

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 2013 reunion was held August 2-4, 2013, at Golden Bell Camp and Conference Center in Divide, Colorado. Attendance was 59.

The group approved a plan to return to Golden Bell in 2015, and it has been scheduled for July 24 to 26.

The group approved a plan to hold a reunion in Indiana in 2017. See Carol McNary's article below for details.

Twyla Boone resigned as registrar, after performing that duty for many years. Rick Melone agreed to be registrar for the 2015 reunion. Details will be in a future issue of this newsletter. We plan to have provision

for paying the deposit electronically, for those who find that more convenient than writing a check.

The planning committee approved a discount of \$25 for attendees 75 and older, and an early registration discount of \$25. The details of the discounts will be in a future issue of this newsletter.

Jeremy Hoffpauir agreed to create a Facebook page for the reunion.

Kay Minter reported that our treasury balance as of the beginning of the reunion was \$3500.00.

The auction netted \$1505, which is enough to cover operational cost until the next reunion.

Pictures taken at the reunion are available at <http://picasaweb.google.com/raybowyer01>.

One of the pictures, with everyone identified, is available by connecting to <http://www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness/118.htm>, then clicking on the link in the second line at the top.



Looking forward to Reunion 2015!

The 2013 reunion was a great time with some 55 of your relatives!! If you weren't lucky enough to join us in '13, we are planning the 2015 reunion for July 24-26, so you can start planning to join us then. Again we plan to go to Golden Bell at Divide, Colorado.

The group this year decided that in 2017, we should celebrate the 200th anniversary of the landing in Indiana of the great-great grandfather who came from England. The planning committee will be working on that soon.

Those who were in Colorado enjoyed the usual great weather and beautiful sunrises behind Pike's Peak. Some rain came Saturday evening, but cleared in time for the S'mores by the bonfire after our talent show. Some of the group thought the singing and visiting was the best yet, some thought the auction was the most fun, some delighted in looking through the genealogy and pictures from our past generations and reunions and such.

A special treat was a visit on Saturday with the cousins from Indiana, who are descendants of Enoch's brother, Joseph, who also married a Kuhn, so there are double cousins. They hosted our mini reunion in 2012, so they had met some of us.

Besides that treat, I especially enjoyed the talents shown: the skits by Jeremy Hoffpauer and Ken Rose, delightful piano music by Ashlyn Shriver, the accompanists for singing Burl Scherler and Jeannette Cook Thompson, and Wilma Parsons singing the Lord's Prayer on Sunday morning. I am sure the younger people would say the highlight was the pool, the miniature golf – or maybe zip line and hiking, but all together it was a delightful weekend at very reasonable cost – since everything there was included.

A big big thank you to Marilyn Jenkins - and to those she asked to help - Ray Bowyer, Burl Scherler as an awesome auctioneer, and Margie Bowyer getting the auctions organized.

The auction was important since it helps cover the costs for the year for Reunion and the Newsletter. We still had some jewelry to sell this year. Cousin Eugene Lyness, who lived in Ocean City, New Jersey, sent us his wife's Indian jewelry after she died. This spring, after Gene died, the administrator sent a few more silver pieces. We tried to "sell out" this year.

Marilyn Jenkins has asked for time off so she could play with grandchildren now that she retired from her job, so I agreed to help this year – but only with the help of Janelle (Rose) and Jeremy Hoffpauir. They have been helpful in the past, and live close to me – and are young so can help "carry on" over time. The rest of the committee remains pretty much the same, but we added Rick

Melone as our Registrar – to take our registrations for next time around. Ray Bowyer will continue to do the newsletter for which we are so grateful – and he continues to ask for news of additions and deaths to keep the family tree up to date.

Kay Minter (with George Thorsen's help) will continue as treasurer. Marilyn will stay on the committee along with Jack Lyness, Karen Lyness, Kathy Carnell, Teresa Lyness, Erica Storms, Wilma Parsons and other volunteers and draftees as needed! We do take volunteers, you note!! Jack tuned in for a while at the reunion by Skype, which was nice.

I continue to treasure the many pieces of family memorabilia that I have – including several hundred old letters, and real life relatives are even more special to me!! I wish you all the best in your lives and hope to meet more of you in 2015!

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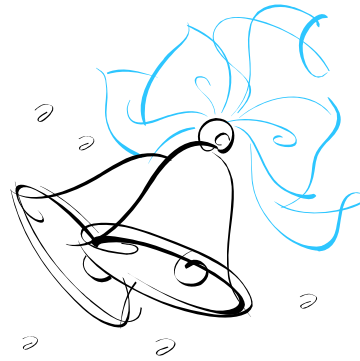
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Births

Stephanie Nelson, daughter of Sandra Nelson and granddaughter of Dick Bowyer, had Marcus Devon Fuller on May 4, 2013.

Kara Kempton, daughter of Marilyn Jenkins and granddaughter of Viola Rose, and her husband, Shane, had Penelope Alice Kempton July 15, 2013.



Weddings

Patrick McAnulla, son of James McAnulla and grandson of Marguerite McAnulla, married Karen Hall May 27, 2011. Patrick is now the owner of a carpet cleaning and repair business.

Tyler Mills, son of Claudia Mills and grandson of Anita Wolfe, married Samantha Cannon November 10, 2012, in Bonner Springs, Kansas.

William Hollis, son of Stephen Glenn Hollis and grandson of Stephen Gerald Hollis, married Samantha Ebrecht May 18, 2013, in Holt County, Missouri.

Warren Sheaves, son of Miriam Kennard and grandson of Warren Lyness, married Amelia Solada August 31, 2013.



Deaths

Marilyn Nielsen

We reported in the previous issue the death of Marilyn Nielsen, daughter of Willard Lyness and granddaughter of John Lyness. Marilyn's graveside burial service was held on her birthday, July 30, 2013 at 10:00 am.

Below is a link to a memorial page for Marilyn:

<http://www.adamsgreen.com/book-of-memories/1574092/Nielsen-Marilyn/service-details.php>

Please feel free to add photos, messages, stories etc. and to share with others you may feel interested.

Glenn Simmons

Glenn Dale Simmons, son of Cora Simmons and grandson of Pem and Josie, of Hermitage, Missouri, died Sunday December 23, 2012, at his home. He was born on September 17, 1929, in Eads, Colorado.

On May 17, 1947, he was united in marriage to Emma K Diemart in Tribune, Kansas. One son, Harold, was born to this union. Emma preceded him in death on May 22, 1994.

Mr. Simmons lived in Colorado and Kansas before moving to Edwards, Missouri, on February 4, 1964. While in Kansas, he worked the natural gas fields.

After moving to Missouri he was involved in the operations of his dairy and beef farm before selling it in 2003 to Lucas Cattle Company.

On October 22, 1995, he married Sydney Evelyn Router, and she resides in the Christian Healthcare Facility in Hermitage, Missouri. He was an active member of the Cross Timbers Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mildred, his parents, and an infant grandson. Surviving is his wife, Evelyn, of Hermitage, a son, Harold Simmons, and wife, Janie, of Edwards, four grandchildren, Bonita Boruss of Lebanon, Missouri, Sara Stoner and her husband, Eric of Dupo, Illinois, Julie Simmons of Dupo, Illinois, Junior Stroup, and wife, Amy, of Macks Creek, Missouri, a great-grandson, Daniel Stroup, of Macks Creek, Missouri, one brother, Paul Simmons, and wife, Ellen, of Eads, Colorado, a sister, Frieda Hollis of Greeley, Colorado, and several nieces and nephews.

Phillip Lyness



Phillip Eugene Lyness, son of Willard Lyness and grandson of John Lyness, died at age 90, July 5, 2013, at Lincoln, Nebraska, from causes incident to age. He was born August 29, 1922 in Lincoln to Willard E. and Edna Rawlings Lyness.

Philip enjoyed his growing up years on the University of Nebraska Agronomy Experimental Farm with his brother Warren and sisters Phyllis (his twin) and Marilyn. He graduated from Bethany High School (Lincoln). During WWII he was a B-24 bomber pilot in the South Pacific.

Philip married Ruth Ann Finkle in 1949, and they raised five children – Susan, Jeffery, Scott, Melinda, and Peter. The family was raised in Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, Texas, and Lincoln, Nebraska. His career was in agribusiness and land appraisal for the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Both before and after retirement, he enjoyed many volunteer positions in his church and community.. Phil was a people person and was always happy and cheerful. He particularly enjoyed and looked forward to the Lyness-Bowyer Reunions.

Survivors include his wife Ruth Ann, five children, eight grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Warren Lyness, and sister, Marilyn Lyness Nielsen.

Mary Beth Harris

Mary Beth "Molly" Stark Harris, daughter of Bessie Stark and granddaughter of George Lyness, died on August 12, 2013 of congestive heart failure. She had been on hospice in her home since the first of April with wonderful caregivers tending to her every need. Her daughter, Connie, was with her at her passing and she was peaceful and without pain. They are planning a family gathering and at a later date they will be scattering her ashes at the family ranch in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Her husband, Tom Harris, passed almost exactly 2 years ago and his ashes will be scattered at the same time.

Connie reported: "I hope the reunion this year was wonderful. Mother so enjoyed those gatherings with her family. I still remember my great aunt Ruth sitting down at the piano there in the big room to play for us back in the day. She was bent over with osteoporosis, but nothing dampened that great Lyness spirit of hers."



Other Family News— Pem and Josie Descendants

Philip Harward, son of Ellen Harward and grandson of Ray Bowyer, graduated from the University of Georgia. He has accepted a position as project manager at NCR (formerly National Cash Register).



Art Abercrombie, son of Anita Abercrombie and grandson of Ralph Bowyer, has completed dental school in Arizona and is opening a dental practice in Westminster, Colorado.

Michael Cochran, son of Vi Cochran and grandson of Twyla Boone, returned from Afghanistan for some rest and recreation with his family.

Sarah Hollis, daughter of Alicia Hollis and granddaughter of Mark Hollis, was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society.

Alicia Hollis, daughter of Mark Hollis and granddaughter of Frieda Hollis, has enrolled in the University of Phoenix in a program for Bachelor of Science in business management.

Ellen Harward, daughter of Ray Bowyer and granddaughter of Ralph Bowyer, has been appointed registrar of Mt. Bethel Academy in Marietta, Georgia. She had been working as an administrative assistant to the middle school principal at the same school.

Bryan Brown, husband of Kyria Brown, who is the daughter of Robert Boone and granddaughter of Twyla Boone, has accepted a position with the Fort Collins, Colorado, police department, and Bryan and Kyria have moved to Colorado.

Brittany Burns, daughter of Bonnie Burns and granddaughter of Frieda Hollis, is attending Aims Community College in Greeley, Colorado.

Other Family News— other than Pem and Josie Descendants

We reported in the previous issue that Rhiannon Lyness, daughter of Ronald Lyness and granddaughter of Richard Lyness, had graduated from the University of Arkansas. We now have a picture of her in cap and gown, which is shared below:



She works at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Little Rock.

Althea Lyness, daughter of Randy Lyness and granddaughter of Richard Lyness, graduated from College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Stacy Patton-Pierce, daughter of Sherry Patton and granddaughter of Mary Scherler, is now a marketing director for Crye-Leike Real Estate Company in Farmington, Arkansas.

John Lyness, son of Charles Lyness and grandson of John Lyness, had two strokes last year. Recovery has been good, although he has some balance problems that require use of a cane.

The Family on the Web

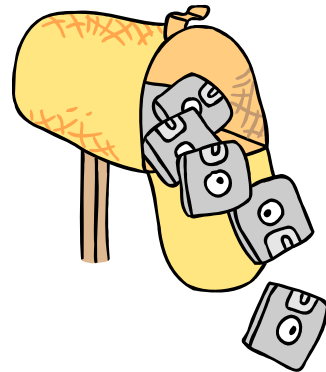
The Bowyer/Lyness family is on the web at www.bowyerfamily.org/lyness. The site has back issues of this newsletter, in case you want to know what happened in the past.

The book Bowyer-Skavdahl Genealogy is on line. Contact your editor if you would like to access it.

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

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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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Living Lyness Males

Several of us have been curious about the number of living males whose last name is Lyness, because they have the ability to pass the Lyness name on. We have lost track of some branches of the family, but this article tracks the ones who are known (and directly related). We start with Joseph Hargitt Lyness as generation zero. Joseph died in 1874, leaving two sons.

Generation one consists of Joseph's two sons, Enoch (died 1903) and Joseph Hargitt, Junior (died 1910).

Generation two consists of Enoch's sons, George Wesley, John Joseph, Henry, Albert, Frank, and Walter, and Joseph's sons John Randolph and George William. All have died.

Generation three gets more extensive. George Wesley had Arthur, Albert, and Fred. John Joseph had Charles Enoch, Herbert, Willard, Edwin, John Howard, and George Ernest. Henry had John Henry. Albert, Frank, and Walter might have had sons, but we don't have a record of them. John Randolph had Harry Randolph. George William had Paul and Frank Alton. To the best of your editor's knowledge, all in generation three have died.

Generation four:

Father	Son	Son's Status
Arthur	Abraham	Died—no sons
	Paul Iden	Died
Albert	Mendel	Died
	Maurice	Died—no sons
Fred	Lawrence	Died
	Lloyd	Died—no sons
	Charles Joseph	Died
Charles Enoch	Ralph	Died
	Richard	Died
	John	Alive
Willard	Warren	Died
	Phillip	Died
John Howard	Jay	Died—no sons
George	Eugene	Died—no sons
Harry Randolph	Harry Clark	Died
Paul	Eldon	Died—no sons

We believe the only survivor in generation four is John.

Generation five:

Father	Son	Son's Status
Paul Iden	Paul Shireman	Unknown—no sons

Mendel	Richard	Name changed
Lawrence	Robert	Alive
	Wilbur	Alive—no sons
Charles Joseph	Michael	Alive—no sons
Ralph	Thomas	Died—no sons
	Steven	Alive—no sons
Richard	Richard, Jr.	Alive
	Ronald	Alive—no sons
	Robert	Alive
	Randall	Alive
John	John (known as Jack)	Alive
	David	Alive—no sons
Warren	Donald	Died
	Stanley	Alive—no sons
Phillip	Jeffrey	Alive—no sons
	Scott	Alive—no sons
	Peter	Alive
Harry Clark	Harry Jay	Alive
	Randall	Alive
	David	Alive
	Kevin	Died—no sons

So we have 17 known living in generation five, and one who very likely is living.

Generation six:

Father	Son	Son's Status
Robert	Richard	Alive—no sons
	Eli	Alive—no sons
Richard, Jr.	Eric	Alive—no sons
Robert	Nathan	Alive—no sons
Randall	Ian	Alive—no sons
Jack	Evan	Alive—no sons
Donald	Jonathan	Alive
Peter	Dylan	Alive—no sons
Harry Jay	Harry Jason	Alive—no sons
Randall	Jeffrey	Alive
	Gregory	Alive
	Peter	Alive
David	Mark	Alive—no sons
	Craig	Alive—no sons

So we have 14 known living in generation six. Note that most of these are still in their child-bearing years (or not yet into their child-bearing years), so we may have future Lyness males from this generation.

Generation seven:

	Father	Son	Son's Status
Jonathan		Alexander	Alive
Jeffrey		Adam	Alive
		Zachary	Alive
Gregory		Peyton	Alive
		Samuel	Alive
Peter		Owen	Alive

So we have six known living in generation seven. All of them are too young to have children of their own.

So there are 38 known living male Lynesses, plus one more likely to be living but unknown.

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