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Enoch and Malinda Lyness

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George Lyness	John Lyness	Rosella Weddle	Henry Lyness	Josephine Bowyer	Albert Lyness	Frank Lyness	Walter Lyness
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Reunion

The most recent reunion was held July 24-26, 2009, at Golden Bell Camp and Conference Center. The attendance, at 81, was the highest in several years, and everyone who commented had a wonderful time.

The auction netted \$585.75. Sales of jewelry donated by Eugene Lyness netted \$2445.25. These funds will meet the needs of the family between now and the next reunion.

In the business meeting, Marilyn Jenkins was unanimously elected to be chairperson of the planning committee for the next reunion. The rest of the planning committee was also re-elected by acclamation. The planning committee consists of the following: Marilyn Jenkins, Twyla Boone, Ray Bowyer, Kathy Carnell, Janelle Hoffpauir, Karen Lyness, Sara Lyness, Carol McNary, and Wilma Parsons.

There was a consensus that some of the financial reserves that have been built up

should be used to reduce the cost of attendance for children, and to reduce the cost for first-time attendees. It was agreed to leave the details of this policy up to the planning committee.

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There was a consensus that we should reserve Golden Bell Camp and Conference Center for the next reunion. There was also a consensus that we would be pleased to meet in some other place, if someone is willing to do the work of finding a place and determining costs. In particular, it might be fun to meet in Indiana, where the Lynesses first settled in North America.

In the first act of her new administration, Marilyn set the dates of the next reunion as July 29-31, 2011.



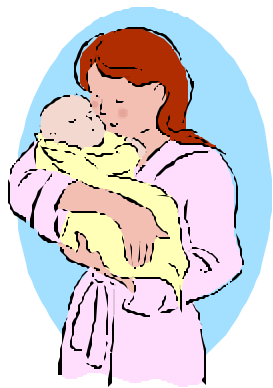
A Note from Marilyn

It seems hard to believe that it has already been six months since our summer family reunion. I was looking through my pictures

the other day and they brought back so many fun memories: Some of the fun photos that I have are: John and Ruth Lyness running carnival games for the kids, Margie Bowyer, the all time best auctioneer, Carol McNary with Phil and Rita Wilkins at the jewelry booth, Jeremy Hoffpauir doing face painting, and Wilma Parsons and Millie Rietz enjoying their birthday cake.

I guess the highlight for me, however, was the fact that we had a lot of families that I had not met before. It was exciting to see the large number of descendents of Willard Lyness. He had two children and 10 grandchildren along with some great-grandchildren. What a great family this represented. I am always amazed at what a beautiful and talented family we have. Our common ancestors, Enoch and Malinda Lyness, must have been such special people. I am looking forward to seeing everyone again in just a year and a half....

Marilyn



New Additions

We learned of several births in the family of Mark Hollis, son of Frieda Hollis and grandson of Cora Simmons. His son, Tom Hollis, and his wife, Amy, had Stephen Hollis September 29, 2001, and Coen M. Hollis November 24, 2003. His daughter,

Alicia Hollis, had Deanna Tamamarie Hollis September 30, 1997, and Sarah Leanne Hollis August 13, 2001.

We learned of several births to George Hollis, son of Daniel Hollis and grandson of Frieda Hollis, and his wife, Chrissy. They had Alexandria Hollis, born in about 1996, Jessica Hollis, born in about 1998, and Ethan Hollis, born in January, 2000.

Grace Geigler, daughter of Nancy Geigler and granddaughter of George Thorsen, had Jasmine January 18, 2009.

Stephanie Fullwood, daughter of Sandra Bozman and granddaughter of Richard Bowyer, had Keira Marie Fullwood June 29, 2009.

Andrea Clark, daughter of Donna Holcomb and granddaughter of Richard Bowyer, and her husband, Tom Clark, had Thomas Everet Clark III September 24, 2009.

David Holcomb, son of Donna Holcomb and grandson of Richard Bowyer, and his wife, Jodi, had Sophia Rose Holcomb November 28, 2009. Dick and Del are putting the rest of us to shame with all their additions.

Bobby Lyness, son of Lawrence Lyness and grandson of Fred Lyness, and his wife, Teresa, had Aleta Grace Lyness January 5, 2010, at Nevada, Missouri.

Patrick Bowyer, son of Dick Bowyer and grandson of Pem and Josie, and his wife, Jennifer, had William Frances Bowyer on February 15, 2010, in Michigan.

Alana Wehinger, daughter of Anita Abercrombie and granddaughter of Ralph Bowyer, and her husband, Mike, had Lily Anita Wehinger February 15, 2010, in Australia.



Weddings

Jacoba Nutt, daughter of Melinda Nutt, and granddaughter of Phil Lyness, married William Christopher Poppleton September 13, 2008. They reside in Logan, Utah.

Stacy Patton, daughter of Sherry Patton and granddaughter of Mary Scherler, married Cody Pearce on July 25, 2009. It hurt the attendance at the reunion, but we're happy for her anyway.

Gary Storms, son of Linda Storms and grandson of Maurice Lyness, was married in August, 2009, in Ames, Iowa. Unfortunately, we weren't told the name of the blushing bride.



Deaths

Marguerite McAnulla, daughter of Florence Doonan and granddaughter of Pem and Josie, died June 26, 2009. To the best of the knowledge of your editor, she was the oldest surviving family member. Again to the best of his knowledge, that mantle now belongs to Frieda Hollis, daughter of Cora Simmons and granddaughter of Pem and Josie. Frieda was born in 1921.



Other Family News

Alana Wehinger, daughter of Anita Abercrombie and granddaughter of Ralph Bowyer, has become an Australian citizen. She, her husband Michael, and their son Dean and daughter Lily are all dual citizens of the United States and Australia.

Meghan Cook, daughter of Steven Cook and granddaughter of Phyllis Cook, graduated from Indiana University in May, 2009, with a doctor's degree in Optometry. She is now practicing in New Haven, Connecticut.

Lauren Cook, daughter of Steven Cook and granddaughter of Phyllis Cook, graduated from St. Olaf College in May, 2009, with a degree in music performance. She is now pursuing a master's degree in music at Northwestern University in Chicago.

Some pictures from the reunion (taken by Ray Bowyer) are available at <http://picasaweb.google.com/raybowyer01>.

Some other pictures (taken by Nancy Geigler) are available at <http://tinyurl.com/yk7z88a>

Mark Berekoff, husband of Staci Berokoff, who is the daughter of Marilyn Jenkins and granddaughter of Viola Rose, has accepted a position on the basketball coaching staff of Louisiana Technical University in Ruston,

Louisiana, so they have relocated to Louisiana. They managed to be there when Louisiana had a very rare snowfall.

Nancy Hauser, daughter of Wilma Parsons and granddaughter of Helen Cloud, and her family have moved into their new home in Englewood, Colorado. Her husband, Steve, accepted a position in Colorado.

Kendra Miller, daughter of Ken Rose and granddaughter of Viola Rose, passed her test and is now a full-fledged physical therapist.

Stacy Patton-Pearce, daughter of Sherry Patton and granddaughter of Mary Scherler, is now a web-site developer and graphic artist. See some of her work at <http://www.p-pitchfork.com/>.

Michael Harward, son of Ellen Harward and grandson of Ray Bowyer, has announced his engagement to Laura Beth Burger, with the wedding scheduled for September 5, 2010.

Bobby Lee, son of Kathy Lee and grandson of John Lyness, has announced his engagement to Amanda Ann Fries. No wedding date has been set.

Stephanie Lee, daughter of Kathy Lee and granddaughter of John Lyness, has returned from a semester of study in Athens, Greece. She is pleased she had the opportunity, but glad to be home again.

Marilyn Jenkins, daughter of Viola Rose and granddaughter of Pem and Josie, had a cornea transplant and surgery on her feet. Both surgeries went well, and she is seeing and walking much better than before.

Sam Geigler, son of Nancy Geigler and grandson of George Thorsen, is working as a certified nursing assistant in the Lexington, Kentucky, area.

Kyria Brown, daughter of Robert Boone and granddaughter of Twyla Boone, is working as a day-car teacher. Her husband, Bryan, has passed his probationary period and is now a member of the Rochester, New York police force.

Molly Harris, daughter of Bessie Stark and granddaughter of George Lyness, had back surgery, and has fully recovered. Her husband, Tom, was injured in a fall from a ladder, but has recovered very well. Their daughter, Sally, and her husband, Bob, have moved back to Wisconsin after living in Orlando, Florida for a while. Their daughter, Mary Ann, and her husband, Roger, sell Nature's Sunshine supplements.

The following information was received from Melinda Campbell, daughter of Phillip Lyness and granddaughter of Willard Lyness:

? Her oldest son, Justin, has two boys: Dalton, 7, and Mack, 2.

? Jacoba obtained a Master's degree, and is working in public relations at Utah State University.

? Devon works as a master mechanic.

? Dallas is studying geology at Utah State University.

? Levi is on a mission in Fort Lauderdale, Florida; it is scheduled to end March 11, 2010.

John Lyness, son of Charles Lyness and grandson of John Lyness, was hospitalized for a short time with heart problems. The surgeons placed a stent in a femoral artery. He is recovering very well.

Randy Lyness, son of Richard Lyness and grandson of Charles Lyness, went to Haiti as part of a team to aid with earthquake recovery.

Wilma Parsons, daughter of Helen Cloud and granddaughter of Pem and Josie, has been dealing with a loss of hearing. It isn't clear whether it is temporary or permanent.

Tina Blankenship, daughter of Jane Youngers and granddaughter of Marguerite McAnulla, has moved to Kansas City, Kansas, where she has accepted a position with KVC Behavioral Health. She's doing a mixture of case management and therapy, for children and families in the foster care system.

Mike Cochran, son of Vi Cochran and grandson of Twyla Boone, is in the United States Army, stationed in Korea.

Dan Hollis, son of Frieda Hollis and grandson of Cora Simmons, moved from California to Greeley. He is able to be a lot of help to his mother now that they live together.

Kenny Burnett, son of Sherri Burnett and grandson of Stephen Hollis, is a United States Marine, mechanic on Assault Amphibious Vehicles, stationed in North Carolina.

Lyness Round Robin

The Lyness Round Robin seems to have become stuck somewhere. If by any chance you know where it is, try to break it loose. If it doesn't show up soon, we'll start a new version of it to the same list of addresses.

Web Sites

There are two web sites of interest to this family: www.lyness.org, and www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness. Check them out. Among other things, the second one has back issues of this newsletter, in case

you want to know what happened in the past.

Taking Advantage of E-mail

We are again sending this issue of the newsletter only by E-mail to those for whom we have E-mail addresses. If you are receiving this issue one way, and would like it another way, send a message to your editor and we'll send it by your preferred way.



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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