

Ginnygram - January 1970  
To "Gas" men and Other PH Friends

Aha, a new decade is upon us. Not really, 1971 is it since the first year A.D. is 1, not 0. But never mind semantics.

The party for Manny Papper at the Columbia Men's Faculty Club was like Old Home Week. Jean Henly presented him with an amazingly accurate reproduction of Manny in a gilded bust; Lennie Brand had knitted him a rug inscribed "P&S misses EMP." I came late and just managed to snare one martini.

Miss Penland looked as young as ever. Frumin, Katz and Shnider sported beards; para-anesthetic friends included Dave Habif, George Merriam, Marion Laird, Sue Williamson, Bob Hui, Sid Blumenthal, Milt Porter, Barbara Papper and her husband. I've always had a soft spot in my heart for Barbara when, at an early age she wanted a viola, her father asked, "isn't that just a big violin?", she replied, "Daddy, how stupid can you be?"

Dyed-in-the-wool anesthetic friends included Bea Langmuir, Marguerite Jansen, Mrs. Gilda Gehn (Mancinelli) and Vi Grollimund. Former students included Rene Balmesada, Fred Hehre, Monica Alenewski, George Galos, Tom Nash, Tom McDermott, Shih-Hsun Ngai, Joanne Smith and Rita Jacobs. Relative newcomers were Mike Finster, Paul Poppers and many others. We most certainly wish Manny and Julia great happiness in their new venture at the University of Miami. Of course, success is assured, with Moya and Holaday in the wings. Bill Little and Carolyn Hunter in Obstetrics are on stage, too.

I am sorry to report the death of Tom McDermott's wife and Jo Hehre's mother, as well as my own, at 96, on March 26th after a three-months' stoic stay in a nursing home. Thank you all for your cards of sympathy.


Last month, I visited the Hilton Hotel during the NYSSA meetings and there was Steve Steen and many other friends. He invited me to a Maracaibo, Venezuela meeting in December 1970. Just maybe, I'll be there. This year I've slowed down a bit - 36 trips, 77,000 miles.

Drop in whenever you are in New York City (800 Second Avenue 10017; 697-7700) and you'll get a free meal.

The National Foundation is going great guns, with four-plus plans for 1970. All we need is more money, which I can assure is spent as wisely as possible. Do join us!

Happy New Year!

To Vince, & Florence

Virginia   
Virginia Apgar

and to that little one whom I missed!

(Score = 11)