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**The 40th Annual
Schutz Reunion
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New Wilmington, PA
(See page 14)**

**The 41st Annual
Schutz Reunion
July 14 - 18, 2004
Snow Mountain Ranch,
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(see pages 15-16)**

NEWS FROM SCHUTZ

3/03

Massimo Laterza

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The total enrollment at Schutz is 219 students. We have a new student from Kuwait and we might experience more demand as schools close and families relocate to Egypt, as happened back in 1990-91. At this point there has just been talk.
Most accreditation concerns regarding security and safety issues have been addressed. On May 3, a representative from the European Council of International Schools (ECIS) will visit for two days to verify the changes and improvements. We should be fine. The Near East South Asia (NESA) teachers' conference in Istanbul in March had to be canceled as a result of increased tension and uncertainty in the region. Most teachers have not changed their spring break travel plans however. As a result of rising tensions in the area the school is in the process of putting together an Emergency Action Plan. This plan should address the procedures and details of any possible closure of the school and the evacuation of the staff. The stimulus to embark on this project was provided by the high level of anxiety caused by a possible war in the region. The plan however is not meant to address just this issue but to provide an outline of how the school should act in the event of any major crisis, including an earthquake, fire, or anything that would make it difficult or impossible for us to run the school program. One important portion of the plan addresses the necessity to provide students with an education during time of closure (distance and online education are possible options). A lot of work has been done but the plan is far from being complete.
All EMAC/ISAC (student activity organizations) tournaments scheduled in the spring have been canceled since the host school (in Kuwait) has closed. By the end of last year, teachers could hook up their personal computers to the school network and use the internet from their apartments. This year the school network has expanded and by April every classroom will have at least one computer station and access to the network and internet. At this time, this is 95% complete. The administration already communicates via e-mail to staff. The Senior class traveled to Barcelona this year for their annual Senior trip. They were accompanied by David Feren and Michele Murphy (Senior class advisors).
We have an active National Honor Society advised by Kelly Sullivan who

has organized a successful career day for all HS students and many other activities throughout the school year. Tony Spencer, Superintendent of Schools in Sully, Iowa, was hired as the new Schutz Head of School beginning in August, 2003. Tony will be visiting Schutz for four days during the Western Easter vacation in late April. He will meet with Bob, the administration, and others to prepare for the process of transition. Bob Woods has returned from recruiting. He met with Tony Spencer in NYC and interviewed seventeen candidates in one day for the position of elementary/middle school principal. The new principal is Michael Mote, and his wife Helen will be teaching 6th grade. All other positions were filled with the exception of the middle school/high school Info Tech teacher. We are still searching.

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From The Washington Post,
by Bart Barnes
Oct 31, 2002

(Thank you to Judy Halsema)

Alfred L. Atherton Jr., 80, a Foreign Service officer and Middle East expert who helped in the negotiations that led to the 1978 Camp David peace accords between Israel and Egypt, died Oct. 30 at Sibley Memorial Hospital of complications related to cancer surgery.

Mr. Atherton served 38 years in the Foreign Service before retiring in 1985, and his career also included four years as ambassador to Egypt and four years as assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs. In this role, he directed one of the State Department's more critical sections, with responsibility not only for Arab-Israeli disputes but also the hostility between India and Pakistan.

As a Middle East peace negotiator, he was said to have been able to understand and articulate the historic grievances of Israelis and Palestinians and had the trust of both sides. In 1978, President Jimmy Carter named him ambassador-at-large for Middle East negotiations, and he spent two years as an air shuttle diplomat, traveling between Middle Eastern capitals.

As ambassador to Egypt from 1979 to 1983, Mr. Atherton presided over what then was the largest U.S. diplomatic mission in the world, with a staff of 872 Americans and 500 Egyptians. In the wake of the Camp David accords, hundreds of Americans were dispatched to Cairo to help administer \$1.5 billion a year in military and economic assistance that flowed from the United States after Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's agreement to make peace with Israel. In October 1981, midway through Mr. Atherton's tenure as ambassador, Sadat was assassinated by a commando group led by an Egyptian Army lieutenant.

Mr. Atherton, a resident of Washington, was born in Pittsburgh. He graduated from Harvard University and served in the Army in Europe during World War II. He joined the Foreign Service in 1947, and in early assignments served in Germany, Syria and

India, in addition to postings in Washington. He received a master's degree in economics from the University of California at Berkeley. In the Foreign Service, he had a reputation as a tireless worker who routinely was in his office by 7:30 a.m. and rarely left before 8 o'clock at night. He worked Saturdays and parts of Sunday and was fiercely loyal to the Foreign Service as an institution.

Mr. Atherton's final two Foreign Service posts before retiring with the rank of career ambassador were director general of the Foreign Service and director of personnel for the State Department.

In his personal life, Mr. Atherton, who was known to friends and colleagues as "Roy," was a camera enthusiast who took hundreds of slide photographs at family gatherings and in his travels around the world. He had an extraordinary memory for names and faces. Family members recall an incident not long ago when Mr. Atherton was stopped in a Giant Food parking lot on Wisconsin Avenue by a man who addressed him as "Mr. Ambassador." Mr. Atherton had not seen the man in 20 years, but he addressed him by name and inquired after his wife and children. The man was the former chauffeur of the Egyptian ambassador in Washington.

Mr. Atherton was a member of All Souls Unitarian Church in Washington. Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Betty Wylie Atherton of Washington; three children, Lynne Dat of Dallas, Reed Atherton of Albuquerque and Michael Atherton of Dallas, Oregon; three grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

The Schutz community extends its heartfelt sympathy to Betty Atherton. It has been a joy and a privilege to have Betty and Roy's friendship. Their years of service to Schutz School were deeply appreciated, and will never be forgotten.

10/02

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We have been here in Nampula a year now, and we have been able to share in our letters just some of the ways God has been working in and through us. There have been lots of setbacks during this year. It seems like every week at prayer meeting we are asking God to work out where the needed wood will come from so that the project can go on. More than once we have been down to our last bag of cement before we were able to get more. Sometimes there are not any supplies in town. Other times there are no trucks running to bring the supplies or the driver is sick. Then there are the types of problems that I am sure you can understand a little bit better, like the hard drive in our computer decided that it was tired and stopped working. This is just to say that regardless of the problems that seem to come our way, God is in control and always gives us what we need most.

1/03

We were due back from our vacation in South Africa on Sunday but came back a day early, arriving Saturday just before it started to rain. Saturday night we had one of the worst rain storms that Nampula has ever seen. Hundreds of people who live in mud brick houses had their houses fall down during the storm. On Monday we learned that six high tension power poles had fallen down between the border of Nampula and Zambezia provinces. The river flooded over and completely washed out the road at the bridge that separates the two provinces. This was the road we had driven on the day before.

In our last letter we asked for prayer for a workshop being held here January 8-10. Praise the Lord, that even with the rain, all but two participants made it including all four of our Advisory Council members from Maputo.

10/02

Gwen and John Haspels

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In our last newsletter, we reported the upcoming Jubilee celebration of the Southwest Bethel Synod, the synod in which we serve. The joyful celebration was to bring glory to God for all he had done since the coming of the Gospel to this remote corner of Ethiopia fifty years ago. Dr. Negasso Gidada, former president of Ethiopia, was there along with a long list of visitors.

"Dr. Negasso's childhood playmate, Jeanie Haspels Johnston, had also come for the celebration. She had never returned to her childhood home where her father had died of a heart attack while she was in college in the U.S. It had been thirty five years. She had avoided a return even though her brother, John Haspels, has served many years in Ethiopia as a PCUSA missionary. Jeanie and Negasso provided the tenderest moments of the celebration. Jeanie stopped to cry at her father's grave. When she and Negasso met she fell into his arms and cried and cried. It was not us of the former mission family, those whom she calls aunt and uncle, who brought comfort but a childhood friend. They walked hand in hand over the places where they had played and the places of their homes. It was a powerful homecoming for both of them."

(Quote from Harold Kurtz's report: A Celebration 8/8/02.)

12/02

During a conversation time with her English students, Gwen discovered that out of the twenty five students, only ten had living fathers. Twenty four of them had living mothers. These figures are shocking. One village just down the valley from us is a village of women and children only. What has happened to all the men? The terrible cycle of killing and revenge made easy by an AK 47 needs to be broken. The use of force to disarm the Suri won't break this cycle.

Ngaguldu, a beautiful young Suri woman, is one of fourteen young people in a baptism class taught by Keis (Rev.) Gatahun. Ngaguldu is also pictured on post cards sold

all over Addis and being sent all over the world. Too bad people don't know the story about the woman in the picture. Ngaguldu has been in a cultural group touring Ethiopia to show Suri dance and song. She has even been on television and performed in the modern Sheraton Hotel in Addis. She was also in another group of Suri Christians who sang for the 50th Anniversary celebration in Mizan. For several weeks she hiked three hours, three times a week, up over the mountain from Kibish to attend faithfully the baptism classes. For someone who has had many attractive opportunities put before her, she has chosen to follow Jesus Christ and as an act of obedience to Him submit to baptism.

11/02

Elmira and Bob Finken

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This year or so has been our worst in regard to the loss of five friends. One of whom we had known as long as forty-two years, and the others for at least fifteen years. Ominously, they were each the husband!!!

The wanderlust has pretty much left us after having visited over eighty countries/territories since our marriage. We did make the trip to Marco Island, Florida as we are always pleased to join our children's holiday when we are invited. Otherwise, we have been homebodies except for reunions and trips to Dallas and Houston. We were scheduled for New Orleans in October for Elmira's mini high school reunion. Concerned about the soggy conditions after Isadore, the trip was canceled which saved us from an evacuation required by Kyle. See why we prefer to stay home. One of the dogs is on his very last legs, which now keeps us home until his demise.

Here at home Bob was reelected (no one ran against him) to the Board of the Lakeway Utility District, and is still a commissioner on the Zoning and Planning Commission having served longer than anyone else in city history with twelve years and still counting. Exercise is limited to thirty minutes on the treadmill at ten percent slope and four miles per hour for 423 calories for five days a week. Elmira uses the treadmill less strenuously, but also flexes with weights. Her blood pressure is under control with medications. Essentially we are blessed with excellent health. Life styles have changed as Bob very seldom attempts golf, and our entertaining has slowed down with fewer dinner parties and fewer guests. We are also using the Lakeway Inn for some entertaining rather than doing it at home.

John has 4 children, 7 to 14 years. Bobby has 3 children, 18 months to 5 years. Paul has one 9 year old girl.

11/02

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Thank you for always mailing me the Schutz newsletter. I really enjoy receiving it.

11/02

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I graduated in August and now write "Dr." in front of my name whenever I remember. I am now working at the IMF (International Monetary Fund). I started in June and have already traveled to Albania twice since then and I am leaving for a 2 1/2 week trip to the UK tomorrow! I love my job (although I am a bit tired).

11/02

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This is Talaite, remember the Fijian lady? Derek Petrowski's mom? Anyway, Derek is 24 years old now and lives and works in Honolulu. He is a Pioneer Electronics Installer. He comes home every 6 weeks or so, just to get out of the city scene. We live in Hilo on the big island of Hawaii, where Kilauea volcano is. Matt is at Indiana University in Pennsylvania pursuing a Masters Degree in Political Science. Talei is a sophomore at Hawaii Community College and will be transferring to the University of Hawaii next spring. Harlan is a senior at Hilo High School. All the boys are 6 feet plus, and Talei is 5' 10 3/4 inches. Which makes me the shortest member of my family, but, still the boss!

11/02

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We're back in Iowa after nearly five years out. We spent a couple years in Malaysia and then three years in northern Minnesota. But the reality of children and now grandchildren is very compelling. So we are back in Iowa as pastor of the Windsor Presbyterian Church in Des Moines. We've kept our home in Marshalltown where we lived for 18 years. It is one hour from Des Moines. We also have an apartment right in Des Moines. Our daughter, Sarah, and her family live in Marshalltown where Sarah and her husband are public school teachers. Our son, David, and his wife have moved to Iowa City where David is attending Law School at the University of Iowa.

We worship often with the Coptic Orthodox Church here in Des Moines. Pastor Gendy Rizk from the Suraya Church in Alexandria was recently here in Des Moines with us. Any of you crossing the country are welcome to stop in Des Moines and visit us.

11/02

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Please remove Harvey Peters from your mailing list as he is now living with me and will enjoy my copies of future Schutz newsletters.

11/02

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We moved to Croydon a year ago (very handy for Gatwick Airport for people who are passing through England.) Everyone in the family is in good health apart from my father (Don Shorey) who died in February 2002.

Both children have settled into their new school and my wife

Helen is once more a Quaker elder. We never seem to have much time to laze around despite my best efforts.

11/02

Max Erkiletian

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I just received the Schutz newsletter addressed to my mother, **Maxine Erkiletian**.

I wanted to let you know she died last January. She looked forward to the newsletter and keeping up on the people and the good work done at Schutz.

11/02

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Our house in Accokeek is rented out. Our nice new 2-bedroom apartment is in a continuing-care community called Riderwood Village. As Connie's caregiver, we felt that she'd be in trouble if something dire happened to me. So we thought we'd better get accepted someplace while we still can, and so far it has worked out ok.

11/02

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Happy Thanksgiving from Nigeria, to all! I thought I would have a chance to sleep in this morning but it was only a nice thought. Up early to make sure our drivers have money for fuel - a constant "duty" from dawn until dusk since I am the paymaster. We keep the tanks full here so they knock on my door or see me at the office when the tank still reads 3/4 full! About \$50 to fill a tank here. I just had another visitor - seems I forgot to date the check I wrote yesterday to pay our bills. Thanksgiving dinner at the NICON Hilton Hotel Abuja is to be this afternoon. Turkey and trimmings by the hotel, plus some foodstuffs brought back from the Untied States by some of my teammates. Sherri keeps me informed by e-mail from the home front and Mike lets me know how mother Sybil is doing. He sent a draft of memoirs from Indonesia days (1959-1962) that came through very nicely. E-mail is my lifeline here; Sherri has found the long-distance circuits to Nigeria to be a bit

frustrating.

Nigeria continues to delight and to frustrate. I have had a very successful working relationship and made progress in the last three months.

We recently gave a seminar on Decision Making which was well received and have been asked to do several versions at different management levels. Our Nigerian counterparts and the executives in the Ministry of Defense are encouraging by the reception of new ideas and finally - after two more years - a Big Picture is emerging of a streamlined resource management structure loosely based on the morass of that in the United States. It appears as if I will be extremely busy with implementation planning and execution of a financial management system next year. A month ago, I was not confident at all that this effort would continue beyond December.

Nigeria does confound. Over 200 killed in Kaduna over religious and ethnic greed and idiocy. The Miss World pageant, for which the preliminaries had been underway for three weeks, was the fuel for the conflagration which took some 20 churches and 14 mosques with it, and the lives lost, the injured, and the over 4000 displaced. The same underlying mistakes in fundamental philosophy, metaphysics, and epistemology that have plagued mankind since one Cro-Magnon man coveted what belonged to another, continue today throughout the world. The gold on the National Mosque of Nigeria would feed thousands - the gold being spent on the National Cathedral of Nigeria would feed thousands more. The destruction in Kaduna and Abuja from the religious fighting last week will cost thousands their livelihoods. And so it goes on, from Palestine and Israel, to Bali, to Afghanistan and Bosnia. And my Nigerian friends are all too quick to remind me of our own Watts and Selmas, the installation of Sadaam Hussein by the USA in Iraq so many years ago, but at the same time are just as quick to mention that the USA is the most desirable destination in the world for those who seek a different place to live or be educated. The political ramifications of the recent incident here may be even more serious since some of our ambitious politicians in Congress are reluctant to invest in countries with civil strife (aka "human rights violations") when they don't realize fully that American aid has too often come with American political aims attached, rather than adequate dialogue with the country's leadership. Thus a slightly different approach to my job here as a "coach" and "mentor", not to present an American management program but to insist that this is a Nigerian program and that my counterparts take ownership up front, choosing the best processes that match the culture and objectives of Nigeria. There is frustration here by those who truly understand that this country has five thousand years of tribal history embellished with very new religious doctrines and fanaticism which can undermine and destroy this fledgling democracy. Time will tell, but people must reason.

I have received e-mails from several people with friends here in Nigeria. I look forward to

the early part of next year when I may do some traveling, particularly to the southern areas of Lagos and Awka Ibom and Calabar. There are no phone books here to speak of but there is a people-to-people directory, so I keep asking if someone knows someone else.

11/02

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Greetings from China!

Our Chinese friends are very interested in how we celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas, and why. We'll explain and have small celebrations in our classes, and then we'll have our big Christmas party for administrators, teachers and students in mid-December. Since this is a very hierarchical society, we'll invite each of these groups at a different time of day so they can be comfortable socializing. We'll sing carols and share whatever we can.

Last year we were asked to sing carols a number of small events, and also onstage outside a big department store in town--two sets of 45 minutes each, with explanations and translations of the words! This was an exceptional opportunity. We made the front page of the local newspaper, and were also on TV. We hope that we'll have similar invitations this year (Liz has already changed her guitar strings and gotten out the box of Christmas music just in case!)

At Thanksgiving we share some American history and talk about being thankful. Of course, a lot of people here feel as if they've gotten to the point at which they have some disposable income and can think about buying appliances or taking a trip. There's a curious sense of entitlement--that they've waited a long time and paid their dues--and now it's their turn to have a little affluence. Feeling thankful is an important antidote, we think, so we really stress the THANKS in Thanksgiving.

Most Chinese have never seen a turkey, although it has a name--"huoji." It's a curiosity and they think it's pretty funny that we'd roast a huge bird like that and slap it on the table. Almost all foods except fish are cut up into very small pieces to cook and serve with vegetables. That ol' bird looks overwhelming and perhaps a bit vulgar to the average Chinese person. Exotic foods are very much appreciated here, though, where variety is the keynote of the cuisine.

The holidays are a bittersweet time for us in China. We love our preparations at home, but we miss the Advent Season at church in the U.S. We get more requests for information at this time than at any other, and this is good. But we miss celebrating with family in the States. It's nice not having the pressure to "buy, buy, buy" but we miss having it "look a lot like Christmas everywhere you go." In China, the stress is on the reason of the season among those who believe. Nonbelievers like the idea of celebrating a western holiday with gifts and decorations...but really don't know about

the greatest gift.

If you write to us, please send envelopes without religious names or symbols on the outside.

11/02

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Praise for a good Timothy group with four advanced students, two younger ones studying prayer and four new believers who finished the Abundant Life basic Christian teaching course. These eager young men are always an encouragement to us, even though serious Bible study is new for many of them.

12/02

Praise that Paul and Pat Stock and family arrived safely back in Pakistan on Dec 3rd. We enjoyed some days together in Karachi as they got over jet lag and prepared to take up their ministry at the boys' hostel and with the Audio-Visual Department in Mirpurkhas.

1/03

Praise for good security provided by the government. They are alert to guard places of worship. Sunday mornings the city church here has from four to six armed guards posted all around the compound. One of them used to guard our New Life Center and has become a good friend.

2/03

We expect to continue here at least until summer time. Pray for guidance as to how best to encourage church growth among the Meghvals and to continue teaching small groups in our limited facilities. We hope to be able to do more in-depth teaching with some of the promising young educated men.

3/03

Praise that at their suggestion a teachers' training mini course is being held this week to prepare four of the most educated young leaders to teach Open Theological Seminary courses to lay people in their areas. Pray this will bear fruit in new small Bible groups that can meet more often and reach more people.

11/02

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The Modjtabei family is doing well.

We have moved to Maryland from Virginia. My husband and I, along with our two sons (one is eight and the other is one), live in a town that has still maintained its rural and country atmosphere but is very close to the metropolitan areas. He commutes to work in Virginia and I work from home. I am Vice President of Development for a health care company and when I handed in my resignation last year after the birth of our second son, they counter offered with the same position but from home. I have a great department and wonderful responsible staff and managers, who cover the bases well. I go to the office a couple times a month, but

otherwise manage everything from home. It's the best of both worlds and I am so very happy to be able to spend time with my sons and my parents.

My parents live two doors down from where I live and we tend to visit on a daily basis. The boys love them dearly and beg to spend time at their house. Both my mother and father are in good health and in good spirits, keeping themselves busy with gardening, house maintenance, travel and spending time with friends and grandchildren. They are both a gigantic source of emotional and physical support for all of us and we are very lucky to have them so close by. My father continues to travel to Egypt once or twice a year on assignments for the WHO (World Health Organization), which keep him busy and young.

Alidad has started his own business, linking sign language interpreters with companies and clients. It is a business near and dear to his heart and with a high potential for success. He lives with my parents and is a major help around the house. He is also a very attentive and loving uncle, spending much time with the two nephews. He is active in the deaf community as well, and serves as a mentor to many of these friends as they move through life's challenges.

Kody is in Portland, Maine, completing a fellowship in Infectious Disease. He seems to be happy and enjoying it. He is a great doctor and a wonderful clinician. He has wonderful bedside manners, is an attentive physician, and is a proponent of holistic medicine. He flies into Maryland about once a month, so we get to see him often, though we miss him tremendously. He should be done in a year or so and will, hopefully, return to the area to begin a practice.

12/02

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I am still creating work and am now in a lot of museums including the Guggenheim, Jue de Paume of Paris, The Museum of Modern Art in both LA and NYC. My gallery is doing well in Bordentown, NJ. I am in the middle of gutting the building and renovating. Right now my primary sales are on the internet via Ebay.

12/02

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Christmas greetings from Beirut! Betsy and her husband Jason have been in Beirut for two and a half years, teaching (history and science) with Rich at the American Community School. It has been wonderful to have them here, living only a block away, and we've enjoyed many family excursions and quiet evenings. Those "quiet evenings" became more lively with the arrival of our grandson Danny (7th generation of the family line in Beirut), in August of 2001. He is now a year and a half old and is a perfectly charming, interesting and nice little person. Dan has fit

well into life here, is a good traveler, and seems to enjoy most everything.

Rich and I manage to keep busy with interesting work. Rich has some really good classes this year and is enjoying his students at ACS. He is teaching math at the upper level, with courses in the AP and International Baccalaureate programs.

I am working as a consultant for special projects with the Provost at the American University of Beirut. This has been varied and good for me, and I can manage my own time, set my own priorities, etc. I work with the Provost, the academic deans, and some of the faculty, and have one or two projects connected with the President's office. I've also been consulting with the Ahliah School, a Lebanese K-12 school which presents a whole different set of issues and challenges (lower income families, lack of resources, etc.)

Our Katie is at the School for International Training in Vermont, working on an MA in International Management. At the end of her studies in June, she will do an overseas internship, probably with the Peace Corps. Peter is living in Seattle, working to keep body and soul together, and is involved in the music scene there. His interest is in various ethnic forms of music, particularly African music and drumming.

12/02

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This has been a year in which we praise God for His wonderful blessings to us; and we praise Him for being our strong Rock and our fortress in time of need.

In April and June we made quick trips to Ohio for the deaths of Marilyn's brother, Hubert, and her sister Agness. Though we are saddened by the fact that they are no longer with us, we rejoice that they are at home with the Lord and are at peace with God. On the way home in April we also attended the funeral of Ralph Jordan, a retired Presbyterian minister and the husband of Elwyn's cousin, Ethel.

Many of you are aware that Colorado has been experiencing a great drought (about the worst in over 100 years), which caused severe fire danger, (and water restrictions in some places), especially in the mountains, with many fires in certain areas. We were very concerned and careful, but had no problems at all at our cabins, although there was a fire about 8-10 miles away, going toward Estes Park. The fire was totally contained. Our cabins remained full during the summer. How thankful we are to God, our Refuge, for His protective care. Our son, Kris, continues to do research work among the Iranians in the Washington, DC area.

Since Marilyn had won a door prize last December of a free trip to Mexico, we spent a week there in October, two days in Acapulco and 5 in Ixtapa, about 150 miles north. We got to see the divers in Acapulco, had lovely accommodations on the beach in Ixtapa. We had a wonderful relaxing time and the weather was beautiful. A bus trip between the two cities

showed us the countryside and the way of life among the people. Hearing the waves roar in at Ixtapa, because of a hurricane well off shore, we were reminded again of Psalm 93:3,4: "The seas have lifted up their pounding waves, Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, the Lord on high is mighty."

Our daughter, Lynne, continues her teaching job in Florida and we are thankful for her safe travel last summer, which included a trip to New York City and Niagara Falls with friends and her trips to and from Colorado and Florida. We were glad to have her in Colorado to assist with the care of the cabins this summer.

We have experienced great fellowship and inspiration through Bible study with friends. Marilyn has been leading a morning Bible study on the women of the Bible and Elwyn has an evening one on the Gospel of Luke in our home.

At the end of October, Elwyn finished his interim at a church west of Loveland. We very much enjoyed the past year with them. He had several interesting weddings there. Elwyn has gotten involved with Kairos, a prison ministry at Sterling, Colorado. He has spent two weekends there with others sharing the gospel to the prisoners, with some very dramatic conversions to God.

12/02

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It has been many years since I sent an update to the Schutz newsletter, and my conscience finally moves me, after reading through the fall 2002 newsletter. We recently received a copy of the Sidi Bishr Memories, and it truly brought back all the earliest memories of my childhood, making Alexandria seem so close. The newsletter falls closely on its heels.

A summary family update: I am a practicing anesthesiologist in the Boston area and Patricia and I are developing an e-commerce business which takes us far and wide. Our five children include Joshua, 29, who lives nearby and is working to establish himself in the food service industry; Christopher, 19, is at home this year after finishing a year at Ohio Wesleyan University; Laura, 17, is applying to various colleges with a focus on creative writing, for which she has a particular gift; Stephanie, 15, is a student at Lexington Christian Academy and very active in our church and youth group; Leslie, 13, is also a student at Lexington Christian Academy, and excelling in all things.

Our family had a wonderful Thanksgiving gathering with my parents, Paul and Martha Jamison, now living in the Messiah Village in Mechanicsburg, PA. It was wonderful to get together with the whole family, recalling the immeasurable blessings God has poured out upon us over the years. For this, we give thanks, and we remember all those people and experiences which contributed to making us what we are.

12/02

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We are based in Port Townsend on the Olympic Peninsula in the northwest part of Washington State. We have our own apartment but are still very close to where Tom's mother as well as his younger brother and sister-in-law live. We moved to our own apartment a few weeks after returning from an emotional three week visit to Pakistan where we had to say goodbye to friends and colleagues as well as pack up and dispose of our belongings. We had a short stay in Scotland with Lesley's parents to help us recover before returning to America. Since then we have been busy in a few different areas. Tom has been very busy in trying to find work but so far has not been successful. Washington has one of the highest unemployment records and with a recession in progress the outlook for work locally is not very good. Tom has applied for work in other parts of America but again there are too many people applying for too few positions. Sadly we are beginning to find that all the wonderful experience obtained while working overseas does not count for very much here in America. Tom has been able to do some further training to help him find work in the area of accounting.

Meanwhile Lesley has been going through the slow immigration process. We were able to find a lawyer that specializes in immigration and he has been helping us through this difficult process. With all the increase in security matters and such things there are constant changes in the immigration situation. The whole process can take around a year from the filing of the papers in August of this year but we received a work permit that allows Lesley to work anywhere in America while the process is ongoing. As we don't know where we will be settling or when we could move it makes it difficult to start looking for work anywhere. Please pray that both of us can find work soon and that we are both working in the same area that we will be living.

12/02

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Dear Friends, Christmas time is here. Wishing you love, health and may God give you what you have all wished for, and peace.

12/02

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Merry Christmas to each of you. We trust it is for you, as for us, a time when Christ comes anew into each life - with all that means of surrender and empowerment.

12/02

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Here's some of our news of 2002:

Family: We don't see them often enough, but they remain our great joy. A brief run-down: Both Bob and Paulette's kids are away at college in the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, WA. Westley is a sophomore, Nicolette is a freshman. Bob and Paulette live in Hilo, Hawaii.

Lucinda and Paul Bentley (Cochabamba, Bolivia) still have Christina, 15, at home with them. Their two boys, Donnie and James, are a senior and junior in Wheaton College. Already! Kristi and Neil Miller (Birch Run, Michigan); Emily, 13, and Jesse, 10. Remodeling their kitchen and adding a new room to their house have been spare-time projects this year.

Mary and Kent Yu (Pachero, California); Anna, 7, Kevin and Caleb, 4. Mary has started a small home business hand-crafting cards and gifts. Kent is still with the same technical company in biophysics. The twins started preschool two afternoons a week. Anna is in second grade. Dan (Brighton, Michigan) enjoyed his first trip to Hawaii over Thanksgiving to visit Bob and Paulette. He continues on the custodial staff of a large church in Brighton. He gets south to see us more often than any of the others.

Otis took up tennis again this year, playing from one to three times per week. He still works one day each week with Habitat for Humanity, helping build houses. He's on the Board of Trustees at our church, and he has been appointed to the Board of the Friends of Polk County Library.

Wilma had one small article published in Birds and Blooms, and has a children's story coming in the February Ladybug. Otherwise, she has put in many hours at the computer transcribing her letters from the Egypt and Cameroun years. And writing e-mails to faraway family! She had one literacy pupil about half the year, and is about to start tutoring another. We both enjoy singing with the church choir.

12/02

Chuck and Mary Alice Jordan

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We can't tell of our travels this year as so many of you will do. That has in the past been the events of interest each year, and we will be glad to hear of your interesting times, but we now travel only in our reminiscing. We're not complaining. It isn't so bad to sit in our cozy apartment, look out our windows, and watch the world go by or read National Geographic.

We have had what we suppose is a normal share of physical ailments for 85-year olds. Mary Alice: In October, a fall resulted in severe back pain, four days in the hospital, and 35 days in a skilled nursing facility for therapy. Chuck: A stress fracture in the hip, restless leg syndrome, and a chipped ankle bone, accompanied by fatigue and an increase in the

symptoms of Parkinson's.

We are thankful that we had improved by Thanksgiving Day and were able to join the family celebration. Due to the number of people present, the dinner was held in the youth building of Salem Road Covenant Church. Before and after dinner, the young people enjoyed ping pong, football and pool. There were lots of board games for the less athletic ones. Some family members and friends came from a distance. Jack was here from Tennessee; Brian Byer and friend Sharon came from Pittsburgh; Kaleb Jordan from Purdue; Craig Byer from Ames, Iowa; Glenn and Paul with their friends Lauren and Jessica from the Twin Cities. Also present were Gabriel from Sudan, Julian from Zambia, and Lina from Jordan.

12/02

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Although I am in good health I had a cataract removed from each eye.

Kaye and Dave took me to Westminster three times. I attended two Henderson Lectures and the retired faculty dinner for the 150th Anniversary of Westminster College.

Paul and Jane have kept me up to date on cultural events. We enjoyed a wonderful concert by the Philadelphia Orchestra in its brand new home, the Kimmel Center, and we saw the Cezanne exhibit at the Baltimore Museum of Art. We also attended a concert by the cellist Yo-Yo Ma, at the Mann Center, an outdoor amphitheater near Philadelphia.

12/02

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I always enjoy the newsletters, and wonder so many times what those special people are doing with their lives. I have so many memories attached to that time of my life and appreciate them all, the good and the bad.

I have done many things and can look back at the episodes of my life in reflection and feel satisfaction that all that has passed has simply become volumes of memories that I may use to add spice to my lessons as a teacher. I

cherish those memories and love to see the look on my students' faces as I relate some of them in the process of teaching a lesson.

Granted, many of them have to be edited for content, but the experiences that I share with my kids have allowed them to step away from their backdoors and gain a brief glimpse of other places and other cultures unlike their own.

I wonder how my fellow classmates have fared in the world and hope that I have not been forgotten by those I called friends. Jean and Tom Bower were special teachers and I still recall the passage from MacBeth that we were required to memorize. Some things are not easily forgotten!

I hope that this new year brings special blessings to those people who touched my life and helped bring me to this point in my life. I am teaching fifth graders in a small, rural school in the Memphis, Tennessee, area. I find that teaching is more about who I am than what I do. I hope one day to be able to give back to the overseas community a little bit of what I took so greedily.

I taught my students to write haikus and thought I would share one with all of you.

Not great but then poetry is all in the perspective!

"What a time it was,

Twelve Angry Men, fairy tales

Memories of Schutz."

12/02

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This finds me thankful for good health and contentment here at Sherwood Oaks, the retirement community where I live.

I am thankful also for my children - Charles, Franklin, Virginia, and Marilyn - and for my six grandchildren - and three greats.

12/02

Sally and Russ Lura

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A voice from the past! Sally and I often think of Schutz.

Sally teaches eighth and ninth grade English, and I am Director of Planning for Madison County, New York. Two kids--Jessica, 26, teaches in East Palo Alto, CA, and Chris, 23, is working in a bookstore until he leaves for language school in France.

We love getting the newsletter.

12/02

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We enjoy hearing all the news in the Schutz newsletter--even though we don't know too many of the folks. Their letters are always interesting.

Nadia and Samir hope to finish up their studies in May. I'm still at Curry College and Abdel is at Fleet. Everything seems to be going well.

12/02

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I journeyed north to Alaska in May. I enjoyed a week with Hugh, Sandra, and their three children, Erika, Kevin, and Jonathon. The highlight of the visit for me was to drive up the Haul road to the Yukon River crossing and to the Arctic Circle. What a spectacular country. We saw a free roaming black wolf hunting on the tundra. What a thrill for all of us.

Ellen and I flew in the latter part of May to Connecticut to attend a memorial service for her mother. Afterward, we drove up into Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine for a

holiday. This safari certainly destroyed my lifelong concept that New England was mostly asphalt streets. The woodlands of New England are beautiful as can be at any season of the year. It was a very pleasant trip for us.

Summer flew by. It culminated for me in a charter boat salmon fishing trip into the Pacific Ocean, across the bar at the mouth of the great Columbia River. There were 16 family members and friends on this junket and most of us had a real adventurous trip. Seasickness spoiled it a bit for some people but all indicated they would try again next year.

12/02

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As we look back upon our third year at MVGH we can discover many reasons to give thanks -- a few of them: good health, a variety of ways to occupy ourselves in this retirement community and a helpful company of friends and neighbors of similar backgrounds and complementary interests. One might think that in such a gathering of retired clergy and missionaries who have been in charge of things most of their lives that there would be difficult adjustments to make. But it does not seem so. In fact most of us are happy just to sit back and let the managers manage.

As this letter is being written we are enjoying southern California's autumn. The avenues of Pasadena are lined with Ginkgo, Liquidambar, Crape Myrtle and Modesto Ash whose changing leaves make a splendid show of gold and red and form lovely heaps to kick through on our morning walks.

We journeyed to Thailand in February and visited many temples, stupas and Buddhas gleaming in shades of gold and emerald. We rode elephants and tasted Thai food, light on calories. We paid obeisance at the grave of missionary patriarch, Daniel McGilvray. More than anything else we grew fond of the Thai people--quiet, graceful and endlessly courteous. Their Buddhist faith with its emphasis on gentleness, self-denial, and compassion must have had something to do with that. We admit to feelings of unease at being tourists once again, flitting around the world on "fast forward", a smattering of this and that --vague memories are left. Although, looking back: China, Scotland, Ireland, Alaska, Mexico, Sicily, etc. --visited all too briefly--but impressions, flavors remain. We convince ourselves that it is worth it and will go again as we are able.

The August trek back east to visit family and friends has become almost routine, but nonetheless important and delightful. We were welcomed in the homes of Ken and Rosella Nolin, and Lois and Roberta Finney for memories reviewed and savored plus our fill of sweet corn and tomatoes. Mary Lou's sister, Freddie, and her husband, Bob, entertained us for a relaxing week on the shore of Mullet Lake in northern Michigan.

A major reason for boasting was our daughter Susan's completion of her Doctor's degree in record time. This will further equip her for her

role as Dean of Planning and Research at American River College in Sacramento. Her husband Bob is deep in his studies for a Master's degree in Business Administration. We plan to celebrate Christmas with them in their lovely home near the American River. 2/03

Two weeks ago or more Jack developed terrible pain in his left foot just as we were going to bed. It didn't let up and he didn't sleep a wink. By morning the pain was excruciating so we got to our doctor right away and he sent us to a foot doctor. After all kinds of tests they announced that they thought it was gout. So he was treated for that. We were teased all over the place for gout is supposed to be the rich man's disease, from heavy drinking and eating! In Egypt they call it the King's disease!

We are encouraged as the doctors now say it is cellulitis, an infection of the skin. They have no idea what caused it and say we will probably never know. We have found a number of people here who have had it and they never knew what caused it. We thought we might lose our money that we'd paid out for our tickets to Egypt, but the tickets will be good for a year, with a slight charge.

12/02

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What a wonderful way to start my trip to Egypt! Yes, I had an 11 hour layover in Amsterdam which meant that I was able to have lunch with Peter and Reindert Dirksen. In spite of my sleepiness we chattered away and had such fun.

Carole Landess with Magdi, the driver, met me at the airport shortly after midnight on October 26. It was a warm balmy night and my month's stay in Egypt had begun. My first week was spent in Cairo. I was certain that I forgot all Arabic words, but they came flooding back when I walked into Carole's apartment.

My church in Lakeland sends a small gift for tuition for two students at the Evangelical Seminary in Cairo; hence, I spent a couple hours there one morning, attending chapel service, and visiting the students.

Ramses College for Girls has an International General Certificate which is directed by Cambridge University. It had started before I left. The top floor of the East Wing has been completed to accommodate the extra classes that are coming up from kindergarten. Mrs. Fadia Makram Abeid is the new principal and Martha Roy is very much taken with her.

Fadia is a young, attractive woman who has headed another school. There is also a new vice principal who will be the disciplinarian. At graduation Fatma Hamza and Martha Roy were given plaques to honor their years of service to education. The alumni were happy for Martha, and the students were spontaneously happy for Fatma. Another new wrinkle at the college is that the principal and

teachers are all wearing slacks - a new day. The second week was spent in Luxor (2 schools), Sohag (second year for that school) and Assiut, which has 4 huge schools. Assiut College is now called Salam Modern School of Assiut. The student population at the Assiut schools is getting close to 8000.

The third week I went to the Fayoum which is planning to have a new building for their English Language School. Beginning the fourth week, I was running out of steam. Martha and I ate at Chantilly's and had a good visit. Martha is teaching 8 periods of technical English to students at the Faculty of Music in Zamalek. She goes there by taxi and then often walks home. She will be 90 on March 27th.

General Impressions:

-Taxis are easily available.

-The majority of people have cellphones. (Dr. Kamel Yousef, President of the school board wasn't going to get a cellphone until he saw the ironing man calling his next customer.)

-People are worried about the political situation in the Middle East, but more so, the economy.

-Lots of new roads (ring roads, autostraats, bridges) have been completed.

-The principals at the schools in Cairo are all young. The school board has a vision for the future.

-It felt like going home for a visit. I had a wonderful, wonderful time.

12/02

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We are still living in Egypt. This January will actually make 16 years. Ray has been updating a computer project to help various Christian organizations respond to mountains of mail commenting on radio and TV broadcasts. This past month, he has been especially busy as the VP of the Schutz School Board while they interviewed 4 candidates for next year's head of school. Ray also continues his involvement in a local Rotary Club.

Matt graduated from Schutz in June and has joined his sister at Taylor University in Indiana. He plans to major in Computer Graphics. For now, he is taking the more basic courses and is enjoying university life with many new friends. He is working in the Dining Commons to have some spending money.

Amanda is majoring in English Education with an emphasis in Writing. She is glad to have her brother around. She has various jobs this year, from the French Media Lab to the Dining Commons. She loves university life! Both Amanda and Matt went to Indiana, Pennsylvania (a 7-hour drive) for Thanksgiving to join my parents and sister's family for the weekend. We are thrilled that they will join us for Christmas.

Becky and Lizzy are eager for them to be here also. But they really haven't minded these past months since they finally have their own rooms, for the first time ever! Becky is almost 15 and is in 10th grade. Homework keeps her

too busy, but she did manage to organize and perform an entire flute concert as a special project for the National Honor Society to raise money for local charities.

Lizzy is 13 and is in 8th grade. Her class will take a trip to the Sinai before the 8th grade graduation. Lizzy was recently in a modern musical version of Shakespeare, full of singing and dance routines. She still takes violin lessons also.

Besides keeping up with the family, I am also the Church School Superintendent (can't be Sunday School since we meet on Fridays) and have temporarily been teaching the elementary class, a discussion leader for a ladies Bible Study, and a member of a foreign ladies charity organization.

12/02

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I had two "big" trips this past year: the Netherlands in April and Germany in September. The week-long bus tour of the Netherlands was very enjoyable. If I had to name three highlights they would be the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, and the Floriade, a huge, absolutely gorgeous flower/garden show that occurs only every ten years. I also ended up dancing in wooden clogs in a bit of a Dutch costume at a folk dinner one evening! The German trip was called "Berlin, Bach and the Treasures of Dresden". After four days in Berlin (sightseeing, concerts of the Berlin Philharmonic and the Opera), we stayed in Weimar (a Bach city) several days and visited Eisenach (Bach's birthplace) and Leipzig (his last 27 years). There were also concerts and music opportunities in those cities. The trip was very special for me. I've done more organ performing this year: a special service in Heinz Chapel on the University of Pittsburgh campus, a noon Lenten recital at First Lutheran Church downtown, a full recital on St. Paul's Roman Catholic Cathedral summer concert series, a work for a Pittsburgh Organists' Guild meeting, and accompanying a performance of the Faure Requiem for a 9/11 community memorial service.

Seeing friends from Egypt days at the New Wilmington Missionary Conference and the "Egypt" reunion is always a real joy.

12/02

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The big event of our year was a long trip out west. In the spring, Jonathan finished a book on which he had been working for five years, and to celebrate its completion the family set out on a six-week odyssey through the Midwest and Rocky Mountains. Getting ready for the expedition was itself an adventure. Jonathan had several cross-country motoring experiences as a child, in his family's string of (un-air conditioned) Dodge Darts, but our twenty-first

century children are of course more spoiled. To give them "space" and to ensure that we arrived at our destination in a sane and joyful state of mind, we swallowed all our prejudices and purchased a mini van. And to make sure that Kansas and South Dakota did not mar this happy family experience, we even installed a video player. We have now seen --well, the kids have seen, and Vivien and Jonathan (from the front seat) have heard--"Shrek" more times than I care to recount.

All in all, it really was a wonderful vacation. We passed most of the time in Montana and Wyoming: near the resort area of Seeley Lake; in the beautiful Bitterroot Range; exploring the deserted mining towns of southwestern Montana. As always, the best was the unexpected: the stunning, isolated beauty of the Red Rock Pass on the Montana-Idaho border; the vibrant cultural life (and, finally, good restaurants!) of Missoula; the charming old hotel in Reedpoint, Montana (pop. 113), where the kids dressed up in the vintage clothing they found hanging in the closet. To our surprise and delight, Aidan and Olivia really came alive in the national parks, where they enjoyed earning "junior ranger" badges and learning about the different kinds of bears. (We actually saw one, a small black bear, in Yellowstone--although, much at least to Jonathan's chagrin, our evening expedition into the Lamar Valley netted no wolf-sightings.) They loved the time we spent camping, especially in the Grand Tetons--in part, perhaps, because macaroni and cheese is one of the easiest camp meals to prepare. (And anyway, the campground had a grocery store that had fresh doughnuts every morning!) In Yellowstone, we tried as much as possible to abandon pavement for the back country--it is astonishing how just a few hundred yards can separate the hordes of tourists from pristine country of breathtaking beauty. On one hike we suddenly found our path blocked by a stray bison, and --the wonder of modern technology!--pulled out our cell phones so that grandparents two thousand miles away could share the adventure.

12/02

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We are planning a trip to Luxor with the Sullivan clan, including Grandma and Grandpa. We went this time last year, and really enjoyed our time there. The weather is nice and warm during the day, but can get quite cold at night. The Movenpick Hotel is on its own island on the Nile, and is very peaceful and beautiful. They have a heated pool and their own little zoo, so there's plenty to keep the kids busy. They also have a boat that takes you into town, if you are brave enough to face the aggressive shopkeepers and souvenir peddlers. Kent Weeks, Egyptologist, has invited us for lunch and a sail on his boat in Luxor, and we will probably get a private viewing of the tomb he discovered several

years ago! The rest of our break will be spent celebrating the holidays and getting our house in order. We have too much stuff and not enough space (more the former than the latter), and we do have to make room for the new little Sullivan arriving in February! It's another boy, by the way, so my parents will have 5 grandsons age 5 and under when this one is born. I will also spend some time at work, getting everything ready for my maternity leave.

Dylan started kindergarten at CAC this year! It is very exciting for us to have him on campus. Jason keeps busy at home playing with blocks, puzzles, and train tracks.

Since we bought our 4 wheel drive (Land Rover) last spring, Mark's new passion has been going on desert adventures! We make regular trips to the Wadi nearby, and a few longer day trips in the desert near Fayoum. We also did an overnight camping trip to a place called the Whale Bones, a couple of hours off road past Fayoum and Wadi Rayan. It is a protected area that contains 40 million year old whale fossils. Very interesting and very beautiful! The boys, especially Dylan, loved camping.

12/02

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In 2002, Richard in Ireland with cousins Jane and Charlie for W.W.II Ulster Aviation reunion.

Richard's big project: Geneva Hills 40th Anniversary Reunion yearbook.

Martha now "taking steps"...waited a year for broken leg to heal. In rehab, Richard's help made "for worse" seem "for better."

Labor Day family camp-out in our back yard, and everyone home for the Fairfield County Fair.

Our new granddaughter Qju Qing, 19 months. Anne, Jon and Hannah went to China to bring her home.

12/02

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Our big news is we have another grandson born Christmas Eve to Mark and Tricia. We have 2 more grandkids coming this summer. Mother celebrated her 85th birthday in October. A week after the Schutz reunion, Mother's cottage was hit by lightning--water and smoke damage. They rebuilt and she moved back Thanksgiving.

12/02

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Hearty greetings to you in this wonderful season of our lives. Our family members are all well, and now have become seven or eight households, not counting one that is away at college.

Daughter Juanita Pollock and John Minor were married the last day of August in Glens

Falls, NY. They live near by in Comstock, and John has long been a weatherizer of homes for the area's Community Action Program. In this ceremony Juanita lovingly drew together a number of strands from friends and family in the region. Northwards then in September at Wasagaming MB, we were honored by a sweetly happy Kathleen Nylen, who has become to us during this past decade "Like a Granddaughter", asking us to officiate at her marriage in October of 2003. She and her family and friends beautifully vivify for us our lasting impression of neighbor Canada. And westwards, In October at San Jose CA, cousin David Burgess and Mei Huang filled up our happiness at the finale of their generation's Burgess weddings, all of which we have witnessed.

12/02

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Just two years ago, Lisa was four months pregnant, we were still deciding whether to have the baby in Egypt or America, and a fourth year at Schutz was still a possibility.

We had no idea that our new baby was going to be a little boy, that we were going to name him Benjamin, or that he would be such a beautiful, good-natured, rugged, playful, gregarious, curious, wheel-obsessed, sleep-friendly, train-crazed, fan-entranced bundle of love.

We were surprised and energized seven months later, as we made our epic final journey from Alexandria, Egypt to Des Moines, IA, by the heartwarming power of a dozing three-week-old. Strangers on three continents smiled spontaneously when they saw him--a newborn bridging cultures and coaxing smiles as he slept. We hadn't begun to realize how fortunate we would be in finding jobs, or that we would settle in Ames. Now, Kevin supports media and PC needs for the Iowa State Virtual Reality Applications Center. Lisa is the Art teacher at St. Cecilia where she teaches 1st-6th grade one day each week and is able to stay home with Benjamin the other four. On Thursdays, when Lisa teaches, Ben's Grandma Teske baby sits.

Living within 40 minutes of 80% of our immediate family has proved to be an unexpected blessing--we get to spend lots of good times with them, and the baby sitting is excellent!

One other thing we definitely didn't realize was that in 2002 we would be celebrating Christmas in our own house in Ames, among newly plastered ceilings, fresh-painted walls and refinished hardwood floors. We have planted our feet for the time being, and we have a cozy place to feel at home.

12/02

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We are heading into a holiday trip this year, starting on the third Sunday of Advent, in Massachusetts with Ed's whole family. Most of our children and grandchildren will be there also. Following that, we will have our own little

get-together at Mark's. He and Jean are the proud parents of a son, Shane Nichols, born September 16th. Next we will visit our oldest, Edmund, still Tripp to us, his wife, Donna, and their children at their home in CT. He finished his year of service (he was called up from the Reserves after 9/11) just recently and has returned to his job at Raytheon. Following that we will continue on to Weston, CT, the new home of Timothy, Laura, Jane, James, and Cate; spending the actual holidays with Joseph, Leslie, Anthony and Dante in their new home in Spencer, NC. The month of January we'll be at the "camp" in Florida and hope to see the Columbia "go up" while there. We'll return to Maine for February and March to experience the cold and snow. After mud season, we've planned a trip to the Netherlands.

We've had a good year and we hope that you have too. Ed has been cleaning up, painting and polishing his garage. It is quite a sight. I have been feathering our nest with paintings and furniture; opening all the storage boxes; and just plain housekeeping.

12/02

Grace and Ernest LaFont

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This has been quite a year for us. We both have reached the ripe old age of 86. Our daughter, Janine, is 64 and our son, Leland, is 58. My! Where have the years gone?? My brother Ed is 90 and sister Erma is 88. Both are somewhat active and very alert.

Grace's memory problems are not getting any better. We still get out to church and some social activities, but it is getting more difficult for me.

The year 2003 will probably be where we must make changes for the future. Pray with us for God's direction. We will celebrate our 67th anniversary on January 5. We are thankful that most of our family are doing well.

12/02

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2002 was a wonderful year! We feel very blessed by our children, and we are thoroughly enjoying growing with them. Life through a child's eyes is truly amazing, as is the anticipation for Christmas!

Casey is 7 and in second grade. She's very spirited and she loves her brothers. She loves school, especially music, checking out books from the library, and playing with her friends at recess.

Alec will be 4 in March and is our big boy. He has an impish grin and flash to his eyes that shows his excitement for life! He loves trains, the space shuttle, and playing on the computer.

Benjamin is now 14 months and has been walking since his birthday. He is losing the Frankenstein walk and has his hands down at his sides now, except when he gets really excited and tries to run.

In addition to the kids, I am enjoying taking

care of our home, can't believe we've been here 1 1/2 years now. We've got most of the painting done and have a few small projects left to update the house. We finished the basement this year for the kids to have their own place to play. I am still riding; I work a friend's horse about 3 times a week. He is an advanced horse who is teaching me lots, along with my trainer, and I am thoroughly enjoying riding him. I also teach 10th grade Sunday School at our church and am involved with the high schoolers for other church activities. Mike has enjoyed some positive changes at his job this year, as well as lots of travel. We even got to spend a week in Tokyo courtesy of iBiquity and Grammy and Pappy - who came to play with the kids while we were gone.

12/02

Grace and Wayne Smith

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We have had a busy year traveling, working for two universities, working in the orchard and watching the new trees produce many different kinds of apples.

We spent six weeks in Arizona and southern California during the winter months. We are beginning to enjoy the "snowbird life" as it is an escape from snow to sunshine. We also attended Y Service Club conferences and meetings in Chicago, Illinois, Los Angeles, California, Helena, Montana, and Victoria, BC, Canada. They are always so much fun. We see friends but also travel to many scenic places in the area.

The big one was attending the International Convention in Sydney, Australia. We spent an additional ten days there seeing the states of New South Wales and Victoria.

Wayne's daughter, Elva, and son-in-law Chief, purchased a home this year that overlooks Lake Coeur d'Alene. It is a wonderful location. Chad, Wayne's son, is Othello's new high school varsity basketball coach. Chad and Carrie continue teaching for the Othello School District. Heidi, his daughter, continues to work for PEMCO insurance company in Seattle. Kevin is now taking classes at Seattle University towards a masters degree. Brenda returned to Washington, DC to become the Director of Development for the International Law Institute. She is enjoying this new challenge.

12/02

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Our health is fine, though Alex had a low blood sugar episode and Alma caught him to keep him from falling which resulted in her having a damaged knee, and Alex had a troublesome gall bladder removed. Paul came in September to help while Alex was in the hospital. All is fine now.

Our family Christmas visits were before Christmas by George and granddaughter Jamie and husband Chris Warner with our great-granddaughter Miriam, and another by granddaughters Merry and Jennifer, with great

grandchildren Alex, Lexi, and Miranda. Paul and Ellen will have Ellens' mother, Ethel Glenn, son Scott and new wife Julie (what a great wedding!) and daughter, Sarah and husband Phil Guire, all gathered at St. Paul.

Don (and Peg) in Calgary is putting together stamp exhibits for competition, and also organizing the whole exhibition.

Paul (and Ellen) is trying to figure out a way of getting Minnesota out of debt. Referred to three times in a newspaper article as "the House fiscal analyst." Who wants their name mentioned if it means more taxes?

George (and Dianna) is out of jail, doing well, although this last time was hard on him.

Only grandchild not mentioned here is Andy, who is already able to fix almost anything, but now is studying to be a "certified" automotive mechanic.

12/02

Ken and Ethel Bailey

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2002 will be remembered in our family history as the year of the extended celebration. On June 12, 1952, Ethel and Ken were married. In 2002 we opted for "a commemorative season" rather than a big bash.

The interlude began in late May with a three-day journey to Niagara Falls which was lovely. June 12, "the" day, included a trip to Lake Erie and dinner for two in a cozy little place. Later in June dear friends took us to an Arab restaurant for a delightful occasion. The month of August found Ken, Ethel and Sara on holiday at Rocky Point Camp on top of Troodos mountain in Cyprus where we have spent years vacationing. At the end of four all-too-short weeks friends from many places gathered under the meeting tent with us for an extended time of reflection and fellowship. Included in the celebration was a bronze plaque designating Tent #1 as "The Bailey tent site." It was a marvelous and joyous finale to the season.

The major task of the year for Ken and daughter/editor/research assistant Sara was taking the manuscript of Ken's new book through two complete rewrites. Entitled, "Jacob and the Prodigal: Jesus Retells Israel's Story" it is due to be released in a few months by InterVarsity Press.

David, Leslie and the children are settled in their new house near Charlottesville, Virginia, far from the noise, pollution and congestion of the greater Washington, D.C. area. David's ministry through music proceeds from strength to strength. His cancer and Ken's both remain in remission, for which we are grateful.

12/02

Will and Pat Acheson

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Our family continues to mature and change.

Our daughters are all working - in law, in neuroscience and in medicine; and all are now single.

Liz, Em and Kate are the most intelligent, most beautiful kindest, most wonderful

granddaughters in the world. (Isn't that what grandparents really want to say about their grandchildren?!) In a more serious vein, they are doing well. Liz had the opportunity to go to England and Italy for four weeks. Louise, Liz and Em went on a trip to Lopez Island. And Kate began kindergarten at Ellis School (where her mother and her aunts attended.) Will and I now call Longwood home and are keeping busy as usual -- with vacation trips, Pitt classes, committee meetings, Ach in a CMU, physics mentoring program and Pat currently on the church Session.

12/02

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I do enjoy reading about the interesting events and activities of others in the Schutz Newsletter, even when I don't know the person. Schutz has certainly influenced many lives for the good.

God is blessing our church under the leadership of our young pastor these past four years. Our attendance has increased from less than a hundred to over five hundred.

I keep myself involved in church ministries such as Alpha, CARE group, Intercrossers, visitation in local nursing homes, and chauffeur to doctor appointments.

Many of those in Egypt in the 50s -70s will remember Aziza who made yarn dolls. In recent years, she suffered with Parkinson's disease and this year she died. She was a dear friend from the first day I arrived in Cairo.

12/02

Carolyn and Bill Pollock

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Church and volunteer work continue to keep both of us connected and growing. The Christian dance group (of which Carolyn is the oldest member) participated in a recital in June, danced at our church last month, and put on a Christmas production in 3 area malls, bringing the Gospel message. After a 4 year hiatus from teaching the weekly after school Bible Club, Carolyn took that on again. Bill continued on as elder with a focus on the building and Christian education areas.

Dawn and Dave made the decision to leave Geneva College and move to Grand Rapids, Michigan where Dawn is now working at Cornerstone University, still as an admissions counselor. Dave is teaching and coaching at a huge high school where both his girls and boys won the Michigan State championships in cross country.

Carolyn's mom was doing very well until she broke her hip the day after her 82nd birthday in August. Bill calls her a trend setter. After she broke it, 4 other ladies at the same facility broke their hips in rapid succession. Carolyn then realized that God knew she would need more time to spend with her, so now she is back to almost weekly visits to Jamestown (about a 4-hour round trip.) The good that came out of her fall was visits from all 5 of

Carolyn's brothers. Loyaltan was treated to some great music as 2 of the brothers played the piano while there, and Carolyn's niece did both a piano and organ recital. Mom is getting steadier on her feet, but not pain free yet. Over Labor Day we celebrated Bill's dad's 90th birthday (a little early, but that's when Leah was here from Mozambique.) It was wonderful family time with 130 guests coming for a spectacular dinner (catered by Bill's brother Tom's wife), and a "This is Your Life" video and skit. A month later we got to meet our first great niece and Ted's first Pollock great grandchild. Allison and Ricardo went to Brazil again in August to visit friends and Ricardo's Mom, and they flew to Rochester just in time for the party. They are both working hard as Boston is an expensive place to live.

12/02

Richard and Gayle (Swart) Smith

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2002 has been an exciting, happy, and busy time for us. The highlight for us was flying up to Alaska in early August to witness and participate in the marriage of our son Brandon and his beautiful bride Sierra. The wedding ceremony was an outdoor affair held on the shores of Lake Wasilla (an hour north of Anchorage) with white snow capped mountains in the background. The day of the wedding was absolutely gorgeous with a brilliant crystal sun shimmering off the lake giving cadence to the promises given by the bride and groom to each other. It was a most memorable time for us all, as we added to our family circle a whole new group of dear friends from the state of MN - Sierra's home state.

Weddings tend to bring family members together. Rich and Mary opened their lovely home, and seven of us took full advantage of their most generous hospitality. Without a murmur, they moved down into their basement so that Dawn, Joe, and little Jack could have their bedroom and bath. (The twins stayed home in RI with the Hogan family.) My mother, Paul and Doris, and Richard and I took over the upstairs. We were most thankful to be able to be together, to take a couple of side trips and view the magnificent Alaskan glaciers, as well as experience the delightful Alaskan hospitality.

12/02

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We can hardly believe that Jeffrey, 16, will be a senior in high school next year! He is continuing to do well academically but at times gets very fed up with the whole school thing. We were very proud of his perseverance when he was inducted into the National Honor Society in November. A counselor in Goshen's recreation program in both winter and summer, Jeffrey is very popular with young children, which we attribute to his ability to get right down to their level. In the spring Jeffrey expects to complete the last step

needed to become an Eagle Scout - overseeing a landscaping project at Orange county's 9/11 memorial.

Francesca, an 8th grader, became our second teenager in November. A fine student, she consistently makes the high honor roll. She is taking Earth Science, usually a high school class. This fall, Francesca received the Sacrament of Confirmation and she is an assistant teacher in a first grade religious education class. She played softball on both her school and Little League teams, and again made the All-Star team. She was a top player on the school's volleyball team which had an excellent season. An active Girl Scout, Francesca's babysitting services are in demand in our neighborhood.

Early this year we formed the Goshen 9/11 Commemoration Committee, which orchestrated a great Memorial Day celebration to honor our "hometown heroes" - 3 police officers and firefighters who survived being injured and/or trapped and 1 person who died in the World Trade Center attack. Through donations from local businesses, our group served over 1000 guests at a free community picnic and installed a memorial plaque and tree in the village center. After years as an Asst. Scoutmaster Jeff accepted appointment this fall as Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 63. His organizational and people skills are already evident in this active Troop. Jeff has also joined the local chapter of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. I joined a book club, the high point of which (for me) are the dinners where we discuss the book. I again taught the 8th grade Confirmation class and am still doing the Children's Liturgy at 9:00 Mass each Sunday.

12/02

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The year 2002 has been monumental for me. It witnessed the celebration of my 90th birthday last July and my moving into this new home last month.

To folks who ask "How does it feel?" I have a 2-part reply. Departing our retirement home, with its idyllic setting by the ever-flowing Neshannock, brought on a powerful tug at the heartstrings. For me, that home stood as a tribute to one of Anne's many talents: discovering the obviously or potentially beautiful, even though seemingly unobtainable, then setting out to find a way to obtain and enhance that beauty. The imprint of Anne's touch will always be there, assured by the fact that her son Gib, and his wife, Merrienne, are now transforming it into their home and that of their daughters, Staci and Emilie Anne. And that happy fact offsets the painful aspects of nostalgia. It is pure joy to watch them transform it into their own home.

The 2nd part of my answer to "How does it feel?" has to do with coming back to New Wilmington. Here is where the Lord, in His Providence, led our Mother to bring my sister Lois and me to live, in mid-1927, after our Dad's tragic death the previous year. For the next 10 years New Wilmington was our hometown, where pursuing an education was

our major objective. For some of those years we lived in what many of you will remember as the Mission House, established as a home for furloughing missionaries. Its two apartments, numbered 152 and 154, faced Waugh Ave. Shenango on the Green, where I now live, is a brand new Presbyterian retirement facility with 50 apts. It faces Waugh Ave., carries the number 150 and occupies a long stretch of frontage where several homes stand no more, including the Mission House. I look out my 3 windows and can see the Kirkbride house, where Lois' good friend and music teacher, Dorothy, once lived. Next to it the one-time home of retired India missionaries, the W.T. Andersons, parents of Lowrie Anderson, grandparents of Bill and Margie Anderson and their siblings. And directly across from me is the fraternity house where I was once a member, with its best-in-town tennis court (now extinct). More importantly it's an easy walk to church, to Westminster's Library where some of the museum work in which I'm involved is on display, and to Orr Auditorium, site of the college's annual Celebrities-Series programs - where a packed house last night, including me, enjoyed a very good Glen Campbell show, especially its last half-hour of Christmas music.

12/02

Paul and Mary Martha Jamison

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In February we moved to a different part of the main Village with a number of benefits. First, more services are provided for our comfort and safety. Happily our new room is larger and affords us an entertaining view. A lovely tree just outside our window is usually alive with birds. Would you believe that just outside our room there is a sitting room like area and in it is an Allen electric organ which Martha enjoys playing. Many come to appreciate the music. In this same room there are several large tables where people gather to assemble large picture puzzles. Martha thoroughly enjoys doing puzzles!

Generally our health has been good despite several falls for each of us. Both of us are using walkers for safety. Paul has had a problem with balance due to several tiny strokes in the balance part of the brain. Two falls resulted in concussions. In April, Martha had a bad fall in the bathroom shattering her left elbow.

Thanks to the skills of a very fine orthopedic surgeon she can play the piano and organ again. What a cause for thanksgiving after a difficult few months.

Paul is one of a host of volunteers who in many ways "run" Messiah Village. In response to the question asked of all residents about how they would like to volunteer, he easily chose visiting. What could be more natural after being at the bedside 46 years? Now two or three times a week he checks in with the chaplains office for suggestions as to who would welcome a visitor. There is not a shortage of persons who are anxious or depressed or just lonely. In effect he is

unofficially part of the pastoral service and social service while feeling he is the one who benefits from these visits. Martha volunteers in reading to a blind woman and also provides many impromptu hymn sings. She enjoys both the music and giving pleasure to others.

01/03

Ted Pollock

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I am happy to tell you that I plan to lead a group of volunteers on another work trip to Mozambique to build a church in the town of Ribau. The volunteers from the US will be working with the members of the local congregation to complete this new sanctuary. They wrote asking for help in 1995 but they did not have a plot of land until recently so now we are ready to assist them. They have begun collecting gravel and making bricks for the building. They are looking forward to having us come and help them.

This project is a request from the Presbyterian Church of Mozambique and we will be working along with Pastor Filipe Vilanculos from Nampula. Ribau is a small town in Northern Mozambique so it will be necessary to travel by making connections via Johannesburg, SA; Maputo and Nampula, Mozambique and then taking a train to the town of Ribau.

Would you like to come and help build this church? We will be sleeping in tents so we can accommodate 20 people at a time. We plan to work from August 1 to September 7. You can sign up the entire time or a two week segment. We can use all skill levels but you must have a willingness to work hard. We will be digging footers, mixing mortar, laying bricks, building trusses, plastering the walls, installing windows, hanging the doors, and putting on the roof. There will also be some electrical wiring as they want florescent lights and bathrooms with basic plumbing installed. Many of you have come to other work projects so you know a lot of these details. We look forward to having you come again.

I would love to hear from you or your church and will be glad to send you more information. We have begun to raise the \$20,000 - \$25,000 that will be needed to buy the materials for this church. I hope when you or your mission committees are setting your outreach budget for 2003 that you will consider this church. Please let my daughter, Penny McFarland, know if you would like to come as she is coordinating the calendar. She can send you more detailed information. We will be working again through SERVE (Sending Experienced Retired Volunteers Everywhere). They help promote many volunteer projects and offer group insurance rates for the team.

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01/03

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2002 was quite a year for Hank and me. We sold our house on April 1st and after moving to an apartment we moved again in October to a villa in a local retirement complex. We are very happy here with many conveniences.

I am familiar with former students who attended Schutz in the 1930's. In 1936 I started fifth grade and sister Rebecca McKnight was an eighth grader. Our parents, Minnie and James McKnight were agricultural missionaries from 1922 to 1939 at Gereif, near Khartoum, Sudan. Wonderful memories of Schutz and summers spent at Sidi Bish! In reading the last newsletter I was saddened to learn of the death of Marian Jamieson who was my class mate along with Bill Anderson and Faye McLaughlin. This summer in the midst of all these moves I flew to Africa with our oldest son John who lives near Dallas. John has been to Africa on two other mission trips with ALARM (African Leadership and Reconciliation Ministries). This time John and two friends from his church and I led a training conference for lay pastors in Ndola, Zambia. A marvelous experience to find capable leadership from the Zambians on ALARM's staff and to meet so many devout Christians who were eager to learn from us. I think we ended up learning more from them. From here John and I spent a day in Nairobi where again I was impressed with the ALARM staff and then we flew on to Khartoum. We were met and driven to all the Presbyterian mission projects by the general secretary of SPEC (Sudanese Presbyterian Evangelical Church). We met SPEC's board members, the Presbyterian Women's board members and visited the Gereif Bible school which is located at our former home. We were quite impressed with the Seminary on the Nile in Khartoum North which was started by Bill Anderson and is flourishing. A not to be forgotten experience is when we met with another group of women. These tall, tall blue black women from the South Sudan like the other group find strength in fellowship and Bible studies but also need financial help. Half of the women from the South are widows and live in refugee camps. Hank who has been on dialysis for seven years stayed with our daughter Chris and family while I was in Africa and enjoyed all the activities of a busy household. He will turn 80 on July 26th and so if all three sons and families come from Texas, Lancaster and Baltimore we may not be able to make the Schutz reunion. Please note our latest address. For those of you who remember Rebecca, she is still the upbeat, fun person she always has been but has put up with Lupus for many years and now has rheumatoid arthritis.

1/03

Margaret Philips Cheesebro

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The biggest decision at our house these days is one that Philip faces - where to go to college to

study electrical engineering. He has been accepted at both the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in Socorro and at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden. He can get enough scholarships to cover 96% of his expenses at New Mexico Tech but faces huge expenses if he chooses Colorado School of Mines, the school he really wants to attend. He is employed at a local restaurant, where he's gaining valuable work experience as well as keeping up his grades during his senior year in high school.

Wally has worked for a little over a year at Farmington Drug, where he stocks shelves with over-the-counter medicines and delivers prescriptions to homebound people. He enjoys the chance to serve others in need. He still milks goats twice a day and does not regret retiring from teaching.

I spent six weeks last summer writing a 30-article health care series for the Daily Times. It was fun to get back into writing on that level again. The hospital awarded the Daily Times the first health care advocacy award it has ever given as a result of the series, and doctors called it Pulitzer quality. The newspaper publisher has submitted the series for a Pulitzer prize. It would be great if it won, and, if it doesn't, an honor just to be considered for the prize. During the school year, I still work as an elementary counselor. I also have been re-elected pastor of our church for another year. I get lots of help from everyone, so it's not an overwhelming task.

Our church just had its Christmas program that featured a play I wrote called "Christmas News Report." Wally played the innkeeper, Abu Saleem, a savvy businessman who promotes his inn at every opportunity. He makes sure people know it's the Bethlehem Bed and Breakfast at the corner of Trade Route and Camel's Way where every room has a view of the stable!

Wally and Philip both love music. They attended a music harmony camp during the 2002 summer in Socorro sponsored by an Albuquerque group, the Duke City Chorus. Philip sings bass, and Wally is a tenor. Wally is part of Westwind Band, a bagpipe marching group, and is learning to play the base drum. This summer, Wally and I attended State Senior Olympics in Las Cruces. Wally came home with silver and bronze medals in air rifle competitions. My table tennis partner and I took the gold medal for mixed doubles, and I earned a bronze in singles table tennis. A group of us in the Farmington area enjoy playing ping pong together every week.

2/03

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After I left Schutz in 1972, my parents thought it was time we moved back to Canada. (My family was living in Tripoli, Libya, at the time.) They wanted us to know what life was like in our own country. I have been

firmly planted in Calgary ever since. I worked in the "oil patch" for a number of years as a Geophysical Technologist. I left that job about 3 years ago and now own and operate a small business in my neighborhood.

In 1980 I married Rob Howey, a geophysicist. Rob and I divorced in 1988 and I now live with my two daughters Erin (17) and Danielle (15), three cats: Alexis May, Jimmy Ray, and Skye, and a dog, Theo (aka Super Dog).

2/03

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This semester I have my dissertation defense, so I'm getting a little nervous already. I'm sure it will go fine because I will be spending a lot of time preparing for it.

Tim is coming over to DC for my defense in mid-March - moral support! plus celebration! We will be flying off to California for a conference I'm going to, and driving up the coast all the way to San Francisco! I've heard the scenery is breathtaking, so here's our chance.

Amer and Kelly had a beautiful baby boy in December, and they named him Jamal.

03/03

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I changed my ways after leaving Schutz. Finished college in the US with a business degree. I worked my way up with the Sherwin-Williams paint company and have been a District Manager over the East Tennessee area for the last 10 years. I left Sherwin-Williams May 2002 to work for myself. I now buy and renovate small homes and resell them. I am married and my wife and I have 5 kids between us from a previous marriage each. My kids live in Florida and I visit them during the year and they stay with us in the summer. Our home is like the Brady Bunch in the summer.

My sister Sally is married to her life long friend Gary Kneuhble and they live in Atlanta, GA. My younger brother Sam lives there as well and it's only a 3 hour ride from Knoxville so we see each other often.

03/03

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We are experiencing a mild winter here in Minnesota. That's pretty hard on the avid ice-fishermen and snowmobilers around us. We've missed all the major storms that have hit all around us, but we have enough snow to keep the ground covered. Yesterday we got a new coat that cleaned things up a bit. March can be very fickle, so we are not putting the shovel away yet.

We had a wonderful cross-country trip around the United States in January. That's not the usual time of year to risk a long trip like we did,

but the weather was very cooperative. All told, we went 11,000 miles in 35 days. We started out seeing our grandchildren, in Wisconsin and Virginia, then went to Civil War battlefields in the south east and west. We tried to avoid the cities and commercial "tourist attractions", and aimed for the national parks and monuments. We had a cable car ride at Stone Mountain, GA, a swamp boat ride in Louisiana, a steam engine train ride in Durango, Colorado, an elevator down 700 feet into Carlsbad Caverns, almost had a plane ride with my brother in San Diego but fog kept us on the ground, a bus ride at Hearst Castle on the Pacific coast, a "ski lift" ride above the

Redwood Forests of northern California, a ferry boat ride from northern Washington to Victoria, British Columbia, then to Anacortes, Washington. We

saw several friends and relatives, but missed a lot of people along the way.

There were many lovely places, especially the southwest and the national parks in that part of the U.S. I was overcome with the beauty of Zion National Park, especially because we were almost alone in that gorgeous spot. And Yosemite was so beautiful. The snow and winter season kept most

people away, much different than when there are so many crowds they must bus people in to control the traffic. Larry was most impressed with the Giant Redwoods. They are so very majestic! We hurried too fast to really explore closely, but now we know where we want to go and spend some time.

One of the best times on our trip was seeing our Schutz friend, Randa Shoeb, a faculty member, mother of two students, husband on the board in Alexandria. She is spending this year at Pacific Lutheran University getting her certificate and Master's degree in education. What a sacrifice!! Next year she will be teaching 7th and 8th grade English and Social Studies. We spent a busy afternoon catching up on news of students and friends at Schutz. We also saw dear friends from Tarkio College days, Ralph and Maureen Gwinn, who know several of the Tario College students who came to Schutz for a semester. They celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last fall.

We were thankful to get to make this trip, one we'd dreamed about for a long time. We chose to postpone our plans to Southeast Asia and Bali, hoping that the world situation will improve, as we all are praying.

3/03

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It's feeling like springtime. The sun is bright, and the sea is a lovely blue. Georgio and I have been repotting plants and planting flowers on our balconies. The snow-covered mountains that are the backdrop for Beirut are sparkling, beckoning us to come and play. We did that a couple of weeks ago. We rented a car with friends and drove to a small ski resort about 1 and 1/2 hours away, where we sledged and made snowmen and threw snowballs. As long as the sun was out, it was warm enough to strip

down to t-shirts. John spent that day in the office, but we're hoping to lure him away from the university and the city soon for a bit of a break.

After a semester off from teaching, devoted to research and writing (thanks to a grant from the Hewlett Foundation), John is back in the classroom. He enjoys teaching, but really savored the chance to focus on the other side of his job, for which there is no time left after class preparation. At the end of the summer, our fifth year at AUB, he goes up for promotion, so the intervening months are critical.

Georgio is almost 3 (June). He just re-started pre-school, after dropping out from the daycare program at the American Community School back in October. This time we're trying out a relatively new Montessori pre-school downtown and he seems happier. I'm hoping Georgio will want to stay in school

so that I finally have some more time for myself. I do part-time editing both for the AUB Publications Office and as a freelancer for the Syrian office of the International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (and anyone else who wants my services). And I have high hopes for using some of the extra time to review Arabic and French, and do more writing.

3/03

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My wife and I live in Florida on the ocean. We have our boat at our dock in our backyard.

It's a great lifestyle. We have an 8-month old daughter, our first child.

For the last 13 years, I have owned a financial

services company. Our website is benchmarkalert.com. We do some interesting work for large pension funds. Every month I write an article for pension investors regarding controversial pension matters.

Needless to say, life was not easy returning to the US after my father disappeared in Africa. It was very difficult because my father was my only parent and I didn't know my extended family well. But eventually his estate was settled and I finished college and went on to law school a few years later. My first job out of school was with the SEC in Washington. I lived in the Park Fairfax development in Alexandria--just up the road from Old Town. Finally I made it back to the tropics in 1996, after too many years in the cold northeast corridor.

My wife and I went back to Egypt in 2000 and saw Schutz. I have been taking her to all points overseas where I grew up--Panama, Trinidad, Egypt, England, and perhaps someday Uganda.



40TH ANNUAL SCHUTZ REUNION

SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2003

12:30 PM

Thanks to SASAF Board member Sam Farmerie, the 40th Annual Schutz Reunion will have a beautiful new location for their gathering. Sam has made arrangements for us to meet in the new **McKelvey Campus Center of Westminster College**. We will be in the air conditioned **Witherspoon Lakeview Room**. The new center is a combination of the old student union building where we used to meet and the old science building, located next to the college chapel. There are elevators available.

Please use the registration form for lunch @ \$8.00 per person.

Lunch will be served at 12:30 pm and the annual meeting will begin at 2:30 pm.



Reservation for Schutz Annual Reunion Luncheon Sunday, July 27, 2003

Please reply by Tuesday, July 15th.

Please list names of those who will attend

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

_____ persons @ \$8.00 = _____ Total Enclosed

**Make check payable to SASAF & mail to:
Ron Walters, 4708 Silverleaf Rd, Dugspur VA 24325 - 3693**

(The SASAF Board will meet on Saturday, July 26 at 4:00 PM at the Stultz farm in Butler.)

2004 Schutz Reunion

Snow Mountain Ranch - Colorado

Hello Everyone!

The plans continue apace for the 2004 Big Reunion, to be held at the YMCA Camp of the Rockies Snow Mountain Ranch site. The theme of the 2004 Big Reunion will be "Leaving Egypt". The panel discussions and keynote speech will be built around this theme, which we hope will generate numerous informal discussions on a subject we all know intimately. Wednesday, July 14th, is a day that has been set aside for individual class reunions, so start planning yours now! The official reunion will begin Thursday evening with dinner and a welcoming get-together. The tentative schedule has been set up as follows:

Wednesday through Thursday afternoon - Optional
Class reunions
Personal time with family or friends

Thurs. (7/15) 10:00 - 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

Fri. (7/16) 6:30am Yoga
7:00 - 9:00am Breakfast, Buffet Style
10:00 - 11:30am Panel Discussion - Leaving Egypt
12:00 - 1:00pm Lunch, Buffet Style
3:00 - 4:00pm Keynote Speaker
4:00 Afternoon tea with Egyptian food
6:00 - 7:00pm Dinner, Buffet Style
7:30 Schutz Slide Show

Sat. (7/17) 6:30am Yoga
7:00 - 9:00am Breakfast, Buffet Style
10:00 - 11:30am Panel Discussion - Being Ejected from Egypt
12:00 - 1:00pm Lunch, Buffet Style
4:00 Afternoon Tea with Egyptian food
6:00 - 7:00pm Dinner, Buffet Style
7:30 - 9:00pm Farewell Get-Together

Sun. (7/18) Yoga
7:00 - 9:00am Breakfast, Buffet Style
9:30 - 10:30am Worship and Celebration Service (Optional)
10:00 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]

We are leaving plenty of time before and after each scheduled event for you to spend time catching up with each others' lives, to spend time with your family, or just to rest and relax. There will be time to swim or hike, play miniature golf or ride a mountain bike. And there will be plenty of time to sit and talk! Information packets will be available soon on the Snow Mountain Ranch site and the activities in the area. Thank you to those who have already sent in your deposit money!

Ed and Colleen Nicholas
Larry and Lavina Pattee
Bill and Carolyn Pollock
George and Susan Reed
Jean Stultz
Joan Murdock
Ann (Quick) Akers
Ron and Janie Walters
Rebekah Wozniak-Gelzer and family

I hope that the list in November's newsletter will be much longer! There are 126 rooms left, so send in your deposit and begin planning NOW to make four or five days of NEW memories reliving OLD memories! See you in July of 2004!
Rebekah Wozniak-Gelzer
2004 Reunion Coordinator
Class of 1969

Basic Reunion Costs:

Room and Board:

3 nights-adult occupancy	4 nights-adult occupancy
\$335 single	\$445 single
\$225 per person, double	\$300 per person, double
\$180 per person, triple	\$240 per person, triple
\$155 per person, quadruple	\$207 per person, quadruple
\$60 per child 15 and under*	\$75 per child 15 and under*

*regardless of adults in room

\$30 - alumni conference fee
\$15 - non-alumni adult conference fee

REGISTRATION DEPOSIT: \$25 per person, \$50 per family

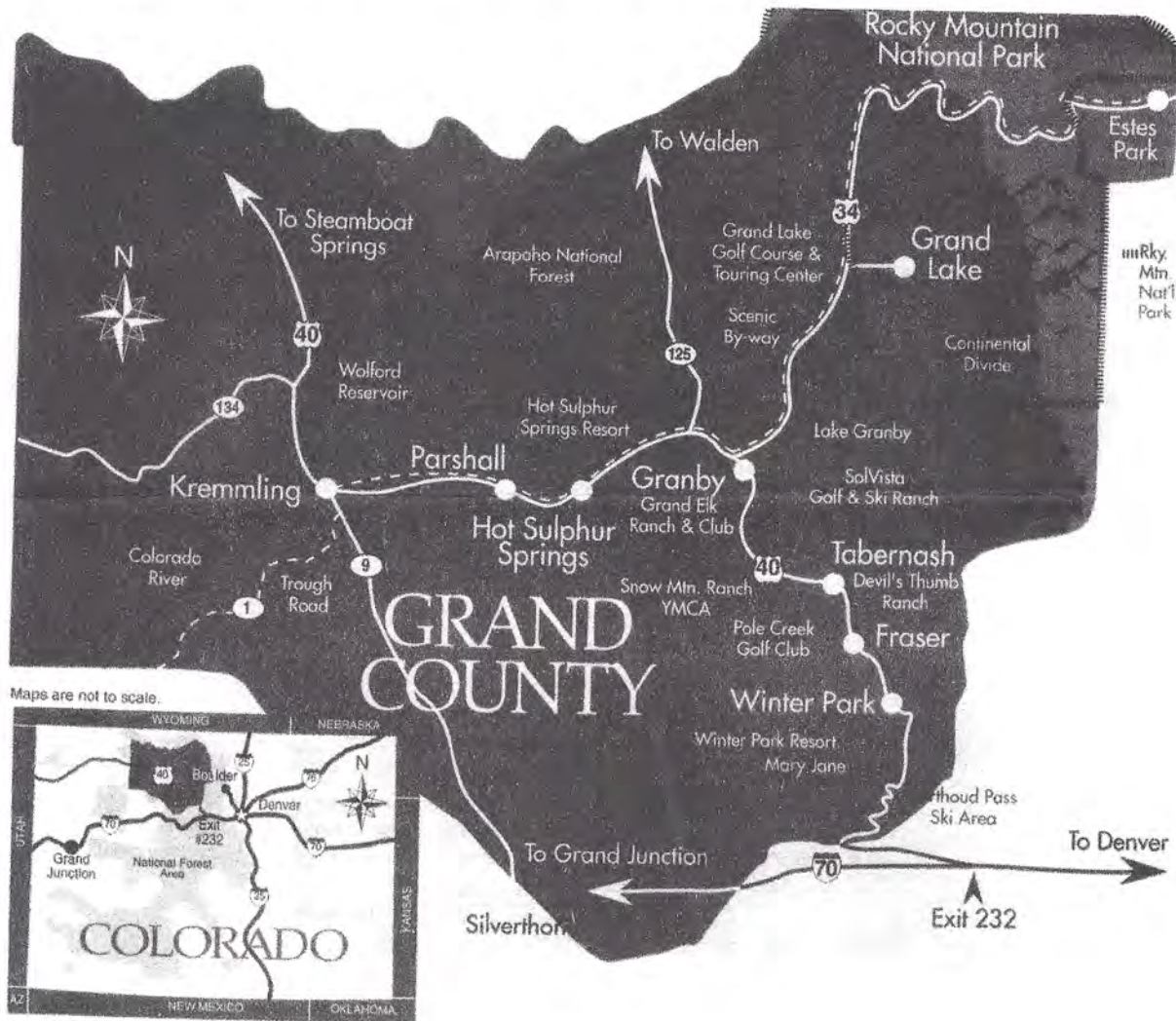
You may make your reservations by sending a check for the appropriate amount, marked "2004 reunion reservations," to:

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This photo is one of the lodges and the dining commons, up on the hill.
The mountain in the background is Snow Mountain.

County Map showing Snow Mountain Ranch with directions on how to get there.



FROM GRAND JUNCTION, take I-70 east toward Denver to U.S. Hwy 40, Exit 232 (Empire). Travel over Berthoud Pass on Hwy 40 to Winter Park and Fraser (223 miles)

FROM STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, take U.S. Hwy 40 east to Fraser and Winter Park (100 miles).

FROM ESTES PARK (summer only), take U.S. Hwy 34 west through Rocky Mountain National Park to U.S. Hwy 40 and turn left. Take Hwy 40 to Fraser and Winter Park (83 miles).

FROM DENVER, take I-70 west to U.S. Hwy 40, Exit 232 (Empire). Travel over Berthoud Pass on Hwy 40 to Winter Park and Fraser (67 miles).

OTHER WAYS TO GET HERE

- *The Ski Train, a Winter Park tradition since 1939, transports skiers from Denver to Winter Park Resort on weekends throughout the ski season. the Ski Train also operates on Saturdays during the summer.
- *Amtrak's California Zephyr provides daily direct rail service from Chicago and San Francisco to Fraser and Granby.
- *Greyhound makes regular daily stops to and from Denver in Winter Park and Granby.
- *Shuttle service and rental cars are available from Denver International airport.
- *The Granby and Kremmling Airports host private aircraft.

To comply with Board directive, the membership dues will follow the budget year which is July 1 through June 30 of each year.

Thank you for your response to the annual membership appeal. The scholarship fund and your contributions enable SASAF to respond to the purpose: To serve as an association of the alumni, staff and friends of Schutz American School in Alexandria, Egypt and whose primary objectives are to foster remembrances of the school and to enable the renewing of acquaintances and friendships through information exchanges, newsletters, reunions and other special events.

Members for 2003

*The asterisk preceding a name indicates a contribution in addition to the annual membership dues.

- *Agha-Khan, Saggi
- *Akers, Ann (Quick)
- Albanese, Maryellen (Black)
- Baca, Ernesto
- *Beidler, Richard/Martha (Sisley)
- *Bode, Mary Anna
- *Boyles, Esther
- *Broughton, Richard/Kathleen
- *Clark, Paul
- Cottenden, George/Barbara
- Cowles, Susan (Ryan)
- Cushman, Dorothy
- *Dillman, Lou Ann (Purvis)
- Dillon, Mike
- *Dirksen, Maartje
- *Dye, Marjorie
- *Fahrenheit, Susan (Kline)
- Farmerie, Sam
- *Finken, Bob/Elmira
- Finney, Lois
- *Forde, Jeanie
- *Galloway, Ruth
- *Garber, Sharon (Hoffmeier)
- Gersiek, Eleanor
- *Gilliland, Ruby
- *Goldman, Stephanie (Dillon)
- Grice, Paul
- *Grupp, Bob/Sue
- Habashy, Makram
- Halsema, Judy

- Haspels, Charles
- Heasty, Audrey
- Hoey, Edna Mae
- Hoffmeier, Vivian
- Hohenhaus, Marge (Jaspers)
- *Holcomb, Gloria (Starbuck)
- *Hoyrup, Jyll
- Hutchison, Ada Margaret
- *Knight, Lida
- *Laterza, Massimo
- *Leonard, Sam
- Lindly, Edwin
- *Lorimer, Jack/Mary Lou
- *Lorimer, Sue
- Luke, Robert/Billie
- *Lura, Russ/Sally
- *McCianahan, Grant
- McGeoch, Lyle
- McGill, Willis
- Montville, Eva
- *Murdock, Joan
- *Nicholas, Ed
- *Nolin, Ruth
- *Pattee, Larry/Lavina
- Peters, Kevin
- *Pollock, Bill/Carolyn
- *Pollock, Jim/Rachel
- Ragab, Jane
- Reed, George/Susan

- Robinson, Mary Francis McFeeters
- *Rooney, Lawrence
- Rowe, Wilma/Otis
- Ryan, Don/Millie
- Ryan, Kimberly
- *Schaffner, Hansreat
- Searles, Elizabeth (Grupp)
- Shane, Sally (Shields)
- Sheikh, Alla
- *Short, Katherine (Roy)
- *Small, G. Larry
- *Smith, H. Wayne
- Sterling, Patricia
- *Tedford, Alberta
- Tedford, Marilyn
- *Tobias, Tana
- *Turnbull, Robert/Dorothy
- Underwood, Jackie
- *Vadkova-Hollar, Ivanna
- Walker, Peter
- *Watkins, Bradley
- Walters, Ron/Janie
- Watkins, Charles
- *Weaver-Gelzer, Charlotte
- Weymer, Peggy (McKnight)
- Wilson, Alex/Alma
- Wimberg, Carol/Wilbur
- Wozniak-Gelzer, Rebekah
- *Zinkemagel, Debbie (Jamison)

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.
(See order form below)

\$3.00 per pack
or
2 packs for \$5.00

(Please add \$2.00 for postage when ordering)

Proceeds benefit the Schutz School

P-L-E-A-S-E---R-E-T-U-R-N---F-O-R-M---W-I-T-H---Y-O-U-R---C-H-E-C-K

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Maiden name
Address	City	State	ZIP + Four
Home Phone	E-mail address		

- \$10.00 for 2003 Annual Membership dues for Schutz Alumni _____
- Schutz School Scholarship (please designate amount) _____
- Support of Schutz History Book (please designate amount) _____
- Send me 2 packages of note cards - enclose \$7.00 _____
- 2004 Reunion Registration Deposit (\$25/person, \$50/family) _____

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