

## *Fun Facts*

Jerry Macken entered with '74 and doolie year in CS-10. Took a year off, came back as a 3-degree with '75 in CS-40.

Bruce Freund entered with '75, and came back to graduate with '76.

Geoff Lawrence entered with '75, and came back to graduate with '76.

Mark Williams entered with the '75 and came back to graduate with '76.

Andy Dichter is the youngest member of the class (entered after junior year in high school)

Jerry Manthei is the oldest member of the class (prior enlisted)

Roy Rice was given a choice between jail and going to the Zoo.

Dan Burda gave up a lucrative career as an underwear model to enter with '75

Mike Marro was a member of MENSA before he went to the zoo.\*

Phil Benjamin was a world class chess player and competitor before going to the zoo.\*

*\* (word has it that their IQs together exceed the number that graduated in our class)*

Jim Carlson may be the last guy to have accepted an appointment to the class of '75 – he was notified 2 weeks before 5 July 1971 to report for in-processing (the primary candidate bailed the last minute) – and Carlson was already packed to report to Lackland for enlisted basic training that same month).

Dan O'Steen traveled the farthest for doolie in-processing in 1971 (from Taiwan).

Stan Schoener (CS-33 and CS-35) could not visit Israel while a cadet because as a dual Israeli and American citizen, he was subject to being drafted into the Israeli Army -- particularly during the '73 Yom Kippur War when we were 2 Degrees

Andy Dichter, CS32, was a high school dropout, entered the academy after his junior year of high school, and retired as a 2-star. Throughout his career at each of his steps up the ladder, I would tell him "Not bad for a high school dropout!" -- Ric Dahlstrom