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Spotlights

Marilyn Miller Davis, whose Fall 2003 newsletter was returned marked undeliverable, has written that she simply moved: "I would like to keep in touch with the class of 1944's activities but have moved.... I only moved about three miles from my El Cajon (CA) home of 21 years but since my husband died one and a half years ago I have wanted to simplify my life by finding a smaller home with less land and beautiful views of the mountains and golf course where I play. No pool to maintain, no temperamental gardener, just me. I'm content with my choice. Hope to hear from you soon with a newsletter.

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Fred Beutler reports "Sue and I are planning to attend the reunion--it is already listed in our calendar.

"I resumed playing the cello, and am a member of two symphony orchestras. The music is too hard for me in one, and too easy in the other. Sue and I recently joined Rotary; I have become the official photographer, taking member pictures, shots of speakers and awards, etc. I am also doing a lot of photography for our church. A lot of the work I am doing is now digital, with the PC superseding the darkroom and enlarger. My health has been quite good--more back surgery and a good deal of arthritis, but no major problems.

"Sue has launched a new career as a painter. After retirement, she started from scratch to obtain a BFA and MA at the University of Michigan. Her oil paintings and mixed media work has been accepted for many shows, and sales have gradually picked up.

"Our life and friends are in Ann Arbor, so we are not joining the many colleagues who flee to

sunnier places during the winter. However, we do have the opportunity to travel more than in the past. This year, in addition to some shorter trips, we are going to India, Russia (church choir tour) and the Canadian maritime provinces."

Harold Cohen reports from Whitefish Bay that he took a trip to Italy last month and enjoyed his trip to Naples and nearby Pompei, trying to visualize what life was like in those days. He used to do a lot of skiing but gave it up a couple of years ago - it's much harder work now. He bicycles a fair amount, works out about 3 times a week, reads and watches a fair amount of TV. He plans to attend our forthcoming reunion.

I chatted briefly with **Diane Elsom Felzien**; she and her husband winter in Brownsville Texas. She is not in the best of health, but expects to return to Wisconsin for the summer.

Max Fritschell reports that he and his wife Arlyne (Sandy) are fully retired; they spend their summers in Minocqua Wisconsin and winters in Alabama, golfing in both places. They have two daughters in Chicago and a son in Saint Paul, so get in a fair share of traveling these days. They expect to attend the coming reunion.

Jack Lichtenberger called me recently. Jack retired from his management consulting job a few years ago; before that he had been comptroller of several Milwaukee-area concerns. Presently he golfs a couple of times a week in decent weather, and uses the machines in his exercise room regularly. He's traveled to Mexico, Florida and Europe in recent years. He has now been married to Susan, his second wife, for nine years. He has four children, four grandchildren and one great-grandson, all in the Milwaukee area except for the latter who is in

Minnesota.

In regards to Shorewood, Jack specifically remembers fondly his home room teacher Orville Palmer. He intends to attend the coming reunion.

Douglas Mann reports that despite continuing to work about half time as an attorney for a large concern he manages to do quite a bit of traveling. Recent visits were to Italy and Spain, where he took a grand tour of many of the cities. He also does a lot of skiing, and gardening. He has a model railroad (1:24 scale) running through the garden. Unfortunately, he says he might miss the coming reunion since it occurs at the same time as the Ryder Cup tournament, which will be taking place in his home town Bloomfield Hills (MI), and he was lucky enough to win the ticket lottery dmann@comcast.net.

June Miotke Joy says both she and her husband are fully retired and mostly monkey around at home in Milwaukee. Her husband does some woodworking and she gardens a little. She enjoys doing her traveling via TV.

I chatted for a while with **Ida Neefe Droegkamp**; she plays a lot of bridge with some other ladies in the Hustisford area and generally

keeps very busy around home. She is blessed with 10 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Deaths

Jean Foulks O'Keane, January 25, 2004

Sixtieth Reunion Planning is obviously well under way; I think it was really great for the committee to send out those beautiful color photos taken at the 50th reunion.

I'm sure that the committee is anxious to hear from all of you who figure you might like to attend but who haven't sent in your form and check yet. One or two of the people I've talked to in recent days said they were really planning on attending but haven't responded yet. If you're in that boat, please do it so the committee has a better count of attendees. If you've misplaced the form and have access to a computer, you can get a copy from our web site at <http://www.rgcle.com/SHS44/>

Help me put out this newsletter: drop a line to me and let me know what you're up to these days!

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