

Bowyer-Lyness Newsletter

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Enoch and Malinda Lyness

George Lyness	John Lyness	Rosella Weddle	Henry Lyness	Josephine Bowyer	Albert Lyness	Frank Lyness	Walter Lyness
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2011 Reunion

The 2011 reunion was held July 29-31, 2011, at Golden Bell Conference Center.

The planning committee approved a contribution of \$50.00 each for all the children attending, to offset part of the cost of registration and traveling to the reunion.

The planning committee approved an “off-year” gathering in September, 2012. Kathy Carnell and Karen Lyness agreed to take the lead in planning and preparing for the gathering.

Kay Minter was elected treasurer, replacing Wilma Parsons.

The auction and raffle raised \$732.31, which will provide adequate funds for the organization to function until the next reunion.

The group approved another reunion in 2013. Chairperson Marilyn Jenkins scheduled it for July 26-28.

Some pictures from the reunion are at <http://picasaweb.google.com/raybowyer01>.



A Note from Marilyn

For those who did not go to the Bowyer-Lyness reunion this past summer, you missed a treat. We had a total of about 60 people, some of whom did not stay long, but got to spend some time. For me, highlights of the reunion were:

Making a field trip with some of the family to see the Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument. I had never been there before, and found it fascinating. Since I rode with

John, Ruth, and Karen Lyness, it gave me some extra time to visit with them and I learned things about John I had not known before. Thank you, Margie, for planning that trip for us.

Getting to have a marshmallow roast without standing in the dripping rain, as we had done the previous reunion.

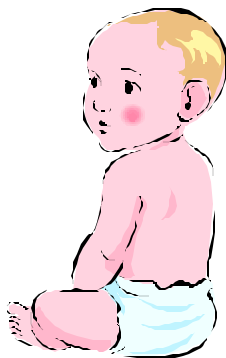
Seeing how much the kids had grown in two years and watching them enjoy the parachute, the zip line, and other games.

Hearing Wilma sing about her "favorite things" and meeting our "Lyness Queen cousin from Oregon" (you had to be at the reunion to understand that one...)

Meeting some new cousins and reminiscing about the previous 60 years of reunions.

Thanks so much to all of you who had a part in making the reunion a success: Ray and Margie Bowyer, Carol McNary, Kathy Carnell, Wilma Parsons, Twyla Boone, Teresa Lyness, Rick Melone, and Jeremy and Janelle Hoffpaur (and any others that I may have forgotten to mention).

Marilyn



Births

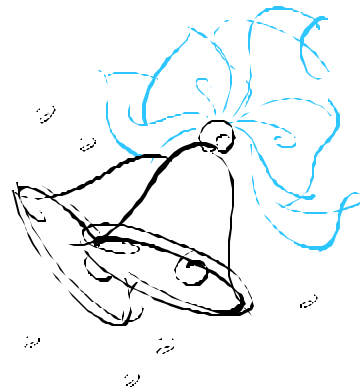
Kandace Skolant, daughter of Roy Doonan and granddaughter of Willard Doonan, and

her husband, Paul, had Lucia Rose Skolant May 13, 2010.

Shelli Marie Stoss, daughter of John Stoss and granddaughter of Darlene Stoss, had Madison Rea Henning September 1, 2010.

Timothy Blaylock, son of Barbara Blaylock and grandson of Norma Jasinski, and his wife, Jamie, had Chloe Ann Blaylock December 7, 2010.

Katy Kinder, daughter of Russ Scherler and granddaughter of Mary Scherler, and her husband, Jeremy, had Kyle Weston Kinder June 17, 2011.



Weddings

Gary Storms Milian, son of Linda Storms and grandson of Maurice Lyness, married Steven Milian. They have adopted Xander Dean Milian (born in 2002) and Zoe Mayarit Milian (born in 2004).

Robert J. Lee, son of Kathryn Lee and grandson of John C. Lyness, married Mandy Fries October 1, 2011, in Indiana.



Deaths

Tom Harris, husband of Molly Harris, who is the daughter of Bessie Stark and the granddaughter of George Lyness, died August 18, 2011. He is survived by Molly, three daughters, one son, and three grandsons.

Richard E. Blaylock, husband of Barbara Blaylock, who is the daughter of Norma Jasinski and granddaughter of Mabel Camp, passed away Oct. 27, 2011. He had been sick for a while, and died of liver failure. He was cremated and his ashes were scattered in a stream in Silver Mines State Park in southern Missouri. It was real beautiful down there. His sons Daniel and Timmy are doing the best they can.



Other Family News— Pem and Josie Descendants

Norma Rose, whose husband, Ken, is the son of Viola Rose and grandson of Pem and Josie, had knee replacement surgery in May. She was able to attend the reunion, but she was still a little bit tender from the surgery. Later on, she had cataract surgery and had some growths removed. She's had a busy medical year.

Amber Burns, daughter of Bonnie Burns and granddaughter of Frieda Hollis, graduated from Greeley (Colorado) Central High School.

Brittany Burns, daughter of Bonnie Burns and granddaughter of Frieda Hollis, graduated from Frontier Academy in Greeley, Colorado, and is now attending Aims Community College in Greeley.

Michael Harward, son of Ellen Harward and grandson of Ray Bowyer, has been transferred to Birmingham, Alabama, with Norfolk Southern Railroad. His wife, Laura Beth Harward, is taking courses with the objective of becoming an occupational therapist.

Twyla Boone, daughter of Ralph Bowyer and granddaughter of Pem and Josie, had shoulder surgery in August. At last report, she was recovering very satisfactorily.

We have several newly-found family members, found by Del Bowyer (wife of Dick Bowyer, who is the son of John Bowyer and the grandson of Pem and Josie). Dick and Del's daughter, Sandra, had given up a baby for adoption in 1981. The baby's name became Rebecca Elizabeth Major. She has now grown up, married, and has a family. Her husband is Keith Whiting, and her children are Autumn (8), Gracie (4), Remington (3), Liberty (1), and Gwendolyn (newborn). We welcome all these people to the family, and hope they can come to a

reunion someday so we can meet them in person.

Brent Landau, son of Donna Landau and grandson of Bertha Vosburgh, has accepted a position with an engineering firm near Huntsville, Alabama, and relocated there.

Jodie Holcomb, wife of David Holcomb, who is the son of Donna Holcomb and grandson of Richard Bowyer, has been promoted to bank manager.

Philip Harward, son of Ellen Harward and grandson of Ray Bowyer, has been initiated into Phi Kappa Tau fraternity at the University of Georgia, where he is a junior majoring in business.

Janelle Hoffpauir, daughter of Kenneth Rose and granddaughter of Viola Rose, has accepted a position of data coordinator for the education department of MidAmerica Nazarene University in Olathe, Kansas (not far from Kansas City). She and Jeremy are in the process of relocating to Olathe.

Other Family News— Other than Pem and Josie Descendants

John Giltner, son of Laura Giltner and grandson of Ruth Dillon, and his wife, Paula, had some damage in the storm that hit Joplin, Missouri, on May 23. Windows and doors were blown out, and some trees fell, but they were not injured.

Ron Giltner, son of Laura Giltner and grandson of Ruth Dillon, and his wife, Diane, had serious damage in the storm that hit Joplin. The roof of their home was blown off, and a tree fell on a car, but they were not injured.

Althea Lyness, daughter of Randy Lyness and granddaughter of Richard Lyness, made a trip to Brussels, Belgium, leaving in May and returning in August.

Kate Laiser, daughter of Jack Lyness and granddaughter of John Lyness, and her husband, Jacob, have moved into a new apartment in the Mar Vista neighborhood of Los Angeles.

Randy Lyness is a candidate for state representative for District 55 in Indiana. Randy is descended from Joseph Hargitt Lyness, Jr., a brother of Enoch Morgan Lyness. He is fourth cousin to many readers of this newsletter.

John Lyness, son of Charles Lyness and grandson of John Lyness, has been hospitalized with internal bleeding and an infection. At press time, the doctors believed they understood the source of the bleeding, and were working to stop it.

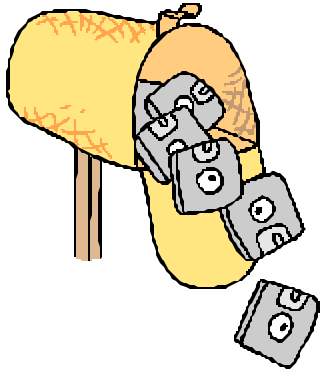
Web Sites

There are two web sites of interest to this family: www.lyness.com, 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

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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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