

*Dale and Virginia Leipper  
Book of Memories*

*Allen and Emily Fuhs*



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Dear Virginia and Dale

With considerable pleasure we look back over the many years that we have known and worked with you. Emily remembers Virginia's dedicated service to the Girl Scouts. Emily was Leader of the various Brownie, Junior, Cadette, and Senior Troops. We do not remember Virginia's title in the Girl Scout organizations, but she was constantly helpful. She was always available when needed. Through her work with the Girl Scouts, Virginia enriched the life of many young girls in the Monterey area.

Allen and Dale sat through many Chairman's meetings at the Naval Post-graduate School. Some of the meetings were long and less-than-interesting. Dale unceasingly looked at the bright side and provided statesman like viewpoints. Professor Leipper was a professor's professor with excellent advice to the gathered assembly of Chairmen. Emphasis is on the statesman like nature of Dale's participation.

When some of the Professors at NPS, including Allen, were conducting tests with man-made, instrumented icebergs to determine ablation properties under tow, help from the *Acania* was needed at the Coast Guard wharf. The *Acania* was Dale's ship. The excellent support from the *Acania* was due to Dale's cooperation.

Virginia and Dale, you have reached a significant milestone in the cycle of life having been married for 50 years. We are about ten years behind having celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary recently. We wish you a happy 50th anniversary and many more anniversaries to come.




Emily



Allen

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*Message from*  
*Keith and Frances*  
*Henry*

Keith and Frances Henry  
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8 April 1992

Dear Dale and Virginia,

We want to wish you much joy as you celebrate your fiftieth Wedding Anniversary. May you continue to have many more happy ones. We will celebrate our fiftieth in 1993.

We regret that we personally cannot be with you for the celebration.

Dale, I appreciate your helping Griffiths and me in acquiring the Tropical Rainfall Project. It was very interesting and continued for several years. In fact the results have continued even after my retirement, in consulting contracts. In 1987 and 1988 I collected synoptic data in the Caribbean. Frances and I spent 52 days in the Caribbean in 1988. Over 3000 pounds of data was shipped to me. After sorting and recording missing data it was shipped to the USAF in Ashville, NC to be put in the computer.

Virginia, I remember the many times the wives met together to sew and visit. I also remember Stephen's senior party at your house and Stephen spent more time with Bryan catching frogs than he did at the party. Keith and I have many fine memories.

It has been our pleasure to know you and to have you as friends. We are privileged to know of the event and that we can send our congratulations.

Happy Anniversary,

*W. Keith Henry*  
*Frances Henry*

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*Message from  
Don and Betty Hood*

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Mrs. Virginia and Dale Leipper  
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Dear Virginia and Dale,

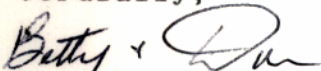
So this is your golden wedding anniversary! In 3 more years it will be Betty's and mine to claim. It, looking back, seems to have been such a short interval of time that has encompassed all of our years, except those when we were growing up. Yet, looking at what you have accomplished during those years is very rewarding.

Its no small package to raise a family, held important professional positions, and finish you careers with dignity and respect. Your lives have been full and much appreciated by those who know you. You are an example of what marriage and the full life is all about.

I have been thinking about how ones life takes shape. Many a decision, which seems insignificant at the time, take on such a great importance. Often I recall the time I visited Dale's office at Texas A&M asking what this Oceanography was all about. Little did I know that a PhD in Biochemisty would lead to a career in Oceanography.

Maybe a small decision on your part may lead to the San Juan Islands one day. We would love to see you. Our hope is, that your life after your fiftieth wedding anniversary will be kind to you. It may be we'll be around to celebrate your sixtieth.

Cordially,



Betty and Don Hood

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*Message from  
Glen and Jean Jung*

April 1992

Dear Dale and Virginia,

It gives us great pleasure to write a few lines on this very important celebration in your lives. We would have liked to be there in person but family commitments this month will keep us from traveling to Reno.

It was forty years ago that we had our first glimpse of the watertower and golf course at Texas A & M. On a very hot July day we arrived there with our year-old daughter to begin life as a Research Assistant and student in your new Oceanography Department. This was the destination of our long trip west and south from Massachusetts, and we had not yet met. However, your diplomatic response to our application for the United Gas Fellowship (which had already been awarded to our later friend, Randy Blumberg) was sufficient to attract us there. This career change affected the rest of our lives, and we were so grateful for the assistantship and challenge to complete studies for the doctorate.

You made us feel so welcome when we arrived; how good it made us feel when you asked us to call you by your first names. That had never been the case in Cambridge. We also appreciated the advance arrangements for us to live in the Project Houses, which was such a help financially and in other ways. We remember a great party you hosted for the Staff and students, even though your own children were small. The waffles and strawberries were a delightful treat!

Two years later we were thankful for the recommendation you sent for Glenn's application for the Fulbright Fellowship for the year's study in Norway under Dr. Sverdrup. On our return, you welcomed us with a marvelous dinner including a tray of fresh nectarines, peaches, etc.; that was a real treat after a year without many fresh fruits.



We were thankful in 1968 to have you move to Monterey and become the leaders of the newly formed Oceanography Dept. at the Naval Postgraduate School. You joined former friends Jack Wickham, Warren Thompson and others. Dale, you were a very diplomatic and inspiring leader both in teaching and research projects and we were all appreciative for your wisdom and patience. Now years after we can all look back at these times and consider them well spent. Most of the disappointments of the "NPS dream" in Oceanography have been overshadowed by the continued personal relationships developed in those years.

We can't forget to mention the delightful Christmas pot lucks, and the summer picnics you always hosted and the morning coffees for the staff wives. We have many wonderful memories of you and the years we were privileged to have a close association. We are happy to hear that you are enjoying your new home and are able to live close to part of the family. May the next years be as happy as these past 50 were.

*With heartfelt love,*

*Glenn + Jean*

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*John A. Knauss*

*McMurdo Sound, Anartica 1991*



John A. Knauss  
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February 29, 1992

Dear Dale and Virginia,

I am sorry I cannot be with you to celebrate your fiftieth wedding anniversary, but if present plans hold I expect to be in Kuwait that day celebrating the conclusion of a 100 day oceanographic cruise of our NOAA ship Mt Mitchel in the Persian Gulf, co-sponsored by the International Oceanographic Commission and an organization of the Gulf states. It is part of an international effort to investigate the environmental consequences of the oil spills and fires of last year's Gulf war.

As the above paragraph implies, it has been an interesting 46 years since our paths first crossed in the operations room of the Navy Weather Central at NAS North Island. You may have forgotten, but I have not. My career in oceanography did not develop in a straight forward manner, but it would never have developed at all if I had not pulled the duty that day in 1946 when you came by to learn what you could about how we went about forecasting the onslaught and break-up of ground fog at the air station.

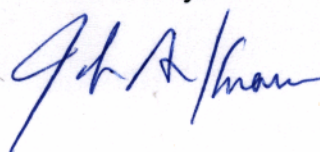
As I recall, you were engaged in a research effort with Sverdrup to learn more about the role of the ocean in generating coastal fog and you had come by the Weather Central to learn what if anything we knew about it. I was the duty officer, and I told you all I knew, which did not take very long, and then informed you that I expected to get out of the Navy soon, would need a job, had a brand new MIT bachelor's degree in meteorology which included a course in oceanography taught out of a Sverdrup book, and San Diego had a pleasant climate.

You carried my case to Sverdrup who apparently did not find my credentials all that impressive, but he did pass the word that the Navy Electronics Laboratory was going to establish a small oceanographic unit under Gene Lafond. I was quickly hired (I believe I was number four in the unit) and the rest as they say is history--or almost. After a year at NEL, I thought physics might be a more honorable calling, and it took two years of study in Ann Arbor and a tough job market to convince me otherwise.

I have had a wonderful life and a wonderful career, and, as I have said on a number of occasions, if it had not been for the luck of the draw--my having the duty on the day of your visit--it may still have been a wonderful life and a wonderful career but I very much doubt if the career would have been oceanography.

Thank you

Sincerely,





# CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

In the decade of the 1990's, ocean issues are clearly a major domestic and international concern. The MTS '92 conference theme, **Global Ocean Partnership**, captures the escalating role that global-scale activities play in resources, sensing infrastructure, policy issues and engineering. Industry, academia and government share a responsibility to ensure that coordinated and integrated activities are undertaken in marine disciplines.

The Conference will provide participants a unique forum for sharing ideas and knowledge. As we approach the twenty-first century, international marine activities will be a key element of global progress and prosperity.

Plenary Session:  
October 20, 1992  
0900-1100

Dr. John A. Knauss  
Undersecretary of Commerce for  
Oceans and Atmosphere  
NOAA, Department of Commerce

Kathryn Sullivan  
NASA Astronaut  
Marine Geologist

Technical Sessions: ~~~~~October 19-21, 1992

Early Bird Reception: ~~~~~October 18, 1992

The Marine Technology Society will host an early bird reception in the Exhibit Hall at the Sheraton Washington Hotel. Hors d'oeuvres and light refreshments will be available. Conference attendees may pick up their registration packages.

Student Poster Session: ~~~~~October 19, 1992

Since the marine community is interested in knowing what tomorrow's ocean industry leaders are thinking and doing, MTS is again sponsoring a Student Technical Poster Session at MTS '92. Engineering students from universities are encouraged to submit abstracts for competition. The winning students will be invited to present posters, be on hand to explain their work and answer questions about their research projects.

For more information on presenting a poster please contact Mr. Terry McGuinness, Brown & Root, 713-676-7628 or Carol Busey, J. Spargo & Associates, Inc. at 703-631-6200.

MTS '92 Technology Reception: ~~~~~October 19, 1992

☆ *Special Attraction.....Nikon Exhibit "World without Suns"*

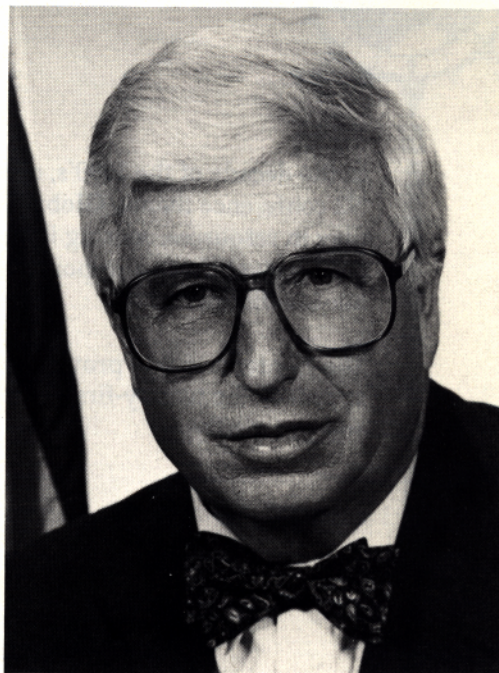
Catch the exciting debut of the Nikon exhibit sponsored by The National Geographic Society. "World without Suns" is a narrated compilation of Emory Kristof's journeys over the last 18 years. Explore Atlantic and Pacific hot water vents, Bermuda deep sharks, the Suruga Bay Japan, the Cayman Wall, the Monterey Canyon, the North Pole, and the Titanic.

# MESSAGE FROM THE CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN

We have a single interconnected ocean on an earth made smaller by technology and communication. A growing population with an increasing standard of living has made international ocean cooperation desirable. Improved technology and communication coupled with easing of world tensions has made international ocean cooperation possible.

In areas such as in-situ ocean observations, weather forecasting, fishing, mineral exploration and retrieval, marine mammal protection, coastal management, satellite operations and others, international cooperation has become essential, as well as more effective. Interconnectivity of environmental factors and inadequate fiscal resources have impelled industry, academia and government to look for international partners in order to access international knowledge and resources. As the world shrinks, marine interests are moving toward a GLOBAL OCEAN PARTNERSHIP.

In the membership of the Marine Technology Society and its co-participants reside the leaders of the marine community. Leaders know that leadership and learning are indispensable to each other. At MTS '92, we will offer the cutting edge of learning in global ocean activities. We look forward to your participation.



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