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**Mike Haltzel** will be on leave from Johns Hopkins University SAIS for most of 2015 while he is Visiting Senior Fellow at the Finnish Institute of International Affairs (FIIA) in Helsinki.

Mike writes: “Helen and I are excited about returning to the wonderful country of Finland where we lived many moons ago when I was researching my doctoral dissertation. FIIA is an outstanding institution that plays a key role in Finland's policy formulation and has some of Europe's most talented experts on Russia and Eastern Europe. Right now as a result of the Ukraine crisis and other aggressive actions by Russia, for the first time Finland is seriously considering NATO membership, an issue with which I have been involved both in the U.S. Government and in academe for more than two decades. At this important juncture, I confess to being flattered to have been invited by FIIA, especially at this stage in my career. Closer to home, before Christmas **Dick Foster** and I got together for a nice catching-up dinner in D.C.”

**Ralph Howe** reports: “The degree of cobalt-poisoning my body got from the metal-on-metal (M-O-M) Smith & Nephew replacement (right) hip remains a topic of discussion with attorneys on both sides. My original M-O-M hip, installed four years ago, was ‘revised’ two years ago. Recovery has been slow and limited. Nonetheless I play tennis, court tennis, and squash tournaments as the body allows, but am only really competitive in doubles. I was going

to, but in the end didn't, play any National events this past year.” Those of us who can only dream of playing in National events would be quite happy to be doing a fraction of what Ralph is doing.

**Wynne Morriss's** daughter, Anne Morriss, is the founder and CEO of GenePeeks, Inc., a genetic information company that uses patented technology to identify inherited disease risk in future generations. Anne recently appeared on 60 Minutes to discuss the work of her company.

**Bill Nordhaus** has been named Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston for 2015. Bill, who has been on the Yale faculty since 1967, is one of three Class C Directors appointed to represent the public.

**Stan Riveles** is the President of the D.H. Lawrence Ranch Alliance, which was formed to restore and revitalize the D.H. Lawrence Ranch outside of Taos, NM. D.H. Lawrence was one of the leading novelists of the 20th century, known to most of us as undergraduates as the author of *Lady Chatterley's Lover*. Lawrence and his wife Frieda lived in this remote area of New Mexico in the early 1920s, on property given to them by the heiress and local philanthropist Mabel Dodge Luhan. Many of Lawrence's short stories and non-fiction from the period described his experiences there, and Lawrence wrote, "I think New Mexico was the greatest experience from the outside world that I have ever had. It certainly changed me forever." Lawrence died in France in 1930, but his remains were later interred on the Ranch, which was dedicated as a memorial site by his wife Frieda. The property fell into neglect after his death, and was closed to visitors from 2010 to 2014. Stan recounts: "We formed the D.H. Lawrence Ranch Alliance among representatives of the diverse local community – Native Americans,

Hispanics, and Anglos – to restore and revitalize the Ranch and to work with the University of New Mexico, which owns the Ranch. It is a big international attraction. We finally reopened the Ranch after several years of effort and beginning the process of revitalization.”

**Phil Stevens** delivered the Convocation Address, titled “Africa’s Greatest Mystery,” at Georgia Southwestern University on October 21, 2014. Phil’s visit to Americus included a private dinner with Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter, and attendance at a reception to honor Mrs. Carter at her Institute for Caregiving on the college campus. Phil’s talk, at the invitation of the college president, focused on the Stone Images of Esie, Nigeria. For his work at Esie in the 1960s and 1970s, Phil was given an honorary chieftaincy title in 2012.

Since retiring from teaching Linguistics and Chinese at the University of Illinois, **John Rohsenow** has been volunteering at the Chinese-American Museum of Chicago, the only such museum in the country. John serves as the Secretary (“because I can edit in both languages”), and welcomes all classmates to come in for a personalized tour.

**Peter Stokes Godfrey** died on January 8, 2015 in Scottsdale, AZ. Husband, father, mentor, and friend, he leaves behind a lifetime of memories; sailing all over the world, rowing at Exeter, Yale, and Cambridge, and a long and successful career in risk management. Peter is survived by his wife of 48 years, Nancy, and their children Alexandra and Thompson and their families. **Bill Petty** recalls Peter as follows: “We first met in the fall of 1959 at Yale, where we went on to row together for four years – beating Harvard two out of four times! We both married Nancys and spent a lot of time helping them accumulate a boatload of sailing trophies. An avid competitor and a true friend.” **Jon Larson** says: “Pete was another of my many Yale colleagues who always appeared bigger than life to me. He was taller (by 4 inches). He rowed

on the Yale heavyweight crew and for Trinity Hall, Cambridge, while I was consigned to the intramural Calhoun crew. We all miss the big guy. He faced the end head-on like everything else he faced and encountered in life. He fought and finally lost the good fight that each of us will eventually lose in time. But Pete remains alive forever in the minds, memories, and hearts of his family, his Yale classmates, and everyone else who knew him, because I cannot imagine anyone not liking Pete, even the competitors he beat soundly rowing crew, sailing the open oceans, and insuring high-risk business transactions.”

**Richard Smart Rewis** died on January 25, 2015 at Roper Hospital in Charleston, SC.

Richard graduated from Yale in 1963, and proudly served in the United States Marine Corps. A beloved husband and father, he was a caring and enthusiastic teacher and church musician who will be missed by all who knew him. He is survived by his devoted wife of 37 years, Eulonda Brillon Rewis; his sons Ben Rewis and Sam Merrill; his stepsons Ken Bailey and Jeff Bailey; his stepdaughter Carol Lazu; and his grandchildren and stepgrandchildren.

**Peter Louis Truebner**, who entered Yale with the Class of 1963 and graduated with the Class of 1964, died on January 23, 2015 after a courageous battle with cancer. Peter earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Michigan in 1967, and his Master of Law from Georgetown University in 1969. He served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York from 1969 to 1974, and then returned to Connecticut, where he practiced law for the next 40 years, focusing on criminal defense, civil litigation, and family law. **Willie Dow** reports that Peter “enjoyed an excellent reputation as a scrappy and tenacious trial lawyer.” From 1994 to 2009, Peter served as a Commissioner of the Darien, CT Police Department. He is survived by his wife, Jan; his son Steve Truebner and his daughter Blair Truebner Gorman; and

several grandchildren. **Jud Calkins** remembers: “There he is, across the room, deeply engaged in conversation, leaning in to his listener, drink clutched in one hand, the other chopping the air for emphasis. As he catches sight of another approaching friend, a broad grin flashes, an open palm shoots forward, and a throaty greeting emerges from deep within – followed, inevitably, by a provocative opening line. Truebs – the guy who always got on the bus, no matter how outmanned he was physically by his opponent. Tough as nails on the interior line: there he was, future Marine, going up against the West Point junior varsity and doing them in as a proud co-captain, so designated by beloved coach Stu Clancy.” **Dave Mawicke** recalls: “Peter was a friend, classmate, teammate, and my lawyer. In the latter capacity, I put him to the test, often. He never failed me.” **Ian Robertson** says: “On the football field, Peter was a man who gave no quarter and expected none. Had he been called upon to defeat a Balme-Pyle double team, he would have said, ‘I can take ‘em!’ Early last year Peter suffered what was thought to be a stroke. Extensive tests revealed another diagnosis. Peter reported, ‘There was no hemorrhage, *only* melanoma of the brain and liver.’ Only a Balme-Pyle double team. He could take ‘em. His was a valiant battle. There was no fear, or despair, only frustration that ‘they won’t let me drive.’” **Chris Getman ’64** sums up: “Truebs was a funny, loyal, intelligent, witty, and compassionate man. It was a privilege for me to have been his friend for almost 55 years. As he liked to say (shift to Truebner mode), ‘The car was in the garage the whole time.’”

