

## Marshall Nanninga

by Doug Kent

Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Miami and boating should be all you need to identify this month's "Hottie". Here are a few more helpful hints.

Born December 25, 1922 at 3PM, he was the only child that year to ruin his doctors Christmas dinner. Raised in Chicago, he attended public schools with no major mishaps, graduating from Hyde Park High School in 1940. His father was a civil engineer and his mother was a concert pianist. Both were avid sailors and our hottie acquired his nautical blood from them. He insists that he was never seasick because his mother rode across Lake Michigan in high seas while pregnant with him. He spent his summers on the family's 32 foot yawl on Lake Michigan and became an accomplished sailor. He has never allowed sailing to drift far from his life.

The summer after high school he went to live with his aunt, whose husband was an assistant director for 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox in Los Angeles, where fate would have it that he was asked to be in a movie called "Yesterdays Heroes". He returned home to enroll at the University of Chicago to study business. The war however, interfered with his education and he entered the Army Air Corps and did his basic training in Miami Beach. After basic training he trained at Hamilton Field in California in the Weight and Balance School. He was assigned to Guadalcanal and then New Caledonia during the war.

With the world at peace he returned to the University of Chicago and completed his undergraduate and graduate degrees in business. His major was accounting and finance which served him well throughout his career and life. His first position was with Emporium Capwell Company, a well known department store in San Francisco, where he trained to become a buyer. After four years in San Francisco, and experiencing some family deaths, he returned to his birthplace to be with the family. He took a position with the Pure Oil Company in their Marine Accounting Division. For 15 years he worked with Pure Oil until they were bought out.

His next position was with the Walter E. Heller Finance Company and for the next 20 years was their traveling auditor throughout the United States. His position afforded him the social freedom he sought with the stability he needed in his family life. In 1968 he purchased his first condo in Lauderdale by the Sea, and then purchased his current residence in 1974 on the Galt Ocean Mile.

He was involved since 1940 in a lifelong relationship with his friend Jack, who passed away in 1990. Several other close friendships are still maintained.

In 1984 he retired, the same year that his mother passed away. He has been a student of bridge since his retirement, sailed as a crew member, and was a host on Royal Viking for 2 years. He has been active with two charity groups, The English Speaking Union and Freedom of Valley Forge. He is involved with Prime Timers and enjoys the social life of Wilton Manors and Fort Lauderdale.

