

# Bowyer-Lyness Newsletter

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George Lyness	John Lyness	Rosella Weddle	Henry Lyness	Josephine Bowyer	Albert Lyness	Frank Lyness	Walter Lyness
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## A Note From Jeremy and Janelle

Greetings, family and friends! It has been approximately five months since reunion, but it seems like I just saw everyone yesterday. I feel blessed to have been adopted into this family by marriage. While my family has always been fairly close, I can honestly say that the Lyness/Bowyer clan has family gatherings down to an art.

At this time of year, I am constantly reminded of the importance of family – a family built on love and mutual trust; a family that loves spending time together,

encouraging one another and making memories that will last a lifetime. I feel honored that many of my own such memories include some of your smiling faces. And the best part is that we aren't finished making those memories. I look forward to what the future holds and the chances we will have to come together as a family.

I encourage you to reach out to those you love, both near and far, and realize the incredible gift you have been given. Is there a family member you haven't spoken to in a while? Give them a call. A family member you have had a disagreement with? Make contact and tell them how much you love and appreciate them. As you look through the rest of this newsletter, I hope the names mentioned within will bring you fond memories and remind you that you are part of a special group of people with a unique and unbreakable bond – a family.

Know that you are always in our thoughts and prayers, and Janelle and I are already looking forward to seeing you all again in a year and a half! Speaking of which, hopefully we will be announcing more information regarding the next reunion soon. Being new to this reunion planning stuff, we are working through the learning curve right now. We hope you will all be able to attend.

Family is important. I look forward to creating new memories with each of you.

Merry Christmas,

Jeremy and Janelle Hoffpauir

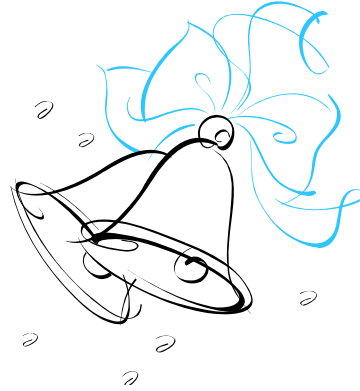
## Reunion

The most recent reunion was held July 10-12, 2015, at Golden Bell Camp and Conference Center. Fifty-four people attended. Janelle and Jeremy Hoffpauir were unanimously elected joint chairpeople of the planning committee. The planning committee made the following report:

- Rick Melone will continue as treasurer-registrar for the reunion.
- The next reunion will be in the summer of 2017 in Indiana, exact date and location to be announced.
- The auction yielded \$1028, which will meet the financial needs of the group for the next two years.

The planning committee consists of Janelle Hoffpauir and Jeremy Hoffpauir (co-chairpeople), Janet Bova, Ray Bowyer, Kathy Carnell, Marilyn Jenkins, Karen Lyness, Carol McNary, and Rick Melone.

Everyone present at the reunion expressed gratitude to Carol McNary for her many years of service as chairperson of the planning committee.



## Weddings

Andrea Cook, daughter of Philip Cook and granddaughter of Phyllis Cook, married Brent Davidson July 18, 2015.

Malcolm Boone, son of Tom Boone and grandson of Twyla Boone, married Meghan Dukes August 1, 2015, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Raymond LeBlanc, son of Julie LeBlanc and grandson of Dick Bowyer, married Cheyenne Harms August 14, 2015, in Clearwater, Florida.

Todd Burns, son of Bonnie Burns and grandson of Frieda Hollis, married Rachel Franceschi August 21, 2015.



## Births

Kara Kempton, daughter of Marilyn Jenkins and granddaughter of Viola Rose, and her husband, Shane, had Olivia Grace Kempton June 3, 2015.

Cody Ryan Henry, son of Nancy Henry and grandson of Anita Wolfe, and his wife, Margaret, had Abel Chase Henry July 11, 2015.

Raymond LeBlanc, son of Julie LeBlanc and grandson of Dick Bowyer, and his wife, Cheyenne, had Layla LeBlanc August 16, 2015.

Taylor Stitt, son of Tracy Stitt and grandson of Tobie Stitt, and his wife, Kellie, had Kyleigh Marie Stitt October 16, 2015.

Kevin Harward, son of Ellen Harward and grandson of Ray Bowyer, and his wife, Lara, had Hazel Marye Harward October 24, 2015.

Michael Harward, son of Ellen Harward and grandson of Ray Bowyer, and his wife, Laura Beth, had Kate Elizabeth Harward December 7, 2015. That was the birthday of Kate's great-great-grandfather, Ralph Bowyer.

Nathan Krege, son of Deborah Krege and grandson of Barbara Shoop, and his wife, Joanie, had Chandler Rachel Krege. Unfortunately, we don't have the date of birth.



## Deaths

Doris Lyness, widow of Lawrence Lyness, who was the son of Fred Lyness and grandson of George Lyness, died June 12, 2015.

Douglas McNary, son of Carol McNary and grandson of Hazel Wilkins, died November 14, 2015, in Overland Park, Kansas. Doug's military career included intelligence assignments at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina and in the Middle East, including Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He was also at SHAPE headquarters of NATO in Belgium and was a speech writer for Secretary of Defense William Cohen, which occasioned travel over the world. He had a Master's Degree from Georgetown University, and was a fellow for the Council on Foreign Relations and 21st Century Trust. He also served as a White House Military Social Aide from 1995 to 1999. His services were held December 12, 2015. Inurnment will be at the US Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs in the spring. The family thanked the VA Medical hospital in Leavenworth for their help with his PTSD and its irreversible effects.



## Other Family News— Pem and Josie Descendants

Robert Jensen, son of Vivian Jensen and grandson of Robert Doonan, graduated from

Eastern University in St. Davids, Pennsylvania.

Michael Cochran, son of Vi Cochran and grandson of Twyla Boone, has accepted a position with Cherry Creek Schools in Colorado.

Alana Wehinger, daughter of Anita Abercrombie and granddaughter of Ralph Bowyer, and her family have relocated to Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. Alana has accepted a position with Accenture.

Daylin McAnulla, son of Jeremy McAnulla and grandson of Clarence McAnulla, is on the football team at Putnam City West High School in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Timothy Bowyer, son of Patrick Bowyer and grandson of Dick Bowyer, has accepted a teaching position at Lasalle Intermediate Academy in South Bend, Indiana.

Trevor McAnulla, son of Jeremy McAnulla and grandson of Clarence McAnulla, had his appendix removed. At last report, he was recovering from surgery normally.

Jacinda Berokoff, daughter of Staci Berokoff and granddaughter of Marilyn Jenkins, was selected for the honor choir for her high school.

Clare Bowyer, daughter of Andy Bowyer and granddaughter of Ray Bowyer, was elected to the National Honor Society of Wayne Hills High School in Wayne, New Jersey.

## Other Family News— Other than Pem and Josie Descendants

Katie Ann Ravenna, daughter of Kelly Jo Ravenna and granddaughter of Harry Clark Lyness, graduated from East Central High School in St. Leon, Indiana, and attends Wake Forest University on a soccer scholarship. The Wake Forest team won its first game of the season.

Miranda Patton, daughter of Christopher Patton and granddaughter of Sherry Patton, announced her engagement to Walker Hinds.

Rhiannon Lyness, daughter of Ronald Lyness and granddaughter of Richard Lyness, has relocated to the Houston area, where she has accepted a nursing position with Memorial Hermann Children's Hospital.

Levi Nutt, son of Melinda Campbell and grandson of Phillip Lyness, received a commendation from the Chubbuck, Idaho, police department for excellence in performing his duties for saving the life of a resident of Chubbuck who had stopped breathing.

Eric Lyness, son of Richard Lyness, Junior, and grandson of Richard Lyness, has accepted a position with the University of Portland (Oregon) theatre department.

Harry Jay Lyness, son of Harry Clark Lyness and grandson of Harry Randolph Lyness, was selected as the 2015 Distinguished Evangelist of The United Methodist Church. Here is the announcement: "The Foundation for Evangelism announces the selection of Mr. Harry J. Lyness, a member of Dearborn Hills United Methodist Church near Lawrenceburg, Ind., as the 2015 Distinguished Evangelist of The United Methodist Church."

In nominating Mr. Lyness, Pastor Warren Kirk writes, "Harry believes that evangelism is a lifestyle and agrees with the theory that 'people don't care about what you believe, until they believe you care.' Once people know that you care about them as individuals they are more open and receptive in allowing you to share the Good News about Jesus with them. Harry's wish is to see all United Methodist congregations learn how to get outside the walls of the church building, stop just going to church and start being the church so they may share the Gospel of Christ with all their neighbors."

Randy Lyness, son of Harry Clark Lyness and grandson of Harry Randolph Lyness, was selected to fill an unexpired term as representative to the Indiana House from district 68.

Dylan Lyness, son of Peter Lyness and grandson of Phillip Lyness, made an eight-week tour of the eastern half of the country during a gap between completing two years of college education and beginning his third year.

Curtis Cook, son of Philip Cook and grandson of Phyllis Cook, graduated with a bachelor of music degree from Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee.

## The Family on the Web

The Bowyer/Lyness family is on the web at [www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness](http://www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness). The site has back issues of this newsletter, in case you want to know what happened in the past. Some video from the 2011 reunion has been shared by Rose Grammer. To access it, connect your internet browser to

<http://www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness/events.htm>, then click on one of the words in the center of the page.

Facebook members: In the box "Search for people, places and things" enter "Lyness family" to get access to Lyness information.

Pictures from several recent reunions are at <http://picasaweb.google.com/raybowyer01>.

## New Book

The book, Bowyer-Lyness Genealogy is available in print, for a price of \$38.50 plus \$5.00 shipping. Order it from your editor. It is also available on-line. Contact your editor if you would like to access it.

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## Future Issues

We welcome contributions of family news, events, etc. for future issues of this newsletter. If you know of something that has happened to a family member, send it to the newsletter editor:

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