest independent company in Venezuela in its specialty. Total employment is over 150 and as recently as 1999, third-party sales and purchases exceeded \$200M. DVA subsidiaries, joint ventures and affiliated companies number more than 11.

Brother Duarte notes that these have been difficult times for Venezuela. Through government mismanagement the standard of living is poor and little improvement has been seen by the majority of its citizens. More than 20 percent unemployment with

1.3M in public employment with only a population of about 10M is an unacceptable cost to the country. Religious leaders have been indifferent to social change and in politics there are "too many chiefs and not enough indians." Profits from oil, in the past, have masked solutions in others aspects of Venezuelan economic and social structure ... i.e., education, agriculture and the general standard of living. He notes that there exists a need for strong, enlightened political leadership dedicated to the efficient management of his country and its resources.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Brother Duarte has always played an active role in his communities. He has served on various boards including the Chamber of Commerce Federation of Venezuela, Petroleum Chamber of Venezuela, American C of C. He also has served as an outside director of Banco Venezolano de Credito and as V.P. of the British School of Caracas. Since 1995 he has served Ohio Wesleyan University as a member of its Board of Trustees.

FAMILY

Andres and his wife, Laura Otero de Duarte, have three children: an 11-year-old daughter, Camilla, who attends the British School in Caracas, and young Andy, 12-years-old, who attends Gordonstoun school in Scotland. Daughter Emily, 16, is a high school senior studying at the St. Paul Prep

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A recent photo.

ALUMNI PROFILE: ANDRES DUARTE '65

School in Concord, N.H. Hopefully, she will soon be ready to move on to Delaware and OWU.

Laura, also raised in Venezuela, is a freelance costume designer and has contributed professionally to many art organizations, including the Caracas Opera, Venezuelan TV stations and the Pittsburgh Opera.

Andres' permanent home address is:

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DUARTE REFLECTIONS

Looking back, Andres noted with some concern what he considers weakness shown in recent history at Beta and the Greek system. He senses that the priority for students is more of "individualism" rather than deferring to the needs and accomplishments of their groups. Beta always had strong, intelligent brothers, but when the concern for individual achievement and activities became more prevalent, then the strength of the Greek system was compromised. Fondly reflecting on his own experiences in Beta, he expressed genuine concern that we continue to support the young men of Theta chapter and encourage their return of the values of brotherhood within Beta.

SALUDOS

Andres Duarte represents the best of Beta. He has generously given of himself to both his University and to his fraternity. We salute him and are proud to say to Andres Duarte ... thank God you're a Beta!

E-NOTES AND QUOTES

Donald R. Wedge '51 now retired from the Miller-Valentine Co. in Dayton, Ohio and from his duties as referee in the NFL reports that his new address is 3619 Fairfield Dr., Clermont, Fl 34711; 352-394-0147; dwedge@mindspring.com. Don contributes his sports expertise as a member of the Citrus Bowl committee. (Anyone need tickets?)

Dick DeVos '54 (devos367@mediaone.net) was elected this past fall to chair the House Corporation. Dick represents Beta on the Alumni IFC and represents that organization on the University Alumni Board. Brother DeVos attended the last General Convention and special general fraternity "Men of Principle" workshops. Commuting from his home in Bay Village, Ohio, Dick has been active for many years in both House Corporation and OWU alumni activities.

Dee Simpson '54: "Thanks for the heads-up on Beta Fraternal Fifties in late March ... Pat & I plan to be there."
dimpsondps@aol.com

Jack Hahn '55 "rang in the new year (2000) in Southern California ... took a vacation to Seattle, Washington in May ... had our annual Garden Railroad Open House in June here in New Mexico ... and flew with son Keith to New Jersey in November to celebrate son Mark's birthday and a great visit with grand-children ... home for the 2000 holidays ... will return to Ohio in June, 2001, for 50th high school class reunion." jhahn505@aol.com

Larry Linderer '55 reporting from his retirement home in Naples, Fla., sends greetings from the sunny south where he spends most of his time boating. Larry fondly treasures his 1951 pledge class picture and still has an etching of 54 W. Lincoln done by classmate Jack Hahn as well as an ash tray with the 54 W. Lincoln Beta house inscribed.
linderer@earthlink.com

J. Ken Cozier Jr. '56 can be reached by e-mail at jkcozier@home.com

Chuck Glander '56, has retired from his law practice. Chuck notes he is recovering from a recent stroke and seems to be well on the way back to good health as he takes on his new assignment in Athens, Ohio representing Ohio University in the legal arena.

James Carpenter '65 is a fitness & rehabilitation exercise specialist with Med-X of Estes Park Colorado. He lives at 1501 Prospect Mountain Dr., Estes Park, Co. 80517 and can be reached at 970-586-9262.

Erik Mitchell '91 ... "my grandfather was John S. Mitchell '36 whose death you acknowledged in September. On loan to you is a plaque that he handed down to me when I became a Beta. I and my family appreciate your condolences."

Mike Dowgiewiecz '98 (t1622@aol.com) has has a new address and phone number: 825 S. Charles St., Baltimore, Md. 21230; 410-547-2551.

John Schladetsch '39 reports that his golfing days are over as a result of recent surgeries and health problems. He and his wife of 58 years, Dorothy, live in their Seminole, Florida home with their golden retriever. "Still get around although I am now 85."

Jeffrey Davis '81 (contactjeff@cs.com) was recently promoted to Senior Vice President at Crosby Marketing Communications, an advertising and public relations agency in Annapolis, Md.

David Watt '59 "turned 65 in July but no retirement plans at this time."

Mark Goldsmith '81 writes, "wife Kathy and I celebrated our 10th anniversary with the birth of our fourth child and second son, Jean Paul. My lacrosse team won the North Carolina High School Lacrosse State Championship for the 2000 season, only our fourth year as a varsity program. Runners up in 1999. Our records have been 4-12, 4-12, 12-6 and 16-3 the last four years."
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Stephen Sherwood '70 can be reached by e-mail at naveldepth@yahoo.com.

Fraternal Fiftes Celebration 2000

L-R: Dick Davenport '53,
Dick McClintock '53,
Ted Chaney '53, Ben '52
and Marybeth Graham '55,
Dick DeVos '54



AS THE THETA DATA GOES TO PRESS, WE HAVE RECEIVED CONTRIBUTIONS TOTALING \$2,170 FROM 37 ALUMNI.

Reminder: Alumni dues are not used for chapter support but are solely used for the Theta Data publications and other alumni communications! If you haven't done so already, now is the time to send your gift for the 2000-01 school year. A contribution form and postage-paid envelope are enclosed for your convenience.

TWO SENIORS GRADUATE, FOUR NEW INITIATES

Congratulations to our two winter graduating seniors, Eric Eickhoff and Tony Losito. Both Eric, a history/philosophy major, and Tony, a politics and government major, have been very active and outstanding contributors to Theta chapter. Good luck to each of these fine young men as they pursue their careers and enter the "alumni" ranks.

ERIC EICKHOFF

Following graduation Eric applied for a position as an education consultant with the General Fraternity in Oxford, Ohio. While awaiting word on his application, Eric rested and recuperated with his family in Pepper Pike, Ohio (Cleveland area).

During his undergraduate years, Eric was active in Beta and served as alumni chairman and pledge educator, risk manager, philanthropy chairman, public relations chairman and made significant contributions to *Theta Data* for the past three years. At OWU, he served on three Greek councils for the IFC as well as executive vice president and Greek activities Chairman.

Theta Data is pleased to announce that Eric got the job! Congratulations!

TONY LOSITO

After graduation and before his next move into the world of work, Tony has gone on a well-deserved vacation at home with his parents in Avondale, Pa. Tony was IFC representative and kitchen manager at Beta. Off campus, he worked as the Olentangy High School lacrosse coach.

NEW BETAS

Four new Betas, with their initiation ceremonies conducted on December 2, 2000, are very eager to help the chapter grow and achieve; this fall pledge class is the largest we have had since 1987. New Beta brothers are:

- Mark Vernon Casper, Jr. • Canton, Ohio
Sophomore
- Anders Michael Lindstrom • Rutherford, N.J.
Senior
Captain of OWU Rugby Team
- Nicholas Anthony Henning • Sylvania, Ohio
Sophomore
- James Samuel Reef • Hudson, Ohio
Sophomore

A special "warm welcome" and a Beta handshake as we welcome these new brothers into the chapter.

Beginning this year we had 16 members in house and one off campus. With the mid-year graduation of Eric and Tony, and with the initiation of four new brothers, chapter strength is now 19 living in the house for the second semester. The chapter is looking forward to the upcoming pledging of new freshmen as the chapter continues to return to a strengthened membership.

COMMITTED TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

By Eric Eickhoff '00

This past semester the Theta Chapter recommitted itself to community service and helping those in need. The Theta undergrads first showed their commitment during Greek Week, which focused on philanthropy. The chapter collected about \$100 which was donated to Students Against Drunk Driving (S.A.D.D.). The money was part of the Greek God competition, where the chapter who collected the most money had their nominee named as Greek God for the Year. The Theta Chapter's nominee, Austin Josey '02 came in second place. Also during Greek Week the Theta Chapter collected the second most pop-tabs which were donated to the Ronald McDonald House and we participated in the campus wide clean up.

The chapter then joined the Panhellenic council in their next philanthropic venture. We went to area hotels during the Homecoming Weekend and asked them to donate toiletries, which we donated to People in Need. We had 9 hotels assist us with this project, receiving a good amount of badly needed items. The men of Theta kept busy over the Homecoming Weekend and that Monday we participated in the Red Ribbon Rally, a program aimed at drug and alcohol prevention in Delaware's youth. We joined three other Greek organizations in this worthwhile cause. There were approximately 100 youths that attended the event, ranging from the very young to roughly 15 or 16 years of age.

We also helped spread the Christmas cheer this past year throughout Delaware. For the third straight year brothers braved the elements and rang the bells for the Salvation Army, but unlike the past years we worked two days instead of just one. While it may have been cold and the bells left our ears ringing, this event always brings brothers closer. Two brothers pair up for an hour and ring the bells. It gives them time to talk to each other about numerous different subjects, from holiday plans to the future of the chapter.

The final event that the Theta Chapter participated in was the Greek Mistletoe Ball. The Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils sponsored the Ball as a combined philanthropic and Greek social event. Admission to the Mistletoe Ball was either a toy or a canned good, which were donated to People In Need. More than half of the chapter attended, the event. Co-organizer Eric Eickhoff '00 considered the event a total success, especially since it was the first time and event like this was executed. There were about 150 Greek men and women who attended the Ball donating 225 items, including a fully decorated Christmas tree.

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Alumni News

John M. Schladetsch '39 (9005 Lynwood Dr., Seminole, FL 34642; blueintrigue@webtv.net) had surgery on his right eye in September. His wife, Dorothy, has Alzheimer's and is in a nursing home. John, who is now 85, lives in the family home with his golden retriever.

"In October, we were in Cincinnati with other Betas for three days with our wives," writes **Hal Fausnaugh '48** (20126 Westhaven Ln., Rocky River, OH 44116). The group, which gets together every six months, includes **Ed O'Day, Hugh Troth, Bob Mauck** and **Bill Long**.

In December, **Robert S. Neff '53** (4466 Blairgowrie Cir., Dayton, OH 45429) was elected chairman of the board of the Dayton Foundation Governing Board. bob brings to the Foundation's highest office eight years of experience as a Board member, decades of community volunteer and business experience, and a

three-generaion commitment to local giving through The Dayton Foundation.

In August 2000, Lee and **Daniel Rich '55** led a tour group to see the world-famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany. While in Europe, they also visited Austria, Hungary and the Czech Republic. "Marvelous experience!" Dan is an associated pastor of the Bethesda United Methodist Church. He and Lee live at 504 Douglas Rd., Salisbury, MD 21801.

"A bottle of pop, a big banana, we're from Cornville, Indiana. That's a lie, that's a bluff, we're the Betas, that's enough." **Bruce Crittenden '57** tells us "that cheer got the Beta house rockin ... what great times." Contact Bruce at 850 Dines Rd., Novelty, OH 44072; bbcrittenden@aol.com.

Jack Carmichael '59 (519 S. Rogers St., Mason, MI 48854; jackbcarmi@yahoo.com) was the photographer for the annual banquet and awards presentation of the Michigan State University's women's volleyball team. He is a retired development officer for the United Nations.

When he wrote in November, **Ferenc M. Szasz '62** has just published his eighth and ninth books, *Scotland and the North American West* (University of Oklahoma Press), and *Religion in the Modern American West* (University of Arizona West). He reached a different audience with his essay on the 1948 comic book biography of Harry Truman in *Comic Book Marketplace*. Ferenc makes his home at 1312 Lafayette N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87106).

Lynne and **William Niblock Jr. '65** have relocated south from Massachusetts to Pennsylvania to 107 Devon Rd., Paoli, PA 19301. "Beta brothers are welcome." Their oldest daughter got married in August; their youngest is a

sophomore at Colby College. "Nibs" is in insurance and financial planning with the American College of Physicians.

Paul Hammersten's [69] new book, *Asante Papa!*, pays due to Ernest Hemingway. [Asante is Swahili for "Thank you."] Paul is a staffer at the Eldredge Public Library and is also an artist. You can contact him at P.O. Box 69, West Chatham, MA 02669; hammerstenpaul@hotmail.com; or visit his web site at <http://www.capecod.net/epl/hammersten.html>

In November, **Rogers J. Johnson '80** (55 Dumbarton Oaks Rd., Stratham, NH 03885; rjohnson@phillips.exeter.edu) was elected to the New Hampshire General Court as a State Representative from the 25th District.

Jeffrey A. Davis '81 is a senior vice president at Crosby

Marketing Communications, an advertising and public relations agency. "JD" can be contacted at 1908 Sands Dr., Annapolis, MD 21401; contactjeff@cs.com).

"Recently completed a five-month journey on the 2600 mile-long Pacific Crest Trail," penned **Steven Kral '84** in October. "Feet took a beating but the overall experience was incredible. Some of America's most scenic terrain. I urge all brothers to take their retirement "Travis McGee-style." For more details of his journey, contact Steve at stevekral@hotmail.com or at home at 104 Air Float Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075.

William Brosius II '90 is pursuing his master's at Mercyhurst College, in their research/intelligence analyst program. His new address is 417 W. 9th St. Apt. 1, Erie, PA 16502; bbrosius@hotmail.com.

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Note: We need representation from the '70s, '80s and '90s. Please consider and volunteer! If interested, contact Tom Tatham (937-298-7682; tomtatham@aol.com).

OF EVER HONORED MEMORY

Harold F. Denzer Jr. '41 (11/9/00)

Robert F. Fassler '48 of 11313 Via Vista, Nevada City, CA 95959-8987 died 9/7/00 as reported by his wife Francis.

Tom Farahy '50 (2/01), also a 1937 graduate of Delaware Willis High School, was a long-time employee and vice president of C.J. Wilson, of Course, and a member of the First Presbyterian Church where he was a past trustee and elder. Tom was a WWII member of the Coast Guard and past commander of the Raymond B. Austin American Legion Post.

Eve and Bob Mauck paid their respects at Tom's visitation. They had known Tom's wife Ida but had little contact in recent years. "The only other Beta we saw was Dick Hindman and he confirmed that I had indeed pledge Tom in the fall of '45. I appeared at the service wearing a Countess Mara tie which Tom had sold me. Since Wesleyan days, I have never bought a suit anywhere but from C.J.'s and Tom. He could remember every suit he had sold me."

Brother Farahay will be remembered by many with the same experience at C.J.'s as that of Brother Mauck. We will miss him.

Marshall B. Douthett '58 (6/20/00)