Commodore of his Yacht Club on Chesapeake Bay. Now spends his time perfecting his golf game in Annapolis, MD and Naples, FL. Twice widowed, five children, five grandchildren, and five step-grandchildren.

Irving - After graduating from Earlham with wife, Carol Ann, went to live on a farm in Seymour, IN, which has been in her family since 1833. Subsequently, has worked the farm, become a rocket engineer, and developed several rocket businesses, among other endeavors. Retired in 1990 to sail on a nearby lake on an old wooden sailboat that he restored. Has four children, eight grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. Unable to attend the Reunion as the daughter who lives in Belgium chose that very weekend to come visit.

Betsy - Still working as a medical transcriptionist although contemplating retirement, divorced, three children, five grandchildren, lives in mother’s “big old house” in Sharon, VT. Continues to pursue life-long interests in choral singing, genealogy/ family history, gardening, raising chickens, and activities in the VT Democratic Party. Considerably enhanced The Reunion with her pictures of our ’48 graduation and grounds, and the story of her 10/98 search for the grave of her direct ancestor, Gideon Frost.

1949 – 50th Reunion

The Alumni Office heard from Nancy Stedman. She writes, “in the mid-1950s I was married to an Italian in Rome and lived there for six years. My seven foster and adopted children are now grown and I am continuing my social work practice while developing my new business – renting apartments and villas in Italy.”

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Greetings to all – received two welcome messages since our last Meeting House – would love to hear from more of you. E-mail me at drlaw@earthlink.net!!!

From Judy Loucks Stiles in Rochester, NY: “I am semi-retired now (occupational therapy) taking on temporary work occasionally. Ran into Peggy Deutsch Reker ’48 at a NYU alumni event, it was fun to reminisce about FA adventures. I’m also active in the 90’s International Organization for Women Pilots.”

From John G. Merriam: “After Friends, finished at Loomis, then Hamilton College, US Army in Germany. Grad school at B.U. and Indiana University. Taught at American University in Cairo. Came to Bowling Green State University in ’67 to teach political science, now semi-retired. Married second time five years ago, three children in their 30’s and six grandchildren. I remember Friends vividly, but how long ago that was…”

From Pat Hinman Makin: “I live in Amnissquam, MA, am a widow and work at Endicott College in Beverly handling internships, love working with the students. Diagnosed in December with breast cancer; after two operations and ongoing radiation hopefully can say I’m a survivor!! Teach sailing in the summer and ski whenever I can in winter. Let me know what you think about doing something for our 50th reunion! Maybe a 1951 directory/reunion book that would update us all. Cheers! Pat.”

1951

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Classmates, please forgive me for dropping the ball on the newly added edition of The Meeting House. We moved in June to the small cabin at the farm and are building a house on our lake. Everything I own is in a box!! Including your addresses! I guess the school did not send a letter to you this time.

In March of 1998, I spent a week in Palm Beach with Jane Rein Freeman. I had planned similar visits this year but the house has been like a pregnancy…nine moths in the producing!! Last year I spoke to Faye Tettmeyer Biggens and to Fluff Macy Thayer. A call to Van Hanford MacDonald revealed that she and Daniel were coming to the Palm Beach area to visit friends. Jane, Van and I met for lunch and had a great gab fest. Daniel deserves a Purple Heart for being a good sport. Jane has a third grandchild. I e-mail back and forth to Bob Wilkinson. He is a serious bridge player. (Good for the old brain!) The Wilkinsons have two more grandchildren. They keep fit playing tennis and “Pickle Ball,” a local sport. Connie is taking tap-dancing! They enjoy sailing on their 30 foot boat when they are not hiking through the beautiful area of Port Ludlow, WA.

Annemarie and Fritz Schreiber enjoyed a lovely Thanksgiving with all of their children, spouses, and grandchildren at a little West Virginia inn. The celebration was marred by a call to Frankfort for Annemarie. Her mother died on the second of December 1998.

Joan Krier Hagney writes that after three years of feeling terrible she had a heart defibrillator implanted. Another surgery in December and a staph infection that she is still fighting. She has a digit amputated. Joan says she is now the totally bionic woman! In January 1999 Joan had a visit from her college classmate, Amy Koenig Brinkerhoff, and her husband, John. Joan and John had a great time reminiscing about friends and the people they knew. John’s sister, Gay, graduated in 1949.

1952

Katie Hawkins Schneider ’86, Bob Seaman ’59, Joan Konvalinka Hawkins ’55, and Margery Peterson Lee ’47 at the New York City Reunion. Katie is a Co-chair of the Reunion and Activities Committee of the Alumni Council and Margery is the Fundraising Chair.

For myself, I continue in good health, touch wood, still working full-time as office manager in a law firm in Hollywood with weekends in the beautiful desert. Keep up my singing in church choir, still enjoy it. I have wonderful memories of FA and of you all. Look forward to more notes, please…

The Alumni Office also heard from Michael D. Touster. He says he has recently retired from practice in internal medicine and as Medical Director of a retirement community in Arlington, VA.

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I also got a note from Susan Webb Porter in Wisconsin. She wrote: “Our four children are grown, educated (I hope) and married. Two grandchildren. I am 10. I’m retired from not doing taxes. I keep busy on the board of our Humane Society of which I’ll be president next year. I really enjoy it. Bill and I will have been married for 40 years next June and currently share our ‘empty years’ with two dogs and four cats.” Coincidentally, the Andre’s son Jeff lives in New Berlin, WI, not far from Susan who lives at 622 Russet Lane, Mequon, WI 53092. Phone: 414-241-3867.

The spotlight on yours truly in the Winter 1999 Meeting House prompted a note to me from Jean Hiatt ’53 (Headmaster Hiatt’s daughter and close neighbor of mine on campus). She mentioned the reference in the write-up to my brother, Keith, and her sister, Peggy, agreeing that “they sure were an item.” Peggy died about 20 years ago of MS, leaving behind a loving husband and four lovely children. Jean also said: “So many fond memories came back to me, such as our conversations through our bedroom windows (that was pretty risky for the 50s). My years at FA were among my best. Unfortunately, I’ve lost touch with everyone. Do you have news of Ward or Sherry Snyder? My home is in King of Prussia, outside of Philadelphia. After teaching for many years, I went into accounting. I’ve been divorced for about 10 years and admire those of you with long marriages. My best to you and Connie’ (56). Her sister, Val (’53), and I were good friends.” Jean’s address is 478 Hansen Rd., King of Prussia, PA 19406. (I know where Sherry is; but where is Arthur Ward Burian?)

Gene Depolo sent me an e-mail in which he indicated that they (wife as well, I guess) were considering returning to FA for our 45th reunion next October. He wants to know when it is and whether I’m going to be there. I’m not sure of the date but I assured him I’d be there. He said: “This could be fun or it could be a disaster. But a disaster might be fun too!”

Bob Stearns writes that he is “still living in Florida – over 30 years at the same address. I’m still also writing for magazines: Field and Stream, Salt Water Sportsman, and others. I’ve been at this for almost 30 years and just now starting to reduce my workload a bit so that I can spend more time outdoors fishing and hunting. Shirley and I are also grandparents – two girls, 2 and 5.

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Dear Friends, thanks for all of your notes and calls! Some of us have lost parents this year. Let us all be grateful for our parents and mentors and all they have done us. Please write our former teachers a note of appreciation. Joan Kowalinski Hawkins had watched the beautiful library and commons at FA go down to make way for a large arts center with a stage and step seating for 500 people. Joan said that Tom Jackson stopped by the shop and said he found a CD done by Connie Bryson’s daughter, Jennie Bryson. Tom likes it! Joan and George are enjoying their grandchildren. Joan says hello to our English teacher Miriam Taylor Sajkovic. Joan appreciates her note on an essay Joan wrote about Matthew Arnold’s, “We are here as on a darkening plain here ignorant armies clash by night.” Miriam wrote, “Hope doors open for you later on.” Joan wishes Emile Buck Turano a happy birthday.

George Cadwell sent a picture of himself with a short white beard and a cute granddaughter. “I have no news except that grandchild number eleven is expected in Louisville, KY sometime in March. I do have several grandchildren who are teenagers and I do enjoy ‘hanging out,’ as they say, with them. As I mentioned, Peggy did telephone me and left part of a message that Joanna had won a tough fight with cancer, that Peggy and a friend had written a novel, and that she was enjoying her first or second day of retirement. My telephone recorder disconnected so I missed the last part of her narrative wherein she might have left an address or telephone number. I wrote to Joanna at the address that you sent to me so perhaps she will be able to contact Peg and tell that several of us are seeking her address, e-mail, telephone number, or any other information that will enable us to correspond with her. George says he looks like his grandfather. Somehow as a young man, I never imagined that we would live to be in our sixties, yet here we are.” Please contact George and Myrna Cadwell, 4128 Gilhead Shores Road, Blounts Creek, NC 27814, 252-946-1118. E-mail: joji@beaufortco.com.

1955

1954 – 45th reunion

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I received a nice note from Barbara Booth Wylie on her Christmas card which featured a great family picture. I was struck by the strong resemblance between Barbara and daughter, Penelope ’75, and between Warren and their son James ’78. Penelope married an FA classmate, Christopher Mayer ’75; they have a daughter.

Augusta, and live in Glen Head. James and his spouse recently adopted a beautiful Chinese child from Janjou, which in turn stimulated a trek by camel on China’s Silk Road by Barbara and Warren. Barbara also wrote: “Life is very wonderful and to us, Warren, at 70, isn’t interested in retiring, but slowing down a bit. Son James joined the firm five years ago and lets Dad man the branch office in St. Croix (USVI) in the winter.” (That must be TOUGH!!). The Wylie’s address is: 144 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY 11743. Phone: (516) 423-0955.

Valerie Greenman Castleman ’53 and her husband, Lauriston Castleman ’52, at the New York City Reunion.

Friends Academy staff members, Irene Shellock, Business Office, Regina Papa, Receptionist, and Sandy Abramson, Business Office, enjoyed the tour of the Whitney Museum.
At the New York City Reunion Joan Konvalinka Hawkins ’55 and Maggie Keats ’79 take a peek at Elizabeth Stein, daughter of Peter ’79, center, and Susan Wilkoff Stein ’84.

Hazel Hogg Jarvis writes from Dorset, England that she retired from full-time teaching last summer, but still is very occupied running the Special Needs unit at Canford …kids with dyslexia problems, etc. She is hoping to have more time to attend FA “occasions” and see loads of friends from ’55.

Keville Larson’s daughter will be married this summer in Mobile. Peggy Egbar Alley in Galena, IL sends cards, a map of the piano, and gardens. “Our elder son is back in college, Colorado State University, studying forestry and seems to be loving it at 27.” Peggy welcomes visitors to see this historic town.

Dr. Michael Volow, a psychiatrist is hoping to retire soon. His wife is a nurse at Duke. Their son, Ilan, has graduated from college and is taking a year off working for Radio Shack. He hopes to go back to school to study computer science.

Dr. Herbie Care is a neurosurgeon at Faulkner Hospital near Boston. On October 18th he married Karen DiPetro in a spectacular wedding at the Ritz Carleton Hotel in Boston. An avid ballroom dancer and wine connoisseur, Herbie planned the entire wedding to reflect these passions. The wedding was even featured in The Boston Herald and Wines magazines.

Gordon Linder, a retired engineer in Chappaqua, NY, May to October. He enjoys theatre, writing, directing, and tennis. He says the real news is his retirement in utopia near a church. Nearby is the Mooseport Arboetum.

Peter Klinge has retired to St. Augustine, FL in the winter and on the lake at Interlaken, NY, May to October. He enjoys theatre, writing, directing, and tennis. He says the real news is from Art Geoffrion who had a banner year.

Helen and Art Geoffrion celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in Bora Bora. They attended the world triathlon championships in Lausanne in August. “It comes as no surprise to you that she’s the athlete.” Art assembled her racing bike. In October in Maui she swam with spinner dolphins while Art was teaching ice skating. In October in Maui she swam with spinner dolphins while Art was teaching ice skating. In October in Maui she swam with spinner dolphins while Art was teaching ice skating. As a psychiatrist with the V.A. She is working with Long lost Jack Dempsey.

Long lost Ann Hovell Dew is living in St. Petersburg, FL! She went to WA, grades 3-10 and graduated from the Knox School in Smithtown. She swims and does aerobics. She and Elen are an hour from NYC but have lots of deer. Gil invites us to come visit Calliton. It is a quiet place from Quakertown with a historic Quaker church. Nearby is the Quaker Meeting House.

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writing workshops in Saginaw classrooms, and to a lesser extent at last the AAUW. They had also done some travelling, the highlight of which was a month-long trip to France to celebrate their 43rd anniversary. They note that their children and grandchildren are all thriving.

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The Smith’s sent in the following report: Jean Esval Stillwell writes that, “Dan retired in ’93 and worked for us until we sold our store in Sept. ’98. We’ve been travelling a lot ever since and have plans for much more travel. Daughter Judy Courbois is an analyst working for the FAA in DC and daughter Laura Stillwell is working for Deloitte & Touche Consulting as a support! Roger Sanders, publisher of your fabulous class newsletter, has agreed to assume the role as class representative. Please send your news to him at P.O. Box 1563, Deland, FL 32721 or you can e-mail him at: Ramblinrog@totcon.com. The following is his first report (excerpted from his spring ’99 newsletter).

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Dee Ann Dice played 23 performances as Grandma Kurnitz in Neil Simon’s Lost in Yonkers at the award-winning Backstage Theater in Breckenridge, CO. Dee Ann says that when she was a child “I used to tie my parents and their friends to chairs and perform for them,” and now people are paying to see her perform. She’s auditioning next year for Nurse Ratchit in One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest. “I must do good luck!” she says. We wish her luck. She says she has not yet become cyber, so no e-mail address. She is expecting her fourth grandchild in March ’99. She says she has not conquered the world, has NOT discovered the cure for disease (physical or mental), but has discovered it’s a great deal of fun doing whatever. I would say she is vibrantly alive.

George Rand is continuing his off-off-Broadway career, but is keeping his day job as a psychiatric nurse-practitioner at Bellevue Medical Center, where he has been for 15 years. We compared notes about theatre work and pet cats. George even sent me a picture of himself with his monster cat and another in his costume as Henry IV. He looks truly kingly.

Owen Omundsen continues to enjoy life with his wife, Linda, in Atlanta, where he plays trumpet in a pretty swing band, the Sentimental Journey Orchestra, that gets some impressive gigs, like Ted Turner’s birthday party at CNN. You can visit the band’s web site at http://www.acme-brain.com/~jgo/. Owen also is a computer consultant, developing business software systems. At FA he was noted for his gigantic collection of rock & roll 45rpm’s. He still has them. Owen sent me a great news clipping re the new urbanism, a great interest of mine.

Judy Lisle Irons sends this message: “As my husband and I approach 60, we find ourselves asking ourselves more frequently, “What next?” Soon my husband can retire from his job working with human rights and labor affairs at The State Department. I can retire anytime, I suppose, from my job as a medical/surgical staff nurse at a D.C. community hospital. I still love my patients, but the administration of health care is getting more and more frustrating. Our three children are thriving. They are all seemingly happily married and we thoroughly enjoy our three grandchildren. It certainly was fun to see—and catch up with—more than half of our class at our 40th reunion this year at Jack Morse’s lovely home.

Bob Backshall is living in upstate New York and works as a nuclear engineer. Like Mike Rouzee and George Weckel, Bob is an avid blue water sailor and has sailed one of those huge catamarans that you could live on. He travels to the Caribbean to indulge his passion. Both his daughters are living in North Carolina. George Weckel and wife Judy are living on the Chesapeake Bay. George crews for Mike Rouzee, and together they’re planning to cross the Atlantic this year.

Dick Byron and wife, Mary Ann, have been living in a Vermont ski resort since 1971, but he doesn’t ski. I wouldn’t either. Dick and I had a good talk last fall, and discovered that we’re both fans of jazz of the ‘40s and ‘50s.