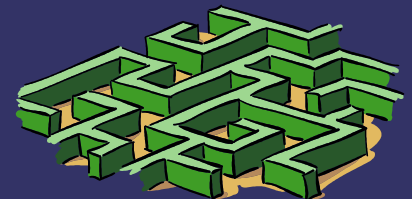
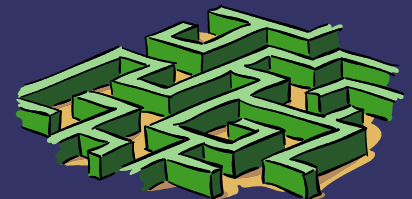


*Use of Internet
Communication by
Class of '56*



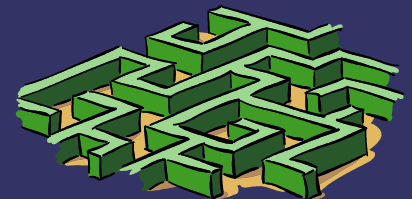
Mission

- ➔ Contribute to communication among classmates and with Culver



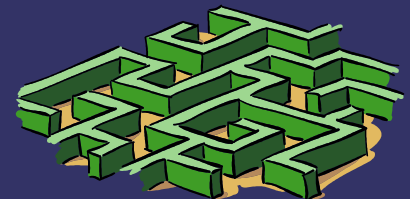
Vision

- ➔ Our class feels highly connected to Culver and to each other



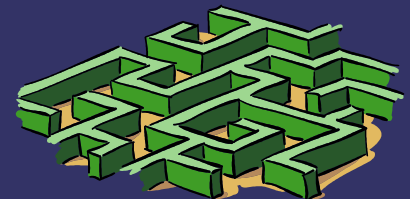
Strategies

- ⇒ Create an on-line community
- ⇒ Facilitate and encourage dialog
- ⇒ Enable broadcast communication
- ⇒ Provide a dynamic, living information resource

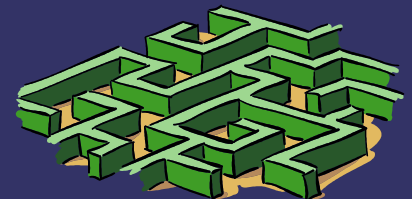


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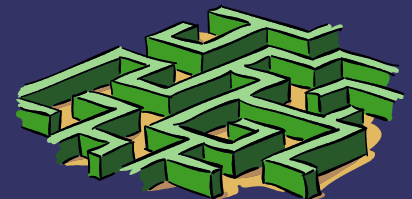
- ⇒ Know your community
 - Computer literacy
 - Interests
- ⇒ Set up a listserv, aka e-mail group
 - Invite all to join
- ⇒ Create a website
- ⇒ Continuously encourage participation in on-line resources
- ⇒ Get started
 - Learn and adapt continuously



Examples from Class of '56



Listserv Uses



On-line Support Group - Surgery

Men of '56: On 10/27/2004 I am slated to undergo surgery on my left carotid. They will open it up, clean it out and splice it back together. Has anybody undergone that type surgery? If yes, what was your experience?

Classmates: I'm back. The Guinness and Bushmill must have protected me. I got through the surgery on Tuesday morning OK. Tim Campbell was right. It is nothing to fool around with. The surgical team found that a piece of plaque had split off and formed a blood clot. It was still lodged in place by the remainder of the piece from which it had broken away. In effect, I was a stroke waiting to happen. From that aspect my procedure was not routine. God was certainly with me. But now the artery is totally cleaned up and I'm good to go again.

They sent me home yesterday (Wednesday) morning. So far recovery seems like it is proceeding normally. My doctor told me 90% of any problems show up within the first twenty-four hours of surgery. I am well beyond that point now. The remaining 10% show up in the ensuing week. Wish me luck.

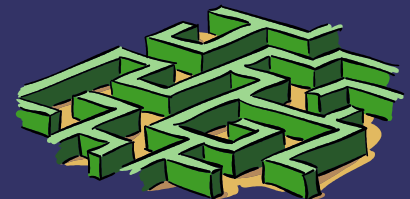
Thanks for all your prayers and good wishes.

Get well - we are all thinking about you. Jay.

Great news. Hang in there. EB

I am glad that the surgery was a complete success. Now for a full recuperation try the Cuban Mojitos. Luis

And you too, now that your arteries have been machined - just in time it sounds. "Broached" might be a more appropriate word for your procedure. I'm guessing it's time for another Waco ride, followed by a pint of Bushmill to celebrate your good fortune. Glad to hear that you are ready for duty again. Ward



On-line Support Group – Stroke

{Henry} was in San Diego having some tests, unfortunately during one of the tests he suffered a mild stroke. He can talk and his mind is cognitive, however, at this point he has no movement on his left side. At this time he is in the ICU and cannot receive flowers or plants, but he can receive cards and Shelley thought it would cheer him up.

I feel the deasire to encourage {Henry} and all of us at our stage in life that illness can be overcome. I am a diabetic of some 30 years standing. I take pills only, eat mostly correct foods and exercise. I have had two heart attacks and a stroke in the last three years. I still today referee youth soccer matches...up to 18 year olds. Recovery is probable for all of us, so {Henry} keep your head high.

I want to join you in sending encouragement to {Henry}. I too am diabetic and have the attending conditions ie. high blood pressure, colesterol issues all under control thanks to chemistry. I am a cancer survivor of eight years having had my prostate removed to end that problem. Last year I had four surgeries with a heart bypass headlining . There is light at the end of the tunnel. If I can still go and do whatever I want to I think that it gives a reason to see things positively. Go get em {Henry}.

I too wish to tell {Henry} that I am thinking about him and hoping very much that all will turn out well.

I also am a diabetic, no insulin, oral medication, diet and exercise. As with Jim, I have the same problems, high blood pressure, cholesterol and a triple by-pass in the spring of 2004, plus cleaning out the arteries in my leg the same year. Last year I was back on the skis, and hope to continue this year. I still work full time and travel from Montreal to Rio de Janeiro an average of once a month all year long.

{Henry}, if you see this, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Surely the Physician, the God of my understanding, will take good care of you. You are one of His best and most deserving. To others in this correspondence: thanks for the news and reassurances that one can survive the illnesses and health problems that come our way at this time of life. Good health and best wishes to all, and I hope to see you at the next reunion. The door is always open if you happen to be in the St. Louis area.

We are all saddened by {Henry}'s stroke. I know that just as we cheered him on at football games 50 years ago we are now cheering him on and praying for his recovery. {Henry}- here's to YA. The management in the sky will help you and we -the men of '56 will ask for his help and aid for you.

Best wishes for a great recovery for {Henry}.

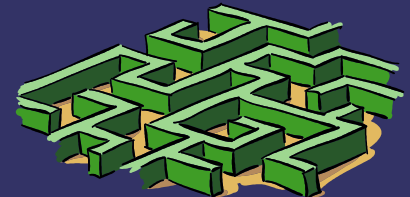
Classmates. Glad to see all the support for {Henry}. Our Church is keeping him on the Prayer List until he recovers. I have two Hospital Visitations to make today, and wish mightily that I could make {Henry} my third.

{Henry} asked me to let you know that he really appreciates all of the prayers, cards, phone messages left with me, and emails.

I spoke to {Henry} this morning. He said, "See everyone in God's good time and he wishes you all well and thank you for your cards and prayers."

Good luck and best wishes to {Henry}.

This morning I sent {Henry} a note which should make it clear how much his visiting me and encouraging me to attend the reunion, meant to me and my son. I am only a couple of hours away in Tacoma, Washington and will do my best to drive down next week.



Fishing, anyone?

Bill and E. B., Thought you guys might be interested in this report from one of the lodges we fly for in Alaska. Dave Hines
The 2006 June Fishery was one of the best ever for Alaska's Rainbow Point Lodge. Every single guest landed at least a twenty-five or twenty-six inch rainbow trout.

Dave, After proudly netting 6-8 inch Brookies last weekend I think I need to go to this place. EB

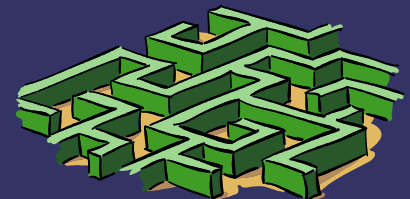
Dave, Thank you for the heads up. It would be great to get a few of us CMA '56 Old Guards together for a fishing trip up there at some point before we get too "decrepit". Any interest? Bill

Bill, Thanks for the e-mail. I'd definitely be interested, and I'm sure I could help set it up. This particular lodge limits the number of guests at any one time to eight, so if we could get eight guys together we'd have the whole lodge for a week. Dave

Dave, Let's book the hunt. Maybe EB and Chuck Fulmer would be interested. Thanks. Bill

David, Although we're not the fly-fishing aficionados as some in our class, my son Michael and I would love to make the trip. Pat

Pat, It looks as though there is enough interest for us to put something together. I'll start a list and put both you and your son on it. Dave



Let's Do Lunch

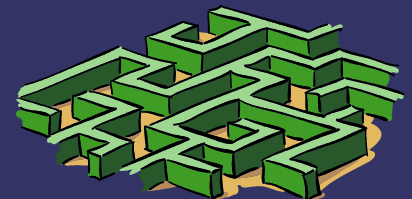
Classmates. For several years now I have been conducting one day Civil War field trips for John Newman and his sons. Sometimes my son goes along and sometimes John or his sons bring someone else along. In prior years we have done Wilderness/Spotsylvania, Chancellorsville, Antietam Campaign, and the Cavalry Battle of Brandy Station. This year on Saturday 5 August we will pick up where the Spotsylvania Battles left off and follow the Overland Campaign through the Battle of Cold Harbor.

We will assemble at the McDonalds in Massaponx just off Interstate 95 at the first exit South of Fredericksburg at a time to be announced later. We will make stops at Massaponax Church, the North Anna Battlefield (quite a bit of walking here), Hanover Junction, the Haws Shop Battlefield (with picnic lunch at Enon Church), then several sites on the Cold Harbor Battlefield just a few miles East of Richmond. This field trip entails lots of driving and some walking. It will be hot and there will possibly be an afternoon thunderstorm. We end up late outside of Richmond but there is lots of daylight this time of year.

Any Classmates desiring to join us are welcome but you must provide your own transportation, drinks and picnic lunch. I provide the lectures. Please let me know if you are interested. EB. M.



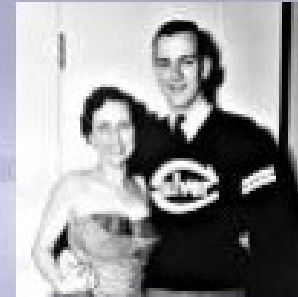
Website Content



Roll Call Page - Phil Hatfield



Phil Hatfield



Band

Philip Mitchell Hatfield

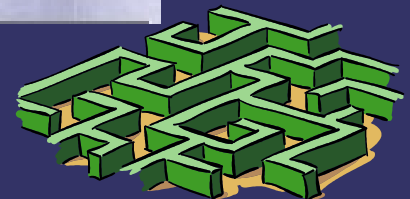
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Semi-retired radiologist covering a small hospital here in the UP. Work 7-8 hours most weeks. 3 kids - Christian, Juliana and Jason. Had intended to retire by now and see the world aboard Yankee Clipper (my 54' British built North Sea ketch rigged motorsailor). But, had the good fortune 6+ years ago to meet the love of my life. She (Lita) is a trial lawyer in Milwaukee (malpractice of course - plaintiff's attorney) who loves her work, has no intention of retiring, and even less inclination to the cruising life. So, I keep working, the boat remains in more or less permanent storage, and I don't have a clue. What's new?

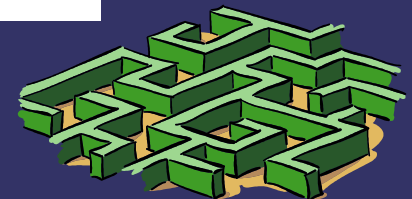
Phil died suddenly in his sleep on January 30, 2001. We will miss him.



Phil Hatfield's Personal Photos

Phil and His Family

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Taps Page

Bob Chainski

C Company
Robert Chainski



Bob Chainski and I were in the Fifth Class together, roomed together in C Company and were port oarsmen together on the varsity crew team. He set a quiet example as a dogged student, leading our class academically almost every semester. I took part in his wedding to Mickey, stayed at their home when I was in Chicago, and came back to several reunions with him. My wife and sons knew Bob and remember him as the consummate host with no pretenses. He was a Renaissance man who had a way of making everyone feel special. I miss his engaging smile and quick wit.

Memory shared by ward Schryver



Golden Reunion Promotion Heading



50th Reunion
Culver Military Academy
May, 2006



Harold Clevenger and Beth will be there

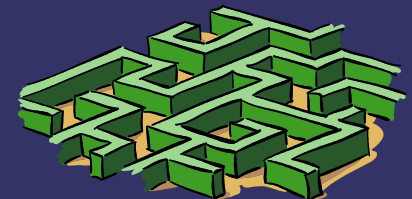
This is the Big One.
No excuses - you have to be there.

Put it on your calendar.
May 17-21, 2006

I understand that the record number of classmates attending a 50th Reunion Weekend at Culver is 63. -

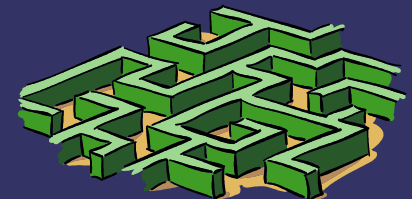
--- Bill Hanning

Currently Class of '56 is at 88!



Golden Reunion Promotion Attendees

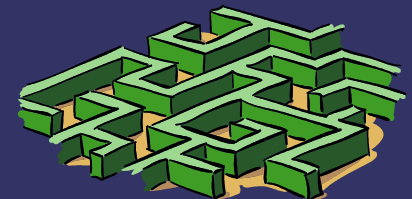
Planning to Attend				
See the Attendance by Unit				
?Classmate	Guests	Unit	Seq #	?Prior Reunions
Bill Hanning	Ann Hanning, John Balmer	Battery A	1	7
Skip Ross 	Janet Ross	Troop B	2	3
Ward Schryver 	Sue Schryver	Company C	3	4
Tom Folsom	Carole Folsom	Troop B	4	1
Dick Coiner <hr/> Dick died on April 29, 2006.		Troop B	5	1
Bob Rich	Norma Rich	Troop B	6	3
E. B. Vandiver	Patti Vandiver	Company C	7	7



Golden Reunion Promotion Unit Competition

Here is a summary of how each Unit is doing in terms of attendance. Just to get your competitive juices flowing.

Unit	?Possible	Attending	Percent
Band	13	9	69%
Battery A	19	12	63%
Battery B	19	8	42%
Company A	12	9	75%
Company B	9	5	56%
Company C	18	17	94%
Company D	19	11	58%
Troop A	13	8	62%
Troop B	12	9	75%
Totals	134	88	66%



45th Reunion Recap

45th Reunion Culver Academics May 18-20, 2001

Attendees

Photos

Memorial

Comments



Steve Bailey



Pete & Bunny Bikos



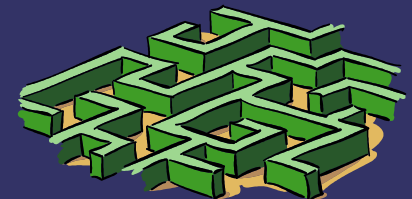
Bill Davidson



John & Ann Brassert



Bruce & Dolly DeYoung



Finding Bob Peck

Classmates, A couple of days ago, Janet told me I had a phone call - she didn't recognize the caller's name.

"Hello"?

"Skip - this is Bob Peck. I'm in your neighborhood, and wondered if we could get together". Bob had discovered our class website, read it all, and found my address and phone number in the Roll Call section.

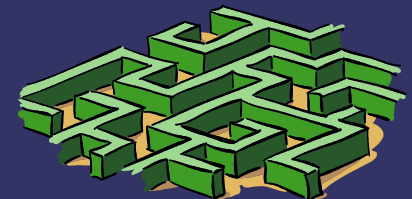
Bob lives in London, and has been out of the country since finishing college. Culver lists him as missing, and I had him on the web site as 'AWOL'. I'm happy to be able to change that, and delighted that the web site has provided a mechanism for a classmate to reconnect.

Classmates, Delighted to learn that Herr Peck has surfaced after lo these many years. Herr Peck was always a favorite of Herr Uebel in our German classes. EB

Herr Dr Peck, Greetings from Herr Uebel's German classes several lifetimes ago. I will be in London on business the first week of November and thought we might get together at a convenient pub for a pint or so. EB

EB, I, too, will be in London the first week in November. We will arrive there the morning of 11/2. Me thinks we're there for five days or thereabouts. Would certainly enjoy a pint with classmates, if possible. Hope we can arrange a meeting. Big Tick

Bill, Dr Robert Peck, very recognizable after lo these many years, and Harry "Big Tick" Schoger also very recognizable, met at my invitation at the bar of the Royal Horseguards Thistle Hotel on the evening of 3 November for drinks, some food, and lots of conversation. Both Harry and Bob took photos which they have promised to forward to Skip so they can be posted on our website. EB



Minireunion in London

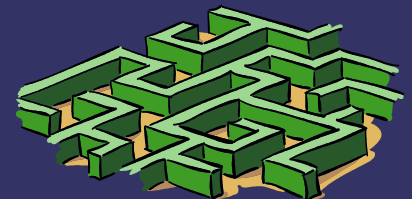
Minireunion

London, England

November 3, 2002



Bob Peck, E.B. Vandiver and Harry Schoger
lift a few at a pub in London



Forum – Honor Code

Honor Code

Chuck Fulmer

I read Tim Campbell's comments how much the honor Code meant to him in his life and medical practice. I also feel that it greatly impacted my life in many ways and at many cross roads. One of the reasons that I bring this up is the case calling for the resignation of Donald Rumsfeld as secretary of defense by the retired General Officers. It takes real courage to take this step forward.

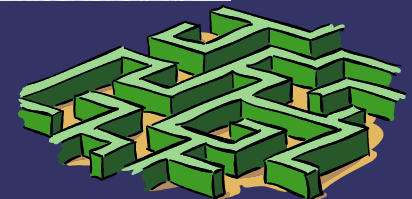
I do not want this to be a political discussion on whether their position is right or wrong. I would like the discussion to focus on our struggles to make a decision and face the consequences and how the Honor Code might have affected these decisions.

The first conflict that I encountered due to our Honor Code occurred in Pharmacy School. Maybe I was naive not having come from a public school with no Honor Code. Cheating was rampant. One student even went to the extreme of creating a ballpoint pen that crib sheets could be scrolled out of. On test day it was obvious, when four or five people walked out of the exam after 15 minutes. The rest of the class took the full period to finish the exam.

I contemplated what to do for several days. Finally, I went into the professor's office and talked to him about the situation. His question was why are you doing this. I explained the Culver Honor Code to him and that I felt it was my duty to report it. I don't think he understood it. I also explained that since grading was on the curve that they were cheating every member of the class. He thanked me and nothing was ever done.

Once in a corporate setting, I was told to tell each new employee to sign a particular line of his or her application. If they signed on that line they would not receive any holiday pay nor be eligible for their two weeks vacation pay after a year. I replied that I was not being paid to cheat people out of three weeks of benefits. I will only have them sign the application after explaining the consequence of signing on different lines.

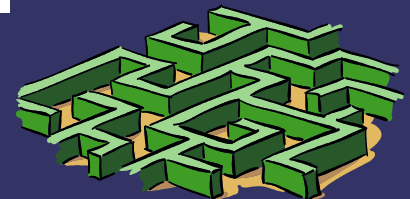
I would like to know how my classmates feel about the Honor Code. How they dealt with some difficult situations. Does it really prepare you to live in the real world as we (I) see it today?



Class of '56 Listserv Statistics

- ➔ # of subscribers - 105
- ➔ # of messages posted to date - 2180+

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Class of '56 Participation History

⇒ Reunion attendance

- 5th - 0 10th - 23 15th - 2 20th - 5 25th - 15
30th - 11 35th - 7 40th - 26 45th - 27
- 2006 – 71: a 50th reunion record

⇒ Annual giving

- Total prior to 50th Reunion - \$
- 2006 - \$1.8M: a 50th reunion record



Get started!

