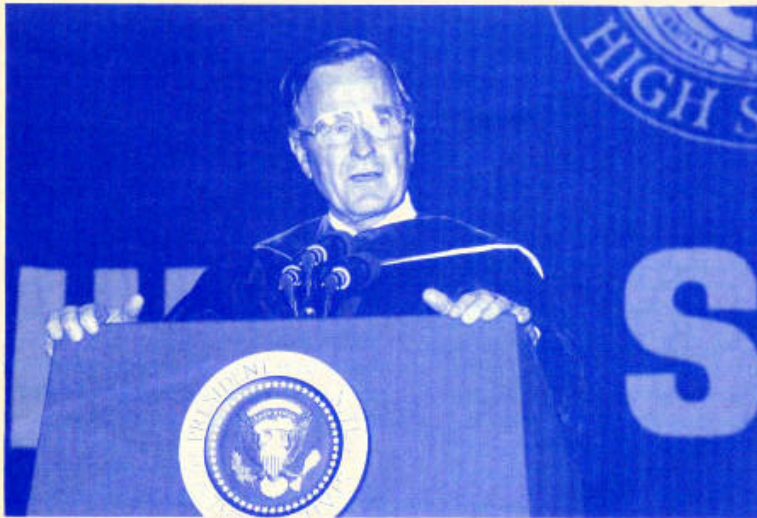


CLASS OF '89 HAILED BY THE CHIEF President Bush is Commencement Speaker



An enthusiastic audience of over two thousand electrified people heard President Bush encourage the 331 members of the class of 1989 to refute those who speak of a "me generation" and to continue the tradition at CHS of volunteerism. President Bush spoke of his Administration's new YES to America Initiative Program — Youth Entering Service. According to President Bush, this program "can build a cathedral of spirit; and help yours become a global "We Generation."

President Bush referred to the "magnificent success that is Cheltenham High School." And paraphrasing Mark Twain, he said, "reports of your reputation have not been exaggerated." He told the seniors, "you are beautiful and I am enjoying my first visit."

In a prepared speech, Bush told the graduates, "that you can enrich the world charitably and courageously, through your choices and your deeds." He went on to say, "I have learned that any definition of a successful life insists that we help

those for whom the American Dream seems an Impossible Dream!" He then spoke of the heroism of Chinese students who recently have "demanded freedom — a demand that won't be stilled."

The President encouraged members of the class to do something inspiring. "Become a doctor, like your alumnus Michael Brown ('58, winner of the 1985 Nobel Prize in Medicine), or become a teacher like Lew Shaten — retiring tomorrow after 32 years committed to broadening the minds of thousands of young people.

Or writers like Levinson and Link." (The late Richard Levinson and his partner, William Link, Emmy Award winning writers and producers — members of the class of 1952).

President Bush also made personal references to several class members for their volunteer work throughout the community.

The ceremony began with an invocation by senior class member Cindi Barry, followed by a well rehearsed welcome address from composed class president Jeffrey Schwarzschild. The Ensemble then sang several selections and drew a favorable comment from the President.

Joseph Reavy, director of guidance, announced the academic awards and National Merit Scholarship results.

Dr. Charles F. Stefanski, superintendent of schools, delivered his remarks immediately before class member Hang Nguyen, a National Merit Scholarship Finalist who ranked in the top two percent of the class, introduced the President.

After President Bush's remarks the members of the class of 1989 were presented by Cathy Stamm, class sponsor and Joseph W. Rodgers, Principal. The President shook hands with each of the 331 graduates, often exchanging remarks with the students and occasionally receiving a hug and kiss from the young women or an arm around his shoulder from the young men.

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JUST ANOTHER GRADUATION

Some very different music was coming from the band room several weeks before graduation. Band members were practicing "Hail to the Chief." Also, for the first time in the band director's memory, or anyone else's, each member of the band took their instrument home and practiced every night.

Strangers were walking through the corridors with school officials. Although school administrators were advised to keep the president's visit a secret for as long as possible, it became very clear something was "happening" according to several seniors.

Finally, Joseph Rodgers, CHS principal, informed class members of the visit. Suddenly, the "suits" (secret service and members of the White House advance team) seemed to be everywhere. Cheltenham Staff and White House staff had only two weeks to get ready for President Bush's visit.

Modifications to the stage area had to be made, while a platform had to be erected to accommodate the media.

The planning and preparation meetings were just beginning. The Secret Service began working on security with the Cheltenham police. District maintenance staff began modifications to the stage area. A speaker's platform with an armor-plated barrier had to be built. Floors were polished, the gym was painted, ceiling tiles replaced, potholes repaired, fifty additional telephone lines were installed at the school. Another 42 lines and extra pay phones were installed for the media. The White House also requested another 200 lines be installed at an undisclosed area. Special television lights supplied by the White House were hung from the gym ceiling.

Preparations also included staff and student security checks. The day before Bush's visit a thorough "sweep" was made of the entire building.

Local residents had a chance to tour Marine One, the president's helicopter when a simulated run was performed several days before graduation.

Then, suddenly the hottest and the "only" ticket in town was for the 105th commencement exercise at CHS.

Finally, graduation day arrived. District personnel, who had been working long hours to make this a special day for the Class of '89, were busy with last minute duties.

The Secret Service and White House teams were also finalizing their last minute plans. Television and other media crews began arriving very early. A score or more of microwave dishes from the news vans parked near the gym, towered 50 or 60 feet over the school. Comcast Cable carried the ceremony live throughout the area as did three major T.V. Stations.

At three o'clock the entire gym and second floor of the school were "sealed off" for the final security sweep. At the same time the presence of local and state police was evident as were F.B.I. teams, mounted police, K-9 units, fire equipment, special aviation foam trucks, an ambulance corps, and bomb squad specialists. Positioned on the roof of a nearby apartment complex, as well as the high school, were police marksmen.

In order to enter the building everyone had to pass through metal detectors positioned in several locations. Cameras and pocket-books were checked by the Secret Service.

Then, at 6:40 p.m. precisely on schedule, just before the procession of the graduates, the sound of five Marine helicopters could be heard. The excitement in the audience reached a new, electrifying level when the president's helicopter was seen through the arched gymnasium windows while landing on the nearby athletic field.

Then within a few minutes the announcement "Ladies and Gentlemen, the President of the United States" was greeted with enthusiastic applause and a long standing ovation. The band then proceeded to "show off" its talents with a stirring "Hail to the Chief" which brought chills to the spine as the reality of it all truly sank in.

Following the ceremonies, just before boarding Marine One, as this once in a lifetime experience came to an end, the president stopped along a practice field fence to shake hands with school officials, members of the police, fire and emergency crews, assembled to protect him.

WHY CHELTENHAM

One of the most frequently discussed topics surrounding the presidential visit to Cheltenham was "Why Cheltenham."

"In many ways, it is a shining example of what is right with education," said a spokeswoman for U.S. Secretary of Education, Dr. Lauro F. Cavazos. Stephen Hart, Deputy White House Press Secretary, called it "an exemplary school."

The U.S. Department of Education suggested ten schools from which the White House staff selected Cheltenham. The Class of '89 was Cheltenham's first to complete the district's new core curriculum based on recommendations from the 1983 report "A Nation at Risk." The curriculum emphasizes math and science, along with introducing all students to foreign languages.

Select students from CHS have been part of the Presidential Classroom Program held in Washington for the past twenty years. The school has always had many innovative programs and a tremendous record of involvement by students, parents and the community. Clearly recognized by the White House were the many CHS students volunteering in all types of community service.

An outstanding 84% of Cheltenham's graduates go on to college, along with a less than 1% dropout rate, are a credit to the inspired and dedicated teachers, the students and their families.

All of this in conjunction with Cheltenham's reputation for academic excellence did not go unnoticed!



ALUMNI DIRECTOR Barbara Portner presents a plaque containing the names of the Scholarship Recipients to CHS Principal Joseph Rodgers (right) and Student Council President David Stollman.

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THE PANTHER'S SPOTLIGHT

Constance Derby Jackson, '29, hasn't forgotten CHS. She recently became a lifetime member of the CHS Alumni Association and sends her regards to her former classmates.

James (Jimmy) McAteer, '37, recently retired as a sales/marketing manager with the SUNMARK Company, following similar positions with Warner-Lambert and Procter & Gamble. Jimmy is keeping busy with boating, golf and tennis in sunny California and would love to hear from other 1937 grads.

Mary Jo Friedmann Collins, '52, and her husband, Charles, were recently named the 1988 "Foster Parents of the Year" by the Childrens Aid Society of Montgomery County. Mary Jo and Charles have been foster parents for 24 years; during this time they have cared for 15 children.

Ron Cohen (K3ZKO), '54, our amateur radio alumni, had a four page article in "TV Guide Magazine" the week of August 27, 1988 on amateur television. NBC Nightly News featured Ron and his TV station on November 3, 1988.

Joanne Maissel Kelly, '61, is a landscape designer and healing professional. She is responsible for launching a nationwide rebirthing organization. Joanne's mother, Sally Maissel, an art teacher at CHS for many years, is still practicing art at the age of 86.

Wendy Stern Coleman, M.D., '63, is a Behavioral Pediatrician and has just published a book for parents and professionals entitled *Attention Deficit Disorders and Hyperactivity*.

Ron Tabas, '65, won the 1988 U.S. Amateur Harness Driving Championship and represented the U.S. in the 1988 World Cup Races. Ron finished 10th in the overall world competition and 3rd in the finals at the Meadowlands.

Michael Brecker, '67, has just released his second album "Don't Try This At Home". His first album, "Michael Brecker", was #1 on the Billboard charts and was nominated for two Grammy Awards and won one Grammy.

Virginia (Ginny) Moore Koutsouros, '68 and **John Koutsouros, '69**, are the owners of Talianos Pizza in Philadelphia and also operate a wholesale food distribution company. They are the parents of four children, the oldest of whom, Penny, was a member of CHS's 1988 graduating class. John's mother, also named Penny, graduated from Cheltenham in 1945. That's three generations of CHS graduates!

Jerome Marcus, M.D., '68, is President of Omega Medical Centers in the Reading, PA area. He and his partner have opened 18 patient testing centers which offer health scans, corporate testing and individual patient services. Jerry is a member of the CHS Alumni Association Board and gets a gold star for driving from Reading to attend our meetings.

Barbara DeAngelis, Ph.D., '69, is the Executive Director of the Los Angeles Personal Growth Center. A nationally recognized lecturer and teacher, she appears every Wednesday night on CNN's Newsnight Update and is a frequent guest on the talk show circuit. Barbara's most recent book, *How to Make Love All the Time*, is a guide to finding love and making it work.

David Hallinger, '69, is a filmmaker and cinematographer living in San Francisco. He produced a documentary on filmmaker George Kuchar, "George Kuchar: The Comedy of the Underground", which has been shown at film festivals around the world. In addition to working on the film "Top Gun" and various Lucas film projects, David has worked on the WNET/PBS series "The Independents".

Jeff Lorber '70, continues as a popular composer, studio musician and solo recording artist. Some of the artists he has worked with are DeBarge, the Pointer Sisters and Barbra Streisand. Jeff has recorded nine albums and his recent single, "Facts of Love", was a Top 40 pop hit.

Robin Weinstein Muller, '74, a Speech Language Pathologist, is the owner of two speech pathology and audiology businesses. One provides speech and hearing services to hospitals, nursing homes and private patients, while the other specializes in providing foreign accent improvement to businessmen, politicians, actors, etc. **Kim Weinstein Belcher, '73**, runs the business with Robin.

Francine Douwes, '77, was awarded first prize at the Cannes Film Festival, for the best live action short film for "Performance Pieces", which she co-produced. Francine grew up in Elkins Park and Wyncote and after graduating from Cheltenham received her undergraduate degree from Columbia in film making. Oscar winner F. Murray Abraham starred in her winning production. She is currently working on a feature length script, a thriller titled "Overexposed".

John A. Lake, '83, biked from Seattle, Washington to the U.N. Building in New York — 3400 miles — for Bike Aid. John is a mechanical engineer residing in Westland, MA.

Kenneth Holdsmen, '85, was recently selected as Lehigh University's representative in the National Rhodes Scholarship Competition. He plays on the rugby team at Lehigh and captained the Philadelphia area Gold Medal basketball team in the '84 Junior Maccabaiian Games.

Eric Belcher, '87, has graduated from the Clown College, which trains clowns for Ringling Brothers/Barnum and Bailey Circus. He will appear with the 1989 "Greatest Show on Earth", so watch for him when the circus comes to your town.

J. Brook Millman, '84, has landed a recurring role on the soap "As the World Turns", as the character of babysitter "Carrie Sturges". Professionally, Brooke uses Mills as her last name.

ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS FOR 1988

BERNADETTE HENNEGAN is attending LaSalle University in Philadelphia. She is majoring in Accounting. While at CHS she excelled in Field Hockey and La Crosse as well as Homemaking.

HUN SOK KANG was awarded the JACK AND NORMA WAGMAN Scholarship. At CHS he was the Math Team Manager, Varsity Soccer team member, Activities Editor of the '88 Yearbook and Co-Captain of the Astronomy Club.

CARMELLA BAXTER is a student at the University of Pennsylvania. She was in the concert band and was named an OUTSTANDING STUDENT in the senior class with a perfect 4.0 average.



1988 GRADUATES RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIP CHECKS. (From left) Herbert Fleisher '32 with Bernadette Hennegan, Hun Sok Kang and Carmella Baxter and Joan Sundheim '52, Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee.

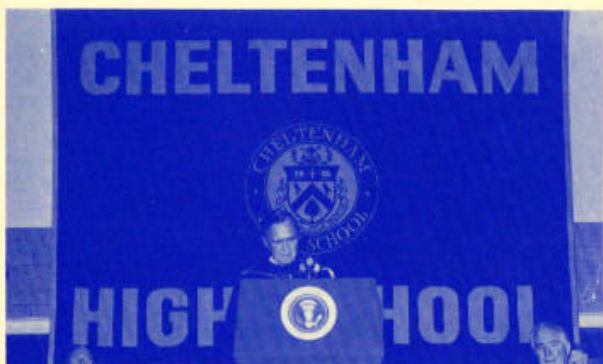
1989 CHS COMMENCEMENT



J. Rodgers, principal & C. Stamm, sponsor



Members of the class of '89



Remarks from the President



President greeting members of class (photo credit) Phila. Inquirer - Ed Hillie



A farewell to the class & audience



David Stollman, Student Council President



Simona Gurevich



School Board President James Bell with daughter Rachel

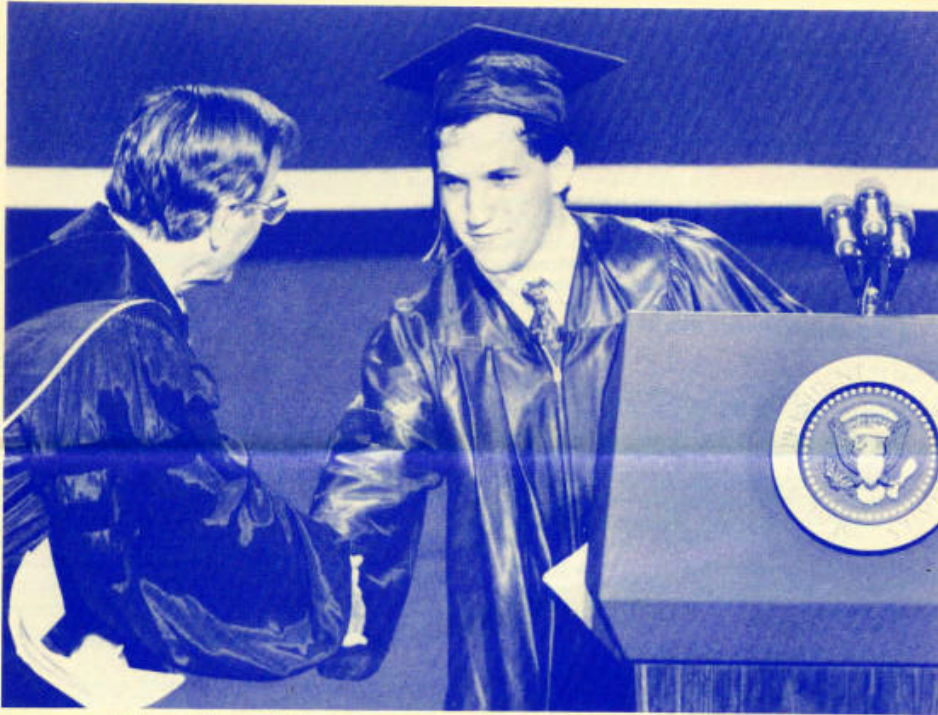


Lynn Goldsmith



Surprise kiss

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Jeffrey Schwarzschild, class president (photo credit) Phila. Inquirer - Ed Hillie



Serina Fennell



Hang Nguyen, Commencement Speaker



Chanin Becker presenting flight jacket and Dr. Lauro Cavazos



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Dr. Charles Stefanski, Supt.



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REUNION REVIEW

Class of 1933 . . . held its 55th reunion at Cedarbrook Hills Country Club on November 4, 1988. Over thirty alumni attended the luncheon at which they were entertained by the Cheltenham High School Ensemble. Special guest Dr. Herman Wessel joined in the reunion festivities.

Class of 1948 . . . held their 40th reunion on October 29, 1988 at the Coach Inn in Fort Washington. The 112 attendees, over 70 of whom were CHS grads, ate, danced to a live orchestra, and shared wonderful memories. The sparkle of the evening was enhanced by the case of champagne donated by classmate Myron Waxman, who will be chairing the class's next reunion in 5 years.

Class of 1958 . . . celebrated its 30th reunion at Philmont Country Club on November 25, 1988. The reunion committee was chaired by Duane Sonneborn and included Lynn Cohen Bortman, Sandy Speer Simon, Wilma Burley Grant, Lynne Englebach Lynn, Joel Schwartz, Dick Stern, Melanie Wuest Hopkins, Mickey Langsfeld, Roy Thompson and Howard Paul. Among the first time reunion attendees were Paul Boyd, New York City; Kathy Draeger Hall, Dallas, Texas; Dick Dulaney, Lebanon, Tennessee; Robert Jackson, Philadelphia; Steve Hoffman, Blue Bell, PA; Joe O'Donnell, Southampton, PA; Gail Savin Kelly, San Antonio, Texas; and Sue Franklin, Stewartsville, PA. Former CHS faculty members Dr. Edwin Keim, Paul LaMorgia and Dave Harr dropped by to join the festivities. In conjunction with the reunion, the Class of '58 has made a gift of \$1,000 to the CHSAA Scholarship Fund in memory of their classmates, Philip Smedley and Alan Berger. The class will begin plans for its 35th reunion in the near future.

REUNIONS: COMING ATTRACTIONS

Class of 1954 . . . 35th Reunion will be held at the Cedarbrook Hills Country Club on October 21, 1989. Contact: Ronald Cohen, (215) 379-5338.

Class of 1964 . . . "The Prom Revisited" is the theme for this 25th Reunion, to be held at the Philmont Country Club on November 24, 1989. Contact: Jane Cladwell Almes, (215) 887-6816.

Class of 1969 . . . 20th Reunion scheduled for November 25, 1989 at the Adams Mark Hotel. Contact: Bob Sklaroff, (215) 549-8500 or Betsy Stein Rubinstone, (215) 887-9786.

Class of 1979 . . . Being planned. Contact: Dan Werthur or Carolyn Gittis Werthur, (215) 569-4369.

Class of 1983 . . . Better late than never, aiming for a date in November, 1989. Contact: Greg Rothstein, (215) 884-4720.

Class of 1984 . . . First five-year reunion being planned. Contact: Michelle Masarsky (215) 572-5238 or Lisa Abramson, (215) 735-5797.

Class of 1983 . . . Will be having their reunion at Glenside Memorial Hall, November 24, 1989. Contact: Joanne VanRensselaer, (215) 635-0281, Jane Bradigan, (215) 572-6744, Dave Stimmel, (215) 884-6115 or Peggy Kerwin, (215) 236-0589.

Class of 1940 . . . We need help finding classmates for our 1990 Reunion. Call or write **Carol Schloss Brenner**, 328 Harrison Ave., Elkins Park, PA 19117. Or call (215) 635-3230.

Class of 1968 . . . Classmates from as far as Wyoming, Arizona and California came "home" on November 26, 1988 to attend their 20th class reunion at Cedarbrook Hills Country Club. Many of the 275 people in attendance donned buttons emblazoned with their yearbook picture. After a sit-down dinner, a 1988 Class Picture was taken and a rousing game of 1968 Trivia was enjoyed by all.

Class of 1978 . . . enjoyed an evening at the Royce Hotel on November 26, 1988. This 10th reunion brought alum all the way from Washington State. Camaraderie, conversation and the challenge of answering trivia questions about 1978 made this a memorable evening for all in attendance.

Class of 1988's Shining Stars

- ★ The Phi Beta Kappa Award was earned by Maire Reavy '88 and Hun Sok Kang '88. This highest academic award was presented in recognition of these students' intellectual integrity and outstanding academic performance.
- ★ Richard Dansky, Faye Halpern and Maire Reavy were 1988 National Merit Scholarship winners.
- ★ Four students, Carmella Baxter, Faye Halpern, Maire Reavy and Elisa Ross, received Academic Excellence acknowledgement from Cheltenham High School for maintenance of a 4.0 grade point average.

Class of 1989's Stars

- ★ Phi Beta Kappa for outstanding academic achievement: Martha Bulyk, Keith Damsker and Randy Weinstein.
- ★ National Merit Scholarship winners: Simona Gurevich and Anne Sjostrom.
- ★ National Hispanic Scholarship Winner: Beatriz Garcia.
- ★ Academic Excellence with a 4.0 grade point average: Chanin Becker, Rachel Blum, Simona Gurevich and Rachel Weinstock.

CHS GOES HOLLYWOOD

"Is there a Q?"; "Pat I'd like to buy a vowel!"—phrases dear to America's heart, and on the lips of two CHS grads. Yes, not just one but two CHS alums were contestants in 1988 on that ever popular TV show, "Wheel of Fortune".

Dr. Grant Weiss, '75 asserts that far more important and exciting than being named this Fall as Co-director of Emergency Services and President-Elect of the Medical Staff at St. Catherine Hospital in California, was his appearance on America's #1 game show and the experience of giving that wheel a spin.

And Jon Ball, '82, found time in his busy life as a professional musician and law student at Temple University to jet out to the coast this December to try to solve those puzzles. Jon came home with a nice contribution toward next semester's tuition and lots of great memories.

OK boys, tell us the truth — what's Vanna *really* like?

Class of '89

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At the conclusion of the program Simona Gurevich, a National Merit Scholarship winner and also in the top two percent of the class, presented President Bush and Dr. Lauro F. Cavazos, U.S. Secretary of Education, with honorary diplomas. Dr. Cavazos accompanied the President from Washington and assisted with the presentation of diplomas.

A book was presented to Cavazos by Chanin Becker, also a Merit Scholarship finalist and in the top two percent of the class. She presented the President with "the only" personalized Cheltenham High School flight jacket.

Clutching the flight jacket, President Bush walked from one end of the platform to the other waving to the audience and members of the graduating class before being escorted out to Marine One for his return to Washington.

The President's visit is over, however, for the 331 graduates, parents, friends, alumni and the Cheltenham community, this once in a lifetime experience of meeting the President of the United States will not soon be forgotten.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1989!



Cindi Barry, gave invocation



Sharing a light moment are J. Reavy, Director of Guidance & J. Rodgers, Principal

CHS Graduates Among Victims of Flight 103 Pan Am Airline Crash

David Dornstein, class of 1981, and Martin Apfelbaum, class of 1947 perished, along with 257 others, when Pan Am Flight 103 crashed into the Scottish village of Lockerbie.

Dornstein worked for the Coalition for the Advancement of Jewish Education in New York until July of 1988. He helped organize the Coalition's international conference in Israel and left the organization following the conference and remained in Israel. Dornstein was a Brown University graduate, where he was a creative writing major.

Apfelbaum was a prominent stamp dealer in the City of Philadelphia. He was president of Earl P.L. Apfelbaum Inc. He served as past president of the American Stamp Dealers Association and was a columnist for several Philatelist Journals.

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