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Since last Log it was a pleasure to spend a day with our mate Bob Smith and Helen, in Arizona, and with Harry Krusz and Marylu, at Laguna Hills in California. These friends of bygone Jaycee days have always brightened the days when we were together. I know all of the mates consider the friends they've made in their Jaycee days are rich dividends from their work in the Jaycees.

A week later Harry and Marylu were here and Eleanor and I were delighted to spend an evening with them. Harry and Allen Whitfield and Bob Ladd were at an insurance meeting. Bob called me at the office but unfortunately I was out, so I didn't get to talk to him. I didn't hear from Allen as he no doubt had to get back to Des Moines, so I missed him.

Lee Thompson and Elaine were also in St. Louis attending the annual convention of the Missouri State Bar - and it was only because Eleanor and I were at a convention ourselves that we were denied the privilege of entertaining Lee and Elaine. Better luck next time, Lee.

Dick Wood called me after the last "Log" to say how much he enjoyed the ending of it and that he was going to use the quotation in his campaign for election.

Bill Press was just elected an honorary life member of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives through a recommendation of a committee chaired by the late Marvin Hurley. He must also have recommended Harry Krusz for he, too, was elected to Honorary Membership in this organization. Congratulations to you both.

Ed Frerichs sent me the clipping about Bob Van Pelt. It showed the picture of Bob being given a plaque, in recognition of his 15 years on the Federal Court. 150 gathered to honor the Judge and we add our congratulations for these years of service, Bob. Thanks, Ed, for sending me the clipping.

Will Walker sent me the annual report of the Milwaukee School of Engineering, of which Karl Werwath is President. It is an excellent report and I congratulate Karl on his success and thank Will Walker for sending it to me to enjoy.

Steve Allen sent me the clipping from the Dallas Morning News showing the picture of Colonel Harold Salfen accepting an award for being chosen one of the most outstanding Air Force Academy liaison officers in the nation during 1972. Congratulations to you, too, Hal, and thanks Steve for sending me the clipping.

Tom Donnelly was pleased to see Billy Tremont come aboard on George Pagonis recommendation. He writes, "We had an interesting 'Jaycee Day' in Washington during a visit by Sam Winer, current USJC President. Among those in the meetings were Congressmen Fred Schwengel and Ralph Murphy, and who did we run into in the elevator but Charles Thone, Congressman from Nebraska and past Nebraska Jaycee President".

Tom also asks us to take aboard Mitchell Kozikowski, a Past President of the Pittsburgh Jaycees, and twice Pennsylvania National Director. Mitch is now Vice-President of Muller Jordan Herrick, 666 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10019. With your recommendation, Tom, we're taking him aboard.

Myron Heeger asks us to take aboard Bob Jehring, 502 West 2nd Street, Muscatine, Iowa 52761. Bob served his state Jaycee group as well as National Director in the mid 50's, so we're taking him on board.

We have a number of changes in address. Don J. Brown's new address is 1231 Frayne Court, Concord, California 94518; Morgan Doughton's is 3311 "P" Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20007; Conny Saab's is 1203 Thomas Lane, #122, Renton, Washington 98055; Milton Zapata's is P. O. Box 1857, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936; Ernie Forde's is P. O. Box 1090, Kamuela, Hawaii 96743. Ernie says he has a beautiful home at Waikoloa and he'll be glad to see any of the Crew who come to Hawaii.

Ed. Merdes also has a change of address - P. O. Box 810, Fairbanks, Alaska. Ed. is serving his 4th year as a State Senator in Alaska. George Gowling's new address is 512-211 Wurtemberg Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, and Charlie Moore's new address is 3474 Winchest Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38118.

Speaking of addresses, mail comes back addressed to Ernie Hertz and Clarence Blasier. Do any of you know their present addresses? The envelopes say "moved; not forwardable".

The letterheads this time are provided by our mate G. Edwin Bruce III - thanks Ed. for sending them.

Marmaduke Corbyn, Jr. (Duke) has moved to LaCalma 45 Las Fuentes, Guadalajara, Jal. Mexico, where he hopes to have many years of retirement at a home he purchased there a year ago and will now reside there permanently. His phone is 211466, in the event any of you get down that way, he'd like you to call.


Charlie Kothe is conducting seminars around the country and at the Des Moines Rotary he was introduced by Allen Whitfield. He had a seminar here on November 6th, but I didn't get the information in time to see him. His experience in Labor Relations equips him so well for this work and I'm sure he gives much to his hearers.

During the many years I have been editing the "Log", I have seen many mates rise to greatness after overcoming many difficulties. It reminded me of the words of "The Friendly Chat", which read,

"Meeting difficulties with courage and overcoming handicaps, makes character. It is not the difficulties but the power gained by rising above them, that builds greatness and a place of leadership".

How true.

Cordially,


John H. Armbruster
Keeper of the Log