

Dear Fellow K.A.ers,

We still need your help as we continue to pursue the Big Idea. Much has happened in the past four months to make us feel that we definitely have a good thing going. A number of you have responded and we thank you for it. Continue to keep in touch. There are still a lot of people out there that we would like to hear from, so please spread the word.

As we mentioned in the first issue, the Big Idea is to have a reunion. Without exception, everyone that we have heard from since June has been in favor of the Big Idea. The other part of the Big Idea is to keep a newsletter going in which everyone should have a part of. The purpose of the newsletter is to help keep everyone in touch with each other and to act as an information center from which this can be done. The way it will work is for you to write in to the newsletter. What you write will then be printed in the newsletter for everyone's benefit. We on the staff will also keep a file in which we will try to keep a current address on everyone. The only way for the newsletter to be successful is for you to contribute to it. We do not want this to be a one way effort. Rather, this effort is yours and we will do what you want to be done. The only way we can do what you want, is for you to let us know. And so that you will be sure to get your newsletter, we must have your correct addresses.

Since the first issue went out in June, we have more than doubled the mailing list. We also have received a number of address corrections. All the new names, addresses and address corrections are in the address list which is at the end of the letter. Please check your own address books and be sure to send in any other additions or corrections.

Because of responses that we have received, there have been three dramatic revisions which have taken place with the Big Idea since its conception. The first revision is that instead of limiting the reunion to the four classes previously mentioned in the first issue, it has been expanded to include anyone who ever attended K.A. as a student or served at K.A. as a staff member. It will also include any S.I.M.ers who went to Hillcrest (or the Hostel) either as student or staff. The second revision is the location. The previously desired location near Minneapolis has no longer become desired and we are looking for a location in the greater Chicago area, with a keen eye on Wheaton College. This revision was made on the basis that not less than 60% of the alumni live in the Midwest, and Chicago is not a great distance to get to from anywhere. Our emphasis for this location is to try to get as many people as possible to the first reunion. The ~~third~~ revision is the time. We had originally desired to have the reunion in 1980. However, with the other two revisions, it became necessary to push it back one year in order to be able to accomplish the many things that need to be done in the planning stages. The prospective dates to which we are working toward is August 14, 15 & 16, 1981. Further details will be included in the newsletter as they become available, so stay tuned....

We have received a number of suggestions for which to name our newsletter. As we promised in the first issue, here is the list of those suggestions. Send us a vote for the one you like best, or if you don't like any of these, send in your own suggestions. We should have a name for ourselves, and I'd like to be able to print that name on the top of each newsletter beginning with the June, 1980, issue.

K.A. Klan  
K.A. Kids  
S.I.M. Roots  
Interior Interests  
M.K. Newslite  
K.A. Updates  
K.A. M.K.'s News

Good News  
Memory Lane  
Who's Who  
Ex-K.A.'ers Ex-pressions  
K.A. Alumni Bulletin (News)  
K.A.'s Flash  
Kent Tribune

Reflections  
Headliners  
Lest We Forget  
Good Times  
Flashback  
Recollections  
The Sifting Sands (for all  
of us who did so much)

Since the first issue went out in June, (the middle of the year), the fiscal year, for financial purposes, will be from June 1 to May 31. Each fiscal year will represent one Volume of the newsletter. Each Volume will consist of three issues, numbered 1, 2 & 3, and pertaining to the months of June, October and February. Therefore you can expect to receive your issue during those months. The annual dues for each fiscal year is \$2.00, U.S. currency. (And we will gladly accept any additional contributions offered.) Everything costs money, and that includes the cost of printing and mailing, the largest two chunks of the financial burden. Without any funds in the treasury, the newsletter will not be printed. So please help. Every little bit can go a long way. Annual dues are due in June.

Each issue will include a financial report so that everyone will know where we stand. As of Sept. 15, 1979, the status of the treasury is as follows:

	<u>Debits</u>		<u>Credits</u>
Printing costs	\$44.77	Dues received	\$36.00
Mailing costs	\$24.00	Add'l contributions	<u>\$21.00</u>
Misc. Office supplies	<u>\$25.00</u>		\$57.00
	\$93.77		

NET BALANCE: -\$36.77

This balance sheet does not include the debits occurred or credits received since Sept. 15, 1979. Since then, the costs of this issue are not reflected, and they are just about twice the amount of the first issue.

The following list shows who has paid their dues for the current fiscal year.

Frisilla Balzer Hinson	Dave Porter
Bruce Bergman	John Price, Jr.
Don Campion	Nancy Rendel
Stephen Cox	Karen Seger Keegan
Ruth Hodges	Mr.&Mrs. Allen & Marguerite Shaw
Lynn (Marilyn) Hovey	Carl Shaw
Tim Kraakevik	Don Shaw
Jack Long	Lorne Shaw
Ruth Ockers Schwinger	Wayne Shaw
Judi Pollen Frazier	Marcia Steely
	Allen Steely

On the next page is a simple form that we would like you to fill in and send back to us. If you did not return the form that was in the June issue, please take the time necessary to help us all by filling out and returning this one.

The next issue will be going out in February. So until then, we're hoping to hear from you.

*Jack - for Ruth, Steve & myself.*

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Please fill in this form and send it back to me as soon as possible. The information will be included in our next issue.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if female and married, please include both your maiden and married names)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your spouses name (if you're married): \_\_\_\_\_

Your High School graduating year: \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested name(s) for the newsletter: \_\_\_\_\_

If the reunion is held at Wheaton College in Aug. '81, would you definitely come: \_\_\_\_\_

If you're doubtful, what percent chance do you think you would come: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you still attend if it cost you as much as \$35.00 per person: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and addresses of other S.I.M. M.K.'s.

Information about yourself to be included in the newsletter.

Please include your dues (\$2.00) if you've not paid for this fiscal year (June 79 - May 80).

NEWS FROM.....

.....Nancy Rendel - Since K.A., I went to Ben Lippen High School. I graduated from Moody in '72 and finished my B.S. in El. Ed. at The King's College in Dec. '74. In Aug. of '75 I came to Moody to work as Assistant Resident Advisor. This Aug. I'll be working in the Student Aid Office at Moody, helping the women students find employment while at school.

.....Carolyn Osbourne Gehman - My husband and I started a Baptist Church in Reisterstown, Md. (suburb of Baltimore) 4 years ago after graduating from Liberty Baptist College, Lynchburg, Va., and are now pastoring that congregation of 175 people. We now have 2 children, Robbie (3) and Jennifer (1).

.....Marcia Steely - Attended West Suburban Hospital School of Nursing in Oak Park, IL. and am now a Registered Nurse. I am working in Pediatrics at Central DuPage Hospital, Winfield, IL. I enjoy outdoors - camping, canoeing, climbing, backpacking, rollerskating. I am living in an apartment with my sister Barb.

.....Karen Seger Keegan - I spent 1 year at Word of Life Bible Inst., 4 years at Tenn. Temple College, 2 years teaching at a small Christian school. My husband is Assistant Manager of WNEW radio station (Moody's station here in Chattanooga).

.....Priscilla Balzer Hinson - My husband and I live in Whitehall, Wisc, where he is the director of youth & music at the First Baptist Church. We have 3 boys now - Ryan (4½), Wade (2½) and Craig born June 11, '79.

.....Paul & Fran Wilson - "Uncle" Paul is teaching slow learning children in a special education class. In our church he is the assistant Sunday School superintendent and one of the head ushers. "Aunt" Fran does some occasional teaching as well as teaching a Sunday School class and playing the piano in the Primary department. Heather is married, living in Toronto, and still nursing full time. Gordon will be working on his honour B.A. at the U. of Toronto this year, and Laurel is in her third and final year training as a Child Care Worker. Our 'baby' Douglas will be starting grade eight this fall.

.....Judi Pollen Frazier - I left Nigeria summer of '71, graduated from high school in Baltimore, Md. '72. Married Steve Frazier (wonderful guy you remember!) in Aug. '74 and have two precious daughters now. Heather Dawn arrived April 77 and April Anne in April 79, she's just 5½ mo. old now. Boy are they ever a special pair and we're enjoying them so much. We move around quite a bit in the Army, Steve is a captain now with 5½ years in already, perhaps 15 more to go, Lord willing. Cherry Long Sabathne, where are you? Haven't heard from you lately.

.....Ruth Hodges - Since I left K.A., I spent 3 yrs. of High School at Prairie H.S., Three Hills, Alberta; 4 yrs of Bible School at Prairie Bible Inst.; 1 yr in Africa as a short-termer with SIM at K.A. working as Mr. Phillips's secretary and teaching piano; 1 yr of Secretarial School; 3+ yrs working as a secretary. Other interesting things I've done include...travelled 3 summers playing the piano for a trio representing the Bible School I attended; our whole family (Dave & Rosalie & 2 kids, Dan, Ernie and I) plus 3 friends spent 2 weeks in Europe, and 3 weeks in Nigeria with Mom travelling around. Tremendous!

.....Steve & Sheila Cox - When Steve came home to Canada in '70, he began studying Mechanical Engineering at the University of Waterloo, Ontario. This was a "Co-op" course (i.e. work 4 months, school 4 months) and on one of his work terms in Noranda, Quebec, he met me, Sheila. I May '76 he graduated and in June '76 we were married and immediately we moved to Edmonton, Alberta to live and work. Steve is employed by Canadian Bechtel Limited, which is an international consulting engineering, procurement and construction company. I am working as a secretary for a structural engineering company.

We are attending Beulah Alliance Church (Christian & Missionary Alliance) and have been working with the College and Career kids the past 3 years.

In Dec. '78, we left for a holiday in Nigeria. We spent a total of 4 weeks there. We spent some time in Kaduna, with Steve's parents; had Christmas at Miango (of course); took part in the celebrations at Billiri (50 yrs since the gospel reached that area); had a good swim at Yankari Game Reserve; and ended up seeing the dye pits in Kano. Needless to say, it was very exciting to me.

It was neat to meet some other M.K.'s in Nigeria when we were there and Steve was glad to renew old acquaintances. We can hardly wait for this upcoming reunion!!

.....Jack Long - Since leaving Africa in '70, I came to Wheaton, IL., finished H.S. in '71 and began studying Accounting in the local community junior college. I dropped out after 1 yr and went back to Africa for a year, working at Galmi, Niger, where my folks were stationed. I managed to do quite a bit of travelling while there and returned to Wheaton in June '73, by way of one month in Switzerland touring and mountain climbing in the Alps. I re-entered the jr. college and started over, finishing a 2 yr degree in Electronics in June '75. I worked for a year and then went to S.I.U. in Carbondale, IL. for courses in Physiology, Anatomy and Biomedical Engineering. Have been working in the Biomedical field for 3 yrs now. I'm employed by Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, IL. A brief definition of Biomedical Eng. is 'the service and repair of medical equipment and instrumentation'.

Jan. '80, I will become eligible to take the certification exam, and if I pass it, I will be able to add a few letters behind my name.

This past summer, my brother Lance and I bought a house in the city of Chicago and between other things, we are doing a lot of remodeling within it. Boy, is it expensive, even if you are doing the labor yourself.

This past Aug, I took a 6300 mile motorcycle trip (on my BMW 750) in 18 days, making a loop from Chicago, through Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, Saskatchewan, Alberta, B.C., Washington, Oregon, California (where the Hillcrest Reunion was held and which I attended), Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri and Illinois. Along the way, I visited with friends that I was able to locate. I know there are many people I did not visit that were along the way. The only reason I didn't was that I didn't know where you were. I knew who was where in a general area, and efforts to find specific addresses failed. I would have enjoyed visiting with more people, had I known where you were. To those with whom I did visit, I was really glad to see you again and I thank you all for your hospitality.

As I continue to act as editor for the newsletter, please be assured that I will give you only my best to make it work. I hope to year from all of you.

.....NEWS FROM..... will be a regular part of the newsletter. Please write in so that this section will be the thickest part of each issue.

Late news from ...Allen Steely - After graduating from Wheaton College in 1974, I went to Ethiopia for a short term (2 years) of famine relief work, with the S.I.M. Since then I have been teaching science to grades 5 - 8 and coaching soccer and basketball at Rockford Christian School in Rockford, IL. In my spare time I enjoy getting into photography, rollerskating and squaredancing.