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**The 41st Annual
Schutz Reunion
July 15 - 18, 2004
Snow Mountain Ranch,
Colorado
(see pages 13-15)**

Sidi Bishr Story

All the copies printed have been distributed. If I get as many as 10 requests, I will reprint. So far, only one person has asked for a copy. Please let me know your wishes.
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NEWS FROM SCHUTZ

10/03

Massimo Laterza
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After addressing the concerns of the accreditation visiting teams we have been fully accredited by both NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges) and CIS (Council of International Schools) in August. Enrollment is at 195. This is lower than what we expected and the board is taking the matter seriously by investigating various ways to increase enrollment. This topic was discussed at some length during the annual board retreat held this year at the Mena House. Although the situation in the Middle East is far from being settled whether it is the Occupied Territories or Iraq or, more recently Iran, there is none of the tension among staff members that existed last year.

The year started well with nine new staff members including Tony Spencer, Head of School, and Mike Mote, the K-8 principal. Randa Shoeb has completed her studies and is now the Language Arts/Social Studies 7 & 8 teacher. Monika Serowka has joined us part-time in computers and desktop publishing in middle school.

Although Dellaine Spencer is not employed by the school she is very involved in the school and its activities. We are grateful that the EMAC/ISAC (Eastern Mediterranean Activities Conference/International Schools Activities Conference) tournaments have not been canceled this year for some "Middle East Conflict" related issue. Already the leadership conference took place in Beirut, the varsity volleyball tournament in Oman and junior varsity volleyball tournament was hosted at Schutz this last weekend. The Schutz teams took first place in both tournaments for boys and girls. The school received a grant from the US government toward the implementation of security measures. We will install protective films on windows to guard against shattering. We will install a public address system to provide emergency notification; this system can also be used for routine announcements. Two way radio communication between the school and the embassy and other US government entities operating in Egypt will be made possible through two radios.

Dr. Ellis Melton, a curriculum consultant, worked with our staff on curriculum mapping for four days last week. We shortened one school day to have a special working session for all teaching staff. Curriculum mapping is something we started doing last year and hopefully it will replace the older curriculum document we have used in the past.

Curriculum maps are friendly documents which are easy to review and should make the process of vertical articulation easier. We ordered some nice mugs for the 80th anniversary of the school. They have the Schutz Shield on them and the saying: "A Tradition of Excellence". They look very good and Amina was selling them at the Fall Festival.

10/03

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(Visited Egypt October 1-21, 2003)
We had a grand weekend at Schutz, warmly welcomed by all the old staff, and were well impressed with Tony and Dellaine Spencer. They look like good Schutz types. We noted the new green fire escapes on Roy and Meloy Halls, which seemed unnecessary to us, but had been mandated by the accreditation committee. We had a good interview with Massimo, upbeat, though they would like a few more students. The present count is 195. Last year's graduating class had only two Americans in it. The administration tucked off remotely in the villa does not please everybody. Our strongest impression of the country as a whole: Egypt is relaxed! Despite the strong criticism of US policy in the papers we were totally unaware of any hostility, and that was confirmed by others living there. There are no armed guards outside schools and churches. Going to Minia where we usually had to register with the security, there was none of that. Also Christians as a minority are feeling more at ease. The heavy hand of surveillance just isn't there these days. All of this could change overnight of course, but we came away with a strong positive impression. The ridiculous exchange rate left us with a pocketful of pound notes we couldn't spend. 80 cents will buy you a taxi ride anywhere in Cairo!

Note Cards

Note cards depicting 8 different scenes of Egypt and Schutz School from the paintings of JG (Gib) McGill, Class of '64, are still available.
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THANK YOU to all of you who returned the **SURVEY** form mailed to you last July. Here is a partial list of some of the written comments, thanks to **Ann Meloy** (ameloy@seanet.com).

Ann Quick Akers: (At Reunion, perhaps there could be) "some type of discussion/conversation/presentation re: emotional impacts of mission life on adult/adolescent development."

Ernesto Baca: "Looking forward to talking to old friends!"

Patricia Winkler Barbara: "I would LOVE to attend, but as I am purchasing a new home, finances will not allow it at this time. Sounds like a great place-- wish I could be there!"

Mary Anna Bode would come if "I were physically able to do so. I'd love to be with all of you in Colorado next July but it doesn't seem possible. The 1999 reunion was memorable. I'm sure the 2004 reunion in the Rockies will be even more inspiring/beautiful. With treasured memories of all of us together - so long ago - at Schutz - and much love."

Helen Louise (Baird) Branyan: "I wish **Mary McGeoch Thompson** could be there, too. She was my roommate the year I was at Schutz, but we haven't been able to lure her here from Alaska. My mother's diary and letters I've made into a book. She wrote a great deal about my sister, Mary Jean, and my time at Schutz."

Alexandre Byron-Exarcos: "2004 reunion is an important first step. From it will come ideas for the future. Our sincere best wishes to the organization. How can we assure ourselves that our Schutz friends from the '64-'65 era will attend? Would really like to see as many of my friends as possible. Good luck and see you in Colorado."

Barbara (Philips) Caywood: "Due to job, finances, etc., we're not able to travel much. Our youngest son just got married at Andrews AFB in Washington, DC - was awesome! Hope the reunion goes well."

Sandi (Ruth Sandilands) Decker: "I would love to come since I've never yet been to a Schutz reunion. I'll try to schedule vacation ahead of time. Perhaps if my family can't come, I could at least come."

Michael Foucault: "I would enjoy attending, however I will be out of the U.S. until after the event. Maybe next time--have a great time."

Eric Gibbons would come if "I knew that other teachers would attend from the same time I was there."

Hetty Girgis: "I am sure many will be glad to go to the reunion and see old friends. I wonder how Mrs. Paul Jamison and Miss Tedford and many others are doing. I am sorry I am not going to the reunion because I have back problems and all this week, I have knee problems, too. I live a quiet life,

go to church, and sometimes I babysit the grandchildren."

Scott Smith: "I will attend but my current job/project consumes 6 days a week, 12 hours, making it difficult to help with the reunion."

Atef and Marie Soliman: "My wife and I did enjoy very much the reunion Summer 1999. Looking forward to attend the reunion in Denver next summer, God willing. With my best compliments."

Neal and Annette Stixrud: "Would be happy to be in contact with staff who were at Schutz during 1989-90 as well as students who may remember or inquire about us."

Safwat and Pearl Habashi: "Great receiving Schutz letters! We're 'slowing down' and can't be involved now. God bless you all. Hope many can get to reunion."

Janet (Caldwell) Hall would come if "I were not so old. Can't do anything about this or any other reunions, but really read the newsletter."

Madeline (Walsh) Hamblin: I only had one year at Schutz (taught K and 1st grade) but greatly enjoyed that year. I do enjoy reading the newsletter and keeping up with the names of folks/students that I knew. My kindergarten student, **John Meloy**, ended up getting a Ph.D. at the University of Chicago (where I work), so I could follow him up close."

Joe Henderson: "Schutz School is close to my heart."

Dave and Donna House: "We are alive; well! We have two granddaughters and a grandson on the way. We did spend one month, last Oct. 2002, on a study tour of Cuba. We do enjoy the newsletter."

Frida Hristofski: "I am grateful to still be included as part of the Schutz family. I hope one day I will be able to attend a reunion."

Mary (Parkinson) Jenkins wants to attend local reunion..."am caring for my father in SC at present so plans are indefinite."

David Joachim: "I am chair of the NWMC (New Wilmington Missionary Conference). I met my wife, Amy, on the NWMC "summer service" trip in 1973. I returned as a volunteer with the Jesuits in Alex in 1973-74. I returned on an NWMC "summer service" trip as advisor in 1990. Time in Alex/Egypt changed my life. But I was never a student there. I drop by the Schutz Reunion when held at NWMC."

Ruth (Brooks) Kroth: "You are to be congratulated for planning such a wonderful reunion in Colorado! I would like to be there to see old friends who might make it. Since we were in Egypt 1953-56 you know we are old and can't travel much. Very best wishes for a wonderful time. We enjoyed Colorado vacations many times."

Dagny (Johansen) Lord: "I would love to

see others from my time frame at Schutz."

Jack and Mary Lou Lorimer: "We wouldn't miss it for we've had to miss the last one. Location nearer us helps but we will still attend others in the future back East if we can."

Katri (Mallat) Laihonen: "I wish to hear from my classmates one day: what they've become, where they live, etc. I always read the newsletter, but not once there's been anyone I know..."

Myra (Vandersall) Siegenthaler would come if "some of the pre-war 'mish kid' group were there."

Linda (formerly Brian) Thompson: "Thank you for the information of Schutz. While I will always have fond memories of Schutz, at this time in my life, I need to focus on getting out of prison and back on my feet before I try reentering society's main stream."

Ellen (McFeeters) Turnbull would come if "I was 10 years younger! I appreciate ALL contacts. Sorry, I no longer have the energy to reach out though I wish I could. I love the Schutz newsletter though those I knew personally are becoming fewer."

Paul Wilson: "Reunion location sounds great. I left Schutz too young to have the connection that many others have, unfortunately. But still a possibility. Given my work schedule, I'll have no idea until late spring."

Agnes (Moraitis) Jaouich would come if "I were not in Paris for 2 years. Have fun!"

Erika (Erskine) Lauffer: "Husband Max and I are both retired and need to cut back on our activities! Thanks for all the years of good newsletters. We wish you well."

Ken and Cheryl McEwan: "Ken and I are looking forward to catching up with the Schutz group next summer."

Lavina Pattee would organize "Tarkio@Schutz student group get-together."

2004 REUNION IN COLORADO See you There!

3/03

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We felt most honored to have so many offspring want to visit late in December in spite of the insufficient square footage of "stretch-out space" available for sleeping bodies. We have been enjoying living here for more than 10 years in a well-planned home with two bedrooms and two baths as well as living room and

"adequate" kitchen. And we have "invited" our car to stay out in the open to leave us an additional 360 square feet of work/office/laundry space finding that we did enjoy most heartily six additional relatives of various ages with not a voice being raised nor a tear shed - except for "little old Georgio" who rammed his head into the corner of a bedroom door, requiring five stitches. We did have help for space from Mary Lou's sister, Marge, and her husband, Dick, who left their big camper in our driveway for extra sleeping space. John/Clare/Georgio as usual had two festive Christmas days 100 miles apart. The report is that Papa Leader will probably retire more permanently in another center not far from where he is now living while still getting his full share of the "little Georgio" family. With each visit we now appreciate more than ever how great our own parents were with our own bunch, Ann/Jane/Sara/John, taking full advantage of the Lash and Meloy "hotels" in the 50's and 60's which has given us a most wonderful life. Youngest and oldest daughters, Sara and Ann, with Ann's husband, Paul, came for a visit without their children. Sarah has chosen to spend eight months in Nepal, between high school and University of Chicago, as a volunteer teacher. Then of course, Sara's daughter, Jaime felt she should join her Jubinski cousin Emma for a Christmas week's visit at the foot of Mt. Everest to ensure that Sarah and a bushel of parents, grandparents, uncles, and aunts would not get too much ahead of them in being "world travelers". We rejoice that all of us are well and we continue to sigh with relief that Paul's underwater survey project "went under" both literally and figuratively without losing any people, when the ship sprang a terrific leak and went a couple thousand feet to the bottom of the Indian Ocean. No lives lost! Jane is now Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce of Lincolnshire, Illinois, and we all are much interested in Rick's hobnobbing with those at the top. His latest assignment has been as an intern to columnist George Will and we watch with excitement for his hobnobbing with other members of our great nation. Suzanne kept us all on our toes during the freezing weather in Washington DC this spring as she and high school debate team wondered what each day would bring to them. As Usual, Fati is off -- to Abu Dhabi on business. All three Meloy brothers, courtesy of brother Wilbur/Bob, basked in Caribbean sunshine for a week this February with fellow national YMCA execs, who it seemed, found the perfect place for an annual get-together -- on board one of Holland America's cruise liners, the

Zaandam. What fun for George and Mary Lou will be Sara's spring break week from school next week, which will give her another chance to pamper Daddy George who had the unfortunate experience of a myocardial infarction complete with ventricle fibrillation on top of a full week of finding that life in a hospital is not at all pleasant, especially when one does not know exactly where one is. How fortunate it has been to have had Sara's, Jane's and Ann's assistance helping Mary Lou with George's recovery. Welcome to any other relatives who would like to enjoy a few days in the "Wild West!"

3/03

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Although there are fewer and fewer notes from my era (Assiut only) I really enjoy catching up with good, old friends.

4/03

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I live in Indiana now with my husband and 3 kids: Makayla, Kristopher, and Asia, ages 5, 2, and 5 months. My father passed away last year with kidney failure. He had a transplant but it failed a few years later.

One day my husband and I are going to Egypt, just as soon as the kids are older and we can save up enough money. I had so much fun there; I will never forget it.

4/03

Jo Johnsen Waaler

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It is hard to believe that it's nearly 4 years since the last big reunion! I really enjoyed meeting so many old friends and was delighted to meet up with so many of our graduating class of 1970.

I would like to attend the reunion in Colorado in 2004. At the last reunion I shared a room with Marina Moraitis and would like to share with someone again. We had such a lot of fun. If someone is willing to share a room with me, my email is owaaler@norgesbuss.no

4/03

Harold and Isabelle Walker

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Peter Roy Walker, 50, of San Francisco, CA, died Friday, April 4, 2003, at St. Francis Hospital in San Francisco following a lengthy illness. Mr. Walker was born July 18, 1952, in

Ludwigsburg, Germany to Harold and Isabelle (McClellan) Walker, who now reside at the United Presbyterian Home in Washington, IA.

Mr. Walker's parents were missionaries and he was educated in Princeton, NJ; Sudan; Pawnee City, NE; Egypt; Ethiopia; Sterling, KS; and Salina, KS. He graduated from high school in Solomon, KS. He attended college in Tarkio, MO. He worked various jobs mostly in construction in Miami and Jacksonville, FL, and Los Angeles and San Francisco, CA.

Mr. Walker is survived by his parents, the Rev. Harold and Isabelle Walker; and his two sisters, Rebecca Jean Elliot of Guyman, OK, and Sharon Rose Foelz of Altadena, CA.

4/03

John and Gwen Haspels

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A volunteer shares his insight:

It has been my privilege, as a medical doctor, to spend two and a half weeks in Tulegit clinic. Flying bullets are not uncommon among the Suri people. Arguments about cattle ownership, insults concerning your neighbor's AK 47 or just plain drunken brawls give sufficient impetus to start a shooting match. Bones may get in the way of a flying bullet, requiring prolonged and extensive repair work both by the trained medical staff and also by the Suri bonesetter. Observing the technique of such a practitioner, as he fills his mouth with water - flushing out the wound, digs around for bone fragments with his knife and fingers, requires putting aside accepted western antiseptic practices. Traditional splinting coupled with extensive antibiotic therapy may require months of treatment until the bone healing is firm and complete. These extended treatments, however, provide opportunity for instruction and training of our Ethiopian co-workers. One such case involved several surgical repairs of soft tissue damage. After the final repair the Suri young man stated, "It is God who has healed me!"

6/03

As Heather finishes her senior year at RVA and heads to Sterling College in August, she too has seen over the years that God does make a way. We were so thankful this last weekend to have the chance to fly down to Kenya, despite terrorists threats, and watch her play in a volleyball tournament. We will be traveling with her back to the States in July to put her in college.

8/03

We were deeply saddened by the announcement just yesterday that my mother, Lois Haspels, has lung cancer, which has spread throughout her body. She has already started treatment. At

least for the short term, she will be moving to my sister's home at Dave and Jean Johnson, 707 Cleveland, Stafford, KS 67578. We are so thankful that we were home at this time and that my brother Chuck and sister Jean were here as well. We are also thankful that she is not suffering.

5/03
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It's so nice to receive the newsletter and see so many remembered names - I'm sure the faces are a bit different after 35 years, but the voices as they come through the print are still vivid. Some of those 90 year olds make me tired just reading about their activities!

As for us, we have the semi-retired no-time-to-sit-on-the-front-porch life we envisioned. Both of us are active in the support of our 2 Victorian Mansion museums, the watershed and historic district, and our church which is now Unity.

Our younger son in Michigan gave us grandchild #1 - a girl! (in August) and grandchild #2 is due here in Oregon in October.

5/03
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The newsletter is a delight to us and to so many! It makes us feel in touch with a very important part of our childhood and the beautiful people who filled it. The notecards are really special, artistic and filled with sights, sounds and smells that mean a lot to us!

5/03
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We are well. I am teaching high school ESL (English as a Second Language) and Heather is teaching sixth grade. I am working with mostly Somali students. Chris will be in high school next year. Zach and Josh are doing well.

**SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH
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THE PLACE TO BE IN 2004**

5/03
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Writing a letter to Bill Petrie...
Paul Jamison was kind enough to provide your email address when he

mentioned that you had been a student of my father, back in the 40's. I graduated there in '40 and went on to medical school in St. Louis. With my concentration on pre-med studies, I sadly neglected much of the humanities offered at Monmouth College, to my later regret, and that included English studies under my own father.

I wonder if in your doubtless-busy schedule you might have time to reflect on your life at Monmouth College, and recall some of your time with Dr. Owen. If anything stands out in your memory, I would be eternally grateful if you would share it with me.

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Responding to Jim Owen's email...
In August 1946, Connie and I were married and I was looking forward to college under the GI Bill. As a graduate of a Virginia high school, I could have gone to the University of Virginia, but because I hadn't applied myself enough in high school to get good grades, a smaller college seemed like a better bet. However, because of the hordes of returning GI's seeking acceptance at colleges that year, some weren't making it.

My parents, John and Cleo, evidently sought help on my behalf from your parents, and I was accepted at Monmouth. I don't know that Doc Owens pulled any strings for me, but I always assumed that he did. Anyway, I was really grateful and with a new wife in tow, I felt inclined to study a lot more than I did in high school, and it paid off. With some previously obtained college credit, I was able to squeeze an AB in Geology from Monmouth in 2-1/2 years and an MS from Iowa in 2 years, both under the GI bill.

At Monmouth, two of our three apartments were on campus. Our second, in Marshall Hall was just west of the chapel, and close to your folks' home. We visited them off and on and I remember your Mom keeping us up on what you, John, and Richard were doing. I admired your Dad's way with words. Although not being one of his students left me with far fewer encounters, and also time has taken its toll on my recollections, so only a few remain. At our daily chapel assembly one day, Dr. Owen tersely introduced a guest speaker with: This is Dr. So-and So. "He came here to speak. We came here to listen. Let's get on with it." (I've long since forgotten the guest speaker or his topic, but I remember and continue to admire that memorable introduction.) Your Dad also amused me when he introduced your Mom (to friends who had no reason to suspect that he had ever been married before) as "My present

wife" (as if he had had others). I didn't note a negative reaction from your Mother, so I tried introducing my own wife that way, just to be "cute". However, it didn't take Connie long to let me know that I should "knock it off", as they used to say in the Navy.

My Dad had rather serious bouts with depression that ultimately kept my parents from continuing their chosen career as missionaries in Egypt. My younger brother Stanley, died in 1927 of amoebic dysentery before his third birthday and he is buried in the American Cemetery in Cairo. Dad, Mom and I returned to the States in 1930 just as the Great Depression was under way. Dad had been Treasurer of the American Mission in Cairo, and taught one year at Assiut College, which had a lot to do with my being born in Assiut in January 1923. Before becoming a missionary for 10 years, Dad had been a Patent Examiner in the US Patent Office and was quite fortunate to get back there during the Great Depression. Dad continued there until his retirement even though he continued to have periods of extreme depression for months at a time. I remember hearing the term "Manic Depressive", which may be known by another name these days.

Upon our return from Egypt in 1930 as a seven-year old, I lived with my parents in Arlington, VA where I went to grade school and high school. After a couple of odd jobs, I served an apprenticeship as a machinist at the U.S. Naval Torpedo Station in Alexandria, VA, from 1940-1943. In Feb 1944, I joined the Navy as an Aviation Cadet, but was washed out because the war was winding down and the cadet program was being cut in half. I later became an Aerographer's Mate (meteorologist) and served at Naval Air Stations at Melbourne, FL, and Alameda and Crows Landing, CA, before being discharged in June 1946. Connie Streiff, who was a U.S. Navy WAVE from Minnesota, and I met on a blind date in 1945. We married August 11, 1946. If it lasts, our next anniversary will be our 57th.

In March 1998, our son-in-law, Doug Stover, who is a cultural resources specialist with the National Park Service at the Wright Memorial on the Outer Banks of NC, signed up with a group of museum specialists on a People-to-People visit to Egypt. Although I'm not a member of that museum club, they let a geologist join their small group, and I'm grateful. That 2-week trip to Cairo, bus to Alexandria, flight to Luxor, luxury cruise up the Nile to Idfu, Kom Ombo, and Aswan, flight back to Cairo, plus a 3-day addendum to Istanbul, was probably the grand finale to my traveling career. My wife Connie's debilitating stroke in Feb 1999 pretty much precludes further significant trips.

Martha Roy, who baby-sat me as a child in Egypt, and Willis McGill's youngest son, Kim, attended our arrival dinner at the Cairo Marriott. Kim took Doug and me to the American Cemetery to visit my younger brother Stanley's grave in the mausoleum there. We also drove by the new building in Ezbekia, which also contains a hospital that replaces the American Mission building we lived in. Our museum group, of course, visited the Cairo Museum, the pyramids and sphinx close-up, and several other museums, mosques and churches in Cairo; French underwater archaeology by the Citadel, the Greco-Roman museum and burial crypts in Alexandria; the temple at Kamak, the Valley of the Kings, and Queens, the Papyrus Museum, Hatshepsut's temple a few months after the big terrorist shoot-up there, and the Mummification Museum in the Luxor area; and the Nubian Museum, the old Aswan Dam, the new High Dam, the Temple of Philae, and the unfinished obelisk at Aswan. All in all a fabulous trip!

I later ran across some of my parents' old snapshots in Egypt and sent copies to Willis McGill in Volant, PA. Several identified other people. I remember one that included C.A. Owen and several others, including, I believe, Willis' Dad, who later drowned at Sidi Bishr. That picture was evidently before or after a baseball game, and the players were identified on the back with either a "C" or an "H" after their names. Willis felt sure that these designated the names of the two baseball teams: Christians and Heathens.

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5/03

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I wanted to let you know that my father, Harvey Peters, passed away January 3, 2003.

5/03

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I still look forward to the day the Schutz Newsletter arrives. I live and work in Afghanistan as head of the National Primary Education Program (USAID). Afghanistan is VERY different than South Africa.

5/03

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PRAISE for an attractive artificial eye for Kalu ("Blackie"), son of Amir, our literacy teacher. When he was a toddler, one eye was pierced by a hypodermic needle his brothers were playing with. His father was told to wait until Kalu was twelve to get an artificial eye, when his eye socket would be full size. After an extensive search we found a clinic in Lahore that carefully matched and fitted his new eye. Now it is hard to guess which is the artificial one! Kalu also decided to change his name to Yohanna (John) to match his new self image.

6/03

PRAISE that we will be spending July and August in Albania and can enjoy both sets of grandchildren (7 in all). We will be meeting Stephen Dale Stoscher (5 months) for the first time--a real treat!

9/03

PRAISE for a greatly improved atmosphere in most of Pakistan. Security is no longer a major concern. Friends, our workers and even the police have assured us that we can resume village visits and move freely in town without fear. Most Pakistanis are as friendly and hospitable as ever. Mild frequent rains, unusual for this time of year, are producing comfortable weather and a bumper cotton crop. The Thar Desert that had severe drought for several years has produced two crops this summer!

10/03

PRAISE for Amir, our literacy teacher, who was going to the Land Office with Rs. 10,000 to pay for a plot to be allotted to his family. A car with three men in police uniforms offered to drive him to the office. Instead they drove him out of town, bound and gagged him with his own turban, stole the money and talked of killing him. Suddenly the men dumped him out in the desert and drove off. Amir was able to work the turban loose, report to the police who took no notice, and make his way home deeply thankful for God's way of escape. He was also able to visit Lahore and get his son's artificial eye adjusted, as is occasionally needed.

6/03

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Since Schutz, I was in a movie (bit part - 5 lines) and went on to do local theatre, which involved some singing and lots of improv. I am returning to school this fall to get my Masters in Interpersonal/Intercultural

Communication with a certificate in Conflict Mediation.

I currently live with my daughter Erin (15) and two very large, sweet dogs in Abilene, Texas. It's a wonderful older neighborhood where the houses have lots of character and lots of trees. I love it.

6/03

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Last month (May) Caryn Powell married Captain Eugene Funderburk, a Marine who worked with my husband, Major Rosser. I was Matron of Honor and Hala was a bridesmaid.

We arrive in Seoul right after Christmas this year. We have decided to send the four kids to the Seoul Foreign School. They will be in 10th, 9th, 6th, and 2nd grades.

7/03

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When I left Schutz in 1973 (we were all evacuated and I never had the chance to say a proper goodbye) I started school in Sofia English Language School which was considered the best school in Sofia at that time. This was a school with uniforms, badges, caps, morning speeches of how great our party was and so on. As you can imagine this was not the most enjoyable place for a boy who had tasted the air of freedom and the democratic spirit of Schutz, and after two years of hardship I was finally kicked out. For two years I had to work and study, both at the same time because I was "bad". When I graduated from high school, I went to do my army service and then to the University where I studied English Major. Then I thought that this was not enough and I finished another University in International Business which was not an easy job at that time if you were not from the "chosen" ones. Later on I got married to Daniella and we have a girl named Vayana. She is 13.

For several years I had business with England (alarm systems) and then I had four years of very good business with South Africa which I visited and which I think is a great place. Currently, I have business with Turkey. I represent the biggest factory for automotive filters, a relatively good business with a good future.

9/03

My brother Boyco lives next door. Bill Schwartz taught Boyco how to play a guitar and ever since he's been playing the guitar so well that in 1980 he and a friend of mine formed the first Bulgarian Country Music Band. They were real stars for about a decade but they also had problems playing American country

music. Happily no one got hurt or imprisoned. Then he gave up singing and went to Scotland where he lived for a year, almost getting married but to no success. Finally I flew over to Glasgow and we both came back to Bulgaria in 1991. He plays the guitar and sings now and then but not so often. He is still single although he is 45.

Daddy died ten years ago from intestinal cancer (may he rest in peace). We all loved him very much. Daddy actually was the first Bulgarian whom I have heard of who took his kids to an American school no matter of the fact that in Alexandria there was a Russian school.

7/03

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Connie was released from Riderwood's Skilled Nursing Facility back to my TLC this morning in time for her appointment with the eye doctor.

As expected the June 2 stroke damaged her vision. It turns out that the left side of both eyes has been damaged, rather than just the left eye. Her glasses don't need to be changed because the problem is brain damage rather than eye damage. She's not been reading much anyhow, and she can see well enough to get around, so barring further trouble, her next appointment with the eye doctor will be a year from now. She's about like she was before the June 2 stroke, and I'm glad to have her back! I may have to do a bit more for her for awhile, but I can get help from supportive resident friends, or from the professionals as needed.

7/03

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This week we are in the middle of getting things ready for our Mozambique Branch Conference. We join together with all the members of SIL once every year and a half for a time of worship, teaching, and business. The conference is here at the center so we are busy getting everything ready. Dave and I are the conference coordinators.

Nathan has finished his first year in the States and is staying there for the summer.

Heather and Becky are out of school for the year.

We are also busy most days getting ready for my Dad's church building project in August. There are supplies to order, doors and windows to be made, tickets to buy and all kinds of other details that need our attention daily.

In August we will have been with SIL for 20 years, served on three different continents and lived in over 5 different countries.

10/03

Our family are all doing well. Josh, Heather, and Becky are now in their last year of internet schooling. Nathan has started his senior year in the USA. To make sure that he stays busy enough he is on the football team for the first time this year. We are all looking forward to his two-week visit in December. We will be in South Africa on vacation during that time. At the end of May 2004 we will be heading back to the USA for furlough.

In our last letter I told you that my 90-year old father, Ted Pollock and other friends and family were coming to help build a church in Ribaue. We headed out to Ribaue August 2, with a 35-ton truck with all the supplies needed for the new church, along with three cars full of people and the supplies needed to live there for 5 weeks. When we arrived things were not ready for us. The local church had not done their part in getting ready to build.

How could we have known that God had a new plan for us? That is a hard question to answer, yet my father felt that there must be somewhere else that was ready to work with us to build a church. That night we heard that indeed the church in Pemba had all the requirements we wanted and were trusting God to provide the rest. We then had to move all the supplies and people from Ribaue to Pemba, about a 9-hour drive away. September 7th the new church was dedicated in memory of (my Mom)

Dolly Marie Pollock (1919-1990)
Missionary to Africa
By her friends and family

Irene Helen Kraft

8/19/20 - 8/5/03

Irene was born in Stamford, CT, the youngest of three siblings. Her family moved to Brooklyn when she was two. Her father died when she was 13 so her life wasn't easy. She and Norman met at the beach when they were children and eventually their friendship turned into romance. Norman proposed in a letter while he was serving in Burma in World War II, and they were married March 23, 1946, a few weeks after he came home. In 1949 they went to Assiut, Egypt, as medical missionaries and served there for 16 years. Their six children were born between 1947 and 1963. In 1966 the family settled in East Randolph, NY, where Norman went into private practice at the Randolph Medical Center. They became members of the Randolph United Presbyterian Church. They enjoyed traveling and took trips to Jamaica, Mexico, Hawaii, Alaska, Egypt,

Yemen and many places in Europe and the Middle east. Irene taught Sunday School for many years, was a deacon, and was very active in the Women's Association and mission education. When Norman passed away in 1998 and Irene's eyesight continued to fail, she moved to Loyalton in 2001 and again made many new friends.

Each of our lives has been enriched by knowing this wonderful woman whose life radiated the joy of the Lord.

8/03

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I am doing well, working for two social service agencies with homeless people in Dallas.

Barbara and I have been apart for about 6 years. We have 3 beautiful adult children: Aaron (31) in Asheville, NC; Mindy (28) and Marcus (23) in the Bay Area; and one granddaughter, Sarah (2). I look back at my Schutz year as great...a major learning experience.

8/03

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Isabel Simpson Parkinson died February 20, 2003. Born in Indiana, Pennsylvania, a graduate of Muskingum College, she taught at Esbekiah School in Cairo from 1931 to 1937. It was in Egypt that she met Gordon Parkinson who had come from South Carolina to teach at Assiut College. They were married in 1937 and returned to Egypt after the war with their three daughters, Mary, Sara, and Ruth. During that term (1946-51) the Parkinsons were very involved in the re-opening of Schutz School in Assiut. Several students from the Sudan stayed with them during the school year and Isabel taught some classes. For the past 50+ years she and Gordon have lived in Due West, South Carolina, where he was a professor at Erskine College.

8/03

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When we left Egypt in 1977 we ended up in Malta where I graduated. I returned to the States where I began my days working in the oil business, land and off shore Louisiana. I spent several years doing that (12) or so until I decided to return to school in the hopes of getting a degree. By this time, 1986/87, I was living in Pensacola, FL. I moved to Bato Rouge, LA, to attend LSU for several

semesters. Then I met my future wife while supporting my tuition working offshore again. She moved to Tallahassee, FL, to seek her doctorate at FSU in opera. Yes, opera...I married an opera singer. Well, we got married in 1991 and in two years we moved to Corpus Christi, TX, where I am now. I finished my degree in the Texas A&M system (BBA) Bachelors of Business Administration. I am currently working as a barge and ship inspector in the petrochemical industry.

I've been married 12 years with our first baby this past May 8, 2003...Catherine Rose Walker.

I am in the process of possible new job location but along with that I have been working to build a bed and breakfast in Mississippi where my parents grew up in a little town called Luka, located on the Tennessee River in the northeast corner of the state. Within a few more months the planning phase shall be over and the physical labor take hold as I have purchased some land and an old house built by my great grandfather that we are trying to build up and add on to complete our B&B. So, with lots of luck we'll have this thing off the ground and running by next year.

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8/03

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Dema graduated from Quachita Baptist University in May and is spending the summer in Grand Prairie, TX, with Keturah and Daniel. She will begin teaching English this fall.

Keturah and Daniel are doing well. Keturah will change schools and be teaching science and math to second graders. Daniel will be returning to his previous job teaching 9th grade English and coaching soccer. The biggest news for them and for all of our family is the anticipated arrival of their first child in December. Yes, Grandma and Grandpa will be able to be there!

Rachel has spent her summer at a Christian sports camp in northeast Arkansas. She has really enjoyed the experience (not the chiggers) and has learned several new skills such as lifesaving, first aid, rock climbing, and repelling. She will return to OBU this fall as a junior majoring in French and International Studies.

Roger began this year as a Strategy

Associate for the NAME region. This has meant many changes in our work and lifestyle--one of the most impacting is the amount of travel involved.

Fortunately for Linda, she has been able to make many of the trips with him. He has new stamps in his passport from Lebanon, Jordan, Cyprus, England (twice), Tunisia, and Thailand. We are fast learning how to pack bags quickly and do laundry on the run!

Now our thoughts are beginning to turn to the USA as we prepare for a 6 week assignment in Richmond at the Miss'y Learning Center, then take a 2 month stateside assignment time (formerly known as furlough).

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Phillip graduated early July and is off to Columbia next week. Anjali graduated Kennedy and is starting West Island next month. Rhea graduated Brown and is in India, marking time until she goes to Spain later this month to study Spanish. Paul graduated MBA and is loving his new job, while now moved into the city and living on upper west side. So life is good.

8/03

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My daughter Maartje regularly shares her copy of the Schutz Newsletter with me and I am always very much interested to read the news. Many names are still familiar to me, in particular those of my colleagues during my time in Egypt (Cairo, Evangelical Seminary, 1963-1977), but also of those whom I have known as mission kids. It is good to read their news, and it revives dear memories.

Allow me to tell you a bit about how things are here in The Netherlands. After my retirement from Leiden University (Netherlands) ten years ago I have kept very busy. During the last five years or so most of my working time was spent on research on 1 Chronicles, in preparation of a (Dutch) commentary on it which appeared earlier this year. It is now being translated into English, which means that I check its translation as well as update its contents. I hardly preach anymore, except when I receive urgent requests. I belong to a congregation which is as ecumenical as ecumenical can be: Roman Catholic and various Protestant denominations are

completely integrated, although everyone remains a member of his/her own church. There is Eurachist/Lord Supper (we call it "Service of the Table" and leave theology to those who partake) every Sunday. My contribution to this congregation, apart from incidental preaching, has mainly been teaching courses on Old Testament books or themes during the last six years. In the coming year, I will, InshaAllah, continue to do so.

In my spare time I enjoy gardening, swimming, walking in the beautiful area adjacent to my neighborhood, reading books and socializing with friends and of course my three children, Reindert, Maartje, and Eveline. Together with them I plan to spend the last week of October in Egypt to celebrate my 75th birthday. I am sending my greetings and best wishes to all of you.

8/03

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I would like to say Hello to all Schutzites all over the world. I always think of the time spent at Schutz with great fondness. I live and work in Bulgaria now. I have 2 grown up kids: my son George is 21, and my daughter Diana is 17 years old. My special regards to the people who used to teach me at Schutz: O'Dell Anderson, Betty Williams, Sally and Russ Lura, Michael Fiske, Ron Walters, Judy Halsema, and Gandy Sparks.

9/03

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Greetings Schutzites!

No one reads the newsletter with more pleasure than this 87 year old! Each letter has so much meaning and news, especially Egypt--Cairo, Assiut, Alexandria memories galore. I spent three teenage years at Schutz, graduating in '32 with Mary Russell and Ellen McFeeters. Many thanks to the excellent guidance and tutelage of our great teachers who have certainly made an impact on my whole life. The recent "Sidi Bishr" publication, my old "Bric-a-Bracs", and Grant McClanahan's letters are some of my favorite readings. To those of you who are fortunate to go back, thanks for sharing.

I live just a few miles north of Binghamton, NY, where the "Welcome" sign hangs out!

9/03

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In July three of us went to Door County, WI, for a very interesting time. It was my first time there--a beautiful area.

August took four of us to Chautauqua for a week. I had been there in the 50's. The week was centered around the topic of the Middle East. I thought the lectures were very good, including one from the Egyptian Ambassador. We were there during the big black-out. Fortunately it didn't last as long as it did in the areas on the coast.

9/03

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We are back in Alex and grateful that September has begun to cool off, although it is still humid.

We will be coming to the States early next summer for Helene's graduation from Roberts Wesleyan, and then for her wedding on June 5th to Matthew Hill. The Wissas are going to be selling this property so eventually we are going to have to move so we are once again house hunting.

10/03

Suzanne had a little baby boy, Daniel, on Friday, October 10 (1:30am). He was born in a small Coptic hospital in Sidi Bishr. Michael is a calm and happy father. All his experience with Helene and Diana as babies is paying off! Clint is off to Cyprus for 2 weeks and I am enjoying being a grandmother.

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9/03

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I had such a great time attending Alia Sheikh's Ph.D. graduation last May and wanted to send a picture of our mini-Schutz reunion with Judy Halsema in Washington, DC. You know the "picture is worth a thousand words" thing. It was just such a great time and such an important accomplishment in view of all the obstacles that Alia has overcome since she first told me back in the early 80's that she wanted to study in the U.S. and earn her Ph.D. in Psychology. It was during that brief time that I served as Counselor at Schutz (I can't even remember what year) and she was so determined at such a young age. I am so proud of her. She just has incredible

determination that I am sure will serve her well in the future! The graduation itself was so impressive - actually three different ceremonies for the Ph.D. candidates. Of course, it was made even more so by being at George Washington University with all the prestige of that institution. We had a great time with Judy, who had been Alia's 10th grade English teacher. It is wonderful to have these connections with Schutz.

Left to right in the photo below: Tim (Alia's husband), Alia Sheikh, Judy Halsema, Martha Pressler.



9/03

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This year the mid-Autumn festival fell on 9/11, so we were thinking of friends at home in special ways while we were eating our mooncakes. If the number of boxes of mooncakes is any barometer, I guess we can say we've settled in. We could serve an army a whole mooncake apiece!!

Mooncakes come in beautiful ceremonial boxes, and there are many different kinds. The nut and fruit ones are our favorites. Most have some kind of sweet bean paste in them, and the best have an egg yolk inside, which looks like the full moon. Tonight families will go outside to contemplate the moon and recite a famous poem. In Chengdu there's always a lot of cloud cover, so we may not get a chance to contemplate the moon at all...Guess we'll just have to contemplate the yolk in the mooncake! It hardly seems possible that we're into our third year in Chengdu. We had a short family visit to the U.S. this summer, but returning to China felt like coming home. Good as it is to visit the U.S., we're happy to be settled in. This year, Mackenzie (15) is taking 16 hours of language study in a program for foreigners at the local minorities university. She is studying Chinese writing, reading, listening and speaking there, and taking normal 11th grade courses on line and with us. She has a really busy schedule!

Mickey (11 on October 9) is home schooling with us, and doing lots of

drawing and music and computer games, and he's really enjoying the freedom. He plays outside our building with the few Chinese children who are allowed out to play (most study much of the time, or take special classes after school, even at his age.) He also has a couple English-speaking friends.

Chinese teenagers are very much focused on their studies and preparing for exams. Mackenzie has a Korean friend who boards at a Chinese school near us. They get together to go to the night market, and bike around town on weekends.

The 51 Tibetan teachers who were so much a part of our lives for the last two years have graduated and gone home to new school assignments. Each one changed a lot in two years--mostly in good ways. They are more confident now--more learned, and with much better Chinese and English. And they've learned to adapt to life in a big Chinese city, just as we have. Some of the young women who came from the village two years ago with thick black braids they could sit on went home sporting a head of frizzy short red hair. Surprise! And some of the men will now have leather jackets or jeans jackets hanging up next to their chubas (traditional Tibetan jackets). Sometimes, Chengdu natives treat Tibetans as "those mountain people who smell like yak." But back home, these teachers will be treated as the well-traveled, educated and sophisticated ones in their communities, and given a lot of respect.

Before they went home, each graduating Ganzi student received a "teacher pack"--a bag of useful items for teaching, with some treats, some easy English language books, and a dictionary. The teacher packs were made possible by the Iowa Conference. Thank you, Iowans! Distributing those gifts really capped the graduation event, and gave us a chance to connect once again with each student individually. We also had an outing to a park, where everyone played cards and mah-jongg, and danced and sang. After sharing a big meal, we played role-playing games and signed each other's autograph books. When we left for the U.S., all 51 came out to the airport on the public bus just to see us off. We really drew a crowd!! Many of the Tibetan students wore traditional dress for the occasion. Each student brought a prayer-shawl to drape around our necks. We were shawled to the ears!! It was a very tearful goodbye for all of us. We'll really miss this group, and can't wait to visit them in their schools and see how they're doing.

This semester we're very excited that two new programs are starting: one serving Tibetan teachers from Aba prefecture and the Tibetan Autonomous region, and one working with teachers from Liangshan,

many of whom are from the Yi minority. We've started getting to know these students, and are looking forward to spending the next two years with them. Thanks to books many of you have sent, we have a room with four floor-to-ceiling bookcases of books ready to distribute to our students and to village schools this year. We're hoping to travel out to get them into eager hands before it gets too cold in the mountains, and before Christmas, since our Christmas decorations are stored behind the books!!

Lastly (and finally my brethren) Great News! We have a new CGMB colleague here, Karen Haworth, who is settling in and teaching with us. The university has welcomed her warmly, she is young and sure to be well-liked by the students, and her presence is really needed.

9/03

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MEMORIAL BRICK GARDEN

The New Wilmington Missionary Conference (NWMC) is establishing a "Memorial Brick Garden" to honor loved ones, as part of the celebration of its 100th Anniversary in 2005. There will be a special area at the back of Anderson Auditorium, the outdoor amphitheater on the campus of Westminster College, where the conference is held, in which the bricks will be placed in a landscaped area. We envision dedicating a significant portion of this garden to the great missionaries of the Presbyterian and Reformed churches. We want to invite you to have a part in this memorial garden by purchasing a brick in honor, or memory, of a personal friend or a loved one.

This is more than just a "Memorial Garden." By purchasing a memorial brick, your contribution will aid the NWMC Endowment Foundation's special development funds project, with the goal of raising up the next generation of leadership in worldwide mission, "THAT ALL MAY KNOW."

Please feel free to pass this information on to other family members and friends. You also might want to join together with others to honor a particular person. For further information or an order form, please contact me.

9/03

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So where have the first 9 months of this year gone?

Finally upgraded the computer, not that I

am any better at using the marvels that are provided but at least I can keep things going!! I have appreciated the series of Kerygma Bible Studies at church. Beginning in February, I was standing beside and with my nephew, Perry, through his multiple surgeries and extended stays in hospitals lasting through July. We were thankful for the skill of a well-known surgeon in the Stargel Transplant Center, Kareem Abu Elmagd, who was born and raised in Mansura, Egypt.

It was fun to host Kristi Jordan (daughter of Fran and Dave) for a week while she was visiting churches in the Pittsburgh area. And great to have a visit with Jeannie Jordan Byer and her husband Dave when they visited their son Brian. He is an intern in anesthesia at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh.

It is always a delight to host the Schutz SASAF Board at the farm preceding the annual reunion at Westminster College in New Wilmington. Two weeks later we had 75 come for our annual family reunion at the farm in Butler.

And so in the twinkle of an eye the year 2003 will be over and we will be looking forward to the Schutz Grand Reunion #2 in July 2004. Hope to see you all there.

10/03

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We are both keeping well and are now more adjusted to living in America. First the not so good news: Tom is still looking for work, as are many thousands of people here in America. Washington state has one of the highest unemployment figures for the country. The Olympic peninsula, on which we live, is a beautiful place to stay but it is a terrible place to try and find work. Now the good news: Lesley has received her Green Card and is now a legal resident and able to work and study in the United States. Lesley has also been accepted to Peninsula College, a community college in Port Angeles, for a one year course training to become a Medical Assistant. Tom has been accepted to study the H&R Block Income tax course, also in Port Angeles. Although Port Angeles is only about a one hour drive from Port Townsend, to the west, we decided it would be better to move to Port Angeles to live. We managed to find a lovely small duplex (semi-detached) bungalow in a quiet area near the bus routes.

Port Angeles is a larger town than Port Townsend and we are hoping that there will be more opportunities for Tom to find work here. As well as taking the income tax course Tom is also studying with the City University through distance learning for an accounting degree

10/03

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Greetings, still, from Abuja, Nigeria. In my second year of assisting with the long-term transition into full-fledged democracy, I see some glimmer of hope that the leaders of the Nigerian government sectors will make the right choices and take proper charge of the future of the country. I am encouraged by a new National Assembly and improvements in civilian leadership but equally discouraged as ill-advised presidential edicts follow one after the other from the reelected leader, in apparent and deliberate ignorance of legislative actions and appropriations. "Transparency International" rates countries annually on a Corruption Perception Index and Nigeria has again placed second only to Bangladesh as the most corrupt country in the world. This is a country where seventy percent of the population remains below poverty level, earning less than one dollar per day. Unfortunately, we are on the brink of the second general strike in less than six months. The last strike paralyzed the country for ten days and it took another twenty days to restore most services. This one is more serious and may disrupt international air travel as well as bring the internal workings of all commercial and government entities to a standstill during the latter part of the first week of the 8th All African Games. The President's timing in deregulating the price of gasoline at the pump could not have been worse, miscalculated to start just before the Games in (false) hopes that enthusiasm for sports would overcome the labor (political) unions move to strike and all would be forgotten by the time the games would be over. Cars stretch for miles to fill tanks in anticipation; people who can are traveling today knowing that tomorrow they may not be able to. One can only hope that the violence will be less this time.

On the homefront, Sherri and our four children and our homes were left relatively unscathed by Hurricane Isabel. Not so with Sherri's mother, who lost her home and ceramics workshop and storage sheds to tons of trees uprooted on her wooded lot in Weems, near Kilmarnock, Virginia. A new trailer is in place, volunteers have largely cleared away the fallen trees, and we thank those from as far away as Arizona and Arkansas. Sherri will join me again here in Nigeria for a few short weeks in November and then I will return home for holiday leave in late December through mid-January. Hard to believe that Barbara Kirsten Brooks is 27 now, named after two classmates (Barbara Sumpter and Kirsten

Russell). John Philip Brooks is 25 (after my ancestor, yes, that one who wrote O Little Town of Bethlehem). Judson Charles is 19 and Kimberly Elisabeth is 18.

Sherri and I plan to bring our camper along to the "Rockies Reunion." Not sure where I'll be working in this world, perhaps in Kabul, maybe still here in Nigeria, and preferably in the USA, but we have made our plans to attend. A warning to those who have not been in the Rockies vicinity: we woke up one July morning in a nearby campground to find the puddles frozen over...a might chilly in that neighborhood.

Our best to all of you!

10/03

Greetings again from Nigeria. Things could get more interesting; in December I will leave Nigeria and in January I should be on my way to Kabul, Afghanistan. Prospective assignment is "Mentor to the Deputy Minister of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics." Could be very interesting to be part of the founding of a new democracy.

WAKE UP TO COOL JULY MORNINGS! ONLY IN COLORADO--2004

10/03

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I will be heading back to Virginia to see Angela. She is turning 20 and wanted me to be there for her birthday. She is also getting married on March 6 in Virginia so we have lots of planning to do. I am sewing her wedding dress...Leah's class actually helped me; little did I ever imagine that I would sew wedding dresses. This will be the third wedding dress I have made. The coffee shop was a great success, probably to the credit of Marguerite and her home ec class. Anyhow, Schutz made a difference in my life.

Colorado in 2004 sounds like a great possibility for me. I won't be working. The coffee shop wore me out. So, I hope to see you all there.

10/03

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It all began on a bike ride when Larry was trying to figure out what to do with all his time in retirement! Last spring when all the news was about wars in

several parts of the world, he suggested that perhaps we could be a small part of rebuilding the ravaged countries of the Middle East and Central Asia. So he wrote to contacts from our days at Schutz School and the NESA organization. Before we knew it, we were on our way to Washington, D.C. for an interview with the Office of Overseas Schools. There was interest in seeing about reopening a school similar to Schutz School in Kabul, Afghanistan. The summer came and went with lots of turmoil in Afghanistan, making it unsafe for "civilians". Then this topic got moved to the "front burner" and we were asked to get ready to go by September 1st. After a month of paper work and preparation, we were on our way. We flew from Minneapolis to Amsterdam, then Dubai, then on a U.N. flight into Kabul. Right away we knew we were in a country "at war", but were thankful that we did not have to stay on embassy grounds in "hooches", under tight security. We were housed in a fascinating guest house called KARWANSARA, a former caravan stop on the old Silk Road. That setting brought many interesting people to us, as well as some of the people we interviewed in our feasibility study.

One of the first people we were to interview was a friend from Schutz School ties, Peter Parr. He and his wife, Francious, are working in Kabul with a company that is building new schools and other projects to help rebuild the country. We had a few chances to be together and went shopping for a rug, a Must in Afghanistan!

We spent the month gathering information from agencies, organizations, present schools, embassies, and interested people to see if and when Kabul was ready to reopen their international school. There had been a school there before the Communists took over the country in 1979. We toured the ruins of the former school grounds and other areas of the city, now devastated by the civil war which has taken away so much from a whole generation of people. There were no schools allowed in the most recent years, and women were imprisoned in their homes, children were not allowed to even fly kites. Music, tv, games and so many things we take for granted were banned, with the threat of death by the Taliban if they dared question their rules.

But with the defeat of the Taliban and the start of a new government, there are signs of optimism. People are returning to their homes, rebuilding and repairing, stores are opening with lots of imported goods. The city was bombed badly by warring factions, and lots of work is being done, especially in the city center. The lack of electricity, water, and fuel make it an urgent matter to work quickly

before the winter comes.

Our study was completed by October 4th. There will be an American/International school there when the security permits. We will be watching the news headlines with special interest as the country struggles to begin to gain control. One of the most optimistic things about our trip were the dedicated people we met who have come to help rebuild Afghanistan. There are so many volunteers and business and government people who have come regardless of the "war zone" label. Many NGO's are providing humanitarian aid as well as the United Nations groups who are involved in every aspect of rebuilding. One of the biggest jobs is rebuilding the road from Kabul to Kandahar and on to Peshawar, Pakistan. This should help bring in supplies, improve communication between countries and bring hope to these people. We were impressed, too, with the young people who are working at the guest house; all have returned during the past year from neighboring countries where they fled as refugees. The manager of the guesthouse also has an orphanage for sixteen girls who lost their parents in the recent wars.

Larry and I learned so much in our short time in Kabul. We left hoping to spread the word that we must do all we can to help make this transition in Afghanistan a success. We are thankful for the experience, and also thankful for all the joys and comforts of home which we take so much for granted.

10/03

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Beth and I leave for Beijing, China, on 6 Nov. We will spend a lot of time at Baoding Teachers College in Baoding. It is about 5 hours by fast train SSW of Beijing.

Hugh and Sandra and their three children are still living in Fairbanks. They are Alaskans. Hugh has been there since 1979 and has no interest in returning to the lower 48. People love Alaska or they hate it, and they usually have this decision in mind by the time they cross the parking lot from the airport. Some other old geezers and I are talking about driving the AICan highway next spring. About 4 couples in one travel trailer and two motor homes. I am sure ready to go. I want to cross Montana via Great Falls, see the Charles Russell museum there, see the great falls of the Missouri and continue on into NE Montana, see the Cypress Hills, sacred to the Lakota people and thence straight north to Medicine Hat where my parents grew up, then continue to Edmonton, cross the Rockies, catch the AICan at Fort Nelson and go on to Alaska and hang

around there for two or three weeks. We may just get it done, too. Ellen has just had her second book published by Timber Press in Portland, Oregon. It is entitled, "In Search of Ancient Oregon". It is available at Borders Books, other book stores, and on Amazon and is the hottest science nonfiction book at Borders, Powell's Books and on Amazon at the moment. She worked very hard for the best part of 4 years, and it is great writing and the photography is outstanding.

10/03
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I confess that I have put off paying up for my reservation for the Schutz Reunion, and now can't find the paper with the information that Ann, Ed, and Rebekah so carefully worked up and so many at the Farm last summer so diligently mailed out to everyone. And besides that, at any given time I'm not really sure WHEN the reunion actually is, though I have written down the dates in the important places...I was thinking about all this and wondering if I should beat myself up yet again for being nearly fact-free, relatively undisciplined and perennially unable to keep a neat desk. This isn't about personal habits, though. It really is about why signing up for the big reunion is such a complex matter. So I admit that going to Schutz reunions always starts up the old, painful cycle of separation, reunion, and separation again. Every single year of boarding school I felt this way at the very start; deep dread took hold of me while we were all still at home, before we'd even begun to wash the clothes we were going to pack in the suitcases that my father had brought into the house from the store room. That's all it took--the sight of the suitcases--and I'd start to ache. Pretty early on, I taught myself a remedy: I'd call up the vivid memory of seeing everyone at the other end of the journey--I'd visualize those first days back, the pleasure of the old sights, the fragile moments while everything was new and dear again, while the changes in the food, the paint scheme or the gardens and buildings were still surprises, and while everybody seemed particularly exciting and wonderful. The long moments of just getting back together were among the best of many that were best at Schutz. In that first week, I wanted to see every single person there, and every one had something to tell that I wanted to hear--we all talked and talked and talked and talked. And laughed. And settled into each other's company again. Being back together was a relief. In the chill,

tightly wound days before final departure, I would struggle against the inevitable pulling apart and the commitment required of me. Think about all the greetings and the huge joy in being back, I'd tell myself. The anticipation worked as a kind of preventative medicine. I put off going to a Schutz reunion for years after I knew there were Schutz reunions, because I'd gotten used to a rhythm of few separations. That stability seemed like a luxury in life, and I didn't know if I could attempt opening up and then saying deep goodbyes again. In anticipation, the Schutz reunion seemed like too much of everything--too much effort, money, time, emotion, commitment, memory--too much of a good thing, too much to bear. And though I've been to lots of reunions in the past decades, I still feel that risk of unbearable vulnerability as a threat. When George Meloy asked Alice and me to write the Schutz memoir, I started going to reunions as part of our research project. The project seemed like a good shield against the demand that I be open to Schutz people again. Being with them requires vulnerability at the depth of bone and sinew, joint and marrow. In fact, the research project provided no protection at all against the compelling presence of so many Schutzes. I met and became attached to more people than I knew while I was at Schutz. And I admit I was wrong. The risk of knowing more people to say goodbye to has paid off with an essential gift I was not expecting ever to have. Face to face for more than a day, we create continuity from past to future. You wouldn't think we could, given how often we have been separated and how few of us came from the same place or live in the same circumstances anymore, but in fact, we make a wholeness when we are together at reunion that supplies strength for maintaining integrity. Just the sight of Schutz people at table together--the faces in a group at breakfast or lunch--fills me with an affirmation of identity that I draw on for the rest of the year. We only had a place to go back to for a while, but we've always had each other. We are the people who grew up in a place where we had no future, and came to live the rest of our lives in a place where we have no past. Reunion is where we find ourselves whole. So here's my check--I'm paying up. And now I've found my several calendars and written July 15 to July 18 in, and I'm beginning to think of who might be there...Ron, Chloe. David. Beau, Kirk, Becky, Jane, Jean, Andre, Fed, Robert, Albert, Mohan, Ruth, James, John, Alex, Mark, Bill, Carolyn, Caroline, Paul, Susie, Yves, Halle, Mike, Kristen, Ed, George, Gib, Ada Margaret, Jack, Ann, Peggy, Willard, Myra, Peter, Pam, Sharon, Hans,

Eva, Athena, Lena, Marina, Agnes, Bob, Tim, Massimo, Gloria, Sara, Marilyn, Chuck, Tana, Gwen, Leah, Kay, Bruce, Mary, Elena, Jo, Eero, Ginny, Marcia, Frank, Willis, Larry, Susie, Ann, Carol, Ellen, Othon, Sarah Jane, Soc, Martha, Joe, Deb, Chrissy, Dagny, Margie, Creigh, Penny, Mary Beth, Stephanie, Roberta, Steve, Igor, Rad, Nancy, Rene, Amina, Miki, Alia, Lindsay, Russ, Kody, Bilel, Mona, Helene, Louise, Deanne, John Paul, Gaby, Judy, Walt, Sherine, Eloise, Tibor, Max???

One can always hope!

Reminder

Copy due dates for the Schutz Newsletter
 Spring Edition - March 15
 Fall Edition - October 15

**Schutz Reunion
 2004
 Snow Mountain Ranch
 Colorado**



Willis McGill at the 2003 Schutz Reunion

2004 Schutz Reunion

Snow Mountain Ranch - Colorado

Hello, Schutzyites!

I hope that by the time you read this, you have sent in your registration form for the Big Reunion next summer! We are still working on a few surprises for the schedule, but you can see that we have left lots of free time in which you can reminisce with your friends about old times and catch up on their lives now. There will be time to relax or to spend with your family, which we hope you will bring along! There will be time to hike or swim, play miniature golf or ride a mountain bike. But first and foremost, there will be plenty of time to sit and talk! Here is the reunion schedule. Remember that you can organize a class reunion for Wednesday, July 14th, and have a chance to get together with your class before the big reunion starts!

REUNION SCHEDULE

Wednesday (7/14/04) through Thursday afternoon (7/15/04) - Optional - for class reunions and personal time with family and friends

Thursday (7/15/04)

10:00am - 5:00pm REGISTRATION and CHECK-IN
5:00 - 7:00pm Dinner, Buffet Style
7:30 - 9:00pm Welcoming Get-Together
9:00pm Optional Campfire sing-along

Friday (7/16/04)

6:30am Yoga
7:00am - 9:00am Breakfast, Buffet Style
10:00am - 11:30am Panel Discussion - Leaving Egypt
12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch, Buffet Style
3:00pm - 4:00pm Keynote Speaker
4:00pm Afternoon Tea Break w/Egyptian food
6:00pm - 7:00pm Dinner, Buffet Style
7:30pm Schutz Slide Show

Saturday (7/17/04)

6:30am Yoga
7:00am - 9:00am Breakfast, Buffet Style
10:00am - 11:30am Panel Dis. - Being Ejected from Egypt
12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch, Buffet Style
4:00pm Afternoon Tea Break w/Egyptian food
6:00pm - 7:00pm Dinner, Buffet Style
7:30pm - 9:00pm Farewell Get-Together

Sunday (7/18/04)

6:30am Yoga
7:00am - 9:00am Breakfast, Buffet Style
9:30am - 10:30am Worship & Celebration Service (Opt.)
10:00am CHECK-OUT

[Snow Mountain Ranch facilities are available for your use on arrival day before check-in and on your departure day after check-out]

If you are flying into Denver, United is offering a discount for groups coming to Snow Mountain Ranch. To get this discount, you need to call (800) 521-4041 and use the code "Meeting ID 510CY" when making your reservations. Frontier Airlines is also offering discounted fares. For this discount you need to go to www.frontierairlines.com, select "Business Traveler" under "My Frontier", and enter the User Name: "S50ABA8" with the Password: "Cowboy" when making your ticket reservations. There is an airport shuttle from the Denver airport that stops at Snow Mountain Ranch, as well as Winter Park, Granby, Grand Lake, and several of the guest ranches. This shuttle service is called Home James, and can be reached at 1-800-359-7536. Their summer schedule has them leaving Denver International Airport daily at 10:00am, 1:00pm and 5:00pm. The 2003 one-

way cost to Snow Mountain Ranch was \$40 per adult/\$22 per child, with discounts available based on the number of passengers. Their website is: homejamestransportation.com. Reservations are suggested.

Here is the list of people who have signed up to come to the reunion so far. If your name isn't on it, hunt around for your registration form or use the one included in this newsletter, fill it out and send it in with your deposit so we can PUT your name on it! Use the form provided to calculate the amount of your deposit (based on the number of adults in your room times the number of nights you will be staying). Check the Schutz website (www.Schutzalumni.org), where the reunion schedule and the growing list of names will be updated regularly. Sending your money in sooner than later will guarantee you one of the only 95 rooms remaining! Even if there are rooms available, we cannot hold them past May 1, 2004, so send your registration form in now!

Ann Akers (Quick)
Ernesto Baca
Ron Beck
Dianne Berk
Gerald Berk
Betty Bishop
Helen Louise Branyan (Baird)
Stephen B. Brooks
Alexandre Byron-Exarcos (Exarcos)
Kenny Cooke
Becky Drake
Teresa Green (Walker)
Jenny Hill
Merry Hill (Swart)
Ruth Iskander (Anderson)
Sara Johnson (Meloy)
Massimo Laterzo
Kirk Lindly
Dagny Lord (Johansen)
Jack Lorimer
Mary Lou Lorimer (McCalmont)
Cheryl McEwan
Ken McEwan
Alice Meloy
Ann Meloy
Jane Meloy
Len Millison
Joan Murdock
Larry Pattee
Lavina Pattee
Bill Pollock
Carolyn Pollock (Kraft)
George (and Susan) Reed
Don and Millie Ryan
Hans Beat Schaffner
Scott Smith
Atef S. Soliman
Marie Soliman
Jean Stultz
Dot Turnbull
Bob Turnbull
Jo Waaler (Johnson)
Randy Walker
Janie Walters
Ron Walters
Charlotte Weaver-Gelzer (Gelzer)
Rebekah Wozniak-Gelzer (Gelzer)

I am looking forward to seeing your name on the list and your face at Snow Mountain Ranch!

Rebekah Wozniak-Gelzer
2004 Reunion Coordinator/Class of 1969

SCHUTZ GRAND REUNION #2

July 15-18, 2004

The reunion will begin on the evening of July 15 and conclude on the morning of July 18. Our rooms are reserved for July 14 – 18. We encourage you to come on July 14 to have an extra day to adjust to the altitude, for class reunions, or simply to relax in the beautiful surroundings.

Conference Fee (adults 21 and over) \$25

Lodge Housing Fee (meals included)	<u>3 Nights (Thurs-Sat)</u>	or	<u>4 Nights (Wed-Sat)</u>
• Single occupancy	\$335 / adult		\$445 / adult
• Double occupancy	225 / adult		300 / adult
• Multiple occupancy (3+)	175 / adult		234 / adult
• Children in parents' room	60 / child		80 / child

For lodge housing (and meals), child rate applies to children ages 3 through 15 inclusive. Children under the age of 3 are free and older teens (16+) must pay the adult rate.

Camping Options, RV or tent (meals extra)

We have reserved a small number of campsites for those who prefer a more rustic experience. Campsites are not within easy walking distance of the meeting locations or dining hall. Prices are per campsite. If you choose to camp, you may take your meals in the dining hall (reservations required).

- Type B (1-6 people, electric & water hook-ups): \$26 / night
- Type C (1-6 people, electricity): \$24 / night
- Cost per meal in dining room:
 - Breakfast \$ 6/adult; \$3/child (under 3 free)
 - Lunch \$ 8/adult; \$5/child (under 3 free)
 - Dinner \$10/adult; \$6/child (under 3 free)

For registration questions, contact Ann Meloy at ameloy@seanet.com or (206) 932-0410.

Early Registration will help greatly with reunion planning!

Payments are Refundable until May 1, 2004

UNRESERVED ROOMS MUST BE RELEASED AFTER MAY 1, 2004

After May 1, 2004, registrants will be responsible for obtaining their own accommodations

For your records: Registration mailed on _____ with check # _____
 Deposit: \$ _____
 Remaining Due: \$ _____

Registration Form
SCHUTZ GRAND REUNION #2
July 15-18, 2004

Adult(s) _____

Children, age 3 – 15 inclusive _____
(list names and ages) _____

Children (ages 0 – 2) _____

Roommate requests (list names) _____

Best way for us to contact you (e-mail or address): _____

Payment Worksheet	Number	Cost (per person)	Total Cost	Deposit Due (per Person)	Total Deposit
Conference Fee (adults 21 and over)		25		25	
Reservations (includes meals)					
3 Nights single occupancy (adult)		335		115	
3 Nights double occupancy (adult)		225		75	
3 Nights multiple occupancy (3+ adults per room)		175		60	
3 Nights children (age 3-15 inclusive)		60		20	
4 Nights single occupancy (adult)		445		150	
4 Nights double occupancy (adult)		300		100	
4 Nights multiple occupancy (3+ adults per room)		234		80	
4 Nights children (age 3-15 inclusive)		80		30	
Camping Option (meals not included)					
3 Nights Type B (with water and electricity)		78		26	
3 Nights Type C (electricity)		72		24	
4 Nights Type B		100		34	
4 Nights Type C		96		32	
Adjustments					
Donation towards reunion costs					
Previously paid amount (subtract)					
Totals (please compute and pay Total Deposit)					

Please make checks payable to SASAF. Send registration form and deposit to:

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**2003 SCHUTZ REUNION
NEW WILMINGTON, PA**

Acheson, Will/Pat
Anderson, Bill/Lois
Bish, Margery
(Cruikshank)
Dillman, Harold/Lou Ann
(Purvis)

Elgandy, Suzanne
Finney, Lois
Finney, Roberta
Garber, Herb/Sharon
(Hoffmeier)
Grice, Paul/Hazel
Habashi, Safwat/Pearl
Halstead, Mary Esther
(Cruikshank)
Holcomb, Gloria(Starbuck)

Jordan, Kristina
Kurtz, Caroline
McGeoch, Ann
McGill, Willis
Meloy, Alice
Meloy, Jane
Millison, Len
Millison, Sally
Nolin, Ruth

Pattee, Larry/Lavina
Reed, George
Walters, Janie/Ron
Watkins, Bradley
Watkins, Marilyn
Watkins, Virginia
Weaver-Gelzer, Charlotte
Woods, Rachelle
(McNelney)
Wozniak-Gelzer, Rebekah



Attending the 2003 Schutz Reunion

(left to right) Safwat and Pearl Habashi, Alice Meloy, Jane Meloy and Suzanne Elgandy



At Schutz, new Head of School Tony Spencer, Dellaine Spencer and Seham Kaldas, Kitchen Supervisor.