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## Lincoln High Newsletter

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**This week's topics:**

1. What was "your" song when you were going steady in High School?
2. Where did you go on your first date?
3. Ever participate in a sack race? Where? When?
4. Still burning wood? Did you have enough this winter?
5. Are you still using a clothes line?
6. Downton Abbey ended Sunday. What did you think of the series & the ending?
7. What do you think of current airline seating? Baggage fees?
8. Use algebra lately?
9. Ever feel like Job in the Bible?
10. Atheists think there is no hereafter. How do they justify the herenow?

**and responses:**

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Toni Weller Olsen - LHS '64 - [tonicrafty@gmail.com](mailto:tonicrafty@gmail.com)

I loved the series Downton Abbey and watched it from the beginning six years ago. The winds of change in British society were coming, but the characters were trying to adapt. What a great finale with no "loose ends."

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Brian Athorp - [athorpbrian@gmail.com](mailto:athorpbrian@gmail.com)

1. For Patt Kohnen and me it was "Unchained Melody". Ah sweet first love....
  2. A movie at the Wisconsin Theater, I'm sure.
  3. Racing to get into the sack? More times and places than I can remember! (Ahh sweet first love!)
  4. I've been burning wood every winter since '75. I make my own, from the stump to the stove, 8-10 cord a year. I burned much less than usual this winter, have lots left over.
  5. Have dryer, still use clothes line.
  6. Enjoyed Downton Abbey immensely, start-to-finish, on many levels. Maggie Smith was priceless. Enjoyed her in "Lady in the Van" as well.
  7. Never felt like Job.
  8. Big, BIG subject. I read Dante's Inferno in HS. Awesome, but I wasn't convinced. I liked Samuel Clemens' take on heaven, Letters >From the Earth, and C.S. Lewis' Screw Tape Letters, great satire on little minds. I don't expect to be let in. The most reasonable short commentary on the herenow I've read is the gnostic gospel of Thomas (the doubter), who wrote, "The kingdom of the Father is spread out upon the earth, only men do not see it". Not an atheist myself, but certainly a doubter.
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Lenore Haferman - [lenorehaferman@yahoo.com](mailto:lenorehaferman@yahoo.com)

My first date, we went bowling. Yes we still burn wood, we still have wood left, it was an easy winter. I loved Downton Abbey it made me think about all the different classes and levels of life. I do not talk about religion every one should keep their thoughts to themselves. Lenore Haferman P.S. I didn't think too much about being in the 60's but I turn 70 next month and that just seems so old.

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Barb Cammack - [barbaracammack@hotmail.com](mailto:barbaracammack@hotmail.com)

Both Bill and I loved Downton Abbey. We thought of spending 2 nights at the castle where it was filmed but it was something like \$900 per night so we passed.

We loved all the characters and were happy to see a sweet ending even if it was predictable and sappy.

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Leslie (Wolfe) Fitz - [lfitz@sjrmc.net](mailto:lfitz@sjrmc.net)

- 1) We are celebrating 50 years of marriage in July and those early days – age 16 – are still fresh in my mind as if it was yesterday. My song was I want to be "I Want to be Bobby's Girl" which I still sing to him, every so often. Our first date was lake fishing and the 2nd was the carnival on the 3rd of July and a picnic with his family on the 4th and we've been inseparable ever since (except when he was in Nam.) Our greatest fear is one of us dying because the other will be lost. But we're in great health and will continue to work at staying that way
  - 2) We went to a gas fireplace in 2014 and continue to heat our house with it. However, wood became scarce when we cut it ourselves and pricey when we had it delivered. Some of our happiest family memories are cutting wood up in the Colorado Mountains - though we had one incident when my sister-in-law sliced her hand with the chain saw. We do wish the BLM/ environmental groups would open up cutting out the deadwood that covers the mountain sides because of the pine beetle infestations. If you hear about forest fires in NM or Colorado this summer, it is because of poor land management along with pine beetle infestation.
  - 3) I really should not say anything at all but I will anyway: the political discussions are enough to make me feel ashamed and distressed. I wonder where people think this vindictive anger will take us. Whatever happened to dignity and honest debate? We had a saying in our family and it's one I continue to live by: "Don't let anger win." Truth is, we're going to get what we deserve if we continue on this path. And, that will be fearsome! Thanks for letting me spout off.
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Cause: Adequate Toilet Paper for All -

A couple of days ago I read in my local Washington Post newspaper that less well off people in this country can't afford to stock up on toilet paper when it's on sale. In fact, in some Dollar Stores it's sold at a steep price one roll at a time! Imagine always being that close to running out. I've heard of miniature soaps sold one at a time in India, or individual cigarettes in Latin America, but toilet paper?

Everyone should have access and it shouldn't be of the sandpaper or newsprint variety. The days of the Sears catalog in the outhouse are long gone.

And when we're asked to donate to the local shelter, it's always soup, crackers or some such - never TP. Perhaps it's time for the clergy in their homilies to add a request for donations of at least 4 pack rolls of embossed toilet paper for our less fortunate brothers and sisters. Imagine the National Cathedral barricaded with overflowing blocks of TP the next Sunday. Maybe Charmin could sponsor a collection as well.

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First date with wife, Judy Hanneman

I gave her a Montgomery Ward "coupon".

**Good for something special from Wards - namely the Asst Mgr**

And it also included a day of horseback riding, tennis, and dinner at the Mead.

Our song - *Bridge over Troubled Water* - which seemed to be playing at the Brig whenever we stopped in.

