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From **Mal Murray (18)**:

✉ Bill: I am Mal Murray from the 18th co. Although I did not graduate, I became a member of the alumni assn. and a life member a few years ago I have attended a few reunions, and in 2005 I was there when Gen Pace, the new Chair of the Joint Chiefs was reviewing a parade. I asked his aide if he would consent to a picture with me and he did. I have kept the picture on my bookcase for years. Now finally to this email....Last Saturday, Nov 10 was the birthday of the Marine Corps and the birthday dinner. It happened to be in my town of Laconia, NH, way up here in the wilds of the NE. Gen Pace was the speaker and I got a ticket. I talked with him, gave him the 2005 picture and had a new picture taken which I enclose. Then I met 1st LT Harold "Bub" Sheffield who had fought with Carlson's Raiders on Guadalcanal. WOW, a real Greatest Generation Gentleman. He is 98 and was willing to have his picture taken. I was hoping to get the pictures in *Shipmate* and finally contacted John Michalski who put me in touch with you. 1. I hope these come thru (please let me know) 2. One may have to be cropped a bit, but I hope all comes out well. Thanks so much and if you need to contact me use 603-630-1416 or my email. Mal



Mal & Gen Pace



Mal & long time Marine

From **Pete Bos (7)**:

✉ To my friends, oarsmen and others. On September 28 we "young at heart" 80-85 year-olds won a crew (fours) race by 15 seconds - a nice margin - over the one other entrant in our age group. There was a steering mechanism (rudder) glitch in our shell that forced us to row the course with the rudder stuck to one side. This required that the two

oarsmen on one side (mine) row lighter than normal, and the two oarsmen on the other side (the German's side) row harder than normal. Even so, we still gradually crossed four lanes because we couldn't hold a straight line. (Fortunately, we were far ahead of the other shell and there was no collision danger.)

Historical note: In 1960 I was 5th in the world. In 2001, rowing in a four with Peter Narvestad, I was 3rd in the world. Finally, last Friday I was 1st in the world. (Lesson learned: Some quests take time.)

While the above kept us from rowing as well as we wanted (and could), what it did show was that we had a superb group of oarsmen in great shape - something we could tell when we did our practice row 2 days before. In the race we knew it quickly as we moved out to a 2-length lead after only 30 strokes.

The evening after the race we dined (festively) with 15 family and friends at a great restaurant (Brio's Tuscan Cafe - thank you Katrina!). Since the temperature for the race was 93 degrees we had to replenish our liquids. After returning from the regatta we hosted a very pleasant dinner at our Naples, FL. home for the four oarsmen and wives. If I recall, there was a little bragging.

So, I had a satisfying year-long experience. And right now, I am one healthy 80-year-old, having lost 10 pounds over the past year. Today we said a warm goodbye to the German and Norwegian oarsmen and wives, who stayed in Naples with us for the last 3 days. (God bless Sissel for being such a magnificent hostess!)

From **Ray Fitzgerald (21)**:

✉ I just finished talking with Gale & Tom (Doc) Doherty (21) and in case you haven't been able to reach them recently, they recently moved into assisted living and are trying to get it all together with the move. Their home telephone number has not yet been transferred, so all you will get at that number is ringing forever. Cell phone is still good for contact.



Members of the Worldwide Rowing Friends team, from left, Americans Chuck Roth, Peter Bos, Kraft Schepke from Germany and Peter Narvestad from Norway, head out for a training run Wednesday at Nathan Benderson Park for the 2018 World Rowing Masters Regatta. (HERALD-TRIBUNE STAFF PHOTO / MIKE LANG)

## Together as one

**Years after competing against each other at the 1960 Olympics in Rome, seniors team up international event at 2018 World Rowing Masters Regatta**

By **Jim Brockman**  
 Correspondent

**SARASOTA** — After competing against each other at the 1960 Summer Olympics in Rome, Peter Bos and Kraft Schepke celebrated like so many athletes have done in so many sports.

The two exchanged shirts. Schepke wound up with a training T-shirt worn by Bos, declaring, "USA Olympiad 1960." Bos headed back to Boston with Schepke's racing shirt.

Schepke, though, also had a gold medal in his baggage as a member of the West German crew that finished first in the eight-man event in Rome.

As it turned out, Schepke, who was in the No. 5 seat of the West German boat, and Bos, in the No. 5 seat of the U.S. eight-man boat, had a great deal in common. They even had dinner together before the Olympic finals, in which the Americans finished fifth.

Afterward, of course, both went on with their lives.



**Kraft Schepke, left, a member of Germany's gold medal-winning rowing team from the 1960 Olympics, and American Peter Bos, center, a member of the U.S. rowing team in the 1960 Olympics, prepare to make a training run Wednesday at Nathan Benderson Park in Sarasota. The former competitors, who traded jerseys after the 1960 Olympics, joined with friends to row together.** (HERALD-TRIBUNE STAFF PHOTO / MIKE LANG)

It would take 52 years before the two came in contact again, but on Friday, Schepke, 84, and Bos, 80, joined forces at the 2018 World Rowing Masters Regatta at Nathan Benderson Park.

After winning the gold in Rome and three more gold medals in a variety of races at the European Rowing Championships, Schepke abruptly quit the sport following the 1961 season.

"I had my stint at the university," Schepke said

before a scheduled practice run at the Sarasota County park. "Then my wife (Jutta), she wanted to get married. Of course you have to look for a job to do. I needed to raise my family. There are lots of things you must tend to as an adult."

It was Bos, who was captain of the eight-man crew from the United States Naval Academy that represented the country in the 1960 Olympics, who

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'60: Pete Bos & fellow oarsmen



'60: DC group gathering

New address is: Morning Star, Unit 336, 3200 East Glenrosa Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85018 Ray.

From **Doug Johnston (5)**:

✉ A great turnout for our September luncheon, at which Taylor Kiland—author, management consultant, former Naval officer, and daughter of good friends, Ann and Ing Kiland '59—shared insights from a book she co-authored on *Lessons From the Hanoi Hilton*. In this book (which can be purchased on Amazon), the authors do an impressive job of examining in some detail the counter-intuitive conclusion of most of the POWs who returned that their lives had actually been enhanced by the experience.

Contributing in large measure to this remarkable outcome was the impact of the prison culture forged largely by Jim Stockdale '47 and its promotion of the kind of self-awareness, sense of accomplishment, and optimism that later produced 16 Generals, 6 admirals, 2 ambassadors, 2 college presidents, 2 senators, 2 congressmen, and numerous political appointees. Yet another indicator was the 4% incidence of PTSD among repatriated Navy POWs vs. the 30.6% average for non-POW vets.

Key to it all was an overriding commitment to **return with honor** and a stoic resolve to focus only on that which one could personally control. Their code of the west called for absolute honesty in reporting fully to one another (via tapping on the walls) the outcome of their latest interrogation so that whoever followed could add to the disinformation (or confuse the truth) of what had already been

revealed under torture. Implicit in this approach was a built-in forgiveness that accompanied their recognition that everyone has their breaking point. As long as one did one's best, that was all that was expected.

As the book concludes, "The magnitude of what they accomplished collectively is difficult to overstate. They achieved a professional standard of conduct that makes other professionals in tough jobs—even Navy SEALs—look on in awe."

Participating in the rich discussion that followed were:

**Don Broadfield (22)**, Martha and **George Dowell (19)**, **Dennis Hickey (22)**, Darlene Matulka **Jim Maxfield (7)**, Barbara and Ward O'Brien (22), Becky and Dick Pariseau (1), Fae and Bud Pezet (13), Jeanne and **Tom Solak (2)**, Linda and **Cal Sutliff (20)**, **Duane Tollaksen (3)**, **Bob Traister (2)**, Daren and yours truly.

From **Ed Mangan (20)**:



Annapolis group gathering - 16 Nov 2018

✉ Bill, finally a picture and list from our latest Annapolis Class of '60 Lunch held Friday October 19, the day before the Navy/Houston Football Game. The picture was taken from behind **Jack Lynch (11)** to highlight his full head of grey hair. As usual **Merf Moerschel (2)** made arrangements at the Eastport Yacht Club where a good time was had by all. There were even a few new stories. The turnout was especially

good with eighteen local classmates and guests and four from out of town. The attendees included Nancy & **John Michalski (6)**, Suzanne & **Ed Mangan (20)**, Betty & **Ken Loveland (23)**, Gloria & **Bob Antonio (14)**, Carolyn & **Willie Taylor (7)**, Linda & **John Paepcke (11)**, Linda & **Ron Burdge (9)**, Beth & **Jim Knorr (20)**, **Jack Lynch (11)**, **Don Delude (12)**, **Hank Philips (17)**, **Bud Pezet (13)** and Fae Daniels. All the best Ed Mangan

## '61

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I have some rough material that I dragged back from our very successful West Coast Reunion, so most all of this submission will be from that unique Class of '61 sponsored event. As always, however, I need your own inputs which make up the bulk of our articles each month, and which also provide the best reports of Class of '61 news "from the field." Or, I guess in our case, "from the sea"...? A photo or two almost always makes for a better article, if you can send one or more of those along. The input from this unique event can certainly run into our next issue.

Connie & I made the trip out, as did a rather surprising number of East Coast classmates, and needless to say, we were NOT disappointed. Our classmates in San Diego had gone "all out" to give us a great week in Southern California. There were multiple choices of things to do, many of them taking place simultaneously. Golf, of course, attracted a lot of "customers." There were several tours available which took in the pleasant San Diego weather and countryside. The hotel was actually a venerable,

well-known resort, with a heavily used golf course and very good meals/snacks, and the stay was therefore made all the more pleasant. I took a few photos, of which I'll send one or two along with this. There are also many others from classmates which I will try to include, maybe in future issues. I left out the football game, since all of you are somewhat familiar with what that looks like. And although the game was somewhat of a mismatch, Navy really did very well for us all; the score was kept fairly well outside of the lopsided category (despite the fact that we were somewhat outgunned and much smaller, on average, than our opponents). The Notre Dame team was, I believe at the time, ranked #2 in the country or very close to it. Notre Dame has been eternally grateful, as most of you know, for the Navy's decision to "save" the school during WWII, when most all of its students were drafted, leaving it empty (and abandoned) if it weren't for the Navy's decision to turn it into an officer training school, which left its doors open and its employees employed. With the exception of some bad mismanagement of seating customers at the football game by whoever was running the show for the city there, the rest of the events were very smoothly executed by our San Diego classmates. Connie and I decided to do the tour of the big, retired aircraft carrier MIDWAY; first time I was aboard since as with myself as the PACFLT Maintenance Officer, we towed the decommissioned ship from Japan to San Diego. None of us was sure what would happen after that; the idea was to make her into a tourist attraction. Well, the retired sailors in San Diego did that and MUCH more. Walking through the old ship, it looks as though it could almost return to sea again. Almost all the work was done on their own time, and much of the material was either donated or scrounged from scrap. I was VERY impressed, and also very gratified that our retired Navy people had born the bulk of that work and planning, in a VERY professional manner, and almost all on