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Chuck Shearer, who is our tireless Crew Reunion Chairman, has been keeping us up to date on the goings-on at this year's April 27-29 Reunion. Dr. William Stearman, Director of Russian Studies at the Institute of Foreign Service at Georgetown University has been added to our agenda on Saturday. Dr. Stearman has been participating in the recent SALT talks and will no doubt be a fascinating addition to the other speakers. Chuck also tells us "The Dandy" has gone out of business but that we are now going to have Saturday's festivities at an equally exciting place: The Officer's Club at Fort McNair. This historic post on the Potomac in Washington is the site of the Army Commander's College and is a truly beautiful spot. Sunday's morning service at the National Cathedral will honor the victims of the Holocaust, a service that will be very moving. We've attached a copy of the Registration Form once again; this is really going to be an excellent Reunion and Chuck tells us lots of Crew Members are planning to be in Washington to renew old friendships and strike up new ones!

We received wonderful news from Doug Hoge prefaced this way: "Jaycee training and experience helped qualify me for the job." The Job Doug recently won was the Presidency of the Cincinnati Rotary Club. Doug tells us the Cincinnati club is club number 17 and is one of the largest in the nation with 550 members. Congratulations, Doug, for an honor well-deserved.

Our Tulsa friend, Clay Roberts, called last week to return a lost Crew member to our list: James Stafford had not been receiving his copies of The Log. His address is P. O. Drawer C, Ada, Oklahoma 74820. Aside from James, we have some other lost Crew Members and we would be very grateful if you would forward any addresses you may have to "The Log" P. O. Box 7, Tulsa, OK 74121. Here are our missing friends: Chuck Buchanan, Joseph Schmitt, Willard Eccles, James Kennedy, Robert Yost, C. O. Girard, George Brittain, Jim Wymore, Dan Perry, W. F. Krick, and Gil Dittmer. Many thanks for your help.

Pat Sheridan, whom you will remember as President of the Michigan Jaycees and U. S. Jaycee Treasurer, has been promoted to President and Chief Executive Officer of Sun Insurance Services, Inc. Congratulations, Pat, on your promotion. His new address is: 175 Spalding Mill Drive, Atlanta, GA 30338. ✓

We were saddened to receive news of the death of Richard F. Wood, a 55 year veteran of the legal profession and one of our fellow Crew members. "Senator" Wood, so known from his service in the Nebraska Legislature, lived in Illinois. Our sincere condolences go to his two surviving sons. ✓

Two of our fellow Crew members contacted us this month with nominations for new members of the Crew of the S. S. Fellowship. Barry Kennedy, national president of The U. S. Jaycees, recommended that we take Ed Fink on board, Ed served as U. S. Jaycees legal counsel in 1977-78 and has been a strong Jaycee throughout his career.

Bob Lindholm, who in addition to being active in The Washington Fellowship Hour and the Crew, serves as the Chairman of the Board of The U. S. Jaycees Foundation, called to nominate Durward Howes III for Crew membership. Durward, like his father, Durward, has been a strong and active Jaycee and will be a valuable member in the Crew of the S. S. Fellowship. Many thanks to Bob and Barry for their nominations.

Our Mate H. Emerson Thomas was honored recently for 50 years of service to the LP Gas industry by the National LP Gas Association. He had previously been awarded their Distinguished Service Award. How wonderful it is to see our friends continue to do the good kinds of things they did while active in this great organization of young men. Congratulations.

We received a wonderful letter from Harry Weldon, one of our Canadian Crew Members. His words best say what we all feel: "I felt a tremendous feeling of kinship upon my recent admission as a member of your Crew. It is as if my family had been extended. The warm feelings have always been there from my personally prized meeting with Andy and Charlotte Mungenast, Bob and Lois Lindholm, and many others such as Chuck Fries, now president of The U. S. JCI Senate. But to be formally adopted into the community of the Crew is a great feeling." Thank you, Harry, for saying what we all feel about the S. S. Fellowship. Harry extends to all of us a warm invitation to visit with him in Ottawa.

We received the great news from Robert Hogg of Idaho that he and his wife are planning to be in Washington for the Crew Reunion. Bob tells us the last time he attended a Crew Reunion was a good while ago. In addition, he nominates for Crew membership his son-in-law Alex J. Irby of Route #2, Box 99E, Orofino, Idaho 83544. Alex served as his chapter Vice President and a National Director. He is also a JCI Senator. Thanks for the nomination, Bob. We're all looking forward to seeing you again!

More good news came from the west coast: Bob Cronk, Executive Director of Project Concern and former Executive Vice President of The U. S. Jaycees wrote: "I'm back in the office after my open heart surgery on February 1st--- for three hours a day and expecting to be pretty much on a full time schedule by mid-April. Feel great, am walking three miles a day on the beach, and hope to make it to four miles soon. Hope to see everybody at the Crew Reunion." Thanks for the great news, Bob. We're looking forward to seeing you too.

George E. Brauer, Wisconsin President in 1948-49, wrote to tell us that he, too, is proof of the extreme value of Jaycee training. George was the 1978 recipient of the National Man of the Year Award from Rheem Manufacturing Company in Chicago. George is the Regional Man in the Southeast and lives in Deerfield Beach, Florida. The National Man of the Year Award is the highest recognition for members of the field marketing organization of Rheem Manufacturing and is awarded annually for superior individual performance in all facets of product sales, merchandising and marketing. Congratulations, George!

Many thanks to Richard (Dick) Davis for this month's letterhead. Dick is the Executive Director of the Economic Development Corporation which is affiliated with the San Diego Chamber of Commerce.

While we all make plans to travel to Washington for our 1979 Reunion, the news from Frederik A. Figge of his round-the-world trip was even more exciting. Fred and his wife, Kirsten, recently returned from Honolulu, New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, Switzerland, Denmark, and Norway. The Figges saw seven past JCI presidents and were greeted everywhere with fantastic hospitality. How wonderful that our ship, the S.S. Friendship, sails the globe.

Just as it was so wonderful to read of Frederik and Kristen's world-wide trip, we want to read news of what you and your family are doing. . . or if you know news of other members of the Crew of the S. S. Fellowship, please let us hear!

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And while we are asking you for things, now that the U. S. Jaycees Foundation is carrying on John Armbruster's tradition with the continuation of The Log of the S. S. Fellowship, any contributions you make to help with the postage and printing costs are tax deductible. Thank you!

The Reunion in Washington provides such a renewal of the joys of friendship. It reminded us of the article written by Arthur Christopher Benson "Because of a Friend." This is even more fitting to use as the closing for our April Log as John Armbruster closed the April 15, 1970 Log with the same quote.

"Life is sweeter, stronger, fuller, more gracious thing for the friend's existence, whether he be near or far. If the friend is close at hand, that is best; but if he is far away, he is still there to think of, to wonder about, to hear from, to write to, to share life and experience with, to serve, to honor, to admire, to love."