

From the Class of '67's 1977 Homecoming

DO YOU REMEMBER

When the regulation said you had to wear a coat and tie after 6:00

When you could be written up for having an out-of-date magazine on your bookshelf

When they played "Teach me Tiger" all doolie summer

The Arnold Hall theater balcony as a doolie – no comment was gross enough

Slipping on the marble strips in the winter

Double-timing everywhere

Earning \$10.00 a month as a doolie and having one ODP per semester

Taking dancing lessons in Arnold Hall; doing the tango with your roommate ... and fighting over who would lead

Khakis

Getting a tuck

Wearing sock garters

Wipe outs

Your strange appetite after the survival trek. The unusual combination of foods you wanted, like jelly in your cereal, mixing orange juice and honey, spreading grits on your toast ... and how much you ate

Do you remember how slowly you walked back to the cadet area after that meal and how panicked you were when you realized all the latrines were already full

Standing at football games

Christmas hops Coming back after Christmas

The exchange visits with West Point and Annapolis: the only time it ever did feel good to return to USAFA

The Denver Destroyers and the many shirts you lost to them

When the Commandant went to personally congratulate the cadets who had stolen the Navy goat, found them toasting themselves with alcoholic beverages, and wrote them up

When there was an "All Right" for stag movies

Cotton balls, lighter fluid and burning shoe polish

Cables

Your first day at the Academy

Uniform issue

How good you looked in your fatigues

The band members who led us around

The night the firstclassmen took over. The first one told you to get your shoulders back and down and to make a dirty movement. And, not knowing what that meant, having made an obscene gesture

Dreading the sound every morning of doolie summer of the band passing outside your windows ... click ... click ... click

The Road House, the Kraz Kat, the Honey Bucket, the Kachina

Waiting at the Hampton cutoff

Squadron sponsor visits

Steak night and smokers

When everyone went to the Comm's House for the pep rally before the Nebraska game

The ZI field trip which was designed to make you count your blessings after a week with the Navy and a week with the Army

Being recognized

Push-ups. How many do you really have left to do

The April '67 blizzard and classes were canceled. When there was no electricity and we played cards by candlelight. All we ate for three days were bologna sandwiches. Prime activity – jumping off walls.

When streaking was popular at USAFA long before it became a national fad

When the Academy participated in the NCAA elephant racing championships. When they asked if anyone had elephant racing experience and four guys said yes and got to go to California for the races. And won

How miserable the obstacle course was as a doolie and how funny it was to work on it as an upperclassman. To watch six guys running obstacle # 13 for two ropes over the water

Does anyone remember their third class year

And along that same line, does anyone remember any Saturday morning lectures

Parachuting hamsters out of the sixth floor windows. Dubbing them the “hampsternauts”

The CSU game when we were ahead 69 – 0 with just a few seconds to go. We were about to kick a point after and the Wing was rooting for CSU to “block that kick”

Boxing class. Or unarmed combat when you got extra points for bleeding

The riots that erupted among firsties after the evening meal on the day we changed from winter to summer uniforms

I remember that I bought a new Corvette for \$3600

When the Commandant went airborne

The P.F.T.

The Dodo

A first class room on Sunday morning

How fast June Week went

Joe, the Headwaiter

The Air Garden pools

When Joe was thrown in the Air Garden pools

Actually folding your underwear into 6” by 6” squares with cardboard in the top to look neat. And the same with your socks so that you graduated with one set of shorts and one set of socks that in four years you’d never worn

Shaving cream fights

Shower fights and filling the hallway in the dorm with water and sliding

Sending white elephants down the ramp ... with people inside them

Words like dumbsquat ... boodle ... wopee do, wowie wooo ... fast, neat average friendly good good

Jumping off the 10 meter platform

Entering the Academy with four perfectly good wisdom teeth and graduating without them

Jumping into the Air Gardens when they were filled with snow

Leroy the barber

Checking your mail

Watching “The Fugitive” in the tube room

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The train rides to play Army in Chicago

Or the one to New Mexico only to get sand blasted as we cheered on the team

Chocolate ice cream cake ... pineapple pie ... guava jelly ... catawba

And last but not least

I propose the Class of '67 Hundreth night memorial toast to

Mister Ralph Tarkenton!!!!!!!!!!