

# 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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## 2013 Reunion

The next reunion will be July 26-28, 2013.  
Please put it on your calendar.

Some pictures from previous reunions are at  
<http://picasaweb.google.com/raybowyer01>.



## Chairman's Message

What a summer this has been. Between the heat, the drought, and trying to keep up with the grandkids, time has really flown. In the

middle of it all, I have been hearing many exciting things about the reunion in Dearborn County, Indiana last month. I was sorry that I was unable to attend, due to a previously planned trip. How exciting to make contact with a group of cousins descended from the brother of Enoch Lyness, Joseph Hargitt Lyness. It sounded like everyone had a great time, telling family stories and making those all-important relationship connections. (I don't know if Ray can make his family tree chart long enough. It already filled one long wall at Golden Bell).

Speaking of Golden Bell, this is a good time to get out your 2013 calendar and add the Family Reunion that is coming up July 26-28<sup>th</sup>. The reunion will be at the Golden Bell Conference Center, in the foothills of the Rockies, with swimming, Frisbee golf, mountain climbing, rappelling, miniature golf, and gymnasium activities. So, please put the next reunion on your schedule and we will look forward to seeing you.

Between now and then, I am hoping to get more of my family history written down, as I am realizing more and more: What are day to day memories for me will be family history for my children and grandchildren. So, for each of you, I would encourage you to spend time writing down

your memories, and bring them, or send them to, the next reunion, allowing all of us to share your memories and add to our own.

Looking forward to next summer.

Marilyn

## Family Gathering

Your 2012 Family Gathering Committee organized an interim reunion in West Harrison, Indiana, July 20-22, 2012. It was held at the Higher Ground Conference and Retreat Center, and there are tentative plans to meet there again.

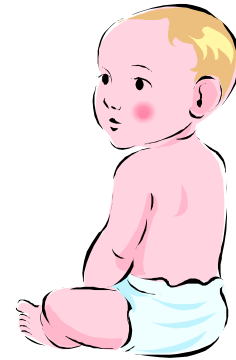
About 90 people attended, many from the local area. Thirty-six people came from out of town,

On Saturday morning, we had a bus tour of points of interest in the area, including cemeteries where some of our ancestors are buried and the point where Joseph Lyness landed in his flatboat in 1819. The group took up a collection, and gave Linda Maxwell (who had arranged for the bus) \$350.00, which she could use for the bus or donate to charity.

Of course, there were the usual activities: singing, speech-making, and time for visiting with old and new friends and relatives. Saturday afternoon, our newly discovered cousin, Linda Maxwell, and her branch of the family, hosted a get acquainted barbecue! We held a family church service on Sunday.

Everyone who attended is welcome to attend next summer at Golden Bell!

The planning committee consisted of Kathy Carnell, Marilyn Jenkins, Jack Lyness, John Lyness, and Karen Lyness.



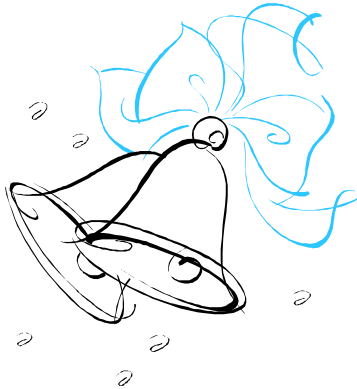
## Births

Tammy Blankinship, daughter of Jane Blankinship and granddaughter of Marguerite McAnulla, had Catherine Ava Sophia Blankinship May 9, 2012, at 11:46 a.m. Catherine weighed 8 pounds 14 ounces and was 21 ¼ inches long.

Justin Nutt, son of Melinda Campbell and grandson of Philip Lyness, and his wife, Jessica, had Alyssa June Nutt May 27, 2012. She weighed only 3 pounds 13 ounces, so she had a rough start.

Kristen Dayo, daughter of Janet Bova and granddaughter of Anita Wolfe, and her husband, Kevin Dayo, had a son, Vincent Teka-Banza Dayo, on July 24, 2012.

Michael Cochran, son of Vi Cochran and grandson of Twyla Boone, and his wife, Tabitha, had Rylan Gage Cochran August 13, 2012, at 4:14 a.m.



## Weddings

Holly Burns, daughter of Bonita Burns and granddaughter of Frieda Hollis, married Michael O'Neill March 17y, 2009.

Bobby Lee, son of Kathryn Lee and grandson of John Lyness, married Amanda Ann (Mandy) Fries, on October 1, 2011.



## Deaths

Perla Dillon, widow of Myron Dillon, who was the son of Ruth Dillon and grandson of George Lyness, died. We think it was this year, but we don't have the exact date.

Deana Gilbert, daughter of Ruth Dillon and granddaughter of George Lyness, died May 28, 2012.

Donna Jacobs, daughter of Lawrence Lyness and granddaughter of Fred Lyness, died March 4, 2012, of complications from cancer.



## Other Family News- Pem and Josie Descendants

David Holcomb, son of Donna Holcomb and grandson of Dick Bowyer, is currently working for Gulfstream Aerospace in Georgia. He is able to get home about every two weeks.

Michael Bowyer, son of Patrick Bowyer and grandson of Dick Bowyer, graduated from Perry High School in Perry, Michigan, and has enrolled in the computer science department at Lansing Community College in Lansing, Michigan.

Malcolm Boone, son of Tom Boone and grandson of Twyla Boone, has moved from Denver to Albuquerque, New Mexico, to be near his family.

Raymond LeBlanc, son of Julie LeBlanc and grandson of Dick Bowyer, has moved from Florida to Ohio.

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

Dallas Nutt, son of Melinda Campbell and grandson of Philip Lyness, suffered a brain aneurysm, probably the result of explosions while he was a Marine in Iraq. It resulted in some paralysis, and he is gradually recovering the ability to walk.

Chrystal Patton, daughter of Christopher Patton and granddaughter of Sherry Patton, graduated from Chattanooga High School in Chattanooga, Oklahoma. She is now attending Oklahoma State University, and has joined Kappa Delta sorority.

Miranda Patton, Chrystal's sister, was elected president of her Future Farmers of America chapter at Chattanooga High School.

Eric Lyness, son of Richard Lyness, Jr., and grandson of Richard Lyness, graduated from the University of Portland (Oregon), with a degree in acting, directing, and technical theatre.

Nathan Lyness, son of Robert Lyness and grandson of Richard Lyness, graduated from Fresno State University.

Althea Lyness, daughter of Randy Lyness and granddaughter of Richard Lyness, is a student at College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Andrea Cook, daughter of Philip Cook and granddaughter of Phyllis Cook, spent the summer working at a camp in Colorado. She is now doing student teaching in Dallas, and hopes to be an elementary school teacher after that.

Dylan Lyness, son of Peter Lyness and grandson of Phillip Lyness, is a student at the University of Nebraska, and a member of Theta Xi fraternity.

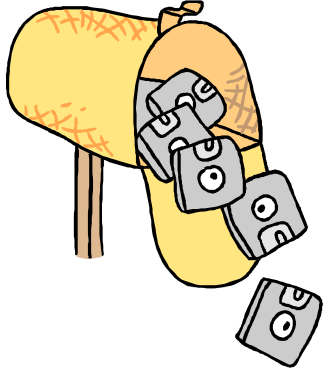
## Web Sites

There are two web sites of interest to this family: [www.lyness.com](http://www.lyness.com), and [www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness](http://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.

The book [Bowyer-Skavdahl Genealogy](#) is now on line. Contact your editor if you would like to access it.

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