

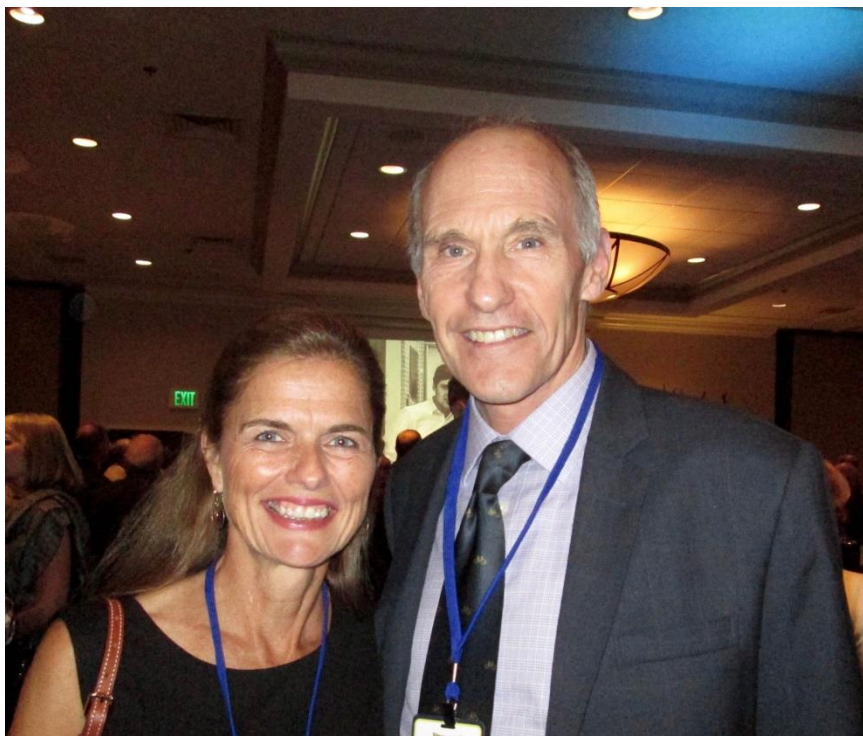
*U.S. Naval Academy, Class of 1975, Shipmate Column*  
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Dear 'mates, Congratulations **Dr. Carl June**! Carl has been chosen as one of three recipients of the 2016 USNA Distinguished Graduate Award. He is being recognized for his ground-breaking cancer research. His gene therapy protocol has saved lives of leukemia patients who had not responded to any other treatments. He is a leader in the fight! The Distinguished Graduate Award Medal Ceremony will be held in Alumni Hall at 1630 on Friday, 1 April. The event is free, and all classmates are invited. Reserved seating for the class of 1975 will give us a great view of our humble superstar doc. The two other distinguished graduates this year are VADM Robert Dunn '51 and the Honorable John Dalton '64. By the way, the only distinguished grad younger than Carl is basketball hall-of-famer David Robinson.

Photo #1: "Lisa Speicher-June and Doctor Carl June">



Many thanks to **Steve Hubbard**, who spearheaded Carl's nomination when he was class president. We also appreciate the outstanding recommendation letters from **Jon Greenert**, former Superintendent **Mike Miller '74**, and astronaut Mark Kelly and his wife (former Congressman Gabby Giffords).

Other than sharing that wonderful news, the Flower Children will give the *Shipmate* staff a break this issue. We won't be pushing our space limitations for a change. In fact, I am so short of material that I posted on our Facebook page, "We've got a Shipmate deadline coming next week and the gouge locker is practically empty. So what's up?" **Pat Gooley** replied almost immediately (with the correct answer), "FIDELITY." Love your sense of humor, and that you still remember your rates 44 years after they were first drilled into our heads. (Personally, I think I'll be able to answer the question, "Why didn't you say SIR?" on my death bed.)

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**David Wood** responded with a concise life summary. After recently retiring (six years in the Marine Corps and 35 years as a pastor), he is uniquely qualified to kill bad guys and then conduct their funerals.

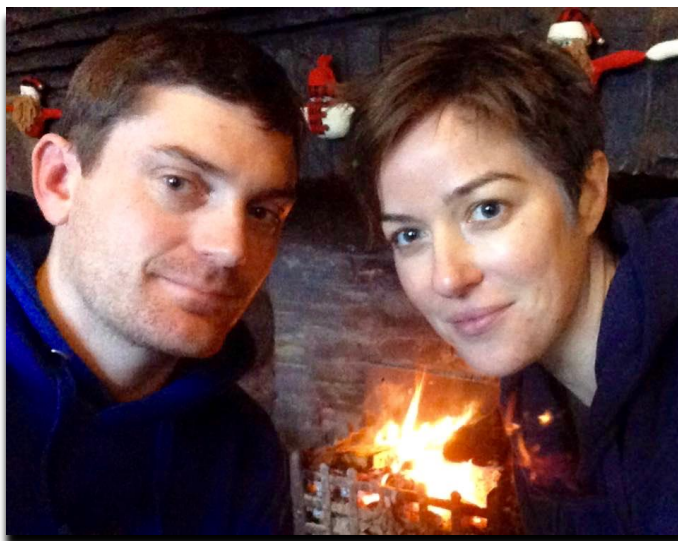
Photo #2: "San Diego Super Bowl party">



The San Diego branch of the class of '75 held their 12th annual Super Bowl party at **Tony Barbieri's** home. Among the attendees were **Don Garrett, Dick Arnold, Chip Stratmann, Craig Solem**, Boris the wild hog, and the remains of Sparky the Wonder Buck's great uncle.

Photo #3: "Happy Anniversary to LCDR Christian Sloan-Murphy, RN and Kelly Sloan-Murphy">

Debbie and **Pat Sloan's** daughter, Captain Kelly Sloan-Murphy USMC, Ret. finally relocated to the UK to join her husband LCDR Christian Sloan-Murphy, Royal Navy. She made it across the pond in time to celebrate their one-year wedding anniversary in December. Kelly's passed her driving-on-the-wrong-side-of-the-road test — thus gaining mobility. But she had her second culture shock (the first being no free coffee refills anywhere in the UK), when the PBS Taxman visited! Apparently the Sheriff of Nottingham still collects door to door. She was repulsed by what she considered a violation of her 4th Amendment rights, until being reminded The Bill of Rights doesn't apply to the Queen's subjects. Christian and Kelly have been hanging out at a little Pub that she's dubbed "Tuns Tavern."



The 75th Brigade Boxing Championships were held on Friday, 26 February. Our class sponsored the event in Alumni Hall. All four of our Brigade champs planned to attend. Hope to have some pictures and a report from **Tom Donaldson** for the May-June issue.

Until then, Carry On '75! ----- 75 Sir! Larry