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Marines, Corpsmen, Relatives & Friends of Lima 3/5 Vietnam ...

This is the annual "few words" issue. I know many will greet this with a smile.

TOP (left to right): **Van Ruesen, McLaughlin, Levesque, Hoffman, Pollicino, Delagarza; Douzanis, Cloutier, Sister Douzanis.**
CENTER (left to right): **Yakubsin, Tatum, Yakubsin, Yakubsin, Harris & Tess.**
BOTTOM (l to r): **Rogers, Van Reusen, Richard & Gail Hoffman, Bohrer; Pam & Herb Johnson, Dan & Mary Ann Nordmann.**

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WOW! That was a HUGE incoming . . . are we bustin' butt, or what?

THANKS! Richard Hoffman - GREAT JOB on the Lima 3/5 Vietnam Website! An A++

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Copy and put this info in your wallet! then, when you bump into a new 3/5'er - Pass the word!
Because you can . . . Semper Fi . . . all of 3/5 Vietnam USMC!

REUNION 2001

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VIC KRULAK - Keynote Speaker
Vic Krulak, former 3/5 (Vietnam) Chaplain, has agreed to be our keynote speaker in San Diego.

REUNION DATES 2001

Basically . . .
June 12th thru June 17th
. . . however!

It's a buffet . . . how much of it do you want?

AMBUSH: Get here when you can and leave when you have to . . . that's cool!
GRUNT: Wednesday, June 13th and Thursday, Friday and Saturday . . . depart Sunday the 17th - 4 nights
GUNG HO: Tuesday, June 12th plus Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat. and Sun. - depart Monday the 18th - 6 nights
HARD CORPS: No rules: Motel rates are good from Sunday the 10th thru Friday the 20th

RESERVATIONS: (800) 882-0858 say "LIMA 3/5 REUNION"
mstclair@hanaleihotel.com - Marla St. Clair, Sales Manager

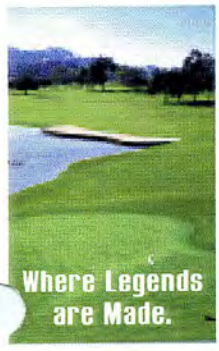
It's YOUR Reunion . . . the space and pace is on you and yours. We have a reservation block of 60 rooms . . . so call now! In Asheville, NC we sold out our block very early and none were left for the late committers. Bummer! We (they) lost out on a great 2000 Reunion . . . no ticky no laundry.

ROOM RATES are $99 + taxes. Parking $6 per day!
Airport to Motel transportation is $6 per person via the shuttle van thing.

"CAN YOU HACK IT MARINE?"

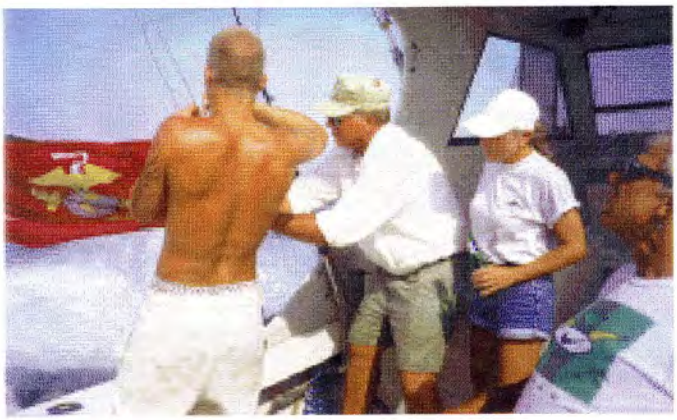
OK then! . . . let's GOLF on this thing for #12 at the Riverwalk Golf Club . . . a place . . . **"Where Legends are Made"**. See ya and tee ya! Bring your clubs, not your excuses . . . combat golf is not for the chickens! In 2001 we will have 'flights', not just Low Gross, so everyone has a shot at something! Whatever! . . . It depends on your definition of what 'something is' is . . . right Bill? Well, let me tell you this: "I never had an improper relationship with that 7 iron!" OK fine . . . let's putt for it . . . gee whiz!

Bring your own handicap . . . (we trust you) . . . for a shot at Low Net. If you played in Asheville, "that" is your handicap for 2001. Do you remember yours?



Try to keep a straight face, OK? Golf in California will be good different! "Even whats his name will have a chance" . . . ya, YOU bucko! Your a gimmee! Walkin' with friends, in beautiful scenery, for a few hours . . . is precious! The golf-nuts go off at 8 a.m. Friday - greens fees with cart are $60 . . . uff da! Save some nickels . . . it's $80 on the weekends, so love is in the 60's, OK?

"COMBAT FISHING"



Anybody up for combat fishin'? How 'bout a charter trip? We have BIG water. Let's go get our hands stinky, then puke over the side of the boat, and then eat that 'ugh' 2 day old soggy tuna fish sandwich . . . cool . . . a perfect day! Will need commitments to secure a boat (ship), so spool me with a "Yes"!

Reunion Co-Hosts: Dennis Freed (949) 458-2224 PST - dennisfreed@home.com
Joe McLaughlin (814) 374-4336 EST - judym@csonline.net

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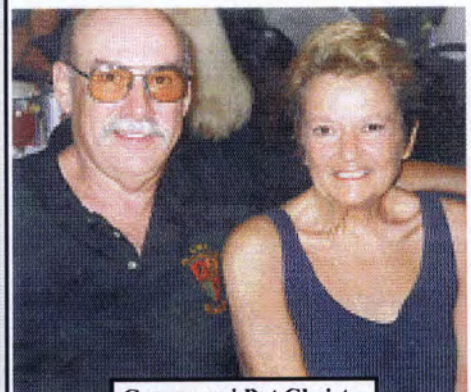
Bob and **Debbie Banks**

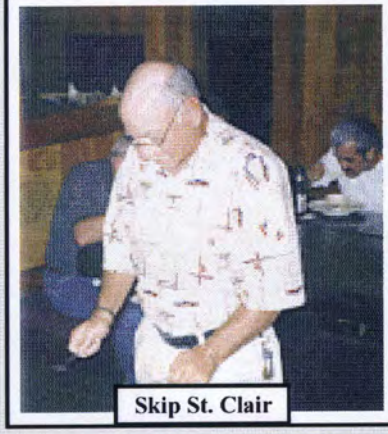


George and **Pat Christo**

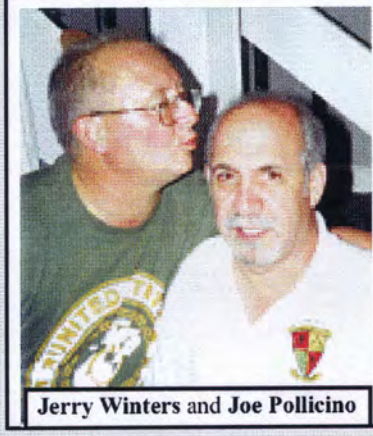
Kathy and **JC Carleton**

We have leaders here . . . **Reiss Tatum, Ed Conti, Al Ross** and **Dave Meinertz**

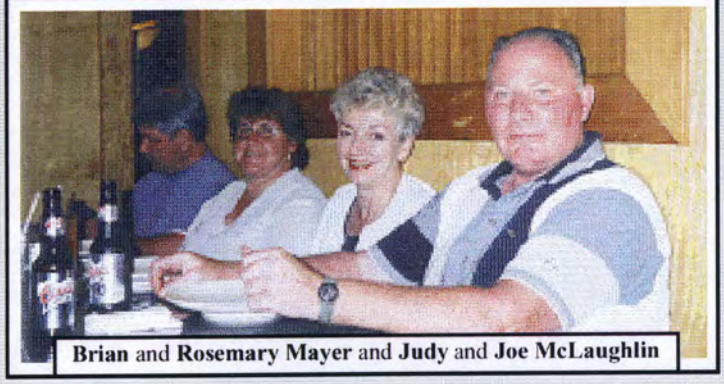
Rinda and **Don Vogelgesang**



Skip St. Clair



Jerry Winters and **Joe Pollicino**



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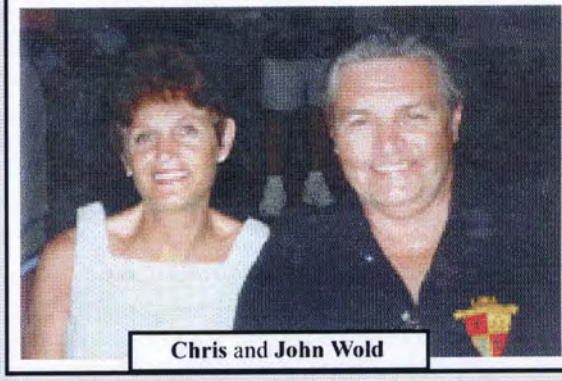
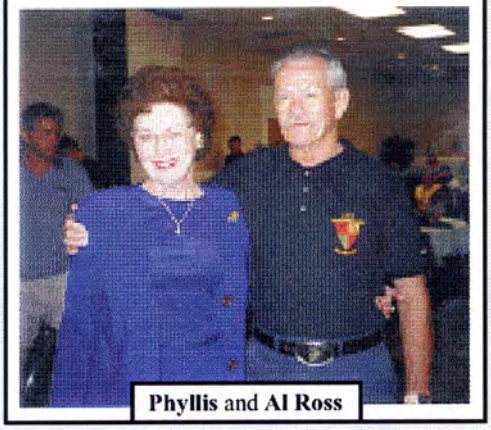


Chris and **John Wold**

Reiss Tatum and **Michael Maehl**

Grace Conti and **George Christo**



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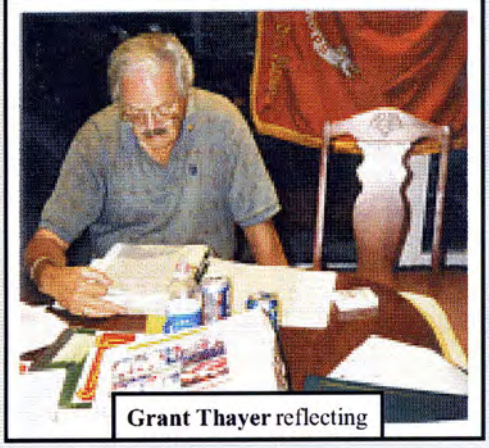


Grant Thayer reflecting

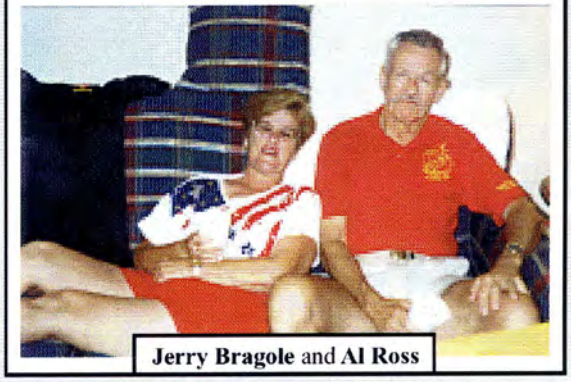
Jerry Winters, **Nancy** and **Terry Benton**, **Robert Henry** and the Du-Rags.

Richard and **Gail Hoffman**

Tess, **Yukon** and **Don Levesque**

Nancy Snowden and **Cindy Sedrowski**

Dave and **Kirsten Meinertz** and **Les Konrady**

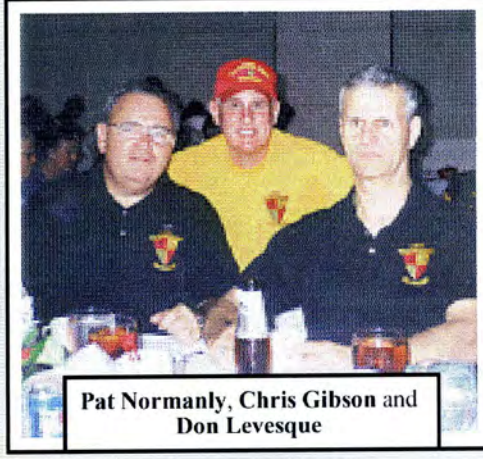


Jerry Bragole and **Al Ross**

"Doc" and **Phyllis Jones**

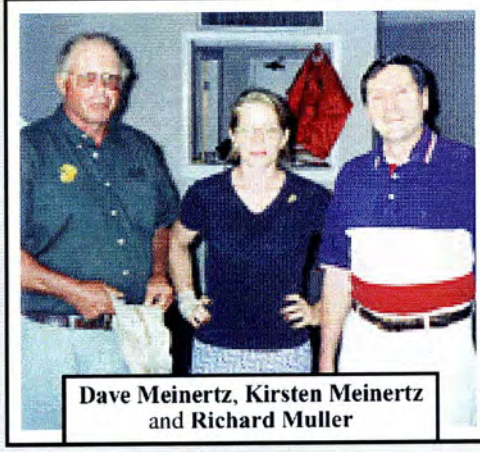
Tim Sedrowski, **Jim Gulledge** and **David Miller**

Bob Snowden and **Horace Martin**



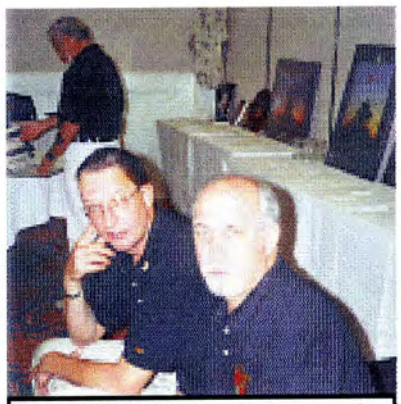
Pat Normanly, **Chris Gibson** and **Don Levesque**

Tony Van Reusen, **Joe Pollicino**, **Phil Vangel** on the 18th hole.

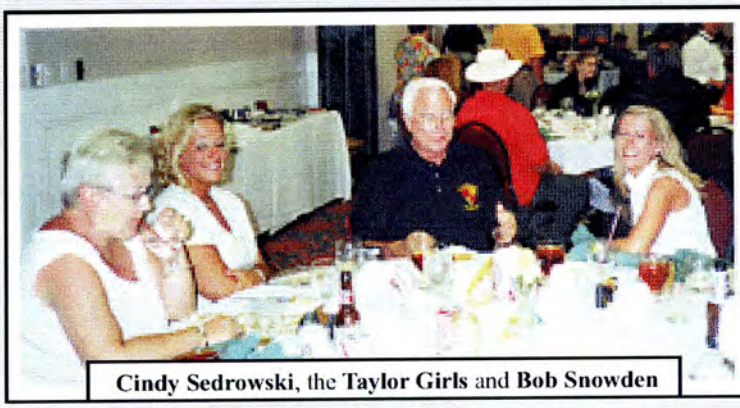


Dave Meinertz, **Kirsten Meinertz** and **Richard Muller**

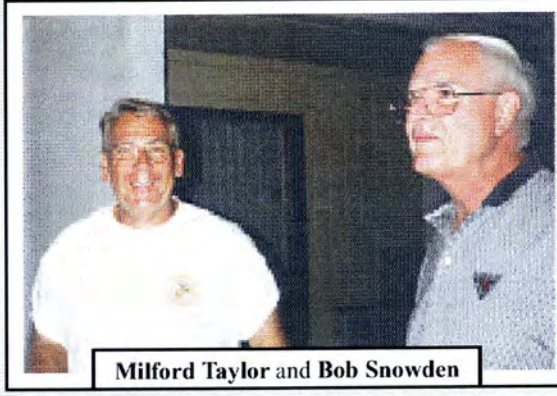
Kirsten Meinertz, **Steve Cobb** and **Jim Gulledge**



Henry, **Pollicino** at the Silent Auction



Cindy Sedrowski, the **Taylor Girls** and **Bob Snowden**



Milford Taylor and **Bob Snowden**

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Itinerary - Vietnam I Corps

Day 1	Depart Los Angeles.
Day 2	Arrive Saigon. Tour Saigon/Welcome Dinner, Huong Sen Hotel
Day 3	Morning fly to Danang. Tour Danang, O'Brien Bridge, Freedom Hill, Dog Patch, Red Cross Orphanage, U.S. Consulate, Nam O Beach (Red Beach), Son Tra Peninsula, Monkey Mountain, Marble Mountain, Air Facility. Beach Party Dinner. Non Nuoc Hotel
Day 4	Baldy Combat Base, Que Son Valley, Ross Combat Base, Atenna Valley Non Nuoc Hotel
Day 5	Arizona Territory, Hill 55, Liberty Bridge, Phu Loc, Hill 37, Hill 65, Go Noi Island, An Hoa. Non Nuoc Hotel
Day 6	Depart for Hue. Hai Van Pass, Summit French Fort, Phu Gia Pass, Hills 88 and 280, Lang Co Beach, Phu Bai, Troy Bridge. Thuan Hoa Hotel
Day 7	Tour Hue Sports Club, MACV Compound, MACV Headquarters, Royal Citadel. Thuan Hoa Hotel
Day 8	Boat trip on Perfume River visiting Thien Mu Pagoda and King Minh Mang Tomb. Thuan Hoa Hotel
Day 9	Depart for Khe Sanh. Tour Shudia Pass, Quang Tri, Dong Ha Cam Lo, Camp Carroll, The Rock Pile, Dakrong Bridge, Ho Chi Minh Trail, Khe Sanh. Dong Truong Son Hotel
Day 10	Return to Hue/Tour Vinh Moc Tunnel, Con Thien, DMZ and directly to airport for flight to Saigon. Huong Sen Hotel
Day 11	At leisure until transfer to airport.

$2500.00 for March-April 2001

INTERESTED? Contact Joe McLaughlin
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225th BIRTHDAY BALL

Join the 2,000+++ expected to attend the Marine Corps Heritage 2000 Birthday Celebration in the city where it all began . . . Philadelphia, PA, November 11th. **Al Ross** is leading the Lima 3/5 contingent. He will be joined by **Dave & Carole Meinertz**, **Grace & Ed Conti**, **Jerry & Barbara Winters**, and we hope many more. **Jerry** has put together a table of 10 of his Philly Marine buddies. Get your group of 10 or help us fill **Al Ross**'s table. The Ball is being held in the world class Philadelphia Convention Center. Cost is $65.00 per person. For details: call **1-800-406-4102**, email **www.usmcheritage2000.com**, or call Al, Dave or Ed. Get there a day early and join the legendary M.C. Birthday Party at Cookies Tavern in South Philly. 1000-1500 marines show up at this watering hole every November 10th. Sometimes it takes **"Big Balls"**.

"Hey stupid!" . . . "Who me?" . . . "Ya me!" I muffed on the 'biker dudes' having just 2 scooters at Reunion #15 I blanked to remember 2 hardcore two-wheelers who are avid on 2 rubbers: **Les** and **Pam McFall** . . . each on their own big stuff horsepowered units. That makes 4 4 2000 . . . a new record for that mode of transportation 4 sure. Lima's bad bikers? They R bad! But don't look for tattoos or chains. They ain't packin'! Rumblin' sounds? They R packin' that!

The 2000 'Iron Butt' goes to the 'Moz', Roland Moesler and son Jonathan - AGAIN! That's back to back for the M's from Minnesota! A 3-peat in 'Diego? No way!?

"THE SHIRT"

HEADS UP 2001

ıe 'diego: **Tony** "The Shirt" **Van** ın will debut with his personal line 'Lima 3/5 Reunion 2001 Hawaiian" ıirts. Drop dead now! I was fortunate ɔnough (cash heavy) to secure the '1st Tony' Hawaiian Lima 3/5 Reunion production in Asheville 2000! I'm large now! I can part waters! In 2001 San Diego, there will be a few . . . for a few . . . but not many. Bidding should start at $100 . . . but these 'Tony's' will go for only $30! Sight unseen . . . these will sell-out early . . . NO CALLS till January 2001!

"USS PRINCETON"

For '66 guys who want to be included in this book - the authors are seeking biographies and special stories from veterans who served aboard the Princeton. You can submit an individual biography and/or photo. Call **Turner Publishing Company** at **(270) 443-0121** and they will send you the information and forms. Also **Dave Meinertz** has agreed to write the L Co. 3/5 narrative and Dave would love to have your contributions. (We all have some good/bad memories of the Princeton.) **Call (904) 441-6458, email brightwrks@aol.com, or write Dave Meinertz, P.O. Box 731663, Ormond Beach, FL 32173.**

Incoming 'Nam photos - Richard Motsinger and **Tom Murphy** - awesome, Great Job! Reunion flicks: **Pollocino**, **Delagarza**, **Conti**, **Cobb**, **Harris**, **Normanly**, et al.

BEEN A GREAT 365 . . . Thanks men, and you precious women who we love so much!

Final 2000 thinks: Don't work on Labor Day . . . Love your kids, especially if they're back in school . . . Happy Halloween 2000 . . . HAPPY BIRTHDAY! The 225th of our United States Marine Corps, come November 10th . . . Remember yourself, November 11th, Veterans Day, a day for we living veterans, who have earned the opportunity to make a difference: "at some time, somewhere, some way . . . for someone"! Lima 3/5 Vietnam is good STUFF . . . enjoy it, because it is YOU!

Bless your THANKSGIVING! . . .
MERRY CHRISTMAS! . . . HAPPY NEW YEAR 2001!

SEMPER FIDELIS

Newsletter next is #59! . . . January 15, 2001!

"Good night Chesty . . . Wherever you are . . . !"

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